



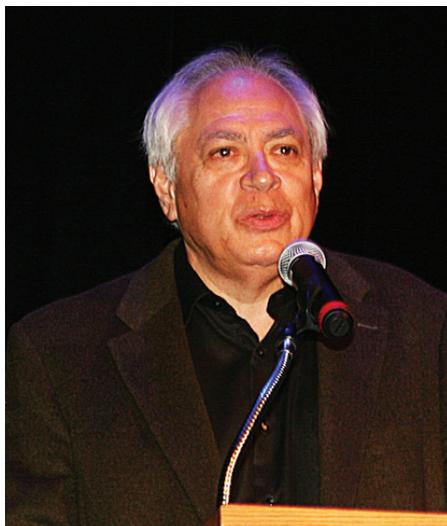
## Elderly Christmas Held at Event Center

By Jeff Vele – News Editor

The Stockbridge-Munsee Elderly party held on December 13, 2014 at the new Event Center at the Mohican North Star Casino Resort was a huge success! There were 283 people who attended the event and nine Elderly staff members, along with four volunteers who assisted.

The entertainment was the highlight of the event! Vice-President Greg Miller joked around that Wayne Newton was the second choice and the first choice was a group of local students from Gresham School.

Starting off the entertainment was Bellesaire Vele, age 11, is the son of Becky Hack and Scott Vele. He is a member of Stockbridge-



from Gresham. Alyssa Rowe sang beautifully and Tatelyn Ferguson accompanied her on the keyboard. Alyssa Rowe, age 15, is the daughter of Lara and Jason Rowe. She is a high honor student and



Munsee tribe and a current high honor student and attends Gresham Community School. Bellesaire played a couple of Christmas tunes on the keyboard. The next entertainment of the event was two young ladies also

attends Gresham High School. She has also has gone to State **Elderly continued on page Six:**



Bellesaire Vele played the keyboard for the audience of 290+



It is that time of year when we reflect on things that we hold dear. It is every single Tribal and Community member that plays an intricate role in making our Community even more special, from our volunteers – ordinary people doing extraordinary work – to our elders, students, employees and family members.

That is why Council puts the people first. You are our priority and we take this opportunity to thank every member of our Community for your contributions. We are very grateful for your efforts and support.

We have always been aware of the magnificent spirit here at the Stockbridge-Munsee Community

and the positive attribute that has been reinforced many times in recent months as we move around the community, meet new people, reconnect with past friends and colleagues and attend functions throughout our community.

Finally, we would like to extend to you a joyous Holiday Season filled with peace, love, and prosperity and best wishes for a healthy New Year. May the closeness of friends, the comforts of home, and the unity of our nation renew your spirits this holiday season.

Warmest regards,  
Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council

## Miranda Vele is new E.E. & T. Specialist

Miranda Vele is the new Education, Employment, & Training Specialist for the Stockbridge-Munsee Education Department. Miranda will assist members of the community, young and old, with their Education and Employment related activities, as well as the Summer Youth program.

She will work with clients from those who have found employment, but may not have the means to provide equipment for themselves, all the way to those that have no idea even where to start when it comes to finding a job or becoming work ready.

Miranda will assist a member in any way possible and if she cannot help them, she will point them in the right direction to find the right assistance.

Miranda's dad is the late Randy Vele and her mom is Joan Vele.



She has a daughter Rylann whose is four months old. She also has two sisters, Leila and Lydi Vele, and four nephews; Brendyn, Cornell, Leland, and Payton. Miranda said she also has a large family located on the reservation, including her Grandma Elda Vele, **Vele continued on page Six:**

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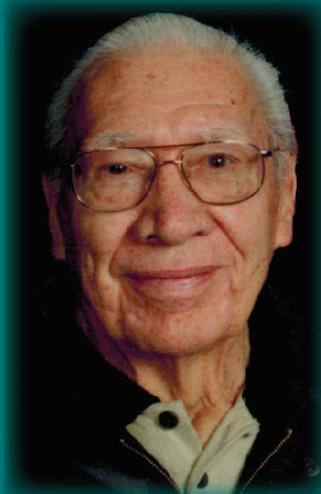
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November 9, 2014



Connie Smith  
November 20, 2014



KelliAnn Boswell  
November 14, 1996  
November 23, 2014



Jackie Church  
November 2, 1950 -  
November 28, 2014



Robert Doxtator  
April 18, 1951 -  
December 8, 2014

## Phone Scams

I just received a call from this number 1-863-332-7966, the caller said he was from the Internal Revenue Services and that I was in serious litigation for taxes and that their office had received notification that an arrest warrant would be issued. He stated that the courts had attempted to contact me three times before. I asked him what his name was, he stated James Webb, I asked him to spell it. I asked him who he represented; He said the US Treasury Office.

He asked me to spell my last name, so I spell a last name but not my own, as it would appear on my tax returns. Yes he had the information it was regarding two tax years 2010-2011. That an error was done in the calculations, I told him I had been in contact with the IRS (because these were the years that were part of the land

case in Red Springs) and that I have paper work saying they had accepted my taxes.

He got very angry, and threatened me, saying in an hour I would be arrested because a warrant would be issued. And then hung up on me.

