# The people of the waters that are never still

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STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE COMMUNITY Band of Mohicans

October 1, 2021

## Stockbridge-Munsee **Tribal Primary Election** Certified Elections Results September 18, 2021

**Tribal President** Seralee Azzolina-118 Shannon Holsey-208 Matthew Putnam-152 11 Write ins

**Tribal Vice President** Gregg Duffek-48 Craig Kroening-158 Gregory Miller-74 **Terrance Miller-135** Sterling Schreiber-108 Scott Vele-38 Write Ins-1

**Tribal Treasurer** Jolene Bowman-139 Tara Moderson-110 Sara Putnam-141 Sterling Schreiber Jr-98 Lisa Vele-50 Write Ins 3

#### **Tribal Council Members** Ronald Blum-44 March Church-81 Kasha Coyhis-100 **Charles Gardner-121** Thomas Gardner-46 Marv Malone-150 Chad Miller-121 Gerald Miller-118 Joseph Miller-155 Jeremy Mohawk-153 Clifton Pecore-113 Blake Smith-96 **Terrio Terrio-166**

Jeffery Vele Jr-43 Robert Vele-99 Martin Welch-138 Randall Wollenhaup-136 Write Ins-24

Total number of voters: 327 Certified & signed by Stockbridge-Munsee Election Board Member's on: September 18, 2021 Jeff Vele, Election Judge Melissa Penass, Clerk Jessica Boyd, Clerk Beverly Miller-Teller Lawrence Curtis-Teller

SMHWC Health department welcomes their newest Community Health Representative (CHR) - Cami Miller



Cami Miller is an enrolled member of the Stockbridge Munsee Tribe and the daughter of Alan and Beverly Miller.

She also has two brothers AJ and Vaughn Miller, and two wonderful nieces Moxie and Maggie.

Cami has an associate of applied science degree as a physical therapist assistant and has 11+ years of experience working in skilled nursing facilities with the elderly population.

In her free time she likes to be surrounded by family and friends.

She also plays volleyball, swims, and does arts and crafts with her nieces

Cami said that she is so grateful for the opportunity and looks forward to working in the community that she grew up in.

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## Community, Repatriation updates



## By Bonney Hartley

Recently Stockbridge-Munsee has repatriated several more important cultural heritage items that are ready to make their way back to the Arvid E. Miller Library Museum: One is an 18<sup>th</sup> century Mohican block print basket. It was donated by Sue Kelly of Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Ms. Kelly

Stockbridge-Munsee's visited "Muhheaconneok: People of the Waters that are Never Still" exhibit at the Berkshire Museum in Pittsfield this summer and recognized that a basket in her collection, which she had thought was of Shaker origin, looked identical to the Mohican baskets in Update continued on page Five:

### Historic Preservation Office Awarded Two National Parks Service Grants

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Funds will aid in protection of Papscanee Island and repatriation of ancestors from the Hudson Vallev

By Nathan Allison and Bonney Hartley

Stockbridge-Munsee's Tribal Historic Preservation Office. based in an extension office in Williamstown, Massachusetts, and our Historic Preservation Committee, are pleased to announce the program has been selected as a recipient of two competitive National Parks Service grants to carry out important cultural heritage work on the community's behalf. One project will support nominating a Mohican cultural site to the National Register of Historic Places, and the other will fund consultation to return several hundred Mohican and Munsee ancestral remains for reburial

The site protection award is

## What's Inside?

**Elders** Health



Project." This project will be funded by the Underrepresented Community grant program, through the Historic Preservation Grants continued on page Five:



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## Wild Rice Harvest on SM Reservation



Summer Youth Workers collecting Wild Rice. (With Back to Camera in Canoe: Daquan Malone-Gregory; White Shirt in Canoe: Edgar Flores Gomez; In Water closest to Camera: Logan Blum; In Water away Odessa Arce)

The Ecology, Forestry, and Environmental Departments recently completed the first successful harvest of wild rice on the Reservation. Rice was collected from two sites: the Circle Drive wetland restoration, and the pond on the north side of Pine Drive. The harvest provided great hands-on experience а

for four summer youth workers hired through a grant from the Wisconsin DNR Summer Tribal Youth Program. Tribal Forester Paul Koll, who had previous experience collecting rice, showed everyone the harvesting process. The summer youth workers cut their own ricing sticks and a push pole for the canoe. While everyone

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## **Community Voices**

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

## Mohican News

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Enrolled Tribal members: FREE

got a chance to try the traditional method of harvesting from a canoe, low water levels made it more efficient to walk through the rice beds and collect seed by hand.

Back at the office, the total harvest of about 30-40 lbs of rice was air dried to prevent molding. The next day, the summer youth workers began the very slow process of parching the rice to dry it and prevent germination. The parched rice was then run through a threshing machine to remove the kernel from the outer chaff. At the end of the process, the harvest yielded almost 16 lbs of finished rice. The summer youth workers were each gifted a small amount as a thank you for their hard work. The remaining rice was given to the Elderly Center and Ella Besaw Center, where it will be cooked and served to Tribal elders.

