

Covid Update

Positive Counts

COVID-19 testing statistics completed at the SMHWC and Occ Health (PCR test) through 5/6/2022.
 Total tested = 9,452 (+ 131 since last reporting period)
 Total Negative Counts = 8,797
 Total pending = 6
 Total Positive Cases = 749 (+48 since last reporting period) – tested on a PCR test
 Total ever hospitalized = 24
 Active cases = 48
 Recovered Cases = 698
 Deaths (tested at clinic) = 3
 Total deaths = 4

Vaccination Data

7,142 doses of Covid-19 vaccine have been administered by the Tribe as of 5/6/2022.

Count of people who received both doses of vaccination (Pfizer or Moderna): 2,712

Count of people who received first dose of vaccination and are awaiting 2nd dose (Pfizer or Moderna): 214

Count of booster doses given: 1,347

Count of people who received single dose (Johnson & Johnson): 157

State and County Counts

Wisconsin overall is seeing an increase in cases of Covid-19. Wisconsin's 7 day average is 11% of all test coming back positive.

The State's 7 day average is 1,573 new cases each day <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/cases.htm>.

The Clinic's 7 day positive rate is 32.7%. Shawano County has seen a large increase in covid cases, 112 new cases in the last 7 days

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Sanapaw named CAO of CMN



KESHENA, WI – Geraldine Sanapaw has been named Chief Academic Officer (CAO) of the College of Menominee Nation (CMN). Under the direction of the President, the CAO is responsible for educational policy and academic programs. This includes, but not limited to, program review and improvement, accreditation and self-evaluation, assessment of student learning, and advancement of student success. Sanapaw's transition into permanency in the CAO capacity was confirmed by the College of Menominee Nation Board of Directors on Monday, April 25, 2022.

Sanapaw has been serving as Interim Chief Academic Officer since May 2020. President of the College, Christopher Caldwell, is confident in Sanapaw's role stating, "CAO Sanapaw has demonstrated a long term commitment and understanding of Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) as a CMN graduate, employee, and teacher. Her understanding and valuing of Indigenous cultural influence throughout our institution is also important in how we design academic programs and assess their

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MMIW Recognition



Photo of some of those in attendance at the MMIW rally on the steps of the Wisconsin State Capitol. Photo courtesy of Colleen Dodge.

By Jeff Vele – Mohican News Editor

Cinco De Mayo will mean much more going forward for Native Americans in this country. The day has been singled out to recognize and remember Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women (MMIW). Wisconsin Women's Council sponsored an event and ceremony for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women Day

on Thursday, May 5, 2022 on the State Street Capitol steps and around the Capitol walkway and exterior. Other events recognizing the MMIW were held in different places across the country. Our own President Holsey has the keynote speaker at the event. Also on hand, among a handful of other Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal and Community members, was Stacey

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Pine Hills 2022

The 2022 Spring/Summer opens a long-awaited hobby for most. Pine Hills Golf Course and Supper Club is open and ready for business. New Pine Hills Manager Ross Tucker joins the staff this year. Pine hills is currently open for Golf, lunch and the weekend supper club have its own set of hours. The Golf course is open daily Seven A.M., and the bar/grill opens for lunch around 11 A.M. the weekend supper club is open Friday night 3 P.M. TO 6 P.M. Saturday the bar is open for lunch and supper. Sunday they are serving food from 11 A.M to 3 P.M.

Ross Tucker brings with him a wealth of golf experience and motivation to Pine Hills Golf Course. Tucker grew up in Northern



California. Went to school at the University of Oregon. Tucker moved to Florida after college and turned into a professional golfer in 2012. He played professionally for about 5 years.

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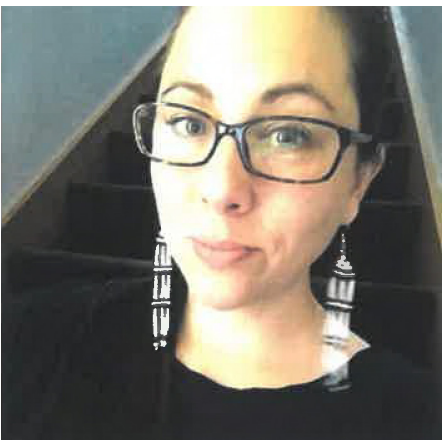


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Lepscier Earns First Nations Educational Doctorate Degree



Crystal Lepscier

(Waqsepaehketukiw or "Shining Young Woman"), Ed.D. completed her Ed.D. degree in First Nations Education Studies from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay this May 2022.

Her research lies at the intersection of traditional indigenous knowledge, education, culture, social justice, and healing. In her dissertation, she examined how racial battle fatigue, which is the buildup of micro aggressions and race related phenomenon, affects indigenous student voice and how community might insulate indigenous students against racial battle fatigue by fortifying cultural nourishment using cultural arts like moccasin making. One of the most exciting parts of her research was that it utilized Participatory Action based Research ("PAR") which

centers on community focused discussions and community action to support student cultural nourishment. She described the solution as "much like a hummingbird stops in our backyard on its long journey for nourishment at feeders we lovingly place out, so too can we support indigenous students on their educational journeys."

Dr. Crystal Lepscier defended her dissertation on May 6, 2022. She is grateful for the support she received from American Indian Graduate Center, Indian Summer Scholarship Inc., Wisconsin Indian Education Association, and the First Nations Education Doctorate Program. In 2021, she received Graduate Student of the Year from the Wisconsin Indian Education Association. She was identified in 2022 as one of Wisconsin's 39 Most Influential Native American Leaders. She is the First Nations Student Success Coordinator at University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

Dr. Crystal Lepscier is a Little Shell Chippewa tribal member and direct descendant of Menominee and Stockbridge-Munsee tribes. She is the daughter of Antoinette (Vele) Tourtillott and the late Scott Tourtillott and stepdaughter to Bruce Silas. Her grandparents

are the late Merton and Carol (Ludin) Vele and the late Roger and Kay (Richmond) Tourtillott. Her great grandparents are the late Steve and Irene (Konkapot Gardner) Vele and the late Lawrence

("Jocko") and Frances B. (McGillis) Richmond and the late Miles and Rose (Frechette) Tourtillott. She is married to Justin Lepscier and mother to Caroline Rose and Jacob Scott.



AGE MY WAY: MAY 2022



Stockbridge Munsee **Community** Elders & Disabled Clients

Please join us on: Monday, May 16th, 2022 @ 10:30 a.m.

Mini Health Fair

Where: The Eunice Stick Gathering Place/Elderly Services Building

N8651 Maplewood Street Bowler, WI

This year's focus is AGE MY WAY

Learn how older adults can plan to stay in their homes and live independently in their communities for as long as possible. We will have community vendors on hand with information to assist in planning ahead and what services are available right here in our service area.

Wolf River ADRC

Diabetic Nurse

Community Health Rep

Elder Visitor

Respite Care

Tribal Elderly Social Worker

Dietician

Community Health Nurses

Elder Benefit Specialist

Ella Besaw Center

The first 30 participants will receive a gift bag! Registration/Sign in will be done on the day of starting at 10:00 a.m. However; If you would like to stay for the **congregate meal at noon; you will have to call by Monday, May 9th** to be signed up so cooks have a count for shopping & prep.

You can call DeAnna @ 715-793-4237

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Schinko, who spoke about her efforts of Justice for Kosey. And then several people who were impacted in one way or another spoke.

President Holsey was the first to speak and she welcomed those in attendance by saying, "Thank you for joining us as we honor missing and murdered Indigenous women and bring voice to our sometimes, invisible, nameless relatives to help us increase our national awareness, and demand change at the tribal, federal, and state levels. We are joined today by our fierce aunties, our partners, and families of missing and murdered Indigenous relatives as we start our National Week of Action with our prayers for healing, safety, and justice for Indigenous women, our families and nations."

