



Photo by Craig Huey, Achieving the Dream
Robin Maxkii, a first line descendant of the Stockbridge-Munsee tribe, delivers an introductory speech for Dr. Jill Biden on February 20 in Baltimore.

Native Student Attributes Success to Community College

By Alysa Landry
Robin Maxkii never thought she would go to college. As a teen and young adult, Maxkii, a first line descendant of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians, viewed college as a pipe dream, something that was unrealistic and unattainable; something reserved for the privileged, elite—or fictional. "I never realized it was something I could do," she said. "For everyone I grew up around, college wasn't really something we did. We knew about places like Harvard, and we knew about Harry Potter and all those magic schools, but we didn't know people who actually went to college."
Maxkii is a first-generation college
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Tribal Elder Turns 95

Leona Burr was born April 6th, 1920 to the proud parents Louis and Mary Burr in Morgan Siding. She comes from a family of sixteen which she is the second oldest with 10 brothers and five sisters. She attended the Lutheran Indian Mission School until the 8th grade. She remembers her childhood as being happy and always having what they needed, celebrating holidays, and going to dances when she got older. She worked in the Sturgeon Bay ship yards as a painter and in Green Bay as a housekeeper before she married Clarence "Gobe" Bowman on February 8th, 1946.

Together they raised six children; Nathalee Kristiansen, Rhonda Bowman, Carolie Miller, Lloyd Fredenberg, Bert Fredenberg, and Quinton Creapeau. She also raised Marty Fredenberg and Ray Wallenhaup for a period in their lives. She taught, cared, and shared with her family, friends, neighbors, and community. She successfully managed and maintained a loving Christian marriage and home. She was never shy of hard work. She set-up, self-run, and operated a successful farming business. She did all this as an American Indian female in a time when discrimination was a barrier for all minorities. Her HEROISM broke down barriers so that her family that she loves unconditionally could have a great life. In addition to going for rides and the sunshine; she continues to enjoy singing, listening to music, polka dancing, going to church, and spending time with family and friends.

Tribal Council Looks at Menominee Sustainable Development Institute



(L to R) SDI Director Chris Caldwell, Councilmember JoAnn Schedler, Vice-President Greg Miller, Councilmember Jeremy Mohawk, and Sustainability Coordinator Rebecca Edler.

By Jeff Vele
Mohican News Editor

Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Vice President, Greg Miller and Council Members Jeremy Mohawk and JoAnn Schedler recently attended a meeting with representatives from the College of Menominee Nation's Sustainable Development Institute (SDI); touring the facilities and learning more about the tribe's ongoing progress with the program.

Vice President, Greg Miller,

reminded about a time when he went to a Tribal Leader's Conference. He said the Obama Administration did a study on climate change and many tribes got up and talked about what they saw changing throughout the years with mother earth. Miller said when he got to the microphone he got to thinking, "I can only think back to where I'm at, back to 1938." "My people walked along the Hudson River and if anybody has been out there, you can feel our people out there. It's magnificent; and to think
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Patient Appreciation

By Susan Savetwith
Mohican News Reporter

The Stockbridge Health and Wellness Center recently had a patient appreciation event, an entire week with information booths and surveys and different activities each day and snacks and refreshments all week long.

Clinic Administrator, Delwar Mian said he was very happy with the turn out. "In the past we had difficulty getting as many as 20 surveys returned. This year we have over 400 survey responses," Mian said. He also said they collected two full baskets of canned goods and nonperishable food items for the local food pantry. Mian indicated nearly 60 percent of the surveys they received were online. He also indicated the event generated team building as department staff got together from different areas within the clinic and worked together. "Everyone had fun doing it and we are already thinking of new things we can do next year,"

he added. Mian said once the survey results are compiled, they will share with Tribal Council, the Health Board and post it in the clinic's Semi-Annual Report.

According to Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center's Quality Assurance Manager, Brock Schreiber, Monday was the kick off and there was no specific event scheduled except to provide information on what's happening the rest of the week. On Tuesday, they worked with patients on advanced directives and Medicare assistance. Wednesday there were free Community Health screenings, free chair massages from Terradea Salon, and free Chiropractic evaluations. On Thursday, there was a canned food drive and on Friday a Behavioral Health Showcase. Schreiber said, "The whole point [of patient appreciation week] was to give the community a voice, give out surveys and let people tell us what they think, what are services they'd like us to have that we don't have."