Although wild rice was not a staple of the traditional Mohican diet like many of the other tribes in the region, it is a highly nutritious food that the Tribe historically harvested. Wild rice also has important ecological value as it provides cover, nesting material, and an energy-packed food source for many wildlife species. It is especially important for migrating waterfowl and other birds that have huge energy

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> EDITOR: Jeff Vele

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EDITORIAL BOARD: Maggie Bennett Misty Cook Jody Hartwig Joleen Kroening Sterling Schreiber, Jr. demands during migration. Wild rice typically grows best in slow moving waters, about 0.5-3 ft deep, with organic muck soils. The plant is sensitive to pollution and is easily outcompeted by other species. It is also very sensitive to fluctuating water levels during the June floating leaf stage.

Efforts to establish wild rice on the Reservation began about 40 years ago, as Bert Davids explained to the summer youth workers. James Davids, Bert's father and former Conservation Officer, first attempted seeding rice in the early 1980s to improve waterfowl habitat, but had no success. Later, former Wildlife Biologist Bob Frank had some success by looking more at the water and soil conditions of potential sites, and Ecologist Randall Wollenhaup has continued Bob's efforts. Randall has spent several years obtaining rice seed from Minnesota to spread on various waters throughout the Reservation, including the two sites where the rice was harvested. As we learn more about preferred growing conditions, we hope to identify additional sites and expand harvest opportunities for the Tribal Community.

If anyone would like more information on wild rice, contact Randall Wollenhaup (793-4044 or randall.wollenhaup@mohicannsn.gov).

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ELECTION UPDATE: The next election will be held on October 9, 2021 at the Tribal Office from 8 AM until 8 PM. Please continue to practice masking and safe distance. The Election Board appreciates everyone's cooperation to make the process flow smoothly and safely.

Dear Dad {Edward Gardner},

On October 18<sup>th</sup> it will be three years since you passed away.

In the time that you moved on to heaven. Your wife still thinks of you every day. Some days are good days full of memories and some days are sad because she loves you and misses you dearly.

From your kids we see you around checking on us in your own special way. We love and miss you Dad.

Until we meet again,

Love your wife and kids The Gardner Family

Manufactured Home for sale



The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is seeking Bids for a 1998 Manufactured Home located at N8711 Oak Street Bowler, WI 54416. **THIS HOME IS BEING SOLD AS-IS.** 

The home can be looked at by contacting Kori Price, Family Services Manager, 715-793-4905, or Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager, 715-793-4032 and can only be viewed Monday – Friday between the Hours of 9 am and 3 pm.

Home can be left on this assignment as it sits, or it can be moved at your own expense. If you decide to leave home on this assignment you will have to relinquish any other land assignment you have and this one will be assigned to you.

Minimum Bid: \$100.00

All bids must include your name, address, phone number and enrollment #. All bids must be hand-delivered to the Tribal Council Secretary, N8476 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI no later than 2 p.m. CST on Wednesday, September 29, 2021.

The envelope must have "**1998 MANUFACTURED HOME**" written on the outside and must be properly sealed. Once the successful bidder is contacted, they will have 48 hours to make the cash payment to Terrie Terrio, located in the Tribal Administration Building, N8705 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI.

Please contact Roberta Carrington @ 715-793-4886 for more info on further questions. Thank you.





Veterans Corner 203 W. Main St Bowler, WI. 54416

Gregg W. Duffek, Tribal Veterans Service Officer Office: 715-793-4036 gregg.duffek@mohicannsn.gov



715-793-4036

Family Fun Activities!!!!

**Cookie Decorating Contest:** Bring your best decorated "Fire safety themed" cookie(s) to the Housing Office by: <u>Wednesday, OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 4:30 PM</u>. We will take a picture of them and you will be entered into our contest.

Gift Card Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> \$150 2<sup>nd</sup> \$100 3<sup>rd</sup> \$75



## **ROSHAMBO (ROCK PAPER SCISSORS) :**

<u>Played on Paper ONLY</u>. Pick up your game sheet from Housing or call to have it mailed or emailed to you. Choose your 10 best plays and submit by <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 4:30 PM</u>.

Gift Card Prizes: 1st \$100 2nd \$75 3rd \$50



Drive Thru our Fire Safety/Crime Prevention Event on Saturday, October 9, 2021 at the Public Safety Bldg. from 11am to 2pm for a light lunch and to find out the winners!!!

\*\*Departments that will have booths on this day: Housing, S/M Fire Dept., Healing to Wellness Court and Family Services.

## **Parish Secretary Position**

This position is 18 hours a week with office hours at St. Francis Solanus Parish Office, Gresham. The Parish Secretary facilitates the work of St. Francis Solanus Parish of Gresham and St. Mary's Parish of Leopolis, by providing a welcoming atmosphere for visitors and parishioners and performing various receptionist and secretarial duties including coordinating with the accounting firm for functions of payroll and accounts payable, providing administrative duties for the pastor, working with church committee members, data entry, preparing weekly bulletin, processing mail, updating the parish master calendar, and other duties. The Parish Secretary is also responsible for scheduling Mass intentions, maintaining sacramental registries, and ordering supplies.