Just in case I called Shawano County, no warrant's for me issued. I spoke to a lady at the Sherriff's office and she said this is an ongoing scam. I tried to reverse look up the number but I would have to pay for it. These people should be sued or charged. Scared the heck out of me, I can imagine what an elder would feel like.

Can we post the telephone number and the name and warn our people.

Linda Mohawk-Katchenago  
Tribal Administrator



**Stockbridge-Munsee Family Services would like to thank the community at this time for using our services. Wishing the S/M Community a Merry Christmas and a prosperous the New Year**

Our program receives only so much money a month. F/S has the following services it may be able to help those in need of emergency food, gas vouchers, etc. Our homeless shelter has only two bedrooms and can only hold one family at a time. We have been getting more and more request for it and as soon as one family moves out a new family moves in. We have been trying to work on this with other counties but they seem to have the same thing going on with the homeless. The good news is

we do other services as well. We help with independent living skills for adults and teens, work with domestic violence and training others, do advocacy in homes and at the office as well as help with information and referrals. We can help with transportation for those who are that qualify. We have more services. Everyone is welcome to come in and ask what they are or ask where they can get help.

Thank you, Jan RedCloud CSA and Kori Price F/S Manager.

## Gathering Announcement

We are hosting a Gathering of all of our relatives here in our park from July 22 - 26, 2015.

The Historical Committee is sponsoring in part this educational, historical, renewal, healing event. More to come. Molly Save the Dates! Want to be involved contact Molly.

Molly Miller - Tribal Americorps Member serving S-M Family Services Bowler, WI 715-793-4906 Text: 715-851-4991

## MENTORING

**"Doing it with someone by your side to encourage you."**

**Work it! Strengthen our 'Community!**

**Get involved: # 793-4085 Services -ASP**

**Family**



January National Mentoring Month

**Happy New Year! Wishing you all the best this 2015.**

**You have BRAINS in your HEAD.**

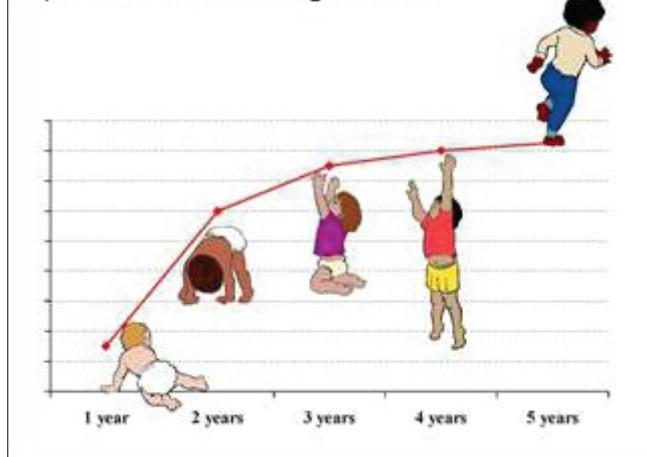
**You have FEET in your SHOES.**

**You can STEER yourself any DIRECTION you CHOOSE.**

*~ Dr. Seuss*

**Andi Weber Youth Prevention Coordinator**

<http://www.who.int/childgrowth/en/>



**WHAT:** Birth to Three Event

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 8, 2015

**TIME:** 5 p.m.

**WHERE:** Stockbridge-Munsee Health & Wellness Center

Lower Level Conference Room

**SPEAKER:** Karla Downs

B-3 Program/Service Coordinator

Learn about the journey your child takes in their early life. The way they play, learn, speak, and act gives you clues about how well they are developing. Find out what to do if you are concerned about them showing signs of a possibly delay in their development.

A meal will be provided. Please call and let Laura, MCH Nurse, know by 1/6/15 if you'll be in attendance (715-793-5018).



# Elder Wisdom

## “BE WELL” THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Six tips from the Department of Health Services for emotional well-being this time of year

MADISON - The Department of Health Services (DHS) today urges Wisconsin residents to give themselves the gift of emotional well-being this holiday season.

Emotional health is essential to overall health. By ensuring your emotional health is strong, you can have a fun, happy, and safe holiday season.

Here are six tips to “BE WELL” today and year-round.

• **Be realistic.** It is normal to want the holiday season to be perfect or just like last year, but your life and the lives of your family and friends evolve over time. Be open to new traditions or rituals. Planning ahead can help you be prepared for these changes. It is okay to feel sad if you are unable to be with your loved ones this time of year.

• **Excuse yourself.** The holiday season can be very demanding on your time. Know what you want to get out of this holiday season and set priorities. It is okay to say no to projects and activities in order to take time for yourself. Spending a few minutes alone reading a book or listening to music can be helpful in clearing your mind and restoring a sense of calm.

• **Watch your alcohol use.** Alcohol is a depressant. Limiting your alcohol intake allows you to better monitor how you're feeling at any moment.

• **Exercise regularly.** Light to moderate physical activity can be helpful in relieving mental stress. Exercise reduces depression and boosts your energy level.

• **Listen to your body.** Watch for signs from your body that is time to take a time out and relax. Exhaustion, fatigue, changes in sleeping habits, changes in eating habits, dizziness, headaches, and/or a heavy chest may indicate high levels of mental stress and/or anxiety.

