North Star Mohican Casino Resort's 27th Year



North Star Mohican Casino Resort general manager Michael Bonakdar, center, cuts into a cake for the resort's 27th anniversary. (L to R):Terrance Miller, Tammy Wyrobeck, Jachim Jaddoud, Bonakdar, Kirsten Holland, and Brian Denny. **Casino continued on page Four:** 

## Whose homeland is the Mohawk Trail?



The Mohawk Trail, or Massachusetts Route 2, is a roadway between Williamstown and Montague.

Elodie Reed - Special to The Eagle

Mohicans and the Mohawk Trail - Part I

A look at the erased history of the trail and the native people who once used it

By Elodie Reed, Eagle correspondent

When they lived in the westernmost parts of what's now known as Massachusetts, the People of the Waters That Are Never Still kept busy with activities similar to those advertised today to tourists coming to the Berkshires.

They hiked the woods and hunted black bear, deer and turkey. They fished the waterways, and they planted the soil with corn, beans and squash. They created beautiful, artisanal things, from pottery to decorated clothing. In wintertime, they hunkered down in their wigwams and told stories. In spring, they emerged and gathered sap to make maple syrup.

Native scholar Dorothy Davids, a member of the People of the Waters That Are Never Still — also known as the Mohican tribe — described their way of life in her 2004 booklet, "A Brief History of the Mohican Nation Stockbridge-Munsee Band." Davids' narrative recounts her tribe's long-ago arrival in North America, its settlement in the valley along the Mahicannituck River, and its encounter with Henry Hudson, who sailed up that river in 1609 and provided its eventual new name.

Following decimation by disease, conflicts with Mohawks over the fur trade, fighting for the American

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Holsey Key Note at WIEA and Burr is Teacher of the Year

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

This year the Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) Awards Banquet was held at the Hotel Mead and Conference Center in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. The theme this year was "12 Nations, 2 Worlds, 1 People". The Stockbridge-Munsee Community was well represented at the conference with President Shannon Holsey as the keynote speaker and several people from the area being recognized at the awards banquet at the end of the event, including Lucille Burr being recognized as Teacher of the Year.

President Holsey addressed a roomful of teachers, students and family members, and educational leaders. Holsey started by saying, "I'm very humbled to be here and want to take this opportunity to thank each one of you that are here today because I recognize the important work that you do on our tribal nation's behalf. It's not quite that simple, in terms



Indian Educator of the Year is Ms. Lucille Burr Stockbridge–Munsee Community Tribal member and, Title VI Teacher, Shawano School District

you are really, truly the people that educate our children. It is so important to support you, as we speak to the future of Wisconsin, we also need to speak to the future of our infrastructure and growing that infrastructure in a profound way. That means supporting our educational institutions, and

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## A Street Named Mohican

By Terry L. Shepard Special to the Mohican News

Just as "Mohican" is used in commercial products around the world, it is a widespread street name here in the United States.

Sometimes it appears in parts of towns that employ multiple tribal names. In DeForest, Wisconsin, Mohican Pass runs into Mohawk Trail. (A historian would wonder if there are a lot of violent collisions at that intersection). In Redwood City, California, Mohican Way merges with Seminole Way.

In a subdivision in Bakersfield, California, Mohican Drive is only 3 blocks long and surrounded by showy horse names: it intersects with Secretariat Lane & Bronco Lane, and is near Dressage, Steeplechase and Polo Club Drives.



There are nearby streets named for Indian nations but Mohican Drive somehow never connects with Chippewa Street or, a few blocks over, Iroquois, Nez Perce, Pawnee and others. The final home for sale on the cul de sac end of Mohican Drive is advertised as "The Last Mohican."

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## Kãawãakoomne?nã (We give you our greetings)

beginner Mohican classes draws to a close, held on wednesday

Everyone is welcome to attend, enjoy some community and mispronounce our way through to success. Starting at everyday greetings between neighbors and relatives, we work through simple commands from drink some water to asking if someone is hungry.

Children are welcome and colors and paper are there for them to draw and play. Realizing this is a busy time of year, sports, gardening and all the other things we shake off winter with... let's turn this into a fun hour on wednesday.

I am just getting back into the community again; I enjoy the visiting and meeting new relatives and neighbors. We can turn this into a little happiness on a usually quiet night of the week.

May 15th ended the six week run... so next week we start over again. Come on out and honor your ancestors...just by sending these words, these vibrations, shows respect. Our last fluent speakers passed on in the thirty's and words were tossed around still into the

Another six week session of fifties and sixties. Think how proud they would be to know we still care enough to practice and learn them.

> In our everyday hustle and bustle it's not hard to by-pass this project, but with our Blood Quantum and deliberations, questions exasperated by an unstable political situation concerning all Indians in Washington D.C. This just kind of ammo we need to show...we are who we are in 2019 and we plan on staying vibrant and relevant in the future.

> Speaking to Ms. Noondin from the Milwaukee Indian school, our children are waiting to have their day in the sun...they practice Menominee, Oneida, Ho-Chunk and Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe, Potawatomi) hours. Our Stockbridge-Munsee thirst for their turn.

> After conferring with my colleague Mohawk, both Mohawk and myself agree that their importance is paramount. Let's face it, pride is a cornerstone of Indian existence, if not, the poor beaten down NEW YORK INDIANS would have packed and faded long ago.

One of our closest relatives, the

Brothertown, beaten out of their land with the citizenship clause to supposedly evade having to go Kansas, have held onto their history and struggle to maintain their place in Indian country.

benevolent Algonquin neighbors who granted us our proud homeland, awoke one day to the government telling them they weren't even Indians. They had never sold land to French, British, nor Americans and yet they to were bullied, cheated and suffered genocidal practices to end up where they live today. The Winnebago located now

Nebraska are removal victims from Wisconsin, the returnees are now known to us as the Ho-Chunk.

Ouu-taa-Gaa-mii were pushed out and on to Tama, Iowa. Point being we have to do all we can for our coming generations of Mohican Nation people.

Exercising sovereignty starts with language, water and land rights and the list goes on....let's start small...drop by on a Wednesday at the Arvid E. Miller Library & Museum, from 5-6 pm. you will be doing more than just having a little

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO FILE APPPLICATION

Stockbridge-Munsee Community intends to file an application for federal financial assistance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service. The project includes replacing lift stations, security fencing installation and additional sewer Any comments regarding improvements. this application should be submitted to the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Office located at N8476 Moh He Con Nuck Rd, Bowler, WI 54416 or call Public Works Director at 715-793-4854.

