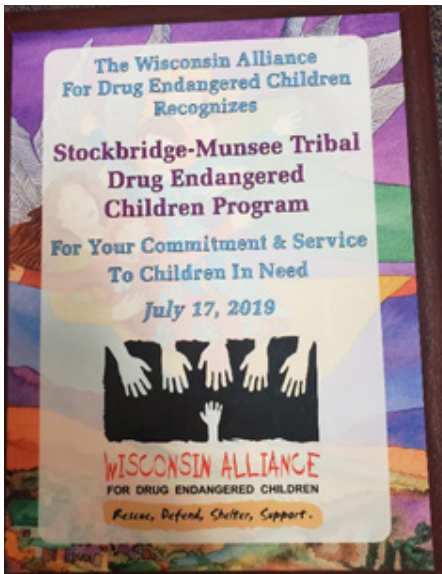


**S-M Tribal Drug Endangered Child Program recognized by the state**



The Wisconsin Alliance for Drug Endangered Children (DEC) recognized the Stockbridge Munsee Tribal DEC Program at the recent statewide Wisconsin Drug Endangered Children Conference, held July 16-18 in La Crosse, Wisconsin. The team was given a plaque which is proudly displayed in the downstairs area of the Health & Wellness Center. The team was created in the spring of 2017. The success of this team is as a whole with the involvement and dedication from many different departments and individuals. The main focus of the group is working towards creating education and awareness of the drug issues within the community. We meet monthly to discuss planning for events, information in the community, and more. The team worked hard to reach state recognition this past July. We are now part of the more than 60 DEC programs in Wisconsin. The team is always looking for new members, anyone is welcome!

Please contact facilitator Teresa Juga; Indian Child Welfare at 715-793-4580 for more information.



Lisa Schmitt is the new Behavioral Health Counselor at the Stockbridge-Munsee Behavioral Health Department.

Lisa is a Licensed Professional/Substance Abuse Counselor. She enjoys helping people and looks forward to assisting people with healthy lifestyle choices and healthy futures in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.

Her family consists of one daughter and extended family in the Wausau area, whom she loves and values dearly.

Lisa's education includes a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Mount Senario College in Ladysmith, WI., a MS in Human Services Community Psychology from Springfield College Mass. and a MS in Human Services Mental Health Counseling also from Springfield College, School of Human Services.

She has worked in residential, outpatient, hospital and clinic settings with mental health and substance abuse issues, along with assisting people with positive coping skills.

Ms. Schmitt really loves her family, helping people become their best, she also enjoys riding her motorcycle and loves the free feeling that riding creates for her.

**State, federal, tribal officials update partnership agreement**



Wisconsin's 11 federally recognized tribal governments met with state and federal officials today to update a commitment to partnership on transportation-related issues. The partnership agreement, initially launched in 2005, sets the framework for government-to-government cooperation on project development and labor issues that transcend state, federal and tribal jurisdictions.

"This agreement is about providing guidance and structure for us to enjoy a deeper and more meaningful understanding of our unique operational needs," said WisDOT Secretary-Designee Craig Thompson. "Our signatures today mark a new chapter in important relationships we want to continue cultivating for the benefit of our communities and future generations."

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**Lay Advocate and Guardian AD Litem Training**



Lay Advocate and Guardian AD Litem Training Held September 28-29

On Saturday and Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>, about ten people who wanted to become a Lay Advocate or Guardian Ad Litem in the Tribal Courts assembled at the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Court to attend a training organized by Chief Judge Travis Miller.

The trainer for the program was Attorney Luis Garza, who has extensive knowledge in Tribal courts, both as an attorney and a Guardian Ad Litem, and people came from this community and

others, such as Oneida, to attend the training. Garza also brought in Wesley Martin to address those in attendance about issues they might come across as lay advocates.

The training was free and a direct result of a memorandum Chief Judge Travis Miller had issued to all Lay Advocates and Guardians Ad Litem (GAL) regarding a tribal ordinance change which requires the Clerk of Court to maintain a list of all individuals approved by the Tribal Court System to act as guardians ad litem and lay advocates.