Holsey add that in some tribal communities, American Indian women face murder rates more than 10 times the national average. In responding to this national crisis, we recognize the federal Indian legal framework is complex and creates many barriers for victims, their families, communities, and tribal nations. Insufficient resources and lack of clarity on jurisdictional responsibilities have exacerbated efforts to locate those who are missing. Nearly 46 million people worldwide heard the grassroots calls for justice during the National Week of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. Such an organized groundswell is an important factor in creating the political will to effect social changes that Indigenous women urgently need.

"MMIP is a widespread, complex, and insidious problem, and therefore requires a holistic approach to address it, not a siloed one. MMIP exists at the intersection of issues related to health, social determinants, and criminal justice – therefore, all of these systems must be linked and cohesive in order to mount an effective response. Any gaps in these systems increases the risk of someone going missing," said Holsey.

Shannon ended by saying, "As legislation is considered at the state and federal level, it's imperative that our family voices are shared, heard and respected, particularly as it pertains to our families and loved ones who endure this crisis daily for years in silence. Each person holds the authority and responsibility to take action. Stand with the mothers, sisters, families, and Nations of the MMIP to increase protections for Native women and relatives. While history cannot be undone, changes to current federal policies can increase the safety

of Native women to save lives. Before the MMIWG crisis can be fully addressed, it must first be acknowledged. We will no longer accept the things we cannot change; we will change the things we cannot accept. No matter the challenges, Native people have risen to the occasion. Our ancestors have gifted us with their wisdom, with their strength, and their tenacity. Their will to protect our communities is embedded within our DNA."

When President Holsey ended her keynote address several people who have been impacted spoke to those in attendance. One was Stacey Schinko who said, "MMIW Awareness Day is very important to me because I am a survivor of domestic abuse. I thought after nearly eight years of escaping I was in a good place of healing, but our past hit us like a ton of bricks when our beautiful relative Kozee Featherstone Montana-H Medicine Top Decorah was murdered by her fiancé on May 16, 2020. Kozee gave me the courage to find my voice and start fighting for all of us women who have experienced violence. Kozee's name and voice will never be silenced as her killer wanted. She has the voices of thousands of relatives fighting in her honor to bring justice for our women, our people, and our relatives. The cycle must be broken, and it will take all of us coming together to make that happen throughout Indian country. We must go back to our traditional ways and our culture and hold our women in a place of value and respect. We have the attention of the Federal government and must continue making them follow through on their promises to do right by us."

There are times for reporting things that were said and heard but in Indian Country there are also times when we know that what is being said is not for reporting or recording. Several women and men spoke of traumatic events in their lives that affected who they are today and spoke about how they are dealing with those traumas. These words were very moving and powerful. People spoke from their heart, and some spoke from their pain. But they shared and it was something that needed to be heard by everyone there.



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effectiveness in preparing all CMN students as important parts of their communities. We are an institute of the Menominee people, yet we serve and value a diverse student population that has come to learn from us and with us. "

An alumna, Sanapaw began her academic career at CMN receiving her Associate Degree in Business. She received her Bachelor's Degree in Business from Silver Lake College and a Master's of Business Administration from Lakeland College. She is currently pursuing a Doctor of Education (EdD) program at Concordia University in Leadership Innovation and Continuous Quality Improvement.

Sanapaw is familiar with the mission and values of the College and upon acceptance of the position said, "I am looking forward to continuing working with our staff and faculty to support and find new opportunities for our students and the community."

She started at CMN as the Associate Administrator in Academic Affairs in 2005, but has also worked in the departments of Institutional Research and the Registrar. Sanapaw has also served on various committees such as Finance and Planning, Endowment, and Committee on Academics.

The College of Menominee Nation is an accredited baccalaureate-level institution chartered by the Menominee People. Campus locations are in Keshena and Green Bay, Wisconsin. Seventy percent of CMN's alumni are enrolled or descendants of American Indian Tribes with representatives from 36 tribes and bands.



STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE TRIBAL COURT

Mohican Nation

Stockbridge-Munsee Community

CIVIL SUMMONS

Case No. 2022-CS-0007

Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Child Support Agency, Petitioner,

vs

Stevie Tousey, Respondent,

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT a Civil Complaint/Petition has been filed against you in this office.

YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER to the Complaint/Petition within Twenty (20) days of the date this Summons and attached Complaint were served upon you. The answer must be filed with the Tribal Court at the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Offices at N8476 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI 54416, and a copy must be delivered or sent to the Petitioner or his/her attorney.

IF YOU FAIL TO ANSEWER the complaint within the Twenty (20) days of the date you were served, a JUDGMENT may be entered, and the plaintiff may be awarded the relief asked for in the complaint.

DATED: March 3, 2022

Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Clerk



On the Trail Home



Shirley Wiltse Dunn, age 93, of East Greenbush, New York, died peacefully on Monday, April 25, 2022.

Born in Tannersville, New York, Mrs. Dunn was the daughter of James C. and Leah Showers Wiltse, both of whom predeceased her. She also was predeceased by her brother, James C. Wiltse Jr, in 2017 and by a grandson, Matthew Russell, in 2018.

Shirley graduated from Tannersville Central School in 1946, and from the New York State College for Teachers in Albany, in 1950. The holder of masters degrees in English and History from the College for Teachers (now SUNYA), Shirley worked as a teacher, museum interpreter, editor, and historic preservationist. She spoke frequently to historical groups and was recognized by the New Netherland Project for her contributions to Dutch studies. Author of several articles on Dutch history, she was also honored by the Holland Society of New York as a Fellow for her Dutch studies.

After graduation from the College for Teachers, Shirley taught four years in Delmar, New York, and Baltimore, Maryland, while her husband pursued his education. She then became a devoted, fantastic mother and homemaker, raising four children. After her children entered college, she returned to the labor market, teaching briefly in BOCES, and later working for the State office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation, until her retirement in 1992.

In 1965, she and her family lived in Venezuela where her husband worked for the United Nations as a budget management advisor to the Venezuelan government.

Shirley was a founding member of the Esquatak Historical Society in Schodack and East Greenbush. She also was a founder of the

Dutch Barn Preservation Society and was its first president. An active and dogged researcher, she honed those skills as a teacher, author, historic preservation consultant, and as Assistant Site Manager at Fort Crailo Historic Site in Rensselaer. These interests later led to writing or editing seven books, including three histories related to the Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican Nation. These well-respected studies have been recognized as significant works on the history of that group and for which the president of the Mohican Nation bestowed a tribal award which recognized her support and contributions.

Other books included *Dutch Architecture near Albany* (with co-author Allison Bennett), a childrens' book on the Mohicans, and a popular book of her mother's stories of places and events in the Tannersville area of the Catskill Mountains titled *Pioneer Days in the Catskill High Peaks*. Her last book, on Fort Crailo and the Van Rensselaer families who lived there, was published in 2016.

Shirley enjoyed her family, her pets, gardening, music, painting, and walks in nature. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Shirley is survived by her husband of 72 years, Gerald E. Dunn. She also is survived by her brother Oscar (Patricia) Wiltse of Flowery Branch, Georgia; and by her children Geoffrey O. (Laura) Dunn, of East Greenbush, New York; Janet M. (Patrick) Russell, of Boulder Creek, California; James E. (June) Dunn, of Trumansburg, New York; and Barbara E. (John) Oswalt, of Herndon, Virginia, eight grandchildren, two great-granddaughters, and five nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends may call on Friday from 4:00 – 7:00 pm at the Wm. J. Rockefeller Funeral Home, 165 Columbia Turnpike, in Rensselaer.