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## **Debt of Gratitude**

I can't express my debt of gratitude to Chris Harvey...I first met Chris when he was working for Indigenous Language Institute in 1996 at a seminar in Oneida called "Storytelling through Technology"....My search for enough Mahican to create a number and animal childrens book was barely available to me and that was Schmicks Dictionary by Carl Masthay. Who after contact in 1993 told me he didn't have any answers because he had assembled and edited words together but was not an algonquin expert. He appreciated my zealous attitude and gave me the corpus of his work...pointed me to the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania basically Ben Franklin's library. That adventure opened the world of amatuer algonquin reseach to me...Thomas Jefferson...Heckwelder....Speck. I poured over every piece of Mahican literature, I could find. I had my scraps and pieces in a laundry basket in my car at lunch break I

approached Mr. Harvey and he was willing to at least look...we went to side room and stayed there the rest of the day. 1996 to present and we have a viable understanding of our language, with word roots and the ability to dissect and enter the Algonquin mindset. Visit the languagegeek.com see the vast amount of indigenous languages Chris Harvey has helped. I urge anyone to at least tune in or attend an evening at the library when it is up and running again. The death of William Dick in 1933 made major news from Chicago to Milwaukee to Sheboygan as the last Speaker of the Mahican language. We have a chance to honor our relatives with fresh voices speaking the words and worldview of our ancestors...please feel free to join us...Chris Harvey is a gifted language GENIUS and I know I am not the only one with this opinion.

Larry Madden

## A Good Experience

I had the privilege to attend the Cancer Share the Care conference in Milwaukee at the Potawatomi Casino and Hotel. I was on the 17th floor, overlooking some Milwaukee sites like Mitchell Park, Miller Park and Marquette University soccer field. At night it looked like a giant Christmas tree lit up with different lights. We had wonderful grand opening with Milwaukee Indian School drumming. Catherine Bowman's "twin" son was one of the lead drummers and close behind was Adrian Vele III. They did a wonderful job. It made me proud of our tribe. The flags and Eagle Staff were carried by different tribes Veterans. Behind them was the pink shawls honoring all types of cancers. Presented at the cancer conference was new

ideas of finding cures, traditional medicines ect. The people were friendly and helpful and all the tribes were united as one. This was my first time in Milwaukee. Small gifts were given to all. I was one of the speakers about my cancer and journey and being cancer free for 13 years. This is one of the most informative conference I attended. Its important to me because someday I want to be a spokesman about cancers. I know there are different cancers. I'm survivor and each person needs all of the hope and strength they can get from everybody and family. God bless all you battling this. Remember your community is backing you too. Next year's host is Oneida Tribe.

Katie Lewis Miller

## Opportunity to travel to Stockbridge, Mass. homelands this summer—to record videos for Main St. Walking Tour!

Historic Preservation is developing an online Stockbridge Main Street Mohican History tour and needs your help!

We are looking for several enrolled tribal members to travel out east this summer to be recorded for short videos in front of 11 historic sites in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Participants would have a script to go from and would be recorded for short (approx. 2-minutes each) videos about why that site is significant to the Tribe's heritage—such as the former homesite of Sachem Umpachenee or Konkapot, or the John Sergeant Mission House. The videos will be part of an online history tour being developed.

- •Filming will be done by a local film school. There is an option to also record oral histories if you would like to, but not required.
- •Travel costs will be funded by Housatonic Heritage organization.
- •Tentative travel dates: July 10-12, 2019

Please notify Bonney Hartley of your interest at bonney.hartley@mohican-nsn.gov or 518-244-3164 by May 31.



Thanks!

I want to thank Rainer Posselt for stepping in and helping out in a time of need. You are a quick study and dedicated young man with a huge amount of initiative!

Sincerely, Jeff Vele - Mohiccan News Editor **Veterans Corner** 



Gregg W. Duffek, Tribal Veterans Service Officer

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## What is food sovereignty?

Food Sovereignty is the right of communities to choose where and how their food is produced, as well as what food they consume, and the food sovereignty movement seeks to guarantee these basic rights for communities around the world. Fighting against corporate control of agriculture, family farmers and fisherman are leading the way to change in the food system. The farm on Maple Road has some strategic planning for the future in hopes of achieving food sovereignty. The farm plans on raising grass fed cattle and growing organic crops in abundance to feed our community. According to the web page <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.firstnations.org/summit/: First Nations Development Institute and the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin are pleased to announce that the national Food Sovereignty Summit will be held September 23-26, 2019, at the Radisson Hotel in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

This is the forum for sharing and collaboration to build healthy food systems within our Native communities. Attendees come from tribal communities all over that are actively involved in food sovereignty work, including caring for our land, sustaining food systems, strengthening tribal sovereignty and partnerships between Native nations.

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#### Casino cont from page One:

The North Star Mohican Casino Resort recently celebrated its 27th anniversary at the Orion Event Center with a cookout meal served for everyone. The casino cooked up burgers and brats with all of the fixings for visitors and anyone else who wanted to attend. There was also musical entertainment to entertain everyone throughout the day. Those in attendance received free T-shirts and got to spin the wheel for prizes.

North Star's general manager Michael Bonkadar said the casino is doing well this year and they are very proud of the efforts of their staff and the great number of visitors who come to the North Star. There were more than a couple of hundred people who

were enjoying their meal while others were getting into line to get into the event center.

Bonkadar said it is no coincidence that the North Star is known for being the friendliest casino in the area. He said the staff works hard at making sure that the customer's service is the number one goal of everyone working there.

Since the casino opened in 1992 the number one goal of management has been to make the casino a place where people want to come. The casino staff, including Marie Collum, has been working tirelessly to get top notch entertainers into the Orion Event Center. Charlie Pride just filled the room to capacity with a diverse crowd of young and old that wanted to hear the legend perform.

Mohican cont from page One:

Explainable perhaps only by large cities having more streets than available local names are Mohican Street in Philadelphia and Mohican Avenue in Detroit and San Diego.

At the high end of the fame scale may be Mohican Road in Augusta, Georgia, just off the edge of Augusta National Golf Club, home of the Masters tournament. If Tiger Woods hooks a long drive on the 10<sup>th</sup> hole, his ball could bounce onto Mohican Road. Not as likely to see a professional golfer is just plain Mohican, a street with no last name that is a single block long in a trailer park in Las Cruces, New Mexico.

You can drive down streets named Mohican in many U.S. states. Not surprisingly, such "Mohican" names are most common along the Many Trails or in towns with Indian-themed streets. They are most scarce in northern New England, the Great Plains, the Southwest (except, for some reason. Texas), the Pacific Northwest. Alaska and Hawaii. In the South, Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana make small contributions to the list while South Carolina and Florida appear several times each.