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# STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE CLIMATE CRISIS PROPOSAL

(Brent Michael Davids, 2 Sep 2019)

**PROPOSAL**—The Stockbridge-Munsee Band of the Mohican Nation should join other tribal nations in declaring a climate change emergency, and put into effect a solid mission to address it. As an indigenous nation that cares for future generations, it's clear our young people are calling for immediate and sustained action on the climate crisis—it's their future—and involving the younger generations is critical to achieving success in our tribal mission to tackle the climate crisis.

**SCIENCE**—The Wisconsin warming trend matches the global trend. The Wisconsin Initiative on Climate Change Impacts (WICCI) predicts Wisconsin's annual average temperature is likely to warm by 4-9°F by mid-century... "the expected rate of warming is about four times greater than what we have experienced since 1950" with "more frequent storms than in the past," worsening "heat waves, air pollution and the spread of infectious diseases" (WICCI). The climate crisis will increase the risk of flooding, intensify storms and their frequency, threaten drinking water, and intensify the strain on roads and buildings.

For reservation health, we cannot afford a "business as usual" approach to the climate crisis, when considering future risks and future costs.

**UTILITIES**—On our reservation, our use of electricity and gas is a major source of carbon dioxide emissions. We buy electricity from utilities that largely burn coal to produce it, and Liquid Petroleum gas is a fossil fuel that emits greenhouse gases. Additionally, it's vital to consider how the climate crisis may disrupt the utilities' ability to provide services to us. We've suffered multi-day electric and gas outages, and these may happen for longer periods and with greater frequency.

**PLANNING**—Given that individualistic responses are difficult and limited in effectiveness, real action must be taken at the tribal government level; our climate response must be considered, prioritized and put into effect as a collective group. We must deliberate on what our climate adaptation measures will be, and then integrate them into reservation-wide ordinances and related policies.

**COST**—We must evaluate our capacity as a tribal nation to

sustain long-term adaptation to the climate crisis. We should analyze both the positive and negative financial impacts as well as the compromises we may need to enact along the way. Besides our sacrifice and investment, there may be chances for real economic growth as we work to mitigate the effects of the climate crisis.

**ACTION**—Declare a tribal climate emergency and commit to going carbon neutral by 2030 or 2050 at the very latest; make this a top priority mission and start planning ways to achieve it.

Mobilize tribal resources to foster more climate change analysis and awareness, to create responsive action plans; the longer we wait, the more costly it will become.

Increase the circulation of education about carbon-neutral and sustainable environments across the reservation and in all tribal programs, such as regular publication in the newspaper and community outreach. A better understanding of climate science is needed, of its impacts, and how to implement adaptation strategies on the reservation at all levels.

Review all existing tribal

programs and policies in light of climate change, giving priority to developing environmental resilience.

We should mandate carbon-neutral building codes for all new construction—and adhere to them—and create clean energy goals and standards to adapt older reservation buildings.

Our Nation should immediately partner with Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers—creating a state-to-state relationship—to address the climate crisis.

This year, the Governor signed an executive order eliminating the use of carbon-based fuel in Wisconsin by 2050.

The governor also created the Office of Sustainability and Clean Energy, to strive for the standards set by 2015 Paris accord on climate.

The new Office is responsible for coordinating the efforts of other state agencies, local governments, utilities and businesses.

It will also develop renewable energy standards for state-owned buildings and foster research and business development related to renewable energy.

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

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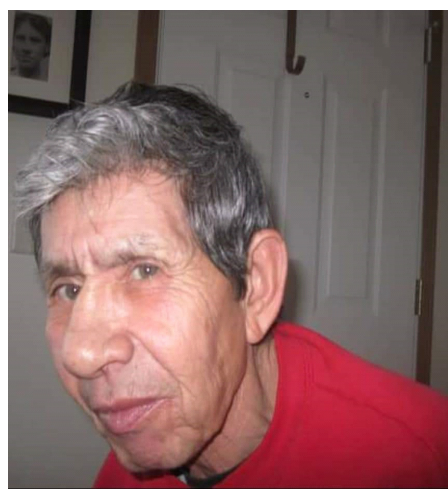
## Thank You

The family of Mike Rudesill want to thank the staff at the Ella Besaw Center for the wonderful care given to him and the thoughtful caring way they helped the family through this time.

We want to thank community members for their prayers and support. Thank you to Southern Care Hospice for the kind and professional care they gave Mike.

Dr. Turnbull, thank you so much for your caring and thoughtful way of explaining to the family the journey Mike was taking.