The Funeral Service will be held Saturday at 11:00 am at the Wm, J. Rockefeller Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Shirley's name to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the National Audubon Society, Doctors Without Borders, The Nature Conservancy, or to Amnesty International.

TANF Pandemic Emergency Assistance

TANF pandemic emergency assistance is to provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in homes of relatives.

Eligibility subject to funding availability

Application Deadline July 31, 2022

What Kind of Help is Available?

- *Short-term homelessness Assistance
- *Short-term utilities
- *Personal Protective Equipment/Household/Personal hygiene
- *Emergency food aid
- *Burial assistance
- *Clothing allowance

Your household may qualify if:

- Custodial parent(s) eighteen (18) years or older with dependent child/ren
- Caretaker relative eighteen (18) years or older of dependent children
- Deal with a specific crisis or episode of need
- Not intended to meet on-going needs
- One-time benefit
- Must be Enrolled or Direct Descendant Stockbridge-Munsee
 - Preference given to Stockbridge-Munsee Enrolled Members
- Must reside in service area
 - The Original Boundaries (Township of Red Springs and Bartelme) of the Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation.
- Must meet Income limit of 200% of FPL (20% of gross income is disregarded)

Assistance Group Size

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 or more
200% FPL	\$3,052	\$3,838	\$4,625	\$5,412	\$6,198	\$6,985	\$7,772	\$8,558	\$9,346

Contact the Stockbridge-Munsee Economic Support Department
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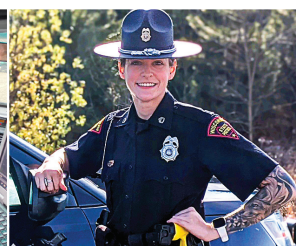
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 - Honor guard
 - CMV inspectors
 - Crash reconstruction experts
 - SWAT team
 - Human trafficking/drug interdiction

Application deadline: July 8, 2022



Apply Online: wsp.wi.gov



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The Clinic's 7 day positive rate is 32.7%. Shawano County has seen a large increase in covid cases, 112 new cases in the last 7 days (up from 23 new cases the week before) <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>

N-95s

The Clinic is offering free N-95s and procedure masks.

At home Covid Tests

The Clinic is offering free at home covid-19 test kits at our front desk. If you test positive on an at home test, please notify contact tracing at 715-881-0872. If you are an employee, please also inform your supervisor.

Covid-19 Second Booster Shots

FDA and CDC approved a second booster (4th dose) for certain eligible people.

Who is eligible?

- Anyone over 50 years old is eligible if you received a first booster (3rd dose) more than 4 months ago.
- Immunocompromised people may be eligible for up to a 5th dose, please consult with your primary care provider.

How can I get my booster?

The SMHWC is offering booster doses to anyone who meets eligibility requirements. You can schedule a booster at the SMHWC by calling 715-793-5000.

Can I call to see if I am eligible for a booster?

If you have questions about eligibility for a second booster (4th dose), you can call the SMHWC triage line 715-793-5087 to see if you are eligible.

What vaccine were approved as a second booster (4th dose)?

FDA approved both Moderna and Pfizer as a second booster (4th dose)

If I received Jansen vaccine in the past, am I able to get the second booster?

If you are over 50 or meet the immunocompromised conditions and received Jansen for your primary and booster dose more than 4 month ago, you are eligible for a Moderna or Pfizer as the

second booster. Please let the medical team know that you received Janssen vaccine in the past.

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Ran a golf academy after that. Then caddied on the PGA Latin American Tour for a year. He can teach and club fit anyone that comes through the door. Ross has worked as an outside supervisor and manager at public and private golf courses from Florida all the way to Wisconsin. Managed caddie departments after that, upwards of 300 people. Tucker is looking forward to bringing my wealth of experience in golf to Pine Hills and helping to make the course as great as it can be. Ross stated, "I am excited for the season and making it one of the best yet".



Brandy Moede has taken over as Course Superintendent and his talented greens keeping crew do their best to offer the best playing conditions and course aesthetics throughout the 2022 golf season. Brandy has been with Pine Hills for years and is a big part in making Pine Hills look and play amazing year in and year out. To no surprise Moede and his crew put in countless hours maintaining such an amazing golf course For those who have never golfed at Pine Hills, it is truly one of the finest golf courses throughout Wisconsin's historic Northwoods. The 72-par beautiful course is conveniently nestled among the towering pines to help you experience nature at its best. All 18 holes are designed to test your shot making ability while giving you the opportunity to enjoy your surroundings.



Free Financial Coaching Available to Tribal Citizens

Since June 2020, with grant support from the Wells Fargo Foundation, the Oklahoma Native Assets Coalition, Inc. (ONAC) has been offering three types of free financial coaching to tribal citizens across the United States: 1) credit counseling, 2) homebuyer education, and 3) financial management (i.e. budgeting).

Confidential sessions are offered one-on-one, by teleconference (Zoom) or phone call, with a certified credit counselor, homebuyer education provider, and financial educator, Felecia Freeman (*Citizen Potawatomi*). Typically, these sessions will last for an hour and are scheduled at a mutually agreeable time.

Thus far, ONAC has offered this free financial coaching to those participating in ONAC's other programming. Now, ONAC is offering these financial coaching services to a wider group of tribal constituents.

If you are a tribal citizen interested in free financial coaching, you are welcome to complete the following registration form:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ONACcounselingregistration>.

Once the form has been submitted to ONAC, our financial coach will work with you to schedule a remote session by phone or teleconference. This confidential financial coaching is available to any American Indian or Alaska Native in the United States, regardless of where you reside.

For any questions about these financial coaching services, contact Christy Finsel, ONAC Executive Director, at (405) 720-0770 or cfinsel@oknativeassets.org.

Title VI Family Night

Title VI is a part of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) and supports a comprehensive approach to educational improvement and reform for American Indian Students, Helping ensure they benefit from national education reforms and receive opportunity to achieve high standards. The programs promote the efforts of schools, local education agencies and Indian Tribes and organizations to meet the unique educational and culturally related academic needs of their American Indian and Alaska Native students.

There are a few ways that Bowler High School's Title VI program helps its American Indian and

Alaska Native students. The school provides High School credit recovery opportunities, provide supplies and support like tutors if needed, and organizes college/trade school visits for students. Hosting Cultural Events, Graduation ceremony, and holding various community service projects and leadership activities are some more of what Title VI does at Bowler school. They assist the school with communication between school, students, and parents, assist with resources that help with truancy, attendance, grades, and behavior issues. Title VI also helps assist general education and special education teachers with modifications and support.

This event was hosted at the Mohican Family Center





Health

Covid Isolation
Wisconsin is experiencing an increase in the number of people testing positive with Covid. The new strain of Covid is a subvariant of Omicron that is very contagious. The Stockbridge-Munsee Community saw a larger number of positive covid tests this weekend through Monday. At the end of the day Monday, contact tracers identified 65 people who had tested positive for Covid since the end of the day Friday. Menominee Tribal Clinic informed our public health they are also seeing a large increase in cases, and had multiple positive test results on Monday.

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community is taking the following precautions to help protect everyone from the further spread of Covid-19:

1. Masks are now required to be worn by all staff and patients at the SMHWC.
2. Employees and visitors to the Besaw Center are now required to wear masks upon entry.
3. All employees are required to wear a mask.
4. Patrons are strongly encouraged to wear a mask.
5. The SMHWC provides free masks (both procedure and N-95 masks) and free at home covid tests to all.

6. The SMHWC provides covid-19 vaccines and boosters at no cost to you.

7. All employees have been vaccinated against covid-19.

8. Employees with positive covid tests are placed on quarantine. Please take the following precautions to help keep everyone safe:

1. If you feel sick, stay away from others.
2. If you feel sick, wear a

mask if you have to be around others.