An incomplete list gleaned from Google Maps:

Camp Mohican Road: Blair- Landing, NY. stown, NJ.

Little Mohican Drive: Fort Worth. TX.

Mohican Avenue: Buffalo, NY; Pittsburgh, PA; Cleveland, OH; Detroit, MI; San Diego, CA; Placentia, CA; New Port Richey, FL; Ronkonkoma, NY; Landing, NJ;

Roxbury Township, NJ; Waterburv. CT; Morgan, NC; Kettering, OH; Logan, OH; Massillon, OH; Boise, ID; Pahrump, NV; Apple Valley,

Mohican Boulevard: Jupiter, FL; Akron, OH.

Mohican Circle: Waukesha. WI: Oneonta, NY; West End, NY; Effort, PA; Oneida, PA; Portsmouth, VA; Logan, OH; Carmel, IN; West Lafayette, IN; Pequot Lakes, MN; Warrenton, MO; Freemont, CA; Indian Wells, CA; Walnut Creek, CA. Mohican Court: Green Bay, WI; Middletown, NJ; Morganville, NJ; Galloway, NJ; Frederick, MD; Joliet, IL; Mendota Heights, MN.

Mohican Cove: Franklin Township, OH; Lake Waynoka, OH.

Mohican Drive: Beloit, WI; Pittsburgh, PA; San Jose, CA; Bakersfield, CA; Dagsboro, DE; Melbourne, FL; Cairo, NY; Middletown, NJ; Galloway, NJ; Westfield, NJ; Frederick, MD; Greensburg, PA; Shohola, PA; Easton, PA; Schnecksville, PA; Louisburg, NC; Georgetown, SC; Sumter, SC; Eatonton, GA; Canal Winchester, OH; Dover, OH; Fredericktown, OH: Loveland. OH: New Marshfield, OH; Waterloo Township, OH; Patoka, IN; Syracuse, IN; Round Lake Heights, IL; Robertsville, MO; Brighton, MI; Clarkston, MI; Auburn, AL; Pell City, AL; Lake Charles, LA; Shawnee, OK; Cypress, TX; Sherman, TX; Cimarron Hills, CO.

Mohican Heights Drive: Bolton

Mohican Hill Court: Louisville,

Mohican Hill Road: Fairfield, CT. Mohican Lake Road: Glen Spey,

Mohican Lake Trail: Pinckney,

Mohican Lane: Irvington, NY;



Plattsburgh, NY; Fairfield, CT; Bristol, CT; Wallingford, CT; Franklin Lakes, NJ; Little Egg Harbor Township, NJ; Manchester Township, NJ; Whiting, NJ; Coolbaugh Township, PA; Lusby, MD; Logan, OH; Oskemos, MI; Westland, MI; Loda, IL; Mendota Heights, MN; Kingsport, TN; Shreveport, LA; Provo, UT.

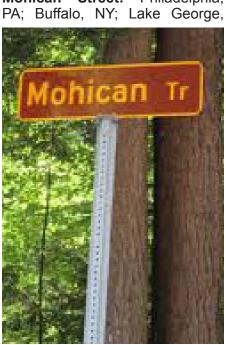
Mohican Pass: Madison, Wis.; DeForest, WI; Ballston Spa, NY. Mohican Park Avenue: Dobbs Ferry, NY.

Mohican Park Road: Perrysville, OH.

Mohican Path: Marlborough, MA. Mohican Place: Slingerlands, NY; Cranford, NJ; Lake Hiawatha, NJ; Bethesda, MD; Meadville, PA; Kent, OH; West Lafayette, IN; Shelbyville, TN; Boise, ID; Mount Vernon, WA.

Mohican Road: Janesville, WI; Indianapolis, IN; Bolton, NY; Newburgh, NY; Orange Lake, NY; Blairstown, NJ; Hardwick Township, NJ; Highland Lakes, NJ; Middlefield, CT; Old Saybrook, CT; Westbrook, CT; Watertown, CT; Somerset, MA; Bethesda, MD; Lake Ridge, VA; Petsworth, VA; Portsmouth, VA; Ruckersville, VA; Wheeling, WV; Augusta, GA; Canadensis, PA; East Stroudsburg, PA; Northampton, PA; Lake Ariel, PA; East Stroudsburg, PA; Findley, OH; Perrysville, OH; Stow, OH; Waukegan, IL; Gold Canyon, AZ; Kamas, UT; Casper, WY.

Mohican Street: Philadelphia,



NY; Glens Falls, NY; Johnsburg, NY; Bethlehem, PA; Roseto, PA; Lester, PA; Essington, PA; Brewster, OH; St. Francis, MN; Baton Rouge, LA; Denton, TX; Round Rock, TX; Sandy Valley, NV; Hayward, CA; Simi Valley, CA; Aloha, OR.

Mohican Terrace: Bolton Landing, NY; Hudson Falls, NY.

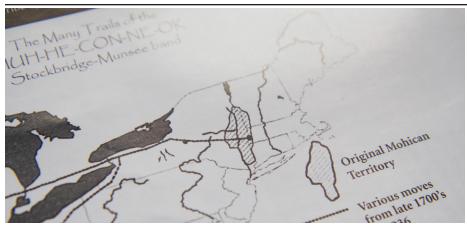
Mohican Trail: Waukesha, WI; Onalaska, WI; Bethel, NY; Clayton, NY; Glen Spey, NY; North Creek, NY; Scarsdale, NY; Oak Ridge, NJ; Westampton, NJ; West Milford, NJ; Pocono Lake PA; Ruckersville, VA; Nahunta, GA; Jeffersonville, KY; Jamestown, OH; Fort Wayne, IN; Syracuse, IN.; Greensburg, IN; Owosso, MI; Pine, CO.

Mohican Way: Falling Waters, NY; Waterford, NY; Middletown, NJ; Provo, UT; Redwood City, CA. Mohican: Las Cruces, NM.

Terry L. Shepard is a retired journalist and First Generation Direct Descendant, the son of the late Gordon D. Shepard and grandson of the late Grace Meredith Yoccum Shepard.

(Editors Note: We want to thank Terry for all of the research he has put into these articles for the Mohican News. Terry has said he would like to do some book reviews on Mohican themed material. We look forward to the discourse these reviews may bring).





#### Trail cont from page One:

Revolution, Christianization and then expulsion by colonizers in the 18th century, about 1,500 members of the Mohican Nation Stockbridge-Munsee Band survive today.