Mike Rudesill family



Two years ago, on October 18th, Ed Gardner was called to Heaven to meet his family that missed him while he was here on earth.

So, today and many days, we remember his laughter and sense of humor as we wait to see him again in Heaven.

Ed is sadly missed by his wife Jeannette and his family.

Love and miss you until we meet again.

The Gardner Family

## Thank You

The Don Miller Family would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the prayers, well wishes and love given to Don during his recent illness. A special thank you to all that donated food, especially the hard work shown by the kitchen staff of Carmen, Jackie, Patsy and Squeek. The meal was wonderful! To Whitney, Sabrina and Sara for their dedication in assisting with Don's home care; To Dr. Turnbull for his guidance and friendship; To Pastor Paul for his inspirational words and caring thoughts; To the Carroll/Sperberg/Quinney families, Lee Davids, Steve Yaeger, Lonnie Schreiber, and Mark & Myla Pleshek for hauling and stacking our winter wood, and a huge thank you to our family and friends who stood by us during this difficult time, their love and devotion was truly amazing, words cannot express the profound gratitude we felt. Don loved this community which he called home for the past 70 years. We have been greatly blessed. Don's strong faith in our Creator lead him through this journey peacefully. Below is a special quote sent by a dear family friend, Howard Piepenbrink:

*"It's September, it's fullness and the ripeness of the year. All the work of earth is finished, or the final tasks are near. But there is no doubtful waiting, every living thing that grown, For the end that is approaching, ears the finest garb it knows. And I pray that I may proudly hold my head up high and smile When I come to my September in the golden afterhile."*

May the Creator Bless each and everyone of you, Chris, Chad, Todd & Sara

## Call to Rename

The Lenape Center in Manhattan has signed the lease to take over what is now called Sterling Forest State Park, 22,000 acres of forest, northwest of NYC, in the heart of Mohican/Lenape country.

The Lenape Center's mission is continuing Lenapehoking, through indigenous arts & culture, and to invite the Lenape diaspora back into the homeland. In addition to our \*Lenape Center—Manhattan\* location, we will now operate from our newly acquired \*Lenape Center—[Sterling]\* location. But Lenape Center has decided to change its name back to a Mohican one.

The park was named for the "Sterling" mining company that once operated there, but Lenape Center has asked the Stockbridge-Munsee Historical Committee to suggest new indigenous names.

In response, the Historical Committee is initiating a tribal-wide call for potential new names for the park. The park is north of the city and west of the Mahheconnituck (Hudson River), it is heavily forested.

**What new Mohican name might you suggest?** The recommendations Lenape Center receives will be considered by our four directors: Joe Baker, Hadrien Coumans, Curtis Zunigha, and Brent Michael Davids.

Please submit your suggestions to (Arvid E. Miller Memorial Library Museum), by calling or email.

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## Governor Evers, WDVA Announce Grants for Organizations Helping Veteran Entrepreneurs

MADISON — Governor Tony Evers and Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) Secretary-designee Mary Kolar announced today more than \$400,000 in grants to five nonprofit organizations that provide entrepreneurship training, or technical, business or other assistance to veteran entrepreneurs to improve employment outcomes.

"When veterans who start their own businesses succeed, everyone benefits," Governor Evers said. "To help veteran entrepreneurs achieve their goals in Wisconsin, we must provide them with the vital tools and resources they need to prosper."

Since 2016, the WDVA's Entrepreneurship Grant Program has provided more than \$1 million in funds to organizations assisting veteran entrepreneurs.

"Veteran entrepreneurs add value to our communities, and ensuring we support them and their success is vital to a healthy economy," Secretary-designee Kolar said. "Military veterans bring knowledge, skills and abilities to our workforce that are unmatched. By starting their own business, veterans utilize skill sets they learned through their military service and contribute to our state."

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that there are about 350,000 veterans living in Wisconsin, and about half of them are of working age. About 11 percent of all businesses in the state, or 65,000, are owned by veterans, and those businesses employ more than 100,000 Wisconsinites. A recent study estimated that Wisconsin's veteran-owned businesses account for about \$20 billion in annual sales.