• **Locate help.** It is okay to seek professional help, if your mood, thoughts, feelings, and/or actions are disrupting your daily living. Emotional health concerns are treatable and recovery is possible.

DHS through its Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services manages and supports community prevention, treatment, and recovery programs in partnership with Wisconsin's counties and private service providers.

## What to Know About Electric Space Heaters

WACO, Texas (DATE 12, 2014) –

Winter can be tough on heaters, and sometimes one heater is just not enough to heat an entire house. Electric space heaters can be very helpful; however, if they are not used and monitored properly, electric space heaters can be dangerous. Here are some easy tips to follow to make sure space heaters are used correctly.

### Check Safety features

Before buying a space heater, be sure it has been safety certified. There should be a safety certification mark on the box. Many space heaters have a safety feature that automatically turns the space heater off when it is tipped to a certain degree.

### General Inspection

When using the space heater for the first time, or the first time in a while, inspect for damages. Check the power cord for burn marks or frays. The heater unit itself

should be inspected for dents, and other damages that may cause a malfunction. Turn switches on and off to make sure they are in proper working order.

### Proper Heater Use

Place the heater on a level, stable surface at least three feet away from any combustible items. Due to the amount of heat that can be generated, never run the heater cords under carpets or rugs because this can damage the cords and possibly lead to fires.

### General Heater Safety

Never leave an electric heater unattended. Before moving the heater itself, switch it off and allow time for it to cool down. Be sure to keep children and animals away from space heaters. They produce a lot of heat and the unit can be hot to the touch.

Electric heaters can be a great way to keep a home warm during these chilly winter months.

# On the Trail Home



Robert W. Doxtator

Robert W. Doxtator, age 63 of Gresham, passed away on Monday, December 8, 2014 in Green Bay. He was born in Algoma on April 18, 1951, is the son of the late Benjamin and Bessie (Davids) Doxtator.

Robert proudly served in the United States Airforce and is a member of the Mohican Veterans.

On December 22, 1990, in Waukesha, Robert was united in marriage to Debra Olejniczak, and

they made Gresham their home in 2001. Robert previously lived in Alabama and Milwaukee. He had his sport pilot license, built his own airplane and was a member of the EAA.

Robert is survived by his wife, Debra, 4 children, Josh Doxtator of South Milwaukee, Danny Doxtator of Green Bay, Robert (Faye) Cartwright of Century, FL and Kriste Goldsmith of Germantown and 5 grandchildren. He is further survived by his brothers and sisters, William (Wilma) Doxtator, Irvin (Nancy) Doxtator, Anderson Doxtator, Wilma DeMain, Penny (William) Thomas and Howard Doxtator.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents and his brother and sisters, Loraine Stilwell, Wilma's twin brother, Wilford, Vickie Millard and Rhonda Brooks.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, December 13, 2014 at the Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham with Rev. Ernie Geeting officiating with military rites conduct by the Mohican Veterans. Visitation was at the funeral home on Saturday from 1:30 p.m. until the time of the service.

[www.swedbergfuneralhome.com](http://www.swedbergfuneralhome.com)

## Are Extended Warranties Worth the Cost?

By Jason Alderman

Before you buy an extended warranty, do your research and consider these points:

- Does it overlap with the manufacturer's warranty? Don't pay twice for duplicate coverage.
- Many credit cards automatically extend the manufacturer's warranty for up to a year on purchases – for free.
- Before purchasing, check the company's track record with your state's Department of Insurance, the Better Business Bureau and independent reviewers like Angie's List.
- Service contracts might not cover specific product parts or repairs. If the terms don't list a part or function as specifically covered, assume it's not.
- Carefully review the contract for deductibles, limits on the number of allowable service calls, exclusions and clauses that allow the company to deny coverage – for example, if you don't follow their instructions for routine maintenance.

separate warranties for items like the powertrain, corrosion and roadside assistance.

Before purchasing an extended car warranty from the dealer or a third-party vendor, consider:

- Don't feel compelled to buy an extended warranty immediately. Policies can usually be purchased months or years later – although the cost will increase as the car ages.
- If buying an extended warranty through the dealer, find out whether it's backed by the manufacturer (which means you can go to any dealership throughout the country) or by a third party, which could limit your repair options considerably.
- Extended warranties are also available for used cars. They're more risky to buy than new cars and thus may be better candidates. However, the older the car, the more expensive – and limited – coverage can be.

As an alternative, consider putting the same amount into a savings account. That way, if the product breaks, you'll have enough money on hand to replace it. If not, you'll have a nice chunk of change.