Half of the tribe's population lives on or near reservation land in Wisconsin. None have an obvious presence in the portion of their homelands between the Hoosic and Westfield rivers, dubbed just over a century ago as the "Mohawk Trail."

#### **Clarifying history**

Today, most histories about the section of Massachusetts Route 2 between Williamstown and Montague sound like the summary in the Mohawk Trail Association's guidebook.

They start with the millennia that indigenous people used footpaths between what are now called the Hudson and Connecticut river valleys. They detail how the Pocumtucks, once located in present-day Deerfield, shared salmon fishing spots with the Mohawks, who traveled over from present-day northern New York.

Finally, they acknowledge the introduction of Europeans, how they wanted native land, how this led to battle between the Mohawks and the Pocumtucks, and how Wampanoag sachem Metacom (also known as King Philip) passed over the trail to try and recruit native people to go to war against the colonizers, a war he eventually lost.

Apart from small mentions in sources like in late Williams College graduate Robert Quay's 2004 senior thesis, "Mohawks, Model Ts, and Monuments," there is little indication around the Mohawk Trail — in its histories or along the road — of Mohicans. It's difficult to find reference to the fact that a chunk of the land once belonged to the tribe, or how they, like Mohawk, Pocumtuck and Wampanoag descendants, are still alive today.

The disconnect goes both ways: the Mohican Nation's tribal historic preservation office manager, Sherry White, said she doesn't know anything about the Mohawk Trail, either.

"[I]n fact, I never heard of it for the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe," she said.

Recovering the past and present

Stockbridge-Munsee Band The lived in Stockbridge prior to its removal West. While the Berkshire County portion of the Mohawk Trail falls within what the tribe describes as its territory, there is little archeological evidence and no recent excavations showing historical indigenous settlement there. This means White's office, which operates under the 1990 federal Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, wouldn't be called out to protect resources there.

Mitchell Mulholland, who directed UMass Archaeological Services for 27 years before retiring in 2011, has surveyed the Mohawk Trail, including the area in Berkshire County. He said steep slopes, cold temperatures and sub-par soils in the uplands made archeological finds unlikely.

Mulholland added that in the flatter, warmer and more promising sections by the Hoosic River in North Adams and Williamstown, heavy development, along with amateur digs from the 1940's ruined potential sites. Some of those unsanctioned digs did uncover millennia-old projectile points in Norther Berkshire, though no evidence of indigenous people living in the area.

"You don't find much," he said.

Another reason for opaque native representation around the Mohawk Trail: the enormous loss that happens whenever colonizers move into indigenous homelands. Davids' laid this out in her booklet about the Stockbridge-Munsee Band. She wrote that the changes the new Americans brought to her tribe "worked together to cause a breakdown in their traditional Mohican life and beliefs."

Thousands died from conflict and disease. Colonial governments drew boundaries on the land — indigenous resources — and forced dependency on white people. European languages replaced the Mohican one. Tribe members sold cultural artifacts in times of poverty. And they ultimately had to leave the place they had lived for many, many generations.

According to Davids, the Stockbridge-Munsee Band began working in 1969 to both reclaim its past and assert its presence. Tribal members made numerous trips to eastern New York and western

Massachusetts to research their history. They collected papers, artifacts and repatriated items at the Arvid E. Miller Memorial Library Museum.

"Over the past 60-some years, the Stockbridge-Munsee have not only survived," Davids wrote. "The community has grown."

## **Mohawk Trail today**

In the process of re-opening the Wigwam Western Summit which sits on the Mohawk Trail in North Adams — in October 2018 with her partner, Wayne Gelinas, owner Lea King did her research. She read in the library, spoke with the Wigwam's former owners and studied historic postcards. She learned about the Mansfield sisters, the four developers who opened the shop to coincide with the Mohawk Trail's official opening as an auto road in 1914. She saw the old images depicting the tower that once stood to the side of the main building. She understood that, prior to its latest rendition, the Wigwam sold Native American souvenirs.

"I try to be as authentic as I can about the Wigwam's history," King said.

She kept, for instance, the shop's old lit-up sign, which depicts not a wigwam, but a Plains-style teepee. King chose to hang it up over the kitchen window inside the store, however, so Gelinas could erect the Wigwam's new logo outside. (Among other things, it depicts an actual wigwam.)

Even as they preserve its past, King and Gelinas have made more updates to the business. They have traded trinkets for coffee and merchandise walls for picture windows, for instance, partly because they don't want to compete with similar shops, and partly because they don't know much about native people in the area.

"I could do all the Googling that I want, but there's not a lot of information," King said.

She recently identified tribes — Mohawk, Mohican, Wampanoag and Pocumtuck — associated with the Mohawk Trail so she could name the Wigwam's renovated cabins after them. King did this out of what she described as honor, though she welcomed any guidance on how to represent indigenous people at the Wigwam. "I don't want to offend anyone," she said, adding that she didn't want to commercialize another culture for profit, either.

## **Mohawk Trail past**

King has a markedly different attitude than the early purveyors of the Mohawk Trail. Stan Brown, whose father, Harold Brown, opened Brown's Garage around 1920 to serve the Ford Model T's climbing the hills of Florida, said the original businesses capitalized on a simplified — and inaccurate — tale of a mythological native

people long gone.

"People took advantage of the Indian theme," Brown said. He added that people also "mixed it up some" when they marketed symbols belonging to America's geographical West, such as the teepee on the Wigwam's old sign. This region's mischaracterization of indigenous people in order to promote tourism is documented at length in Quay's 2004 thesis, "Mohawks, Model Ts, and Monuments."

Quay examined "The Pageant of the Mohawk Trail," which local actors performed four times in North Adams' Hoosac Valley Park to publicize the completion of the Mohawk Trail touring route. It purported to trace North Adams' local history from the receding of glacial waters thousands of years ago all the way up to the 20th century, though the pageant relied on more national themes of westward expansion.

"Its romantic narrative portrayed the history of the Mohawk Trail as an inevitable progression from primitive Indian wilderness through Anglo pioneer simplicity to modern Anglo American civilization," Quay wrote.

The telling of this narrative included no actualnative people, as far as Quay could tell. For the initial pageant episodes, such as the "First Indian" paddling a canoe, or the "French and Indian" allies attacking English colonizers at Fort Massachusetts, he wrote that it appeared to be all white people dressed in dark suits filling the native roles.