This year's entrepreneurship grant recipients are:

- Center for Veterans Issues, Ltd., Milwaukee, is awarded \$100,000 for a storefront retail café. The goal of the café is to create a new approach to vocational training and employment for veterans. The organization will train veterans in all areas of employment with an emphasis in food service. The Center for Veterans Issues will credential veterans for employment and help out in placing them in established jobs within the community.
- Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, Appleton, is awarded \$97,800 to help it conduct two innovation accelerators for veteran cohorts this fall and next spring. It will continue providing entrepreneurial training and technical support, networking opportunities, one-on-one mentoring and seed funds for startup expenses to veterans.
- The Financial Promise, Milwaukee, is awarded \$20,000 to continue the expansion of its mission of advocating for Wisconsin veterans through job training, financial literacy, business ownership and program outreach.
- Wisconsin Veterans Chamber of Commerce, Milwaukee, is awarded \$100,000 to continue its support of veteran entrepreneurs through educational sessions and events, networking opportunities and promotional programming.
- Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative Corporation, Milwaukee, is awarded \$100,000 to provide a comfortable and effective learning environment for veteran entrepreneurs through veteran cohorts. The classes will allow the group to provide unique opportunities for veterans to network and empower one another.





## Elders

### Depression in Older Adults

- More than two million of the 34 million Americans age 65 and older have some form of depression.
- Some things that trigger depression include, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's Disease, Arthritis, Cancer, death of a spouse, and heart disease.

#### Healthcare costs related to Depression in older adults:

The annual cost of healthcare of people suffering from depression is about 50% higher than non-depressed elders.

#### Suicide:

There is a significantly higher rate of suicide in elders age 65 and older, and have a success rate of 20%, white males are particularly at risk.

Suicide among white males age 85 and older have 63.3 deaths per 100,000 persons. This is nearly 6 times higher than the suicide rate in the US of 10.8 per 100,000 people.

#### Treatment:

Less than one half of patients with depression are accurately recognized by their primary care physicians.

This results in increased hospitalization, significant decrease in function of daily activities.

More than 55% of older adults treated for mental health receive their care from primary care physicians. And less than 3% received treatment from a mental health care provider.

According to an American Mental Health Survey on beliefs and attitudes about depression approximately 68% of adults over the age of 65 have very limited knowledge or know almost nothing about depression.

And 38% of elders believe that depression is a valid health problem.

Most adults suffering with depression are more likely to try to deal with depression on their own. Less than 50% would seek help from a health care professional.

#### Signs of depression in elders:

1. Change in eating habits
2. Change in sleeping habits.
3. Prolonged sadness.
4. Hopelessness.
5. Isolation.

**Approximately 58% of elders age 65 and above think that depression is a normal part of aging. This is not accurate and is not a normal part of aging.**

**If you are experiencing signs of depression talk to your health care provider. There is help available to you.**

### Apply for the Historic Preservation Committee

Dig deeper into our history: Consider applying to serve on the Historic Preservation Committee! Two positions are opening in the committee for a 3-year term. The responsibility of the committee is to serve as an advisory body to guide the Tribal Historic Preservation program's work: primarily to make recommendations regarding repatriating ancestors from museums for reburial and protecting Mohican and Munsee burial and cultural sites in our homelands. For example, your help is needed to discuss and advise on if our Tribe should make claims on certain collections for repatriation or reburial. Or, to learn about proposed construction projects in our homelands such as roads and pipelines that may disturb cultural sites and to offer thoughts on addressing the concerns.

We meet once a month, currently scheduled for the third Wednesday of each month at the Noon lunch hour in the Arvid E. Miller Library Museum. The Tribal Historic Preservation Office videocalls in from our Troy, NY extension office.



A view of our homelands from Laurel Hill in Stockbridge, MA

Being involved would give the opportunity to both learn more about sites and history in our Eastern homelands as well as meaningfully serve our community by offering your perspective on these efforts. An orientation to the historic preservation laws will be offered to the new members. Please pick up an application form today in the Tribal Council Offices!

## On the Trail Home



Dana A. "Sonny" Price

Dana Andrew "Sonny" Price, age 66, of Bowler, passed away on Sunday, October 6, 2019 at his home. Dana was born on February 12, 1953, in Gresham, to the late Irene (McGee) Moon.

Dana proudly served his country in the United States Army and the United States Navy. He loved conspiracy theories of all kinds. Dana also enjoyed spending time with and joking around with his friends and family.