Qualified applicants must have a high school diploma or equivalent and have experience with Microsoft Office Suite and use of office machines. This position requires excellent written and verbal communication skills as well as the ability to maintain confidentiality.

The application deadline is Tuesday, October 5, 2021. To apply please email your cover letter and resume to Fr. Nonito Barra at <u>fathernonito@</u> <u>yahoo.com</u> or by mailing (with notation on envelope front "**Parish Secretary Application**") to:

St. Francis Solanus & St. Mary's, P.O. Box 177, Gresham, WI 54128

# Elders



Roderick "Rod" Davids, Jr

Roderick "Rod" Davids, Jr., age 56, of the Stockbridge Munsee Reservation, passed away on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Rod was born on September 14, 1964, to the late Roderick H. Davids Sr. and Crystal Neal, in Milwaukee. He attended school in the Milwaukee area. On February 20, 2009, Rod was united in marriage to Jennifer Little in Bowler, Wisconsin. In March of 2003, Rod and Jenny made their home in the Bowler area on the Stockbridge Reservation. For most of his working life, Rod was a cook. He found happiness in making people happy with his talent in the kitchen. Rod was a very quiet and easy-going man. He was a good and loving husband and father. He was devoted to his family and worked hard to provide for them. Rod's magnetic personality made people at ease with him. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

Rod is survived by his mother; Crystal Neal, his wife; Jennifer Davids, and his two children; Katelan Little and Kenneth Davids. He is further survived by his sister, Daun Davids and brother Joseph (Rachel) Davids.

He is preceded in death by his father; Roderick H. Davids, Sr.

A time of gathering in Rod's memory was held at the Stockbridge Munsee Elderly Center on September 10.

www.swedbergfuneralhome.com



The first annual Bowler Elementary School Photography Contest was held earlier this spring. Mrs. Mueller and the Panther Gazette staff ran the contest. Photos were brought to each classroom, and all students cast their votes for their favorite photo. Many students submitted beautiful, high quality photos! We have many talented students here at Bowler! We hope to continue this next year! Great job kids!

The following students placed in the top 3:

First Place Leikyn Vele (Center) Second Place: Vivian Onesti (Right) Third Place: Braeden Diestler (Left)

Congratulations to all!



## Gary Lee Murphy

Gary Lee Murphy, age 74, peacefully passed away at home on Thursday, September 9, 2021, after a brief illness. Gary was born July 11, 1947, to the late Ervin Luther Murphy and Charlotte (Fraley) Murphy. He graduated from Bowler High School in 1965. Gary had numerous jobs in his lifetime but mostly worked in construction. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, and loved his country music and his dog, Baby.

Gary left behind his loving



## Euretta "Buzzi" J. Rollins

Euretta "Buzzi" J. Rollins, age 70, of Bowler, passed away at the Ella Besaw Center on Thursday, September 9, 2021. Buzzi was born in Bowler on August 20, 1951, to the late Howard and Gretta (Tousey) Jacobs. She graduated from Bowler High School with the class of 1969 and then attended Trinity Bible College in Jamestown, ND. Buzzi lived in Minneapolis for ten years where she met her husband, Douglas Rollins, III. They were married on February 21, 1981. After her husband's

companion, Karen Page, who took such wonderful care of him until the end of his life, as well as numerous loving family and friends.

He is preceded in death by two brothers, Robert and David Murphy.

A funeral service for Gary will be held at the Church of the Wilderness on September 18, 2021 with Pastor Paul Johnson officiating. Visitation was held on Saturday at the church from 9:00 am until the time of service. A private family burial will take place at a later date.

Gary will be missed but not forgotten!

The Day God Took You Home In tears we saw you sinking, And watched you pass away. Our hearts were almost broken, We wanted you to stay. But when we saw you sleeping, So peaceful, free from pain, How could we wish you back with us, To suffer that again. It broke our hearts to lose you, But you did not go alone, For part of us went with you, The day God took you Home. Author unknown www.swedbergfuneralhome.com

passing in 2013, Buzzi moved back to Bowler where she enjoyed spending time with family. She was a member of the Assembly of God Church at Morgan Siding. Buzzi enjoyed dogs and was an active member of the Community Theater.

Buzzi is survived by her children; Catherine (Dustin MacDonald) Rollins, Douglas Rollins, IV, and Phillip Rollins, and her brother, Gerald "Bear" (Vicki) Jacobs. She is further survived by numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Douglas, and her brothers and sisters; Clyde, Rosella, Neil, Nelda and Sugar.

Funeral services for Buzzi will be held on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 11:00 am at the Assembly of God Church at Morgan Siding, Rev. Jonathan Biffert officiating. Visitation will be held at Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham on Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021, from 4:00-7:00 pm and again at 10:00 am at the church until the time of service.