After the pageant's mid-1700's episode and once the "early settlers" came in, Quay noted, native people — play-acted or otherwise — disappeared from the scene all together. The pageant erased from history not only the surviving members of tribes indigenous to the Mohawk Trail area, but also the conflict between the European "early settlers" and the native people they displaced. According to Quay, this "presented a distorted history ... that absolved European Americans of responsibility for the violent conquest of Indians.'

https://www.berkshireeagle.com/stories/whose-homeland-is-the-mohawk-trail,572346

(Editor's Note: The author, Eloise Reed, reached out to Bonnie Hartley seeking out pictures for this group of three articles that she wrote of the Berkshire Eagle. I thought these articles would be of interest to you, our readers. These articles are being printed in the Mohican News with permission of the Berkshire Eagle and Eloise Reed. We want to thank Eloise for the pictures included in the articles).

## Native Nations\_UW Leadership Highlights Directions For Partnerships



The University of Wisconsin-Madison and the 12 Native Nations in Wisconsin met May 10 for a day of discussion about new and ongoing partnerships to improve health services, preserve environment, develop the economies, strengthen local families, and expand educational opportunities.

Among the announcements at the Native Nations-UW Leadership Summit: the university and the Tribes will collaboratively pursue the creation of a culturally responsive research center on indigenous issues, and UW-Madison will hire a tribal relations liaison to identify opportunities and facilitate communication between UW-Madison and tribal governments in Wisconsin on matters of shared interest. The position will jointly report to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for University Relations and the Division of Extension.

"It's wonderful to see the enthusiasm in this room - and back on campus - as we explore ways we can work more closely together," UW-Madison Chancellor Rebecca Blank said.

The summit in Madison was the second such gathering for university officials and representatives from 12 tribes. About 80 people attended, including Stockbridge-Munsee Director of Education, Employment, and Training Jolene Bowman, Ph.D.

Dr. Bowman said, "We are responsible to create a space for our respective tribal citizens to express themselves authentically and truthfully with the knowledge and practice of their ancestors at the core of their individual paths each and every day. As such, I look forward to continued dialogue as there is much work to be done. Culturally responsive work in research and building persistence in higher education works for all".

The first summit, in 2015, was convened as a centennial event commemorating the Society of American Indians; visit to campus in 1914. This led to the creation the following year of the Native Nations-UW Working Group. The group was charged by the provosts of UW-Madison, University of Wisconsin Colleges, and the University of Wisconsin Extension to partner with Native Nations in Wisconsin on a range of educational, research and outreach initiatives.

"I really like that we're here today, and I'm really encouraged by what's going on," said Mic Isham Jr., executive administrator of the Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission and former chairman of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. "The partnership feels genuine. I think it will have valuable benefits, and not just on the research end, but also in how many Native students are at UW-Madison and how the university can better support them."

Thomas Boelter, administrator of education and culture for the Forest County Potawatomi, said the most important thing is that everyone is together in the same

"We won't be able to get anyplace until we at least begin the dialogue, so I believe there's hope for the future," he said. "I believe the UW-System can help the Tribes as much as the Tribes can help them. It can be an equal partnership."

The idea for an indigenous collaborative research center has been developing on campus for decades, said Jessie Conaway, co-chair of the Native Nations-UW Working Group and a faculty associate at the Nelson Institute. A draft planning proposal describes the governance structure as an advisory board with 50 percent representation from Native Nations and the university.

The center would build culturally responsive research capacity on campus, develop research opportunities for students, facilitate | education. She has even been joint grant-writing opportunities.

Summit and ensure that the research is community driven and results in local benefits for Tribes.

> "The center can help us build more robust research collaborations involving and supporting tribal communities, particularly Wisconsin but throughout the Great Lakes Region," Blank said.

> Feedback on the proposed center was largely enthusiastic, with caveats. Patty Loew, a professor in the Medill School of Journalism and director of the Center for Native American and Indigenous Research at Northwestern University, said such a center, to be culturally sensitive and responsive, will need to operate differently than UW-Madison's many other research centers. Everything from the way funds are secured to how research results are used will need to be addressed, said Loew, who has a deep history with UW-Madison and the working group.

> "The university is really going to have to think about structurally changing the way it does research if it really wants to partner with Native people," she said.

> Jessica Ryan, a tribal council member with Brothertown Indian Nation, said she appreciates that all 12 tribes are at the table and that they are being included in every stage of development, including the brainstorming phase. Too often, tribes are consulted only toward the end of a planning process, she said.

"I'm grateful for the conversation from the outset - the dreaming and I ask that you continue that so that we can come together in a meaningful way," she said.

The summit also served to renew existing commitments. Several faculty members and students showcased projects that are helping the university meet the priorities set out in the working group's strategic plan. Among those priorities, the university:

•Hosts precollege programs for Tribal youth, and its admissions team now makes regular visits to high schools identified as having large Native populations - not only in Wisconsin but in New Mexico, Arizona, and North and South Dakota.

 Has hired four new Native American faculty and will hire three more in a new research cluster that will focus on "Native American Environment, Community Health." Additionally, the UW System has hired an American Student Indian Success Coordinator.

cultural Held its first responsiveness training for faculty. staff and administrators. More are planned.

 Welcomes tribal leaders and educators to campus through new Elders-in-Residence Program.

(Photo courtesy of Jeff Miller).

## Arce's giving spirit unstoppable by time, school or health

Youth volunteer recognized by SACF

By: Lee Pulaski <u>lpulaski@</u> newmedia-wi.com

Editor's Note: The Shawano Area Community Foundation, in conjunction with The Shawano Leader, has staged a Celebration of Giving Volunteer of the Year promotion for the last 10 years. Each year, select area volunteers are presented \$1,000 cash grants for their efforts to improve the quality of life in the Wolf River Region. The awards, sponsored by area businesses, are then reinvested back into area nonprofit organizations at the direction of the award winners. This is the last in a series profiling outstanding volunteers in the community.

Anvone who has lived or visited the Gresham area has likely seen Aurora Arce around.

She is constantly helping with fundraisers, blood drives and other activities at Gresham Community School. She helps her tribe with advice on the future of a representative for Mohican



Veterans by serving as their princess.

Arce does all this and a lot more, even as she struggles with chronic health issues.

It is that giving spirit for which the Shawano Area Community Foundation has awarded Arce its 2019 Youth Volunteer Award, sponsored by the Shawano Optimist Club and Shawano Rotary.

Arce is currently president of **Arce continued on page Twelve:** 

# 2019 Wisconsin Indian Education Association Conference Winners, Presenters, and Guests





American Indian College Fund to Continue College Access and Success Program with \$2.5 Million, Three-Year Grant



The American Indian College Fund promotes access to a higher education and provides students with the tools they need to succeed and graduate once in college.