Dana is survived by: his brothers, Robert Little of Gresham and

Delbert Moon of Kansas; nephews and nieces, Larissa Moon of Milwaukee, Thomas Moon of Kansas, Christina Moon of Florida, Raymond (Janet) Moon of Oklahoma, Tanya Kessinger of Kenosha, Angi (Josh) Cavaliere of California, Dale (Micki) Moon of Thorp, Dagon (Shawn) Moon of Kentucky, Mike Little of Ladysmith, Robert Little of Green Bay, and Sharon Waubano of Neenah; as well as great-nieces, great-nephews, other relatives, and friends.

He was preceded in death by: his mother, Irene (McGee) Moon; his brothers, David Price, Dennis Price, and Fred Price; his sisters, Laura "BeeDee" Slechta and Charlene Moon; and his sister-in-law, Bonnie Little.

A memorial service was held for Dana on Saturday, October 12, 2019, at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham, with Rev. Paul Johnson officiating. Military honors will be performed by the Gresham American Legion and the Mohican Veterans. Visitation was on Saturday at the funeral home until the time of service.

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Rhonona Vasquez

Rhonona "Sis" Vasquez, age 70, formerly of Bowler, passed away on Friday, October 4, 2019 at her home. Rhonona was born on May 10, 1949, in St. Paul, Minnesota, to the late Merton Russell Welch and Guida A. (Tousey) Welch. Rhonona was united in marriage to Cruz Solis Vasquez in 1984 and preceded her in death on

December 1, 2013. She loved her pets, ghost stories, murder mysteries, the Beach Boys, and country music. Rhonona enjoyed cooking for her family and spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Ranona is survived by: her children, Rupert (Becky) Welch, Tonija Welch, Guida (Sean) Welch, Rene (Toni) Montez, Jason "Big Jay" Rosario, Leonard Williams, Jason "Little Jay" (Jill) Vasquez, and Cruz (Tanya) Vasquez, II; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; her brothers, Ralph Welch, Robert Welch, and Ronald Welch; and her sisters, Rosetta "Ramirez" Lady Welch, Rhonda "Sullivan" Welch, Redeena "Kreiger" Welch. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Cruz; her parents, Merton and Guida; two brothers, Russell Merton "Son" Welch and Rene Welch; and one daughter, Angelitta Vasquez.

Private family services will be held for Rhonona at a later date. [www.swedbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.swedbergfuneralhome.com)



**Agreement cont from page One:** The partnership agreement has prompted initiatives among WisDOT and Wisconsin's tribal governments, such as the Inter-Tribal Task Force, annual consultation meetings and skills training programs in Native American communities.

"Good, strong partnerships take time, understanding and communication. For nearly 15 years, Wisconsin's 11 tribes have worked with state and federal government to advocate for transportation projects that leverage community impact," said Shannon Holsey, President of the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Inc. and President of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. "Expansion of the partnership agreement is another positive step forward for us all."

The partnership agreement fol-

lowed Gov. Jim Doyle's Executive Order 39 in 2004. The agreement was last updated in fall 2010. Earlier this year, Gov. Tony Evers issued Executive Order 18 reaffirming the importance of the inter-governmental relationships. Lt. Gov. Mandela Barnes attended the signing event in Bayfield.

"Partnership is an important component of progress, and it's exciting to see Native Nations and state and federal governments coming together to re-energize a core connection and chart a path forward," said Lt. Gov. Barnes. "This partnership agreement embodies the spirit of Governor Evers' Executive Order 18. As a state, we have the responsibility to uphold and respect tribal sovereignty—just as we have a responsibility to help Native communities overcome the barriers they face because of historical injustices."

## Honoring Aupaumut at "Brotherhood and Belonging"



By Bonney Hartley- Historic Preservation

On Saturday, September 21, Historic Huguenot Street museum in New Paltz, NY held a special event focused on a letter by Stockbridge Mohican Hendrick Aupaumut that had been donated to their collection in 2017. The document is undated but is likely from around 1790 and is addressed to the New York State Legislature. By focusing on the letter, it was a chance to highlight Mohican and Munsee culture in the region since New Paltz is in Munsee territory in the mid-Hudson Valley. The event featured an indigenous chef from the I-Collective who prepared heirloom Munsee corn. There was a lecture by indigenous studies professor Dr. Lisa Brooks from Amherst College, whose topic was "Brotherhood and Belonging: Hendrick Aupaumut's Assertion of Indigenous Rights and Settler Responsibility." She helped shed light on Stockbridge Mohican sachem, diplomat and attorney Hendrick Aupaumut in telling about the Tribe's removals as well as framing his writing in context of indigenous relationships and networks in the late 18<sup>th</sup> century. Councilmen Craig Kroening Jr. and Martin Welch represented the

Stockbridge-Munsee Community. They made opening remarks and presented the museum with the Nation's flag, which they later raised at the site. Historic Huguenot Street presented the Councilmen with a framed reproduction of the letter, which will be given to our Arvid E. Miller Library Museum.