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#### Grants cont from page One:

Fund, and administered by the National Park Service, Department of Interior. The project's goal to conduct an Archaeological and Ethnographic Survey as the basis to submit a nomination for Papscanee Island Nature Preserve to be listed as Traditional Cultural Property on the National Register of Historic Places Rich archaeological evidence from the Island tells of ongoing Mohican occupation from at least 2,500 BC through the contact period of the 1600s.

"Papscanee Island is an ancient place with ongoing contemporary cultural significance to our people. It has been a top priority location among our Tribe's efforts to protect sites in our ancestral homelands," said Shannon Holsey, President of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.

Papscanee Island was the home of Mohican sachem Papsickene, who also led other nearby Mohican villages on neighboring islands and some of the adjacent mainland. Significantly, the Island still retains the Mohican name of Papscanee. The Island was a significant religious and cultural site in the past and continues to be part of the Tribe's living cultural heritage. Today the Tribe owns and manages the Papscanee Island Nature Preserve. Tribal members of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community routinely make trips to the Island visiting its natural and cultural resources.

Archaeological The and Ethnographic Survey will describe and assess Papscanee Island's religious and cultural significance to the Tribe as a Traditional Cultural Property, with a particular focus on the history, and known and potential archeological resources within the nature preserve. The narrative report reviews and summarizes existing archeological data, artifact collections, historical background, and contributes original oral histories with Tribal members Stockbridge-Munsee of the Community. The Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Historic Preservation Office can additionally use the Archaeological and Ethnographic Survey in the future as a preservation planning tool and to bolster efforts in historic preservation of this highly significant Mohican religious and cultural site.

Once completed, Papscanee Island Nature Preserve will be the first Mohican archaeological site in New York State listed in the National Register. It is especially significant and timely due to the Tribe's recent reclamation of the Preserve to be back in the Tribe's



management again.

The second award is an \$80,000 Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) grant for the "Stockbridge-Munsee Community Hudson Valley Regional Repatriation Project." The NAGPRA grant will fund the office to take the lead to consult, along with Delaware Tribe and Delaware Nation, on repatriating approximately 300 Mohican and Munsee ancestors and burial items from the Hudson Valley held by four museums. The Tribe was one of only nine Tribal Nations to receive this award.

The NAGPRA grant award is a big step for the program in its 25-year history to implement a regional project of this kind, and to be the lead entity on the work rather than participating as a partner. The project activities are for Stockbridge-Munsee Community to take the lead on research, database development, and coordination of virtual and in-person consultation between the three Tribes and the four Hudson Valley museums. We will work with the museums to culturally affiliate individuals if possible and then move through the NAGPRA process including re-assessing past Notices of Inventory Completion where appropriate. This additional consultation on previous NAGPRA outreach will result in successful documentation leading to published inventories and summaries for the four institutions. It will also ensure the ancestors' proper care through the Tribes' representatives ceremonially preparing the ancestors while they are in the care of the museums until the transfers take place. The Historic Preservation Committee will be providing input throughout the project. All of this work will facilitate and expedite the safe return of the ancestors and lead up to them being transferred and ready for the physical reburial.

Both projects are directly in line with the Stockbridge Munsee Community's Historic Preservation Management Plan objectives in documenting, preserving and educating on priority cultural sites in the Tribe's Hudson Valley homelands.



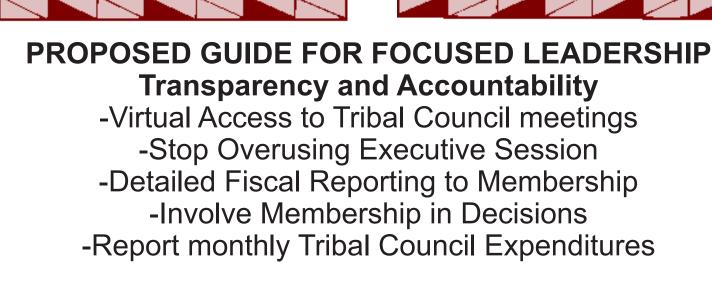
## **Update cont from page One:** the museum exhibit.

That sparked her to reach out to our historic preservation office in Williamstown, Massachusetts and to come drop off the basket in person in order to do what she felt was right in returning the item to our People. We are most grateful for her generosity of spirit!

In addition, two NAGPRA claims have been completed: one with the Mission House museum in Stockbridge, Massachusetts and one with Hartwick College Yager Museum in Oneonta, New York. The claims were in regard to our continuing efforts on a special project to return all known items belonging to Sachem John W. Quinney. As a result, we now are the official stewards again of the following items of Sachem Quinney's: A set of three circular silver brooches, his magnifying glass, pipe stem, sleigh bell, leather leggings, and cane. We also returned a pipe bowl of Austin Quinney.

These items are seen as items of cultural patrimony, in that they belong to the whole community and have ongoing cultural and historical significance. We look forward to officially having a Welcome Home ceremony at a later date!