Denver, Colo.—April 25, 2019—Native American and Alaska Native students are in a college-going and completion crisis. Research shows the national rate of all students going to college within six months of graduation after high school is 70%. For Native American and Alaska Native students, those numbers are closer to 20%.

The American Indian College Fund knows that education improves the lives of individuals, their families, and entire communities, yet scholarships are not enough for student success. It needed to create a college-going culture with prospective students to ensure the transition to college and support them while in college. Thanks to a \$2.5 million grant renewal for 36 months from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the College Fund will continue its work to increase college access and success through the College Fund's Native Pathways to College Program.

The College Fund's Pathways program is divided into four components working with students.

The High School Admissions Pathway program works to increase the college-going rate of Native Pathways participants closer to the national college going rate.

The College Bridge Pathway works to bring Tribal College and Universities (TCUs) and area high schools together to help prepare students for the academic and social environments at college.

The Tribal College Transfer Pathway aims to increase the retention rate of TCU students, increase the number of TCU graduates, and increase the number TCU graduates transferring to a four-year institution.

The Student Success Pathway will support successful transition and increase retention of students who transition into a new institution of higher education.

The program will continue its work in broadening a college culture and college completion at more schools across the nation, with the goal of working with 90 reservation-based high schools and 30 TCUs in 11 states, impacting approximately 16,000 students. The College Fund will provide training materials and will work with students, staff, and community members on college access workshops, coaching, and events.

Cheryl Crazy Bull, President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, said, "The College Fund and the Andrew Mellon Foundation share a vision of equity that emerges when young people see themselves as having an education that leads to a better life. Engaged, active citizenship rooted in Native identity is our goal. We know that all of society benefits from healthy communities, diverse knowledge, and improved economies. We are pleased that the Andrew. W. Mellon Foundation looks beyond the academy to the TRIBAL future of our society in our youth."

# F.R.E.S.H. Project Sponsors 1<sup>st</sup> Annual 5K Scrabble Fun Walk/Run

The whole family is invited to join in the F.R.E.S.H. Project's 1st Annual 5K Scrabble Fun Walk/Run during the first Shawano Farmers Market of the season on Saturday, June 15, at Franklin Park. Everyone participating in the Walk/Run will get a free F.R.E.S.H. Project t-shirt and have a chance to win a grand prize! The event starts at 9 AM from the Project's booth at the Farmers Market. But participants can begin at their own time and set their own pace, with the event wrapping up at 11 AM.

The 5K route is all in town and includes five booths where walkers and runners can learn about the F.R.E.S.H. Project and collect Scrabble . Once someone completes the 5K the route, they'll place their letters on the Scrabble board and try to spell a word. The person with the most points from their word will be the grand prize winner!

"Everyone had such a great time at last year's event and we were asked to bring the fun run/walk back again to start off this year's Shawano Farmers Market." said F.R.E.S.H. Project Executive Director Barb Mendoza. "Everyone comes out a winner with a great walk or run through town, a free t-shirt, and fun playing a game



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The Fun Walk/Run is a fundraiser for the F.R.E.S.H. Project, which is working to make ensure everyone in the community has access to good food. Registration is \$15 for adults 18 years or older, \$10 for youth 17 years old and younger. To register go to Eventbrite: <a href="https://">https://</a> www.eventbrite.com/e/freshprojects-1st-annual-scrabblewalkrun-tickets-58593422504 and through our website www. thefreshproject.org. For more information, email barbara@ thefreshproject.org or call 715-526-5206.

The Project's work is made possible through the generous support of the Community Foundation of the Fox Valley Region and community and private donations. All these efforts are geared toward fulfilling the Project's mission of "Building the foundation for healthier, accessible, and sustainable food systems by increasing food security, educating, and engaging the community."



On Tuesday, May 7, 2019, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken on the motions:

Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey; Present
Matthew Putnam; Present
Terrie Terrio; Present
Sterling Schreiber: Present
Marv Malone; Present
Jeremy Mohawk; Funeral
Craig Kroening Jr.; Present
APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

**Add:** Utility Budget Modification Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, agenda as amended. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried.

## MEETING MINUTES: Regular 04-16-19

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, April 4, 2019. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

TRIBAL FINANCIALS FOR FEBRUARY (approval) and MARCH (posting) 2019-Amanda

## Stevens, CFO

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the January and February 2019 Tribal Financials, and to post the March 2019 Tribal Financials. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

# LONG TERM INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adopt resolution 044-19, now therefore be it resolved, that the Tribal Council hereby approves sole sourcing the long-term investment accounts to Key Bank based on the existing relationship and excellent service received along with the recommendation and request from the investment Committee; and be it further resolved, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the transfer of the long-term investment accounts from UBS to Key Bank; be finally resolved, that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal President, Tribal Vice-President, and/or Tribal Treasurer to execute any and all paperwork necessary **Directives cont on pg Thirteen:** 

## **Summer Garden Series**

Join us to learn tips and tricks to help your garden grow Tuesdays, starting at 4:45pm

From the Earth Farm: N7534 Maple Rd, Bowler

## June 18th-Build Your Own Trellis

Save garden space and your back by trellising key plants in your garden. This will be a hands on workshop where you will build a trellis to take home. RSVP to Kellie by June 11th

## July 23rd- Three Sisters Garden Update

Learn how to manage a Three Sisters Garden during the summer to increase fall harvest.



### August 13th-Planting Cover Crops

Learn how cover crops can help feed your soil long after your vegetables are done growing. You will be able to take some cover crop seeds home to plant in your own garden.



## September 10th-Build Your Own Low Tunnel

Looking for a way to start your garden earlier in spring or keep it growing later in the fall? During this hands on workshop you will be able to build a mini low tunnel for your garden. RSVP to Kellie by Sept 3rd

## October 1st- Preparing The Garden For Next Year

A little work in the fall can help your garden start off on the right foot in the spring, join us to share tips on preparing your garden for the winter and see how cover crops are helping.

Classes may be rescheduled due to weather. If you would like to receive class notifications and other updates, please contact Kellie Zahn, Ag Agent, at 715-793-3031 or kellie.zahn@mohican.com



# JUNE 12<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 COMMUNITY

## **Diabetes Medications 101**

LUNCHEON

Pharmacist, Cynthia Gourneau will be joined by Dr. Krissa Pyrch, D.O. to discuss the latest in diabetes



medications. Join us for a delicious lunch and leave with a better understanding of the many options for treating diabetes! The luncheon will be held in the lower level conference room at the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center

Do you know how your diabetes medications work?