In addition, Councilmen Kroening and Welch read Aupaumut's letter aloud to the audience. An excerpt from the letter reads: "Brothers, We have had several talks with your Commissioners about our Title and Claims to a great tract of land in this state. They cannot show any Title to the lands from any Indian Nation and yet they ask us to show our Title which we think very unreasonable and unfair. You keep records in writing of your transactions - Our traditions are our records. We are the remnant of those nations whom you admit to have been once the owners of all this part of the county - We ought then to be presumed to be still the owners unless you [can have] that we or our ancestors have sold it - which you cannot..."

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Indian hospitality – and according to the dictates of the religion which you teach us."

At the conclusion of the lecture,

Councilmen Kroening and Welch spoke to groups of attendees to answer questions about our history, culture, community, and plans today.



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## THEORY OF A DEADMAN

### North Star Mohican Casino and Resort

Multi-platinum band Theory Of A Deadman announced the details of their seventh studio album, *Say Nothing*, and dropped the album's lead single "History Of Violence" – which turns the tables on a story of domestic violence. Directed by Sam Sulam, the visual for "History Of Violence" illustrates a searing snapshot of a woman enduring an abusive husband as she plans to fight back, eventually ending up in jail but free of her abuser. In support of their new music, THEORY is embarking on a US headlining tour this fall that brings them to Bowler on Thursday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at North Star Mohican Casino and Resort.

"'History of Violence' tells the sad story of a girl trapped in a life of domestic abuse, leaving her with what she feels is the only way to escape," explains lead vocalist and songwriter Tyler Connolly. "Even though she's in jail, it's still a better place to be than being imprisoned in real life by this man. We're encouraging anyone affected by domestic violence to call the National Domestic Violence Hotline for help: 1-800-799-7233."

On *Say Nothing* (due out January 31<sup>st</sup> via Atlantic Records), THEORY — Tyler Connolly [lead vocals, guitar], Dave Brenner [guitar, backing vocals], Dean Back [bass], and Joey Dandeneau [drums]— is speaking up through undeniable anthems rooted in scorching songcraft, experimental vision, rock 'n' roll attitude, and clever pop ambition. Recorded in London with producer Martin Terefe [Jason Mraz, Yungblud], the album features timely lyrical commentary on many issues that our society is grappling with today. Domestic violence, racism, the divisiveness in American politics and more are explored, which finds THEORY's finger on the pulse of the current climate with a message that's both a cautionary warning and a hopeful wish for our collective future.

Peeling back the layers of THEORY's depth and breadth like never before, *Say Nothing* is a continuation of their musical and thematic evolution, displaying the band's powerful storytelling in full force and introducing fresh sounds and sonics. THEORY's platinum single "Rx (Medicate)" from 2017's *Wake Up Call* addressed the opioid epidemic and racked up more than 250 million streams, became their third #1 on the *Billboard* Hot Mainstream Rock Tracks chart, and received an *iHeartRadio Music Award* nomination for Rock Song of the Year. Over the course of nearly two decades, THEORY's impressive catalogue has earned them several platinum and gold singles, a platinum album, two Top 10 album debuts on the *Billboard* Top 200, and eight Top Tens on the *Billboard* Hot Mainstream Rock Tracks Chart.



# Cherry Picking Brings Back Memories



Hi Everyone,  
Just wanted to share with you some of the awesome things that Wuskupuw Vele did for her Medicines for summer youth. This picture is of her last day where we jarred her dried medicines for future preservation.

We did this at the library where a professor wanted to learn more about this area so we shared with him. She did a great job in all aspects of her job. She has the personality, humbleness, inquisitiveness, respect, and many other awesome qualities that make medicines the direction for her.