3. Take an at home test or get tested if you feel sick or others near you have covid-19.

4. Follow Isolation/quarantine guidance if you have a confirmed positive covid -19 test or if someone near you had a positive test. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/your-health/quarantine-isolation.html>

Calculating Quarantine
The date of your exposure is considered day 0. **Day 1 is the first full day after your last contact with a person who has had COVID-19.** Stay home and away from other people for at least 5 days. [Learn why CDC updated guidance for the general public.](#)

IF YOU Were exposed to COVID-19 and are NOT up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations	Quarantine for at least 5 days Stay home Stay home and quarantine for at least 5 full days. Wear a well-fitting mask if you must be around others in your home. Do not travel. Get tested Even if you don't develop symptoms, get tested at least 5 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19.	After quarantine Watch for symptoms Watch for symptoms until 10 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19. Avoid travel It is best to avoid travel until a full 10 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19. If you develop symptoms Isolate immediately and get tested. Continue to stay home until you know the results. Wear a well-fitting mask around others.	Take precautions until day 10 Wear a well-fitting mask Wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time you are around others inside your home or in public. Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a well-fitting mask. If you must travel during days 6-10, take precautions. Avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19.
IF YOU Were exposed to COVID-19 and are up to date on COVID-19 vaccinations	No quarantine You do not need to stay home unless you develop symptoms. Get tested Even if you don't	Watch for symptoms Watch for symptoms until 10 days after you last had close contact If you develop symptoms Isolate immediately and get tested. Continue to stay home until you know the results. Wear a well-fitting mask around others.	Take precautions until day 10 Wear a well-fitting mask Wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time you are
IF YOU were exposed to COVID-19 and had confirmed COVID-19 within the past 90 days (you tested positive using a viral test)	No quarantine You do not need to stay home unless you develop symptoms.	Watch for symptoms Watch for symptoms until 10 days after you last had close contact with someone with COVID-19. If you develop symptoms Isolate immediately and get tested. Continue to stay home until you know the results. Wear a well-fitting mask around others.	Take precautions until day 10 Wear a well-fitting mask Wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time you are around others inside your home or in public. Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a well-fitting mask. Take precautions if traveling Avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19.

Calculating Isolation Day 0 is your first day of symptoms or a positive viral test. Day 1 is the first full day after your symptoms developed or your test specimen was collected. If you have COVID-19 or have symptoms, isolate for at least 5 days.			
IF YOU Tested positive for COVID-19 or have symptoms, regardless of vaccination status	Stay home for at least 5 days Stay home for 5 days and isolate from others in your home. Wear a well-fitting mask if you must be around others in your home. Do not travel.	Ending isolation if you had symptoms End isolation after 5 full days if you are fever-free for 24 hours (without the use of fever-reducing medication) and your symptoms are improving. Ending isolation if you did NOT have symptoms End isolation after at least 5 full days after your positive test. If you got very sick from COVID-19 or have a weakened immune system You should isolate for at least 10 days. Consult your doctor before ending isolation	Take precautions until day 10 Wear a well-fitting mask Wear a well-fitting mask for 10 full days any time you are around others inside your home or in public. Do not go to places where you are unable to wear a mask. Do not travel Do not travel until a full 10 days after your symptoms started or the date your positive test was taken if you had no symptoms. Avoid being around people who are more likely to get very sick from COVID-19.

Opioids

Collaboration with National Indian Education Association, DEA and Discovery Education expands effort to address the opioid crisis

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Discovery Education, in partnership with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the National Indian Education Association (NIEA), announces the launch of "Good Medicine Bundles," a set of hands-on, standards-aligned resources for elementary and middle school students to address the nation's opioid crisis and encourage resiliency through a Native approach to balance and wellness.

Launched on April 15th, the no-cost digital program is designed to help students understand how their connection to community and nature can restore balance and support better decision-making. These bundles combine traditional storytelling, the medicine wheel, and other Native practices of wellness with the insights of modern science to help students form a better response to trauma and stressors.

"This expansion of Operation Prevention will allow an underserved community to receive important, potentially life-saving information,"

said DEA Acting Administrator D. Christopher Evans. "In collaboration with Discovery Education and the National Indian Education Association, the "Good Medicine Bundles" component aims to prevent substance misuse and abuse by reaching this vulnerable population at an early age, educating them about the consequences of bad decisions that lead to substance misuse, and offering alternatives that are in line with their cultural practices. DEA will continue to utilize outreach and prevention strategies as part of our broader mission to protect the public from the dangers of substance misuse and the violence associated with the demand for drugs in this country."

The "Good Medicine Bundles" are an extension of the Operation Prevention educational initiative created by DEA and Discovery Education. Operation Prevention is a nationwide program that educates students about the science behind addiction, and its impact on the brain and body. Operation Prevention interactive resources help promote lifesaving discussions in the home and classroom. With the assistance of NIEA, these drug prevention tools have been tailored for culturally appropriate use.

Lake Monitoring and Mapping

During the summer of 2021, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community's Ecology Department focused clean water sampling efforts on lakes that have Tribal land ownership and are important for recreational use for community members. The last time these lakes were monitored was over ten years ago. As part of the SMC clean water program's monitoring strategy, monthly sampling was completed to determine nutrient levels, oxygen and temperature profiles, and water clarity. A survey was also done to look at the aquatic macrophyte (underwater vegetation) community within the lakes. These surveys are useful in tracking changes in overall water quality over time and provide a floristic quality and diversity index of plants found. Any aquatic invasive species (AIS) were also noted during the surveys and management practices

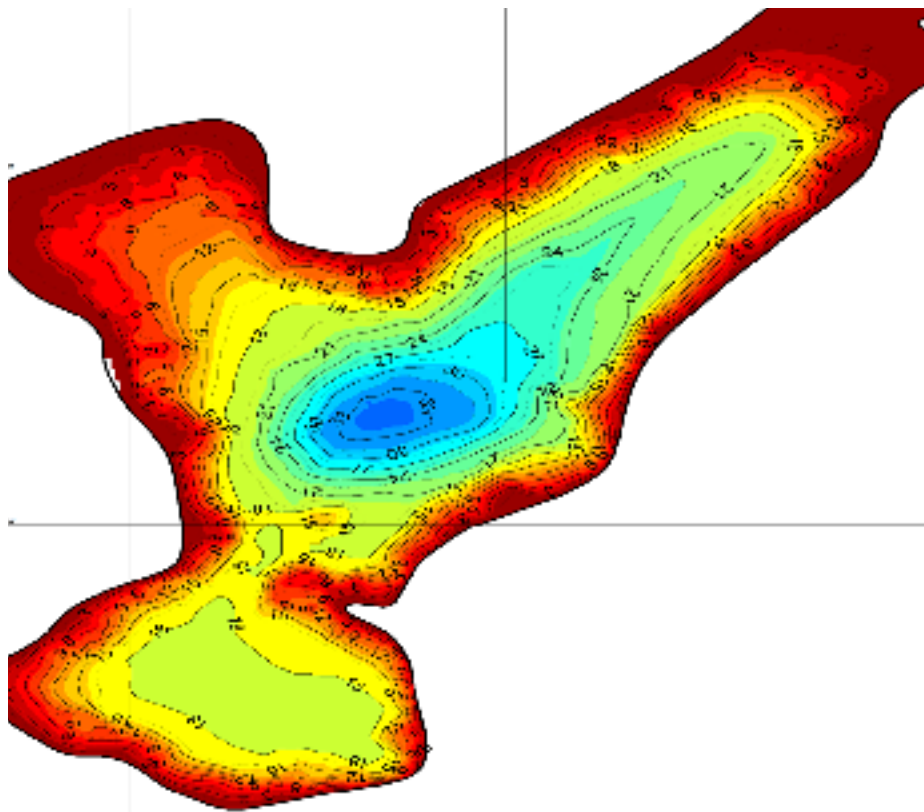


Figure 1 Bathymetric map of Big Lake, Shawano County, WI, 2021

can be determined based off the findings. During the sampling efforts, the Ecology Department also mapped certain waterbodies using a state-of-the-art sonar, GPS, and mapping software. Transects were completed across the surface of the lakes at 30-meter intervals, and depth data was collected continuously and interpolated using the mapping software to create very detailed and accurate bathymetric maps. Waterbodies that were mapped included Beaulieu and Koonz Lakes, Big Lake, Malone Lake, Mission Lake, Lost Lake, and two unnamed lakes off County Highway A.