Are you taking them correctly?

How can you minimize side effects?

Do you have any questions about your medications?

Have you met the clinic's new pharmacist and medical doctor?

RSVP

To Whitney Schreiber by calling (715) 793-3008 by June 7<sup>th</sup>.



## What is the Wisconsin Pink Shawl Initiative?

Women helping women – spreading awareness, understanding, providing support and empowerment to women and in particular to women who have breast cancer. The Pink Shawl project holds meetings "Conversations for the Cure" to groups of native communities throughout Wisconsin.

Breast cancer among Native American women has grown substantially in both incidence (number of cases) and mortality (death). It has now become the leading cause of death among Native American women. The sad part is that early detection can do so much to avoid death and provide better outcomes.

Pink shawls are a sign of sisterhood and support and are often see during Native American powwows. We would like to see that initiative start and grow in our community. Come and help us make those



shawls for those who have had or have breast cancer or in remembrance or support of someone you love.

Come join us on June 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> for our Conversations for a Cure! I'm sure it will be a good time to eat laugh and share. Two sessions available at 5 pm on June 4<sup>th</sup> at the Mohican Family Center and noon on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center lower level conference room.



Make your own PINK SHAWL to honor and remember all our Native American Warriors who've battled against Breast Cancer.



## Arce cont from page Seven:

both the Gresham FFA and the Gresham Community School Culture Club. For the former, Arce has organized community service events like blood drives, roadside cleanups, cookie deliveries, the making of tie blankets and more. For the latter, she has organized field trips for students to learn about other cultures and played a major role in the school's annual powwow.

FFA is something that I've always been involved in all through middle school and high school," Arce said. "It's just very important to me to educate the kids that FFA's not just about farmers; it's so much more than that. We can learn some many different skills from what it teaches us. A lot of what we do in the FFA is volunteer- and community-based."

Arce also participates in the school's math club and forensics team. She sits on the student council for Gresham and is a member of the National Honor Society.

When Arce isn't focused on her own school work, she's helping younger students to complete theirs, according to JoAnn Schedler, who recommended Arce for the volunteer award.

"Every day after school she worked until five o'clock tutoring kids ages kindergarten to third grade," Schedler wrote in her nomination letter. "It is something Aurora loved doing and will greatly miss."

Arce's desire to contribute cascades beyond the walls of her school. She currently sits on the education board for the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe. As the Mohican Veterans Princess, she attends the group's monthly meetings, volunteers at the fundraisers and participates in parades and military funerals, according to Schedler.

"She has gone above beyond her call of duty volunteering for her school and our veterans." Schedler wrote.

Arce said she enjoys what she does, both in her own actions and in coordinating the actions of others. It takes a lot of planning and coordinating for the high school 04/26/2019 - 03:33 senior to fit in all the activities.

"It's hard, but a lot of it I do during the day, so I have to make my time useful," Arce said. "Usually, I'm able to get it done in a timely manner and still get all my schoolwork done."

Arce noted her position as student representative on the Stockbridge-Munsee education board came about because the tribe approached the school and inquired if any of its students would be interested in serving.

"I decided that was something I wanted to do, and I've been serving ever since," Arce said. "I'm advocating for the students' needs and the school — what the Native American programs are doing well now and what can be improved on."

Arce was diagnosed with three auto-immune diseases at the age of 15 months. She declined to elaborate on which specific diseases she battles with, but she noted that she doesn't let them get the better of her when it comes to helping her community.

"For a lot of my life, I've been in and out of hospitals and doing checkups," Arce said. "It has become a challenge, but I choose to not let it define me and just overcome the challenges that come with it."

Arce perseveres for her community and school, she said, because they've had her back whenever she's needed a helping hand.

"They've encouraged me to do things that I didn't even think was possible, so just giving back to them is a little piece of what they've given to me throughout my life," Arce said.

The SACF award comes with a \$1,000 prize to be donated to a nonprofit organization. Arce plans to contribute her prize to the Mohican Veterans.

"They have been great in supporting me in everything I do," Arce said. "I love going to powwows with them and representing because they're truly great people."

Arce will be graduating next month, and she has planned to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison and pursue a career as a doctor. Arce got a big boost toward her goals earlier in April when she received a \$10,000 scholarship from the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation.

Having the auto-immune diseases drew her interest in medicine.

"I want to be able to help people throughout my life," Arce said.

Submitted by admin on Fri,

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## Bowler Elementary Students of the Month



Students of the month at Bowler Elementary who exhibited cooperation during April as selected by their classroom teachers include, front row from left, Charlie Piotrowski, kindergarten; Jaiden Hartleben, kindergarten; and Cesia Jose-Hernandez, preschool. Middle row from left, Brett Schreiber, 4th grade; Sienna Henry, 4th grade; Cadi Wildenberg, 2nd grade; Brooklyn Bernarde, 3rd grade; and Felicia Carlson, 1st grade; Back row from left, David Kriewaldt, guidance counselor; Rylee Matsche, 6th grade; Tia Terrio, 6th grade; Willow White, 4th grade; and Talia Gardner, 5th grade.

## Shawano Area Writers Contest Winners



Winners from the Shawano Area Writers contest were recently announced, including three students from the Bowler School District. They include, from left, Julia Hahn, 8th grade; Wyatt Bratz, 5th grade; and Jacob Bratz, 11th grade. Jacob took 1st-place honors for his nonfiction story "My Bjg Buck" for grades 9-12. He also garnered honorable mention for two poetry selections he wrote titled "Farming" and "Big Bad John." Wyatt took 3rd-place honors in the nonfiction category titled "Country Life" for grades 5-8. He also was awarded honorable mention in poetry for a piece called "Pizza" and another honorable mention for his nonfiction story called "Great Uncle Wesley." Julia received 3rdplace honors for a selection penned "Dream of Absolution" in the fiction category for grades 5-8.