She processed the medicines and made a journal which in-

cludes all of the medicines she learned about. She also did a family tree so she knows where she fits in down the line from Granny Gardner. We gathered 15 different medicines, dried them, learned how to make them, and what they are used for. So she got to take the jars of medicines home with her so she has her own to use now. She has also contacted me a few times after this with questions and will be borrowing a book about natural medicines.

She did so awesome and it is very impressive what she accomplished this summer. I am very proud of her and it motivates me by her interest.  
Misty



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**On Tuesday, September 24, 2019, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special 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
Martin Welch;	Present
Craig Kroening Jr.;	Present

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Motion by Martin Welch to approve the agenda. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

### JOB DESCRIPTION/REORG-Jolene Bowman

Motion by Sterling Schreiber to change the position title from the Director of Education, Employment and Training to Director of Education and Career Services. Seconded by Matthew Putnam. (the change should be made throughout the document). Motion carried.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to approve the Adult/Youth Career Counselor job description and change the department to Education and Career Services. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Resource Room Specialist position with the GED requirement only and to make the

department known as Education and Career Services. Seconded by Matthew Putnam. Motion carried.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried at 8:10 AM.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried at 11:45 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on Enrollment Minutes, a personnel issue and a shift differential/wage gap/implementation issue.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to record Sam Brushel, born in the late 1700's as full blood. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Matthew Putnam to enroll Muwasah Komanekin. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to enroll Dorothy Moede, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Matthew Putnam to enroll Tanya Malone. Seconded by

Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Enrollment Committee's recommendation to enroll Lakeisha Williams. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Trinity Malone, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Jeremy Pennewell. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Amy Pennewell Davids. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Linda Smith, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Matthew Putnam.

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

Motion by Matthew Putnam to enroll Yvonne Little. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Kay Little, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Raven Webster, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Jeffrey Plass, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Alan Quinney, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Anthony Quinney, as recommended by the Enrollment

Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Judith Quinney Rudesill, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Renee Miller, Brian Miller, Patricia Miller and Pamela Miller, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to enroll Theresa Miller, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Martin Welch.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Jaime Mattingly, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Nicolaus Jungenberg, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Forrest L. Sparks, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

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

Motion by Martin Welch to enroll Jared Lee King, as recommended by the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Motion maker amends motion to state: Cindy King is the mother, not Jerry Smith Sparks

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

Motion by Martin Welch to accept the Enrollment Committee meeting minutes of September 23, 2019. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

### Shift differential/Retro-Active Pay/Implementation

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the recommendation of the Executive Director of Human Resources to correct the shift differential and make it retro-active to October 1, FY 2019 only. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the Executive

**Directives cont on pg Thirteen:**



**Directives cont from pg Ten:**

Director of Human Resources recommendation for the wage gap retention plan for the casino and tribe. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adjourn. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried at 12:01 PM.

**On Tuesday, October 1, 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
Martin Welch;	Present
Craig Kroening Jr.;	Present

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Add: Home Bids, Budget to executive session**

**Strike: Ceremonial Request**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting agenda for October 1, 2019, as amended. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**MEETING MINUTES (09-17-19 & 09-24-19)**

Motion by Matthew Putnam to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, September 17, 2019, and Special Tribal Council Meeting of Tuesday, September 24, 2019.

Seconded by Marv Malone.

**Roll Call:** Sterling yes, Marv yes, Matt yes, Terrie abstain (travel 09-17-19), Martin yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

**RFP LITTLE STAR ARCO RECOMMENDATION - Rob Hendricks, Bus Dev. and Mike Penass, C-Store Manager**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the recommendation to go with ARCO for our fuel supply. Seconded by Matthew Putnam. Motion carried.

**JOB DESCRIPTIONS-Todd VanDen Heuvel Surveillance Officer**

Motion by Sterling Schreiber to post the Surveillance Officer position as presented. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

**Tribal Police Officer**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the posting for the Police Department of the Tribal Police Officer in training, that shows the wage while training at \$12.00 per hour and then after completion being moved up to \$19.88 per hour.

Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

**MOHICAN MOHAWK TRAIL SIGN-JoAnn Schedler and Judy Heubel, Language and Culture Committee**

Motion by Matthew Putnam to approve the sign for the Mohican Mohawk Trail. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**WALL OF SACHEMS EXHIBIT-Heather Bruegl, Director of Cultural Affairs**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to honor the request to utilize wall space at the Tribal Office for the Wall of Sachems Exhibit. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried.