New cars typically come with a basic factory warranty that covers most components, as well as

## ATTENTION JOB SEEKERS

### Education & Employment and Training Program Service Matrix

<b>ELIGIBILITY:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tribally Enrolled in a federal recognized tribe;</li> <li>Taxable income meets federal poverty guidelines at 185%;</li> <li>Residing in the townships of Bartelme or Red Springs, excluding Middle Village and including Bowler and Gresham; and</li> </ul>			
Employment and Training Work Experience (Old JTPA)	Employment and Training Support Services (Old JTPA)	Employment and Training Classroom	Employment and Training Youth, ages 14-18
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SERVICE</u></b></p> <p>This program assists participants with short-term employment to further the participants' work history, work skills, and vocational needs, goals, or interests.</p> <p>This includes funding to gain employment and/or job readiness. It also includes job search, career counseling, and literacy/skill training (time management, budgeting, interviewing, resume writing, typing, and math/reading).</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SERVICE</u></b></p> <p>This program assists participants in overcoming personal or environmental handicaps, which inhibit their employability.</p> <p>This includes assisting participants with funding toward fulfilling work required needs.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SERVICE</u></b></p> <p>This program assists participants with any training in an institutional setting designed to provide individuals with the technical skills and information required to perform a specific job or group of jobs.</p> <p>This includes training designed to enhance the employability of a participant by upgrading their educational attainment level by providing a necessary certification or by developing communication skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GED Testing Fees paid for S/M members</li> <li>GED Classroom Training <b>is open to all Community members</b></li> <li>Limited Computer /Printing Access</li> </ul>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SERVICE</u></b></p> <p>This program assists participants by focusing on increasing the High School graduation rate, reducing the drop-out rate, improving academic performance, building positive social behavior, and leadership development.</p> <p>This includes, short-term employment, school related fees, summer academic camps, career, vocational exploration, and financial literacy and education planning programs.</p>

**We are looking for individuals to participate in our Education & Employment and Training Program. Please review the below service matrix and if you are interested or have further questions please contact Miranda Vele, Education & Employment and Training (EET) Program Specialist at (715) 793-4582. Miranda's office hours are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 8am to 4:30pm.**

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

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Jeremy Mohawk and Joe Miller (at podium) assisted in the welcome

**Elderly continued from pg One:** competition the past several years for her musical talent.

Tatelyn Ferguson is the daughter of Tiffany and Todd Ferguson. She is a high honors student and attends Gresham High School. She has also has gone to State competition the past several years completion for her musical talent. The meal consisted of chicken and ham with mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing and cranberry sauce. And then there were the endless dessert tables! Overall the meal was great and served in what seemed record time.

Vice-President Greg Miller put the spirit of the event into words when he said, "The reason for the season .... no matter what that means for you, anytime we can gather as friends, family, grandma, grandpa, uncle and aunties is a good season as was done this last Saturday at our North Star Casino. We thank all those involved including those in attendance for coming together to enjoy a few hours in a very busy time for everyone to remember just what it means to be The Stockbridge-Munsee Community. Again Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."



**Vele continued from page One:** multiple aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She attended Bowler High School and graduated in May of 2007. After that she took a year off and worked some jobs here and there but decided she wanted to further her education and attended Lakeland College in Sheboygan, WI. Miranda graduated in May of 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice and Sociology.

Ms. Vele has worked multiple jobs starting at the age of 14 by working with the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Summer Youth Program in the Arvid E. Miller Library/ Museum. She then worked at Headquarters general store.

After she graduated High School Miranda spent some time working at the Head Start here on the reservation.

While attending college she did an internship with Kettle Moraine Correctional Facility located in Plymouth, WI, as well as an internship with the Sheboygan County YMCA working in the child care department. After college

Miranda returned home and worked with Lutheran Social Services in Wittenberg at the Homme Home Youth and Family Programs.

She then transferred to the casino and worked in the Hotel department.

After some time Ms. Vele switched departments and now currently works part-time in Bingo as a floor worker; as well as the Education, Employment, and Training Specialist.

Miranda enjoys spending her time while not working with her daughter. She also enjoys cooking, sewing, and listening to music.

## Dear Tribal Members, Koolamalsi? (Are you well?),

As we look back over 2014 we remember our relatives who have passed on and those who are struggling or are in poor health. We remember our Native Warriors and their families, without their courage, dedication and strength we would not be here today enjoying our freedom. However, as our Nation continues to move forward and plan for the future as well, we keep our ancestors, our children, elders, Warriors and our history in mind. The Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council is honored to share some of the highlights of our community's successes in 2014 and challenges for the New Year.

### Successes for 2014:

- Opened the Mohican North Star Resort Casino's New Entertainment Center in August
- Approved a New wage scale for the Tribal government with the minimum wage of \$10.00/hour
- Approved Mohican Loans for homes for Tribal Members.
- Expanded the Little Star Convenience store to include a new deli and car wash.
- Purchased approximately 500 acres of land within our original boundaries in Bartelme and Red Springs townships, including access to Malone Lake.
- Placed into Woodland Reserve, 13 acres for recreation and gathering traditional medicine.
- Approved a resolution recognizing the Mohican and Munsee languages.
- Established a presence in New

York with a full-time Historic Preservation assistant headquartered in Troy, NY.

### Challenges for 2015:

- Constructing a New Elderly Meal site using a grant of \$600,000 and savings the Tribe had earmarked for the building project.
- Completing Strategic Planning for the Tribe.
- Processing 1,967 acres that is pending Federal trust status on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community.
- Research funding for the development of our Language and Culture into a program.
- Streamlining the tribal structure to better meet our community services and needs.
- Appeal the New York land claim to the Supreme Court.

For our Nation to continue to grow and prosper all of our members are needed to participate, either by working for your Nation or voicing your opinions, these are critical times as we are planning for our next seven generations. If you have received higher education and training in skills needed by your Nation or are willing to get training please contact us. We are excited and honored to share these successes and challenges and invite any questions, comments or assistance as we work to better our Nation, [www.mohican.com](http://www.mohican.com) or 715-793-4111.