Beaulieu and Koonz Lakes had reports of low water oxygen levels for the second winter in a row. The SMC Ecology Department investigated the oxygen levels and found a very limited supply and lethargic or dying fish. The findings were reported to the WDNR, and water samples were collected and sent in to the State Lab of Hygiene to test the nutrient levels in the lake. Because of the reports and findings, the WDNR is also planning a spring electroshocking survey to determine the status



Figure 2 Largemouth Bass in good condition, late winter 2022, Mission Lake.

of the fishery.

As a result of the low oxygen levels found on Beaulieu and Koonz Lakes in the late 2022 winter, the SMC Ecology Department thought it might be wise to assess the other Tribal lakes for signs of depleted oxygen. Ecology staff checked each lakes' oxygen profile at our 2021 sampling points, as well as dropped a camera down the hole to check on the condition of the fish and aquatic macrophytes. No other lakes had oxygen depletions and the fishery and macrophytes seemed to be in good condition coming out of winter.

If community members are interested in the new detailed lake maps, copies will be made available for pickup at the SMC Land Management Office building on Moh He Con Nuck Road. Clean water monitoring data is also compiled and analyzed on an annual basis as part of grant reporting requirements. These reports include lake and river/stream monitoring efforts and can be made available upon request. For questions, feel free to contact Alex Brauer, SMC Hydrologist or Josh Jensen, SMC Water Quality Technician at 715-793-4818.

STOCKBRIDGE - MUNSEE COMMUNITY ELDERS

(55 & older)

Would you like to help us gain a better understanding of the frequency and severity of falls in our community?

Please complete an online or in-person survey by **May 31st, 2022** to assist us with preventing falls and injuries in our community.



Online survey link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/hJ1c7G47GT>
or use QR Code

If you do not have access to the internet please contact Cami Miller at 715-793-5064 and she can assist you.

Once the survey is completed you can remain anonymous or enter your name to be submitted into a drawing to win 1 of 25 Walmart gift cards!

Hurry and fill out your response now!

Gift card drawing to be held on June 1st, 2022

Your assistance would be greatly appreciated!

Purchased/ Referred Care (PRC)

If you receive a referral from your primary care provider at Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center (SMHWC) to an outside provider, the referral staff will contact you with the details of your appointment. If you have a follow up appointment, please contact the referral staff with appointment information to have a referral made up. Failure to get a referral for all visits outside of the SMHWC may result in denials from the PRC department.

REFERRAL STAFF:

Danielle Ewald- Referral Case Manager 715-793-4102


Sarah Miller-Referral Specialist 715-793-5077

2022 TRIBAL ELDER FOOD BOX CALENDAR STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE

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 Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Elder Food Box Distributions

Distributions will be on Thursdays from Noon-4:30pm at Stockbridge-Munsee Food Distribution located at N8476 MohHeConNuck Road, Bowler, WI 54416
*Please bring your Tribal ID



2022 TRIBAL ELDER FOOD BOX NEWSLETTER



FOOD & FARMS REPRESENTED IN THIS WEEK'S BOX

- Ground Pork & Eggs - Birds N' Things, Ashland, WI
- Ground Beef - Oneida Nation Farm, Seymour, WI
- Smoked Lake Trout Fillets - Blue Harbor, Green Bay, WI
- Aquaponic Lettuce - Bodwéwadmí Ktêgan, Laona, WI
- Red Potatoes, Shiitake Mushrooms, Onions - Chippewa Valley Produce, WI
- Tomatoes - Wisconsin Food Hub Cooperative, Waupaca, WI
- Microgreens - SLO Co-op, NE WI



<https://www.feedingwi.org/programs/tribalfoodsecurity/>

WELCOME TO THE 2022 TRIBAL ELDER FOOD BOX PROGRAM

Dear Tribal Elder Food Box Recipient,

We are excited to bring these nutritious and delicious foods to you! This program was built through a partnership between Bad River Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Forest County Potawatomi, Ho-Chunk Nation, Lac Courte Oreilles, Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Oneida Nation, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa, Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians, Feeding Wisconsin, Feeding America Eastern Wisconsin, Intertribal Agriculture Council, Wisconsin Food Hub Cooperative, Department of Ag, Trade and Consumer Protection, UW-Madison, and [healthTIDE](http://healthTIDE.org).

When possible, we will be sourcing food from Indigenous and local producers and food will be representative of traditional, Indigenous foods. The contents of the boxes will change for each distribution based on what is available seasonally. The average box will be 14-16 pounds and will contain a combination of protein (meats and fish), produce (fruits and vegetables), and shelf stable items like white corn, maple syrup, and wild rice. Each box will be accompanied by a newsletter containing weekly producer profile spotlights and recipes contributed by Indigenous chefs and home cooks.

We encourage you to continue picking up these boxes as scheduled by your tribe through the first week in December. We also welcome your feedback about the contents of the box. Please share your food preferences with your food distribution coordinator.

PLEASE NOTE: Food provided is for Wisconsin Tribal Elders. This is a project funded through a Feeding America National Regional Agri Food Distribution Grant and a contribution from the Feeding Wisconsin American Rescue Plan Act funding.



PRODUCER SPOTLIGHT BIRDS N' THINGS FARM

Birds N' Things Farm is a small family farm with big dreams. It is owned by myself, Daisy Perez-Defoe, and my husband Rusty Defoe. We moved our farm from California in 2020 and settled on completely raw land in Ashland, WI. We have always wanted to produce "good food" for people at an affordable price and now through this program we are able to share what we do with our communities. While we are relatively new in our endeavors (7 years, 2 years in WI) Rusty brings his military training from the United States Marine Corps, plus building and construction knowledge from Victor Valley College (VVC). This allows us to be self-sufficient in our building and expanding of our farm structures. I bring years of marketing, sales, and customer service experience. I also have an [Associates](#) degree in Business Administration from VVC, which helps with our [day to day](#) operation of the farm. Our three kids, ages 6-9, help in the daily livestock up keep.



We are certified through the Veteran Farmers Coalition and as Native American Producers. Rusty and the kids are enrolled members of the Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. We concentrate in pasture and [silvo](#)-pasture production, intensive farming. This means that we run our livestock through our forest with daily or twice daily rotations. This allows us to minimize damage to our field and forest, allowing us to care for the land and ensuring it is still viable for the next seven generations.



<https://www.feedingwi.org/programs/tribalfoodsecurity/>

THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE APRIL COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP WALK





Education

The Charles & Judy Whitmore Scholarship Application

This Scholarship is for High School Graduates who are passion driven in a specific field and are considering attending a trade or vocational school, so they can focus on studies specific to their talents, skills and career desires.

The purpose is to support those who seek an education in a skilled trade and to help offset the cost of this type of education that may not be eligible for other grants.

This scholarship is in memory of my mother, Geratha "Girlie" Tousey.

To apply:

1. S/M enrolled. (Does not have to reside on reservation)
2. A copy of your latest official transcript (no grade reports).
3. New students, copy of your High School transcript.
4. A one-page, typed personal essay focusing on how you will apply your education and if you are involved in community and/or extra-curricular activities.
5. An acceptance letter from the trade/vocational school you will be attending.
6. Must be registered a full-time student. (12+ credits) for the new school year.
7. Must provide a copy of class schedule for the fall term of the current year.
8. Trade/vocational school only. Does not apply to 4-year college students.