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The "Green Overload"



By Greg Bunker, Environmental Department Manager

It is very easy for anyone who is not working daily with environmental issues to become overwhelmed with the jargon and buzzwords concerning how to live lightly on the earth.

We hear a constant barrage of words like: climate change; green growth; sustainability; biodiversity; eco-friendly; resiliency; upcycling; recycling; renewable; fossil fuel; alternative energy; carbon footprint; carbon neutral; carbon sink; environmental justice; life cycle analysis; greenhouse gas; green energy; eco-boost; or-

ganic; pasture raised & pesticide free .

Once overwhelmed a person feels that there is nothing that they can do. Take my advice, forget those terms. Understanding those words is not needed to reduce your impact on the environment. I learned long ago that these words describe concepts many people already know. So how do you get through the onslaught of jargon concerning environmental stewardship?

First, reverse the thinking and imagine a world where we do not need state and federal agencies to provide protection of the environment because, as a society, we don't destroy the environment.

Then realize that we have been indoctrinated into this capitalistic society and have been told things like "stuff is good" and "he who dies with the most toys, wins". And know that while we collect stuff and toys, the earth loses. With every purchase, ask yourself, "what would my life be like without this item?" Learn to see all food and material as gifts from the earth, then treat them as if you took the raw material and processed it to a finished product.

Let's use an example that we all can relate to, maple syrup.

Anyone who has tapped maple trees, hauled sap, cut firewood, boiled outdoors, finish the boil in the kitchen then bottled it, will not waste the syrup. When children pour way too much syrup over the pancakes at grandpa's house, then think they can wash ¼ cup of good maple syrup down the drain, what will they be told? You know what grandpa is going to say!

Grandpa sees the syrup not as ¼ cup of syrup, but as a gallon of sap and all the labor that went into that syrup, as well as the gift from the trees. If you want to be good to the earth learn to see materials not as they are, but what they were and where they are going and the energy in-between.

Everything should be respected. Even used coffee grounds should not be callously discarded in a landfill. Their long trip from the tropics to your coffee maker should continue within nature even if just to fertilize the grass and trees. Learn to spot economic evils, created to take your money for corporate greed and hurt mother earth, bottled water for instance. Another local example, potatoes trucked from Idaho instead of Antigo? Milk and cheese from California, trucked 2,200 miles instead of 20 miles from right here in the dairy state? If you listen carefully to the earth, you can hear her cry be-

cause this is wrong. You don't have to know science or math to understand that buying from your neighbor is better than paying the gas for a two thousand mile trip to get the same thing.

Ask the right questions and learn to see yourself as part of nature and ask how to reduce your consumptive use of nature and energy. Learn to view the earth as a living being that can be hurt. Thousands of years ago natural objects like rocks and stones were included as part of the supreme embodiment of the Buddha, within the principle of esho funi, the oneness of self and environment. In the 4th century BC Plato said "this world is indeed a living being endowed with a soul and intelligence".

Almost every indigenous people have a creation story which begins with animals, plants, then people, all relying on earth. This could be the beginnings of modern day holism philosophy.

Turn off the modern distractions shouting at you for attention, and discover your story, and treat every object as a gift from earth and know what you do to that object you do to the earth that sustains you. Then you have celebrated earth day.

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Dear Mohican Elders:

On March 12, 2015, I left my position as Elder Visitor. There are several reasons for my decision, but mostly for my own well-being. I want you, the elders of our community to know you are the reason I wanted this job, and you certainly are not the reason I have left. I loved every day of the past 14 months with you. Whether it was visiting you, bring you a meal, making sure you had your medication or taking you for your appointments, these are just a few of the things I did with you and for

you. You the elders brought me much joy. I will miss you all but we will still see each other around. Thank you for allowing me to come into your homes and be a part of your lives. With much love and deep respect. God Bless you,

Donna Burr Bork
P.S. I would like to ask anyone who may have a family member or friend that I may have helped to please read this, my heartfelt letter, to them. Thank you.