Xwat-anushiik (A big thank you),  
Stockbridge-Munsee Community,  
Tribal Council

## Jan is National Birth Defects Prevention Month

Birth defects affect 1 in every 33 babies born in the United States and are a leading cause of infant mortality. Babies who survive and live with birth defects are at an increased risk for developing many lifelong physical, cognitive, and social challenges. Although not all birth defects can be prevented, all women who could become pregnant or are pregnant can lower their risk of having a baby with a birth defect by following some basic health guidelines throughout their reproductive years.

These include:

- Plan ahead
- Get as healthy as you can before you get pregnant.
- Get 400 micrograms (mcg) of folic acid every day.
- Avoid harmful substances
- Avoid drinking alcohol and smoking.
- Be careful with harmful

exposures at work and home.

- Choose a healthy lifestyle
- Eat a healthy diet that includes fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low fat dairy, lean proteins, and healthy fats and oils.
- Be physically active.
- Work to get medical conditions like diabetes under control.
- Talk to your doctor
- Get a medical checkup.
- Discuss all medications, both prescription and over-the-counter.
- Talk about your family history.

January is a perfect time to call additional attention to the importance of folic acid in preventing certain birth defects. The United States Public Health Service recommends that all women of childbearing age consume 400 micrograms of folic acid daily to prevent up to 50-70% of neural tube defects, such as spina bifida and anencephaly.

# Elder Christmas Party



Jean Bruette & Christina M.



Ralph & Dawn Welch



Lillian & Pat Bailey



Vicki & Richard Dalve



Sue Miller & Sherry McCowan



Roger & Joan Rosenow



Cindy & John Miller



Lorraine Welcy & Shawn Moede



Sharon & Paul Janty



Chris Blum & Mary Cotton



Quinton & Shirley Bowman



Patti Exford



Terrie Terrio, Bonnie & Kirby Welch



Ruth Eggert, Joann Welk & Bert Moede



Norman & Bev Herring & Dorothy Krilve



Cheryl & Ken Tucker & LaNette Kroening



Jodie Davids & Sherry Davids



Leonard & Molly Welch



Steve & Amber Belzer



Bill Martin & Robert F.



Dewey Church II, Clifford Church, Dewey Church, Jeaneen Brown & Karrie W.



Bruce & Joann Davids



Patsy Delgado & Eunice Muncie



Bear & Gretta Jacobs



**Doug & Chenda Miller**



**DeAnna DeNasha & Kristy Malone**



**Candi Dicki**



**Yvonne & Bob Miller**



**Betty Bjorkland**



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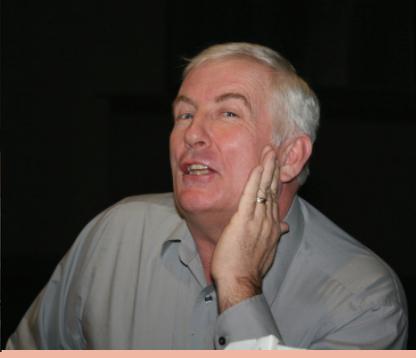
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**Sheldon Davids**



**Ellen Schreiber &  
Karla Bowman**



**Joe Bruns**



**Gary Boxler**



**Audrey Williams**



**Randy & Katie Lewis**



**Yvonne & Bill Gleason**



**Elaine Jacobi & Margie Reemer**



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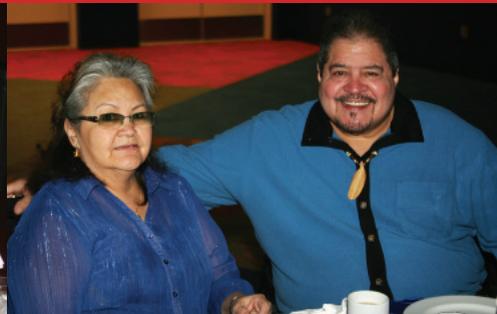
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Johnson**



**Joe & Jackie Miller**



**Pam & Roger Miller**



**Dee Dee Jacobs & Wayne Malone**



**Earl & Marion Plass**



**Jermain & Woody Davids**



**Margaret Lesperance &  
Corrine Kroening**



**Bob Vickers, Rhonda Bowman  
& Leona Bowman**



**Wilma Doxtator**

**Jeff Krutz**

**Barb Shubinski**

**Bonnie Maas**

**Penny Jashinsky**

**Susan Eppinger**



**Jodi & Jerry Butler**

**Munsie & Cladia Jacobs**

**Jim and Venny Taylor**

**Enid & Bonnie Tousey**



**Coinni & Colin Lawe**

**Mike & Judy Mohawk**

**Rosetta & Dave Ramirez**

**Prena Wollenhaup & Raymond Elm**



**Jan & Wayne Martin**

**Rebecca Delgado & Connie Moralez**

**Teri & Ron Vigue**

**Robert & Georgia Burr**



**Barbara Sears**

**Jerry & Audrey Frank**

**Scot & Dana Frank**

**Ivan & Loa Wadzinski**



**Marion Robinson**

**Beverly Robinson**

**Paul & Lisa Oertel**

**Gayle & Buzzi Bowman**



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**Gaynor Stephenson & Pat Gruetzmacher**



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Grosskopf**



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**Marvel Miller**



**Bonnie & Bob Little**



**Roxanne & Jeremy Mohawk**



**Loretta Pecore & Jan Redcloud**



**Laurie & John Welch**



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Adin Brei, a sixth-grader, gets down to the music with his guitar as he joins kindergarten through sixth-grade students in a culminating song at Bowler Elementary's winter concert held Monday at the high school gymnasium before an overflow crowd. The concert was directed by music teacher Amanda Hein.