Send to: Stockbridge-Munsee Education
Charles & Judy Whitmore Scholarship
P.O. Box 70
Bowler, WI 54416

Deadline: **Complete applications must be received by July 29, 2022 at 3:00 p.m. for the upcoming Fall school year.**
No faxes, incomplete, or late applications will be accepted.

Complete applications will be scored as follows:

GPA: 4.0-3.75 equals 50 pts 3.24-3.0 equals 35 pts
3.74-3.5 equals 45 pts 2.99-2.75 equals 30 pts
3.49-3.25 equals 40 pts The maximum essay score is 40 points.

First Name	MI	Last Name	Phone Number
Street Address		City	State
Declared Major/ Minor	College/University Attending	College/University Address	College/University Phone #
Expected Graduation Date	Please indicate what grade level you will be in for semester checked below: <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior		
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> S/M Enrolled <input type="checkbox"/> S/M Direct Descendant			
Enrollment #: _____		Parent's Name: _____	
		Parent's Enrollment #: _____	

Grace Meredith Yocum Shepard

Grace Meredith Yocum (1891-1960) was an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Her Mohican name was Moween or "Black Bear," fitting for a woman about six feet tall.

The daughter of Adrian Yocum and Lena May Antone, she had one sister, Erma. Among her ancestors were Moses and Abraham Yocum, the signers of treaties for the tribe at New Stockbridge, NY, in the 1820s, and members of the Sprague, Antone, Chicks, Miller, Pye and Calvin families. In the Chicks line, she was a descendant of Jacob Cheeksaukun, cited in the book "The Mohicans of Stockbridge" by Patrick Frazier as an effective leader in the French & Indian War. In the Calvin line, her ancestors included Benjamin S. Calvin, who was educated at Princeton University and served under George Washington in the American Revolution.

In 1915, Grace Meredith married Harry David Shepard, and they had four children: Phyllis (1917-1927); Ruth Meredith (Peters) (1919-2018); Gordon David Shepard (1921-2006); and Ira Matthew Shepard (1932-present). She lived most of her life in Red Springs.

Her grandson and granddaughter remember her as soft-spoken and gentle, with an inner strength. She loved the Friday Night Fights on television and would enthusiastically urge her favorites to score a knockout. When upset with her husband, she would walk the perimeter of their 40 acres, and by the time she returned, would be singing and carrying wildflowers she had picked. A special memory is the fragrance and flavor of her homemade bread, which she let her grandchildren, including enrolled members Terry Shepard and current chief judge of the tribal court Marianne Higgins, slather with butter straight from the oven.

She died April 9, 1960, and is buried in the Red Springs Cemetery.

Julia Helena Boushka Sunderland

Julia Sunderland (1886-1984) began a connection to the Stockbridge-Munsee community when her only child, Mary Lois (1919-2019), met enrolled member Gordon David Shepard at a wartime USO event while he was stationed at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. They married in 1943.

Julia married Clarence Sunderland in 1912 and they operated a general store and post office in the hamlet of Delhi, IL, and were prominent in the Delhi Baptist Church.

Her grandson remembers Julia as an energetic, dynamic and cheerful woman, who showered him with love and approval. Children in the Stockbridge-Munsee Community experienced that when she came to live there to be near her daughter and son-in-law, who had returned in 1977 to found the Stockbridge Bible Church. At age 94, she was still assisting in the tribal Head Start program and her relationship with the children, who called her "Grandma," was featured in an article in the Mohican News.

She died at age 96 and was returned to her longtime home in Jersey County, IL, for burial.

The Waldo L. "Buck" Wacožumaņj Martin Scholarship Application

A scholarship in memory of Buck Martin has been made possible by Buck and Karen's family friend Kristen Brown. Karen Martin has also donated to the scholarship fund, increasing the scholarship to \$500. Buck received his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh. Buck was involved in government relations: at the Federal level, with HHS-Indian Health Service where he served as a Senior Advisor to the Director; at the State level, where he was Policy Advisor for Governor Thompson; and at the Tribal level, as President at Martin & Associates where he was a lobbyist for the Stockbridge-Munsee Community on State/Tribal issues. Buck passed on November 18, 2019. This scholarship is to honor his memory an legacy.

To apply:

1. Send this application or request the form (715-793-4100)
2. A copy of your latest official transcript (no grade reports).
3. New students, copy of your High School transcript.
4. A one-page, typed personal essay focusing on how you will apply your education and if you are involved in community and/or extra-curricular activities.
5. An acceptance letter from the college you will be attending, if this is your first year at that school.
6. Must be registered a full-time student. (12+ credits) for the new school year.
7. Must provide a copy of class schedule for the fall term of the current year.

Send to: Stockbridge-Munsee Education
Buck Martin Scholarship
P.O. Box 70
Bowler, WI 54416

Deadline: **Complete applications must be received by July 29, 2022 at 3:00 pm**
No faxes, incomplete, or late applications will be accepted.

Complete applications will be scored as follows:

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Enrollment #: _____		Parent's Name: _____	
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Education and Career Services

College Internship

What: The College Internship program gives undergraduate students practical work experience while gaining skills and building networks with potential employers and professionals in their fields. The College Intern is **paid \$20 hourly for a maximum of 200 hours**. This College Internship is available because Mr. Richard Edward Dwyer donated funds from his Living Trust to the Stockbridge-Munsee Community. On June 17th, 2014, the Tribal Council adopted a Proclamation in his honor to celebrate a man who understood our history and to honor the memory of Mr. Dwyer, the Tribal Council proclaimed the funds to be used for Education.

When: Internship Program will start **June 7th** and end **August 20th, 2021**.

Where: Stockbridge Munsee Community

Eligibility: Stockbridge-Munsee enrolled members who are enrolled full-time in an accredited/certified institution are eligible to apply for an internship placement. The earliest a student may intern is after completing at least 12 credits with a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.0. All applicants **MUST** submit proof of Stockbridge-Munsee enrollment, proof they are enrolled in classes for the upcoming semester, and provide a grade report from the most recent completed semester. Covid-19 vaccination is mandatory. Must be two weeks post-final dose of vaccination to start.

Applications available: Stockbridge-Munsee Education Office (located at Konkapt) or online: <https://mohican.com/ecs-applications-forms-policies/>

Deadline to Enroll: Completed applications **must be dated** as received by Education and Career Services staff no later than **Thursday, MAY 27th, 2021 at 3:00p.m.** No exceptions will be made for late applications. The Internship placements are limited and held on a first come first serve basis. Any applications missing required materials **WILL NOT** be considered if the deadline has passed.

Contact information:

Vaughn Miller, Career Services Specialist
Phone: 715-793-4353
vaughn.miller@mohican-nsn.gov

W12635 County Rd A
P.O. Box 70
Bowler, WI 54416



Forge Project announces its 2022 Fellows



(Hudson Valley, NY - April 26, 2022) — Forge Project, a Native-led art, culture, and decolonial education initiative on the unceded homelands of the Muh-he-con-ne-ok in Upstate New York, is pleased to announce the six winners of the 2022 Forge Fellowship (pictured above left to right):

Catherine Blackburn (Dene);

Laura Ortman (White Mountain Apache);

Rainer Posselt (Stockbridge Munsee Band of Mohicans); (pictured second row left to right)

Sara Siestreem (Hanis Coos of The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians);

Tania Willard (Secwepemc Nation); and

Ilgavak, Peter Williams (Yup'ik).