## **Housing Needs**

-Homelessness -Lower Interest Rates -Buying Existing Homes Within Boundaries -Home Building Options -List of Available Lots for Housing

## **Constitutional Enrollment Reform**

**Rebuild Trust of Employees in Tribal Leadership** -Stop Inconsistent HR Practices -Stop Reorganizing Departments Without Membership Input

> Elder Services -Assisted Living Services -Elder Chore Services

**Childcare** -Address Community on Daycare Needs

## **Revenue Diversification**

-Detailed Fiscal Reports for Businesses -Build Separation from Tribal Government -Put New Business Enterprises to Referendums

Long Term Strategic Plan for the Community -To carry us forward for the next seven generations

> Matthew Putnam for Tribal President (Paid Advertisement)

# Wild Rice Project



(Above) Workers Parching Wwild Rice

(Below) Air Dryig Harvested Rice



(Below) Green Harvested Seed





Rice Threshing Machine

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August 2021: Age-Adjusted COVID-19 Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths Among Fully Vaccinated and Not Fully Vaccinated People Last Update 9/15/2021

#### Fully Vaccinated Per 100,000 Fully Vaccinated People \*\*\*\*\*\* ŀ**ՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠ `\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **\***\*\*\*\*\* \* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* ^ \* **\***\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* ŀ**ՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠՠ \*\*\*\*\*\*\***\*

(Light Blue) 360.7 Cases (Dark Blue) 11.5 Hospitalizations (Black) 1.1 Deaths

Here are the COVID-19 testing statistics completed at the SMHWC through today, 9/17/2021. Total tested = 6,492 (+184 since last reporting period)

Total Negative Counts = 6,136 Total pending = 17

Total Positive Cases = 339 +22 since last reporting period

Total Positive Cases who live in Shawano or Menominee counties = 308

Total breakthroughs = 12 tested at the clinic to date.

In addition to clinic testing, we are aware of 8 additional breakthroughs in our community. Total ever hospitalized = 18 Active cases = 25 Recovered Cases = 311 Deaths (tested at clinic) = 3

## Total deaths = 4

5,462 doses of Covid-19 vaccine have been administered by the Tribe as of 9/10/2021

Count of fully vaccinated people: 2,655

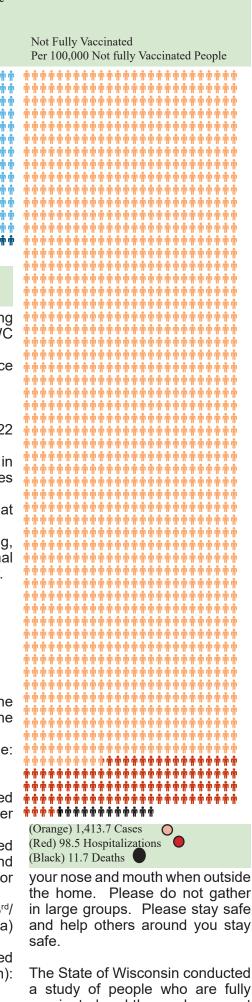
Count of people who received both doses of vaccination (Pfizer or Moderna): 2,558

Count of people who received first dose of vaccination and are awaiting 2nd dose (Pfizer or Moderna): 229

Count of people who received a 3<sup>rd</sup>/ booster dose (Pfizer or Moderna) 20

Count of people who received single dose (Johnson & Johnson): 97

The clinic has seen an recent increase in COVID cases. On average 10% of tests conducted by the clinic over the last 7 days were positive. This rate is larger than Wisconsin's 7 day average percent positive of 7.4%. Many of those positive cases were children. This week alone, 13 of our positive cases were in school aged kids. Children under the age of 12 do not have an option to get vaccinated. Please consider getting a vaccine to help protect those who cannot get the vaccine. Please also wear a mask to cover



a study of people who are fully vaccinated and those who are not fully vaccinated using data from August 2021. The results show that fully vaccinated people are 3.9 times less likely to get Covid-19. If they get Covid-19, they are 8.5 times less likely to be hospitalized and 10.6 times less likely to die from Covid-19.

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/ covid-19/vaccine-status.htm

Andrew Miller Director Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center

## Women's Empowerment Summit and Training

Keshena, WI - On Saturday, October 16, 2021, the College of Menominee Nation's Sustainable Development Institute will be holding it's first ever Women's Empowerment Summit and Training (W.E.S.T.). This free event will be a day full of wellness sessions, relaxation training, and local vendors.

There will be multiple breakout sessions featuring topics like financial planning, MMIW, LGTBQ Awareness, and beading. The event will feature keynote speeches from Menominee Tribal Legislator Rachel Fernandez, Professor of Music at Edgewood College Beatriz Aguilar, and Stockbridge-Munsee President Shannon Hosley.

We will also have gift baskets, gift

bags, raffles, and music. Come join us from 8AM to 4PM at the Menominee Casino Resort's conference hall. The event is open to women in the surrounding communities, ages 16 and older. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact the Sustainable Development Institute at sdi@menominee. edu or call us at (715) 799-5600 ext. 3044.

Event sponsored by USDA NIFA, American Indian College Fund, College of Menominee Nation, Sustainable Development Institute, UW- Madison's Latin American, Caribbean, and Iberian Studies Program, UW-Madison Institute of Regional and International Studies, and UW-Madison's Center for East Asian Studies.



On Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

**Roll Call:** Present Shannon Holsey; Jolene Bowman; Present Terrie Terrio; Present Craig Kroening Jr.; Present Marv Malone; Present Joe Miller; Present Brock Schreiber; Present **APPROVAL OF AGENDA-**

ADD: Appeal Hearing in Executive Session

Motion by Jolene Bowman to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting agenda for Tuesday, September 7 as amended. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

## OPEN AGENDA-

**MEETING MINUTES-August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021, and August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021** Motion by Joe Miller to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of August 17<sup>th</sup> and Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes August 31<sup>st</sup> as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene abstains (*absent for Tuesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>*), Terrie yes, Brock abstains, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

GM'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR JULY 2021 AND CASINO & BINGO FINANCIALS FOR JULY 2021-Eric McLester, General Manager and Tammy Wyrobeck, CFO

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the GM's Monthly Report for July 2021, and the Casino & Bingo financial statements for July 2021. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried. TRIBAL EMPLOYEE ONLINE LANGUAGE CLASS-Tabled USE OF GREAT SEAL & SMC FLAG-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator Motion by Joe Miller to authorize the request. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried. COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE-Quinney, Allen Executive Director Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the request of monies from the potential business development fund for the broker agreement that was recommended. Seconded by

Joe Miller. Motion carried. NO KID HUNGRY GRANT-Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager and Kori Price, Family Services Manager

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the updated budget plan for the No Kid Hungry Grant which is requiring no tribal contributions. Seconded by Jolene Bowman. Motion carried.

TRAILER HOUSE SHELTER-Crystal Malone, Human Services Area Manager and Kori Price, Family Services Manager

Motion Terrie K. Terrio to approve the disposition for the 1998 homeless shelter at N8711 Oak Street and it be put out on bids "as is" with the potential to get the land assignment or move it, as it is up to the buyer's choice. Seconded by Brock Schreiber. Motion carried.

#### AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN-Roberta Carrington, Housing Board Chairperson

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the

Directives cont on page Nine:

#### **Directives cont from page Eight:** American Rescue Plan with the understanding that it is coming back with bids. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

#### ELDERLY HARDSHIP PROGRAM-Roberta Carrington, Housing Board Chairperson

Motion by Jolene Bowman to approve the Elderly Hardship increase, every four years for one year until the 2022 budget comes out and then to be funded to the Housing Board for appeals for up and beyond once a policy is presented and approved for additional Elderly Hardship and/or Disabled Emergency Assistance Program that is governed through the Housing Board. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Motion maker amends motion: removing the one year. Second concurs.

Motion maker amends motion to add: offset for reimbursement for this fiscal year for those Elders that had to pay out of pocket. Second concurs.

**Roll Call:** Marv abstains (agrees with Brock to increase the amount), Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock no, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

## BUDGET MODIFICATION-Chad Miller, Land Management

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the request from the Land Management, Mr. Chad Miller, instead of buying a map laminator to authorize him to use funds to buy a drone. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried.

LAND COMMITTEE MINUTES-Chad Miller, Land Management Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Land Committee meeting minutes of July 15, 2021, and approve the recommendations contained within. Seconded by Marv Malone. Motion carried.

#### RESOLUTION: Conveyance

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Motion by Jolene Bowman to adopt resolution 049-21, NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council supports the recommendation of the Division of Community Housing in the Conveyance of Tenant #106-01, Louie Gardner. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

#### B O A R D / C O M M I T T E E SELECTION: Constitution Committee

Motion by Joe Miller to appoint all that have applied and to keep open for additional members. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried. **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (for approval)-March 31, 2021, and April 30, 2021** 

Notion by Joe Miller for approval March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021, and April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021, financial statements. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Jolene Bowman to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried at 6:26 PM.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. Motion carried at 8:20 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on an Audit Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> Denial for Enrollment, Legal Issue, Enrollment Appeal Hearing, Appraisal and Enrollment Committee Minutes.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the audit recommendations for Program 260 the Library/Museum. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig Kroening, Jr for a 2<sup>nd</sup> denial for enrollment of Aaron Miller due to insufficient blood quantum. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock yes, Joe abstains and Craig yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to create line-item RB 2021 in the Legal Department's Budget for the remainder of this fiscal year and for fiscal year 2022. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee to enroll James V. Elmergreen as 3/8, parents are Eugene V. Elmergreen and Marcella Doxtator and Dennis D. Elmergreen, the same 3/8 with the parents Eugene Elmergreen and Marcella Doxtator. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the application of Konkapot R. Vele as recommended by enrollment, parents Dennis N. Vele and Janelle Powless as 9/32. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the application of Beckett J. Pleshek as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee, parents Mitchell Pleshek and Jennifer Welk. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock abstains, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried. Motion by Joe Miller to accept the enrollment application of Anthony J. Wray, Morgan D. Wray, Brayden J. Wray, Avalyn F. Wray, Jayden H. Wray and Cailey M. Wray Fritsche as 29/64, parents Derrick E. Church and Constance Constance Wray Church. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the enrollment application of Jacob Schubinski as ¼, parents Pamela Shubinski. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock yes, Joe yes and Craig abstains. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the enrollment application of Michael B. Shubinski as 1/4 Stockbridge-Munsee, parents David Shubinski and Kimberly Sprenger. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock yes, Joe and Craig abstain. Motion carried. Motion by Joe Miller to accept the enrollment application of Shanon L. Vuckovic as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee, parents Dianne E. Miller and Richard Mueller. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the enrollment application Jan Rosnow as <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Stockbridge-Munsee, parents Gerald Rosnow and Guinevere Plass. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried. Motion by Joe Miller to accept the application of Luken L. Schreiber as 3/8 Stockbridge-Munsee, parents Brock Schreiber and Whitney Schreiber.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock abstains, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried. Motion by Joe Miller to accept the application of Ezra J. Hietpas, Jaxyn K. Hietpas and Marley M. Hietpas as 17/64, parents Jason Hietpas and Virginia Terrio. Seconded by Craig Kroening, Jr. **Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene abstains (family conflict), Terrie