**On Tuesday, December 16, 2014, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken on the motions:**

**Tribal Council Member present:** Wallace A. Miller, Gregory L. Miller, Terrie K. Terrio, Joe Miller, Jeremy Mohawk, Shannon Holsey and JoAnn Schedler.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA-** Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting of Tuesday, December 16, 2014, as presented. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

**UWSP-AERO POW-WOW-Rainer Shooter** Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to donate to UWSP AERO Pow-Wow. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: Reprogramming BIA Funds-** Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve 010-15, therefore be it resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe requests that the Bureau of Indian Affairs: 1) Reprogram FY 15TPA funds from (C9110) Economic Development to Consolidated Tribal Government Program (T9130). 2) Also upon request transfer FY15 funds from CTGP Program to the 477 program (PL-102-477). Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

**ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT-Randy Young, Housing Director**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Annual 2014 Performance Report and authorize the submission to HUD. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

**TRIZETTO CONTRACT: Business Office Claims-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve resolution number 011-15, now therefore be it resolved, the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal President or, in his absence, the Vice-President to execute the Purchase Order – EDI Services Agreement with TriZetto Provider Solutions; and be it further resolved, that the Tribal Council hereby grants and approves a limited waiver of the Tribe's sovereign immunity solely for the limited purpose of enforcement of the Purchase Order – EDI Services Agreement, including the arbitration of disputes and the enforcement of determinations or awards, against the Tribe; and be it finally resolved, that the waiver of sovereign immunity for the Tribe is also limited to the terms and conditions set forth below:

1. The limited waiver of the Tribe's sovereign immunity is granted only to and for the benefit of the parties identified as part of the Purchase Order – EDI Services Agreement that the Tribe has executed and shall not extend to any other entity or person.

2. The limited waiver of

the Tribe's sovereign immunity contained in this Resolution shall be effective only after the parties' officially designated representatives have executed the agreements and shall only be for the term of the agreements.

3. Nothing contained in this Resolution shall be deemed consent to levy of any judgment, lien, or attachment upon any property or interest in property of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, except net receipts from the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center.

4. The limited waiver of sovereign immunity granted and approved through this Resolution does not waive the sovereign immunity of any official, employee, member or agent of the Tribe.

5. Any dispute resolution action against the Tribe, as consented to through this limited waiver of sovereign immunity, shall be brought as identified in Section 12 of the Purchase Order – EDI Services Agreement. The law to be applied, if no law is otherwise identified, shall be federal law. Seconded by Gregory L. Miller. Motion carried.

**MITEL PHONE SYSTEM-Jason Hietpas, Interim IT Director**

Item will come back at a later date-checking into the leasing with the option to buy

**POSITION REQUEST-Jason Hietpas, Interim IT Director**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Helpdesk/Support Technician position as written. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

**Roll Call:** Terrie yes, Shan yes, JoAnn yes, Greg yes, Jeremy yes and Joe abstain. Motion carried.

**GM'S MONTHLY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2014-Brian VanEnkenvoort CASINO AND BINGO FINANCIALS**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the GM's Monthly report for October 2014, the October 2014 Casino Report and the October 2014 Bingo Financials. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

**TITLE 31 COMPLIANCE JOB DESCRIPTION-**

Motion by Gregory L. Miller to approve the job description for the Title 31 Compliance Officer position, as recommended. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion maker amends motion to include: deleting the required under Qualifications #2 and inserting desired. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**FY2014 SECURITY AND FINANCIAL AUDIT-Ken Davids, Janet Miller and Darcy Malone, Gaming Commission and Brian VanEnkenvoort, General Manager**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to accept the FY2014 Security and Financial audit for the Casino. Seconded by

Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.  
**TRAIL RIDE REQUEST-Chad Miller, Land Management, Tom Melberg and Dave Schoenkie, Gresham Lions Club**

Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Temporary Use License granted to the Gresham Lions Club for the use of the field north of the Upper Red Lake boat landing for their Gresham Lions Annual Trail Ride, license number TUL-1-2015. Seconded by Gregory L. Miller. Motion carried.