“As we move into the second year of our Forge Fellowship, we’re thrilled to honor this incredible group of changemakers, whose practices champion those aims central to our mission at Forge,” said Forge Project Executive Director **Candice Hopkins** (Carcross/Tagish First Nation). “This year’s Fellows represent the breadth and complexity of contemporary Native artistic practices, activism, and culture bearing.”

Forge Project’s 2022 cohort of six Indigenous individuals represents a broad diversity of cultural practices, participatory research, organizing models, and geographic contexts that honor Indigenous pasts as well as build Native futures.

Each Forge Project Fellow will receive a total of \$25,000 toward their practice and will have full access to the Forge Project site, libraries, and collection of contemporary art by Indigenous

artists during a three-week fellowship at Forge. Fellows will have the opportunity to present their work at on-site events, as well as online via social media and live-streamed programs.

The Forge campus consists of two structures designed by the artist and activist Ai Weiwei, in collaboration with HHF architects. The Tsai Residence, where Forge Project hosts its public programming, including special-topic talks with Fellows, is the larger of the two buildings. Parallel to the Tsai residence is a Y-shaped building housing a fluid living and studio space for Forge Fellows.

This year’s Fellows are a widely accomplished group working in a range of fields:

Catherine Blackburn is an artist and jeweler, who uses personal narrative to speak back to colonial histories;

Laura Ortman is an experimental musician and vocalist working with everything from the electric guitar and piano to the Apache violin;

Rainer Posselt (Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians) has worked with Native youth, food-sovereignty initiatives, and currently works in public and mental health, including conducting various community needs assessments for the Menominee tribal epidemiology department and for the urban Indian community in Milwaukee. He designs and administers surveys, conducts focus groups, and examines epidemiological data to identify current mental health services needs for Native people in Milwaukee. Posselt’s Master’s thesis will examine how historic trauma has affected the attachment patterns of Native American adults. This theoretical relationship has never been quantitatively examined with regards to Native American historical trauma. His study

aims to elucidate some of the relationships between historical trauma and how it is transmitted by demonstrating that a high burden of historical trauma cognitions and related symptoms result in the development of anxiety or avoidant attachment within members of Indigenous communities.

The artistic and pedagogical visions of multi-disciplinary artist **Sara Siestreem** who combines painting, photography, printmaking, weaving, and large-scale installation with work in education and institutional reform;

Tania Willard’s notions of the contemporary and traditional as applied to Indigenous art, probing intersections between Indigenous practices and land-based pedagogies; and culture bearer, artist, designer, and filmmaker

Ilgavak, Peter Williams, whose hand-sewn works repurpose hide and skin from self-harvested traditional foods, bridging worlds of Indigenous art, fashion, and subsistence.

The Forge Project Fellowship 2022 applications were reviewed by a juried panel of six distinguished Native scholars, artists, writers, and former Fellows: Misty Cook, Sky Hopinka, Dr. Rose Miron, Dr. Jolene Rickard, Dr. Miranda Roberts, and Dr. Anton Treuer.

Forge Project’s annual fellowship launched in 2021 with a cohort of four individuals selected by Heather Bruegl (Oneida/Stockbridge-Munsee). The inaugural Forge Project Fellows were architect Chris T Cornelius (Oneida), multidisciplinary artist Sky Hopinka (Ho-Chunk Nation/Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians), ecologist and researcher Jasmine Neosh (Menominee), and Mohican language preservation activist and teacher Brock Schreiber (Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans).

About the Jury

Misty Cook (Stockbridge-Munsee), M.S. is the author of *Medicine Generations: National Native American Medicines Traditional to the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans Tribe* and a cultural consultant.

Sky Hopinka (Ho-Chunk Nation/Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians) is a multidisciplinary artist who has studied and taught chinuk wawa, a language indigenous to the Lower Columbia River Basin. Among many other honors, he has received a Sundance Art of Nonfiction Fellowship, a Guggenheim Fellowship, and was

an inaugural Forge Project Fellow.

Dr. Rose Miron is the Director of the D’Arcy McNickle Center for American Indian and Indigenous Studies at the Newberry Library and Affiliate Faculty in the Center for Native American and Indigenous Research at Northwestern University. She holds a BA in History and a PhD in American Studies from the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Jolene Rickard (Tuscarora Nation) is an artist and academic. She is a recipient of a Ford Foundation Research Grant and is conducting research in the Americas, Europe, New Zealand, and Australia that will culminate in a new journal on Indigenous aesthetics, and is currently the director of Cornell’s American Indian & Indigenous Studies Program.

Dr. Meranda Roberts (Yerington Paiute Tribe) earned her PhD from the University of California, Riverside and has worked as a post-doctoral researcher at the Field Museum of Natural History, and is now the Education Manager at the Museum of Us in San Diego, California.

Dr. Anton Treuer (White Earth/Leech Lake Ojibwe) is Professor of Ojibwe at Bemidji State University and author of 19 books. He has a B.A. from Princeton University and a M.A. and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota and is editor of the *Oshkaabewis Native Journal*, the only academic journal of the Ojibwe language.

About Forge Project

Forge Project is a Native-led initiative centered on decolonial education, Indigenous art, and supporting leaders in culture, food security, and land justice. Located on the unceded homelands of the Muh-he-con-ne-ok in Upstate New York, Forge Project works to upend political and social systems formed through generations of settler colonialism.

Launched in 2021, Forge Project serves the social and cultural landscape of shared communities through a funded fellowship program, public education and events, a lending art collection focused on living Indigenous artists, and a teaching farm developed in partnership with Sky High Farm.

Candice Hopkins (Citizen of Carcross/Tagish First Nation) serves as Forge Project’s executive director and chief curator. Forge Project was co-founded by Becky Gochman and Zach Feuer.

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“Native communities still experience the impact of historical traumas. To find healing and balance, we must teach our young people the ways of the medicine wheel and the cultural practices of wellness that help us feel balanced in a traumatic world. These lessons are critical for all students as a response to the crises in our nation,” said Diana Cournoyer, Executive Director of the National Indian Education Association.

The online curriculum includes classroom activities, an educator’s guide, and shareable PowerPoint presentations for elementary and middle school students. The program is available at operation-prevention.com and on Discovery Education’s flexible K-12 learning platform.

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Thank you for giving our group, Wisconsin Indigenous Riders recognition in the Mohican News (Flyer Below). Our purpose is to promote education, language, culture, respect and appreciation for Indigenous People of Wisconsin and all Indigenous People. In 2021 our group helped Lac Du Flambeau with a new billboard sign that brings awareness for MMIW. All donated funds that the group received through the ride went to the new sign. We have

also helped families of MMIW with some expenses where it was needed. We are riding to bring awareness to MMIW/MMIP and the Opioid epidemic that has touched all of indigenous people. We have several stops in our Native communities where we will have speakers that have personal experiences with MMIW/MMIP and Opioids that have touched lives in our communities. Thanks, Kelly LaMere

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Directives



On Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

- Roll Call:**
- President - Shannon Holsey Present
 - Vice President – Craig Kroening, Jr. Absent
 - Treasurer – Sara Putnam Present
 - Council Member – Joe Miller Present
 - Council Member – Jeremy Mohawk; Present
 - Council Member – Terrie K. Terrio Present
 - Council Member- Randall Wollenhaupt Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-
 ADD: Bowler School Request
 Request to accept DreamUp Grant Award
 Tribal Seal for NATOW Travel Guide
 DOA Grant
 Contract Amendment in Executive Session
 Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting of Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022, agenda as amended. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-MEETING MINUTES-
 Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve Regular Tribal Council Meeting minutes of Tuesday, April 19th, 2022. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaupt.