**LETTER OF RESOLUTION: Catskill 21 Project-Heather Bruegl, Director of Cultural Affairs**

Motion by Terrie to approve and authorize the president to sign the Letter of Resolution with Greene County IDA and New York Department of Environmental Conservation for the Catskill 21 Project in Catskill, New York. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**USE OF SEAL ON OTTER CREEK SIGNS-Heather Bruegl, Director of Cultural Affairs**

Motion by Matthew Putnam to approve the use of the Great Seal of Mohican Nation on interpretive sign for the Otter Creek sit in Weybridge, Vermont. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

**2020 HEALTH & DENTAL FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS-Todd VanDen Heuvel, Executive Director of Human Resources and Joe Zack, Cottingham and Butler**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the recommendation to leave the employee shares of the cost of health and dental insurance as is a and accept the recommendation for the slight increase in the employer share. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**USE OF MAILING LIST FOR THE ELDERLY CENTER-Linda Mohawk Katchenago, Tribal Administrator**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the request. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

**CEREMONIAL REQUEST-Clifton Pecore, Tribal Member**

Motion by Craig Kroening, Jr., to grant permission to allow individuals to assist in the ceremonial deer hunt for the Big House Ceremonies and informing the Conservation Wardens with the names of the individuals that will be assisting. Seconded by

Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**LANGUAGE AND CULTURE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-Judy Heubel and JoAnn Schedler, Committee Members**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the meeting minutes of July 17, 2019. Seconded by Sterling Schreiber. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the meeting minutes for August 8, 2019. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig Kroening, Jr., to accept the meeting minutes of August 21, 2019. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried at 5:36 PM.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried at 6:31 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on an audit report, a legal issue, tribal member requests, a joint venture resolution, a budget and home bids

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the Internal Audit Report for Program 707 Human Resources and wait for a response from the program. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to take back into our possession a 156-acre parcel of land in the southern portion of Papscaanee Island, New York, that has a conservation easement and protects it from development. Seconded by Martin Welch. (This is donated land, but taxes will be an expense) Motion carried.

Motion by Craig Kroening, Jr. to grant a waiver to MD002 as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adopt resolution 001-20, whereas, the current facility cannot adequately meet the needs of the tribal community due to space limitations. The current facility is approximately 30,170 square feet, I.H.S. engineers have estimated the clinic space needed to serve projected user population in the near future is 43,691 square feet; whereas, the current facility layout does not meet the needs of pharmacy and frequently hinders efficient flow of work processes; whereas, the current facility layout does not meet the needs of medical to provide a team approach in order to increase the continuity of care provided

to our community; whereas, the current facility design does not promote patient privacy; whereas, in order to meet tribal health needs, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council wishes to apply for the Joint Venture Construction Program from I.H.S.; whereas the Stockbridge-Munsee Community understands that participation in the Joint Venture Construction Program from I.H.S. would require constructing a new health center complete with all medical equipment needed to operate; whereas, the Community's interest in participating in the I.H.S. Joint Venture Construction Program is predicated on the assumption that I.H.S. will provide the staffing package for the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center and that such staffing package will be based on a current staff count of zero as the Community has not previously received federal staffing funds, and now therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council authorizes the submittal of an application for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community for participation in the I.H.S. Joint Venture Construction Program in order to develop a new health center facility; be it further resolved, if selected for an award to participate in the I.H.S. Joint Venture Construction Program and so long as such award is consistent with the identified assumptions, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community commits to constructing a new health center, complete with all medical equipment needed to operate, and that the construction of the facility is obtaining the required equipment will be funded from sources other than the Indian Health Service. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried.

Motion by Matthew Putnam to grant tribal member 124 a waiver of a policy so he is able to apply for a job earlier. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adjourn. Seconded by Martin Welch. Motion carried at 7:15 PM.



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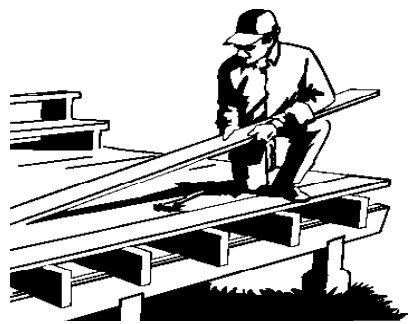
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