Directives cont from page Ten:
to effectuate the transfer of the
long-term investment accounts
from UBS to Key Bank. Seconded
by Marv Malone. Motion carried.
DONATION REQUEST: Mohican

Veterans-Bob Little
Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to
approve a donation for the
Mohican Veterans. Seconded by
Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

# Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. GM'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR MARCH 2019-Michael Bonakdar, GM

FINANCIALS: Casino, Bingo and Pine Hills March 2019-Michael Bonakdar, GM/Tammy Wyrobeck, CFO

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept and approve the GM's Monthly Report, the Casino Financials, Bingo Financials and Pine Hills Financials for March 2019. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

# CAPITAL EXPENDITURE REQUEST: 44 Slot Machine Purchase-Paul Bowman, Slot Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the FY2019 Capital Purchase of 44 Slot Gaming Machines. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

## JOB DESCRIPTIONS-Beverly Miller, Human Resource Manager

Invasive Species Technician, Summer Youth Crew Workers and Summer Youth Crew Leader Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve for posting the Invasive Species Technician, Summer Youth Crew Workers and Summer Youth Crew Leader. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

# MINI-GRANT: Grant, LTE Job Description, and DUA with GLITC-Melodi Thiex/Judy Heubel, SMHWC

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Saving Lives Mini-Grant and to post for the LTE Data Collection position and approval of the DUA with GLITC. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

## BUDGET MODIFICATION: Health Center-Melodi Thiex, Assistant Health Center Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve budget modification #1 from Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

## SMHWC POLICIES: Prescription Pick-Ups, PRC Medicare Sponsorship-Melodi Thiex, Assistant Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve Policy #202PHAR00015, which is the Information Needed to Pick Up Prescriptions, with proxy application and Policy #202PRC0015, which is PRC Medicare Coverage Sponsorship. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

## WDNR BEAR SURVEY-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to go along with the Fish and Game

Board's recommendation to deny the WI DNR to conduct bear survey activities on SMC lands. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

## PRESCRIBED BURNS-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to allow the BIAto conduct prescribed burns on SMC trust lands. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried. COORDINATED SERVICES TEAM INITIATIVE-Diane Burr, CST Coordinator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Coordinated Services Team Initiative Grant Application and budget revisions for October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2019. Seconded by Marv Malone.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy no and Craig yes. Motion carried.

# FEMA GOOSENECK BEND ROAD MOA-Linda Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve for signature the FEMA Goose Neck Road Bend Memorandum of Agreement. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

# LEASE AGREEMENT: Pennsbury Manor-Bonney Hartley, Historic Preservation

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to enter into a lease agreement with Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission, the Delaware Tribe of Indians and the Delaware Nation of Oklahoma for the burial of ancestral remains and funerary objects at Pennsbury Manor. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

# INTERPRETIVE SIGN AND USE OF SEAL APPROVAL-JoAnn Schedler/Vera Heubel

Motion by Matt Putnam to go along with the signage, but to have the proper language used, and grant permission to use the Tribal seal. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr.

Roll Call: Sterling yes, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie abstain, Jeremy yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF BOARDS/

## COMMITTEE MEMBERSMotion by Sterling Schreiber to

Motion by Sterling Schreiber to appoint Brett Miller to the Forestry Committee and the Language and Culture Committee. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Marv abstain, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

## BUDGET MODIFICATION: Utilities-Rob Hendricks, Business Developer

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the request for change to the Utilities budget to come out of unallocated, for budget modifications #1,2,3 and 4. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve budget modification #5 for Utilities, which is FY2018 carry over of USDA grant funds. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

## **PETITION-Roberta Carrington**

Motion by Matt Putnam to approve a general approach, which means to move along with what you are doing so far toward changing Chapter 44, the Membership Ordinance, the approach is to use the 1940 rolls as a base roll for adopting new members, all persons whose name appears on the rolls and all full siblings born after 1940 to be full blood or 4/4 Stockbridge-Munsee and once that language is approved so it does not conflict it will be posted for 30-days and after that 30-day time period, it will go for a vote. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Motion maker amends: rolls, allotments, censuses, anything previous that involves membership in the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe and remnants of eastern tribes, previous to 1940, and the original treaty language. Second concurs. **Roll Call:** Sterling no, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 5:54 PM.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 6:59 PM.

## -OPEN SESSION-

While in executive session discussion was held on audits, LP request, personnel issues, legal issues, gaming waiver, tribal member request, write off request and enrollment minutes.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to write-off some bills in the amount of \$845.56, for (2) deceased members for LP. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to waive the waiting period for application for Laura Vele-Malak. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Sterling Schreiber to appeal the negative court decision regarding the State of Wisconsin, Ho-Chunk gaming facility. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to grant authorization for negotiations with a candidate at the health center. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terro to approve to post the pharmacist position and recruit for a pharmacy director. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adopt resolution 045-19, which is a gaming waiver for applicant W19-1. Seconded Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Human Resource Executive Director to offer the wage for the Personnel Specialist at North Star Mohican Casino. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber.

Motion carried.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to ban the former Pine Hills Golf Course Manger for 30-days, to coincide with Casino Policy. Seconded by Matt Putnam.

**Roll Call:** Sterling no, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie no, Jeremy yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the audit recommendation for program 211, Land and Enrollment for management response. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the audit recommendation for program 110, Compliance for management response. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Health Center's programs 501-560 review of correction action plan, dated April 20, 2019, in response to the management audit. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the enrollment minutes for March 7, 2019, and approve the relinquishment of Shannon Kay Staven. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Moss Campbell Miller, based on the April 4, 2019 enrollment minutes. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Davina Jolynn Brisk. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Sterling yes, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy yes and Craig abstain. Motion carried. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Henry Roy Rickert. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Roll Call: Sterling no, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy yes and Craig abstain. Motion carried. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Sherri Lynn Malone. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Denver Yakel. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Michael Tousey. Seconded by Matt Putnam. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Paul Tousey. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to deny Tikola Miller, Tracy Gleason and Brandon Bastar, due to insufficient blood quantum. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried. Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to increase the blood of Clara Estell Gardner to 4/4 Stockbridge-Munsee. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

**Roll Call:** Sterling no, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie yes, Jeremy abstain and Craig yes. Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adjourn. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 7:51 PM.

# **Revised Posting**

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is accepting bids from Tribal Members on a house located at W13474 River Road, Bowler WI. 54416.

#### Minimum Bid \$10,000

## **Home Information**

Home is approximately 45 years old.

This is a 4 bedroom 1-1/2-bathroom single family residence.

The home has a single stall detached garage with a paved driveway. The home also has a detached wood deck in the back yard.

Yard is nicely landscaped. Lot size is 200ft. x 200ft.

Must be able to qualify for a land assignment.

Home to be sold "As Is Condition".

Bidders must be able to pay the accepted bid amount in full within 45 days of bid acceptance. Tribal financing available through the Home Loan Program to qualified applicants.

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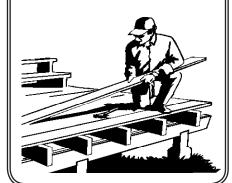
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