Roll Call: Jeremy yes, Randall yes, Sara yes, Terrie yes and Joe abstains (quarantine). Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST: Bowler 6th Grade Class-Amy LeNoble
 Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to donate. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

BOWLER SCHOOL REQUEST-Shannon Holsey, President
 Tabled
NEEDS ASSESSMENT/ COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS-Cheri Nemec, GLITC
 Motion by Jeremy Mohawk for the approval of the President’s signature for Data Use Agreement

to hold conversations with parents/ caregivers of children under age six (6). Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

TRIBAL LAW AND POLICY INSTITUTE TRAINING-Brittany Kroening, Tribal Court

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the TLPI training to be offered here and in person May 24 to May 26. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaupt. Motion carried.

CBRF ASSISTANT MANAGER-Stacie Bowman, HR Executive Director, and Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the changes to the CBRF Assistant Manager and to approve for posting understanding that the recommended changes will be updated in the posting as discussed. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

GM’S MONTHLY REPORT FOR MARCH 2022, CASINO FINANCIALS FOR MARCH 2022, AND BINGO FINANCIALS FOR MARCH 2022-John Phillipp, GM, and Terrance Miller

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept the GM’s Monthly Report for March 2022, the Casino Financials for March 2022, and Bingo Financials for March 2022. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

ARPA FUNDING REQUEST-John Phillipp, GM, and Terrance Miller
 Tabled

P R E S E N T A T I O N / ENTERTAINMENT CONTRACT-Kori Price, Family Center Manager

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the contract with Mike Bone Booking to provide presentation and entertainment for “Protect Your Spirit” youth event. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion maker amends motion: upon Legal review. Second concurs. Motion carried.

REQUESTING & ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING-Stacey Schinko, Aging & Disability Services Area Manager and Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director
 Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to grant permission for the request for the remaining Phase 3 funding

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monies to be used for planning funds for the Ella Besaw Center and monies in Phase 4 funding to be used in the implementation of the plan to expand the facility from 8 to 26 beds and will assist the need of additional staffing upon Legal review. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

BIDWELL MUSEUM LETTER OF SUPPORT & REQUEST USE OF GREAT SEAL-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve for the Tribal President's signature the letter of support for the Bidwell House Museum's Housatonic Heritage Grant and approve use of the Tribal Seal for the Bidwell Museum's *The Many Trails of the Moh-he-con-neok* booklet. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

TRIBAL SEAL FOR NATOW TRAVEL GUIDE-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the use of the Tribal Seal for the NATOW Travel Guide. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR BARD COLLEGE "RETHINKING PLACE" MELLON FOUNDATION GRANT-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve for Tribal President's signature the letter of support for the Bard College "Rethinking Place" Mellon Foundation grant project. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

COLLEGE OF MENOMINEE NATION CLIMATE CHANGE IN STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE HOMELANDS PROJECT-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve for the Tribal President's signature the letter of support for the College of Menominee Nation Climate Change in Stockbridge-Munsee Homelands project. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO ACCEPT DREAMUP GRANT AWARD-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio adopt resolution 038-22 as outlined by the President and to accept the DreamUp award money amount to be used to contract an independent firm to work with the Workgroup to draft a survey. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

BIG LAKE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION ACCESS REQUEST-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Department Manager

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Big Lake Property Owner's Association granting permission for the use tribe's boat landing on Big Lake for a specific project. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Jeremy yes, Randall

abstains, Sara yes, Terrie yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

AQUATIC ORGANISM PASSAGE TECHNICIAN POSTING-Randall Wollenhaup, Ecology Department Manager

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve for posting the AOP Technician.

Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Jeremy yes, Randall abstains, Sara yes, Terrie yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

NAFOA MEMBERSHIP-Sara Putnam, Tribal Treasurer

Motion by Joe Miller to move to support. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

TEMP NURSING CONTRACT FOR ELLA BESAW AND SMHWC-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the contract with STAT Temporary Services, Inc. for temp staff at either the SMHWC and the Besaw Center as recommended by the Director. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

POLICY CHANGE: Dental Staffing Requirements Policy-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Dental Staffing Requirement update to 202DENT00016 policy. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL CABINETRY PRICE INCREASE-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the increase to the contract amount authorized for the medical and dental cabinet install for a grand total. Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

BOARD/COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES-

Historical Committee-JoAnn Schedler, Committee Member, Robert Little and Mark Church

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to accept and approve the Historical Committee Meeting minutes of Wednesday, March 30, 2022. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Motion maker amends motion: to add the action contained within. Second concurs. Motion carried.

Fish & Wildlife Committee-

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the meeting minutes. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Jeremy yes, Randall abstains, Sara yes, Terrie yes, and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Land Committee-Carmen Cornelius, Committee Member

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Land Committee Meeting minutes of March 17, 2022, and approve the recommendations contained within. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

Roll Call: Joe yes, Terrie yes, Sara yes, Randall yes and Jeremy abstains (family member). Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to approve for President's signature the Agricultural Permit for Lee Davids.

Seconded by Sara Putnam. Motion carried.

Motion by Joe Miller to deny the request for the use of Pine Hills overflow parking as presented and request Land Management to work with Sterling Schreiber, Jr., on an alternative trust land assignment. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup.

Roll Call: Jeremy abstains (family member), Randall yes, Sara yes, Terrie yes, and Joe yes. Motion carried.

BOARD / COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS-

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to appoint Leah J. Miller to the Domestic Abuse Response Team.

Seconded by Sara Putnam.

Roll Call: Jeremy abstains (currently on board), Randall yes, Sara yes, Terrie yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to appoint Alpha Creapeau to the Investment Committee. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

SUPPORT OF GOLF AND LACROSSE YOUTH PROGRAM-Shannon Holsey, President

Motion by Joe to support a Youth Golf and Lacrosse initiative within the community. Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried.

DOA GRANT-Shannon Holsey, President

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the award amount from

the Department of Administration. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to go into Executive Session.

Seconded by Randall Wollenhaup. Motion carried at 6:03 PM.

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to come out of Executive Session.

Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 6:48 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a Contract Amendment and a Tribal Member Request.

Motion by Joe Miller to grant the request for employment waiver as discussed in Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

Roll Call: Jeremy abstains (family member), Randall yes, Sara yes, Terrie yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to authorize the President to contact Legal to get the contract amended as discussed in Executive Session.

Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to

authorize Randall to meet with Legal in regards to a contract discussed in Executive Session.

Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Joe Miller to adjourn.

Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried at 6:50 PM.



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PREP TIME: 10 MINS | COOK TIME: 25 HRS | TOTAL TIME: 35 MINS | SERVINGS: 8 SERVINGS

- Ingredients**
2 lb chicken, cubed
1-2 Tbsp olive oil
1 cup onion, diced
1 4oz can of green chilis, drained
1 tsp cumin
1/2 tsp chili powder
1 jar enchilada sauce
8 Mission Carb Balance tortillas
2 cups colby jack cheese, shredded
Non-stick cooking spray

Instructions
Preheat the oven to 350F.
Cook the Chicken
In a large skillet over medium-high heat, heat the olive oil in the pan. Cook the onions for 3-4 minutes until the onion starts to soften.
Add the bite-sized chicken pieces, cumin, and chili powder and cook until the pieces are white on the outside. The chicken won't be cooked all the way through at this point, but will finish cooking in the oven. Stir in the drained green chilis.
Assemble the Enchilada in Red Sauce
Spray a 9x13" pan with non-stick cooking spray.
Add a large spoonful of enchilada sauce to each tortilla and spread the sauce on one side of the tortilla.
Add chicken down the center of the tortilla, which will be about 1/2 cup of chicken.
Sprinkle with a generous sprinkle of cheese.
Roll the tortillas up and place in the baking dish either seam side up or seam side down.
Pour the remaining enchilada sauce over the top of the chicken enchiladas.
Sprinkle the rest of the cheese over the top of the enchiladas recipe.
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Bake for 15-20 minutes until cooked through and the cheese is melted.
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