abstains, Brock abstains, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried. Motion by Joe Miller to accept the

enrollment application of Rachel L. Brown and Ronald Vigue II as ¼ Stockbridge-Munsee, parents Teri Vigue and Ronald Vigue. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Marv yes, Jolene abstains *(family conflict)*, Terrie yes, Brock yes, Joe yes and Craig yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee for 1<sup>st</sup> denial of Brenda Sagunsky, parents Charlene Moon. Seconded by Marv Malone. Motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Jolene Bowman to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried at 8:31 PM.

On Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Special Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:			
Shannon Holsey;	Present		
Jolene Bowman;	Present		
Terrie Terrio;	Present		
Craig Kroening Jr.;	Present		
Marv Malone;	Absent		
Joe Miller;	Present		
Brock Schreiber;	Present		
APPROVAL OF AGENDA-			

Motion by Joe Miller to approve Special Tribal Council Meeting agenda of Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Terrie K. Terrio. **Roll Call:** Jolene yes, Terrie yes, Brock no, Joe yes and Craig yes.

Motion carried. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Legal

**Issue** Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried at 10:16 AM. October 1, 2021 Page 9 Vice President Bowman wanted her statement read in for the record:

Such must mistruths have already been alleged to the Tribal Council and leaked to Councilman Brock Schreiber's listeners all which were investigated. Strange why you didn't bring your so-called evidence at that time, instead you wait until the results are not what you were hunting for.

Despite how many times you make the same or similar innuendos, they or you won't be known for being the truth or truthful. Lies constantly told do not become the truth if you keep telling them yet speak to more to your desire to use Tribal Council meetings as a platform for personal attacks.

What is ethical with your attempts to get yourself re-elected or your brother elected. The membership can see through your efforts to distract from your politically driven voting record on membership, including supporting only the enrollment recommendations of those applicants who hired your brother, Sterling Jr., as a researcher and/or advocate.

Motion by Craig Kroening, Jr. to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Joe Miller Motion carried at 10:25 AM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a submittal of litigation request.

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt resolution 050-21, WHEREAS, The United States was not a party to earlier litigation in which the federal district court and the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals determined that the 1856 Reservation had been diminished and then disestablished by Congress:

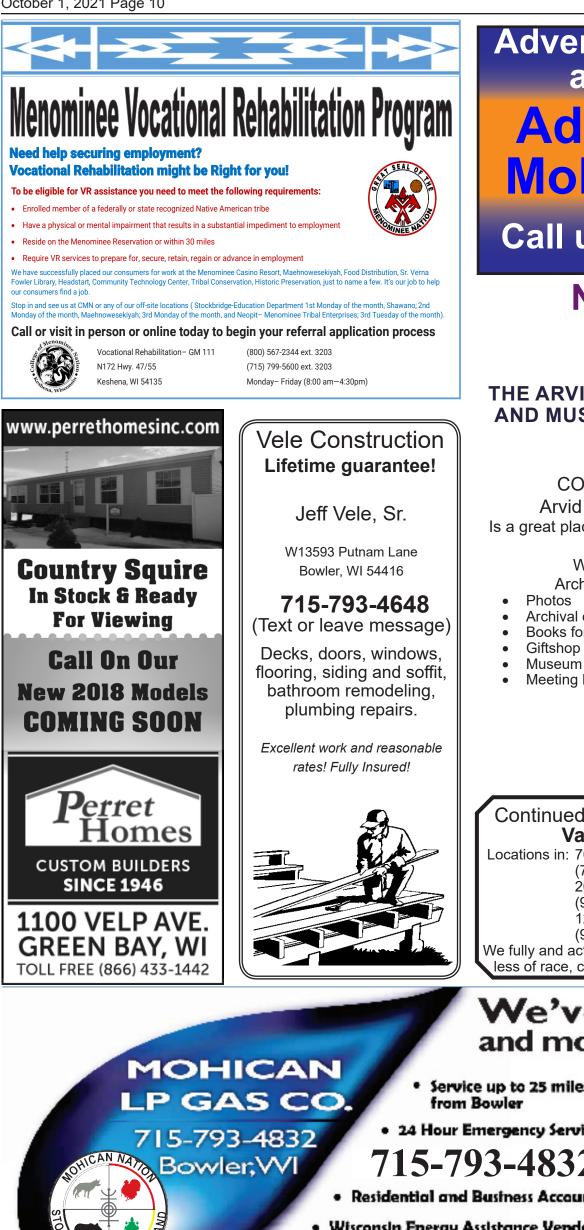
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Tribal Council authorizes the submittal of a litigation request to the United requesting States that the United States initiate litigation capacity as Trustee in its Stockbridge-Munsee for the Community and consistent with its commitments in the 1856 Treaty to assert the continuous vitality of the 1856 Reservation boundaries and the Community's authority to regulate its own feel land within those boundaries as a result. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the letter to the Assistant Secretary Newland and Deputy Solicitor Bledsoe Downes and authorize the President Shannon Holsey to sign the letter and also to authorize the President to send a mailing to the Membership outlining at that is going on.

Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

#### ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried at 10:29 AM.



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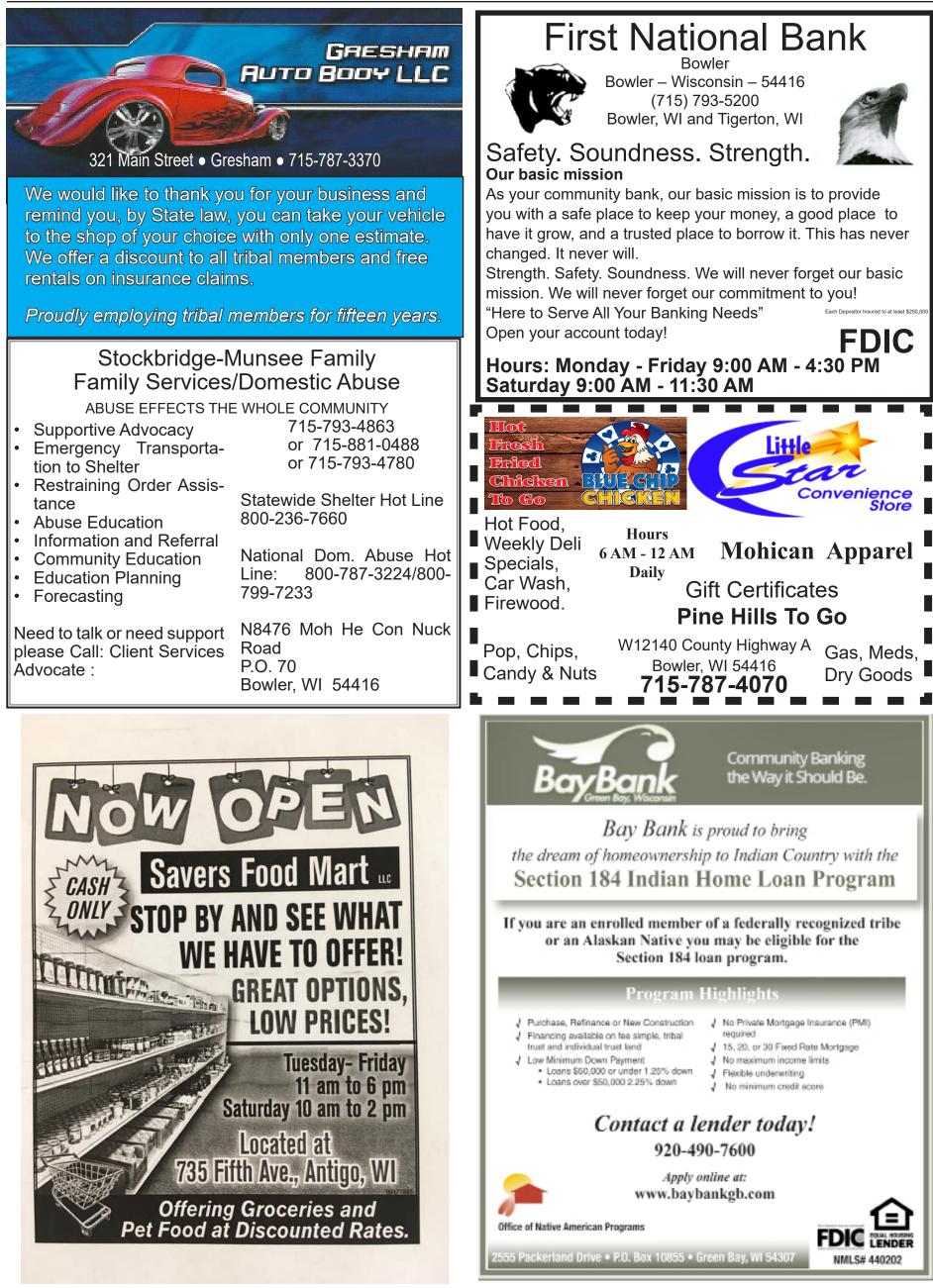
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