**LAND RENTAL FOR 2015 GROWING SEASON-Chad Miller, Land Management**

Motion by Gregory L. Miller to award the 11.98 acres, the fields in Red Springs to Be Foster as recommended by the Land Office. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

**DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTOGRAPHY PROJCT-Chad**

1. Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Stockbridge-Munsee Community and Shawano County 2014-2015, orthophotography project, this memorandum of agreement is by and between the Stockbridge-Munsee Community ("Tribe"), a federally recognized Indian Tribe, and Shawano County, whereas, the County is implementing a project for the collection of digital orthoimagery (aerial photos) and elevation data, including electronic data relating to such positions; and whereas, the Council is interested in updating orthimagery and geospatial information regarding lands that are located with the geographic limits of the County; and whereas the Tribe is interested in updating the orthoimagery and geospatial information for the Tribal reservation lands, trust lands and all lands owned by the Tribe, whereas the County and the Tribe are interested in working together as outlined in the MOA to complete such work (hereafter referred to as the "Project"), now therefore, for valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows: 1. Purpose. To strengthen the relationship between the Tribe and County and facilitate a cooperative approach for orthoimagery and geospatial data acquisition in Shawano County and on the Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation. 2. Point of Contacts. The parties agree that points of contact shall be: For the Tribe, Chad Miller, for the County David Poffinbarger. The parties agree to update point of contact information as needed to maintain a clear line of communication regarding this MOA. 3. County Contract with Consultant. The County will work with the Tribe to publish a request for proposals (RFP) for the Project

**Directives cont on pg Twelve:**

**Directives cont from pg Eleven:** work on the County lands and Tribal reservation and trust lands. The County and Tribe shall work together to select the vendor. The County shall enter into a vendor contract with mapping and imagery project consultant ("Consultant") for the Project work on County lands and Tribal reservation and trust lands. The County shall have primary responsibility for oversight of the Consultant's work, and shall have the final authority to select the Consultant should the parties disagree. 4. Permission to Enter Lands. The Tribe agrees to assist with the coordination of the aerial work on Tribal lands and grants access to the Consultant and County staff as necessary and appropriate to complete this project work. 5. Estimated Cost. The parties estimate that the total cost of the flyover and deliverables completing such work for all lands within the county shall not exceed Ninety Five Thousand Dollars \$95,000.00, of which the Tribe agrees to be responsible for Seven Thousand Four Hundred Eight Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$7,408.80) which includes the estimated cost for 72 square miles for the Townships of Bartelme and Red Springs, the location of the Tribe's lands. The parties agree that each party will be responsible for its own administrative costs. a. The Tribe will pay the County for the Tribe's share of the cost in 2 equal payments. b. The first payment will be made after the hiring of the Consultant and prior to February 1, 2015. c. The final payment shall be upon receipt of notice by the County to the Tribe that the deliverables are ready and such notice shall not be prior to October 31, 2015. County shall immediately forward to Tribe the deliverables upon receipt of payment. d. The Tribe reserves the right to expedite its payment of any or any portion of such payments. 6. Electronic Data Reciprocal Ownership and Use. The Tribe and County shall each receive a copy of the survey and electronic data, including GPS coordinates, relating to the aerial photographs and elevation data from the Project. 7. Mutual Release of Liability. The parties hereby mutually release and hold each other harmless from any liability and/or damages arising out of their performance under this Agreement and/or the use of any deliverable. 8. Contingent on Funding. The County's obligations in this MOA are contingent upon the Shawano County Board approving funding for the project. The Tribe's obligations in this MOA are contingent upon the Tribal Council approving funding for the project. 9. Exclusive Agreement. This Agreement supersedes all prior discussions, oral or written, between the parties in relation to

the subject matter and is intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties. No change or modification of this Agreement shall be valid unless the same is in writing and signed by the parties. 10. Electronic Signature. The parties agree the contract documents may be executed and delivered by facsimile or other electronic means and such electronic signatures shall have the same effect as an original executed document. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

**HEADSTART FEDERAL GRANT APPLICATION-Delores Meek, Head Start Manager**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the Head Start year one of five, Federal Grant Application for the funding year of 2015-2016. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried.

**WAIVER OF BID PROCESS-Delores Meek, Head Start Manager**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to authorize a onetime wavier for Headstart for the kitchen remodel for the replacement of doors, to waive the advertising requirement of the bid policy. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Motion maker amends motion to include: also waiving the bid award process and allowing the Head Start Manager to select a bidder. Second concurs.

Motion maker amends motion to include: as long as the lowest bidder with the quality is selected. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**BIA TRIBAL YOUTH GRANT PROPOSAL - Randall Wollenhaup, Wildlife Biologist**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve to submit the 2015 BIA Tribal Youth Initiative Grant proposal. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

**MOU: SM COMMUNITY/WI DNR-Randall Wollenhaup, Wildlife Biologist**

Motion by Terrie K. Terrio to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Stockbridge-Munsee Community for tracking wildlife. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

**2014 INVASIVE SPECIES MANGEMENT PLAN REVISIONS-Randall W**

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to approve the 2014 Invasive Species Management Plan revision and changes to the Pesticide Use Policy. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

**EPA PERFORMANCE PARTNERSHIP FUNDING-Greg bunker**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve the EPA Performance Partnership Grant Work Plan and Budget for April 1, 2015-March 31, 2017, and approve the EPA Indian Environmental General Assistance

Program and Clean Water Act Section 106 Tribal Budget for April 1, 2015-March 31, 2016 and finally approval of the required minimum match for Performance Partnership Grant for project period of April 1, 2015-March 31, 2017. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

**RESTATED 401K-Rob Orcutt, Lead Attorney**

Motion by Gregory L. Miller to approve resolution number 012-15, now therefore be it resolved, that the Third Amendment to the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Deferred Compensation Plan, effective as of January 1, 2008 and freezing the DCP as of November 1, 2014, be, and hereby is, authorized, approved and adopted in the form presented to the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council this date. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

Motion maker amends motion to include: as recommended by the 401(k) Committee. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION: withdrawal of funds from OST-Terrie K. Terrio, Tribal Treasurer**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve resolution 013-15, whereas, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, Band of Mohican Indians, is a federally recognized Indian tribe governed by the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council pursuant to authority vested in the Council by a Constitution approved in November 1937; whereas, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council has the authority under its Constitution and its inherent rights as a sovereign nation to act on behalf of the Community in the area of economic affairs and other issues of self-governance; whereas, the Office of Special Trustee of American Indians (OST) has contacted the Tribe regarding trust funds that they maintain on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community with the option of withdrawing and distributing the funds to the Tribe; whereas, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council desires OST to withdraw and distribute funds to the Tribe from account numbers PL7319707 Proceeds of Labor, JA9201698 Judgment Award, JA9225101 Judgment Award, and JA9232156 Judgment Award for a total drawdown of a set amount. Now therefore be it resolved, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council requests a the Office of Special Trustee withdraw and distribute to the Tribe a total of a set amount for account numbers PL7319707 Proceeds of Labor, JA9201698 Judgment Award, JA9225101 Judgment Award, JA9232156 Judgment Award. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

**WELCOME AND THANK YOU-JoAnn Schedler, Tribal Council Member**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the posting of the welcome and thank you signage in our languages at the Tribal Offices. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion maker amends motion changing: Tribal Offices to Tribal Buildings. Second concurs. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS-Wallace A. Miller, Tribal President**

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the Public Works as presented. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Terrie yes, JoAnn no, Shan no, Greg yes, Jeremy yes and Joe no. President votes yes to break the tie. Motion carried.

**SPECIAL HUNTING PERMIT REQUEST-**

Motion by Joe Miller to grant a hunting permit to Derek Davids, active duty military member to hunt in the tribal season. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

**BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTIONS-**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint Nathalie Kristiansen and Melissa Penass to the Child Protection Board. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint John Williams to the Land Committee. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler.

**Roll Call:** Terrie yes, JoAnn yes, Shan yes, Greg no, Jeremy yes and Joe no. Motion carried.

Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint Betty Scheil and Vera "Judy" Huebel to the Health Board and to post for one more member. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler.

Motion maker amends motion to state: to appoint Betty Scheil, Vera "Judy" Huebel and Kristy Malone to the Health Board. Second concurs. Motion carried.

Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint Nathalie Kristiansen, Melissa Penass and John Williams to the Enrollment Committee. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio.

**Roll Call:** Terrie yes, JoAnn yes, Shan yes, Greg no, Jeremy yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION-**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 6:34 PM.

Motion by Shannon Holsey to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 7:24 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a land acquisition, several legal issues and an IT recommendation.

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to approve the range set forth on land parcel number JG-15-14. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT-**

Motion by Shannon Holsey to adjourn. Seconded by Terrie K. Terrio. Motion carried at 7:27 PM.

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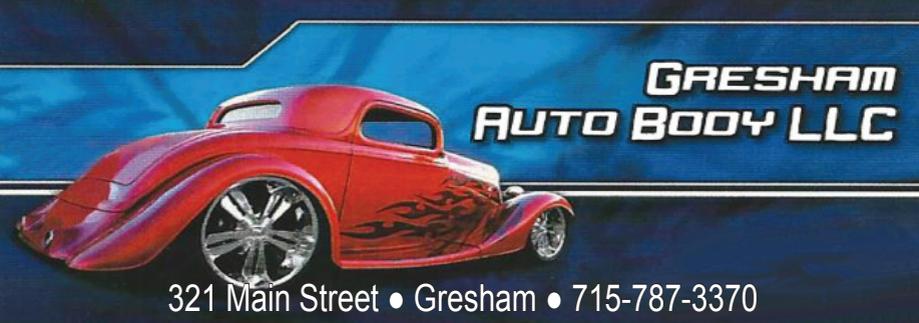
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August 9, 1969 -  
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November 13, 1944  
- March 7, 2014



Arletta J. Davids  
December 1, 1938 -  
April 1, 2014



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January 3, 1933 -  
April 4, 2014



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March 20, 1933 - April 21, 2014



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August 16, 1944 -  
April 27, 2014



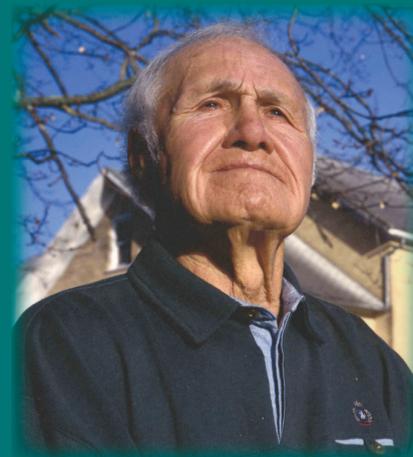
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January 15, 1962 -  
April 30, 2014



Fred Cornelius  
September 13, 1955  
May 8, 2014



Verna Johnson Miller  
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