Counselors at Clinic

My name is Jon Koeller. I am writing this letter because I am concerned about the decisions that are being made at our clinic by the director. I have been seeing counselors at behavioral health for about four months now and if I had to rate them I would give them a 10. We need the best and most qualified people we can get, and we had them; however, a few weeks ago my mental health therapist was fired. When she asked why the wage scale is screwed up she couldn't get an answer. When the director told her to look into it, she did, and found that it didn't compare to any wage scale anywhere. Why should someone with a degree make the same as someone without? It's just like councilman Wally Miller told the employees of the clinic at a meeting, "If you don't like it, go somewhere else." It shouldn't be this way. Council members should look into things and find out why they're screwed up, and fix them. Everyone I talk to says there's nothing you can do. The other qualified AODA mental health counselor just quit because of the way the other counselor was treated. Isn't the grievance process meant for finding out what is wrong and fixing it by disciplinary actions, like: verbal, written, and terminated? And shouldn't at least a few council members be involved with the process? Just the director makes that decision. He can fire anyone he wants without due process. He doesn't consider the most important thing, the patients. I just can't get any answers. All the behavioral health patients were left out in the cold. I know everyone on the council and I don't believe they would let this happen if they understood what was going on. I believe the grievance process should not be used for personal gain because of personal differences. And I also was reminded that I can't change people, I can only change myself. So, maybe everybody is right: there's nothing you can do.

Signed your good friend, Jon Koeller W10096 CTY RD VV GRESHAM, WI 54128
jonkoeller@hotmail.com

To the Editor:

Jeff Siemers new history of the Mohicans makes a mistake concerning the arrival of the first tribal members in Wisconsin. The only Mohicans to arrive on board the "Walk-in-the-Water" were the five members of the committee sent to negotiate a treaty with the Menominees and Winnebagoes.

They reached Green Bay on August 5, 1821, but were back in New York on September 21. From that time until 1829 the tribe sent five different detachments as they sold property to pay for the move.

The first Mohicans to reach Green Bay came on the schooner "Superior," September 1, 1822. The "Walk-in-the-Water" had run aground in November 1821 and was destroyed. The first detachment numbered 50 people, half of whom came from the White River in Indiana and half from New Stockbridge in New York. The names of the family heads were as follows:

- John Sergeant Jr.
(the grandson of the first minister)
- Solomon U. Hendrick
(head of the negotiating committee)
- Abner W. Hendrick
(member of the negotiating committee)
- Robert Konkapot
(member of the negotiating committee)
- Jonas Konkapot
- John W. Quinney
- Sampson Owwohthommaug
(Marquis)
- Waulauquokoh
(Last Night) -- a Munsee
- John Metoxen
- Jehoiakam Metoxen
- Simon Metoxen
- Jonas Charles
- Simeon Quinney
- Joseph Quinney
- John Quinney
- Austin Quinney
- Abram Pye
- Andrew Miller
- William Belt

They initially stayed in Colonel Bowyer's house on the west side of the Fox River.

Sincerely,
Lion G. Miles



Great Lakes Unter-Tribal Council (GLITC) Opposes Wisconsin Constitutional Amendment

On March 4, 2015, the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Board of Directors, consisting of the tribal chair or president of each member tribal government, acted to oppose the constitutional amendment that will be presented to Wisconsin voters in the April 7, 2015 election. The proposed amendment would change the provision of the Wisconsin Constitution that designates the most senior sitting justice of the Wisconsin Supreme Court to be the Chief Justice. This method of selecting the Chief Justice has been on the books for 125 years and has survived without change in all the years since, in spite of many changes of administration and legislative political balance. The proposed amendment would change this to a procedure where the seven justices of the state Supreme Court would elect a chief justice for a two year term, leaving the leadership of the Court to a simple majority and a potential change every two years as the composition of the Court changes. On another front, the Wisconsin Legislature is considering a measure to set a mandatory retirement age for all judges at 75 years.

The trouble with these proposals is that the position of leadership by the Chief Justice has more to do with administration of the lower courts throughout the state than with decisions of the Supreme Court. The current Chief Justice is Shirley Abrahamson, who is 82, was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1976, and has been re-elected every ten years since then. She became the most senior justice in 1993 and was re-elected to her Chief Justice position in 1999 and 2009. Because of her long tenure on the court and as

chief justice, she has been in a position to learn and appreciate concepts of tribal sovereignty, respect for tribal governments and tribal courts, and the need of the state and tribal courts in Wisconsin to collaborate and to work out difficult issues of court jurisdiction and full faith and credit by state courts for tribal court orders. The relationship between tribal courts and state courts in Wisconsin as a result of her leadership has become a model of interaction for other courts in Minnesota and Michigan, not to mention other states and other countries with indigenous populations.

The current system of selecting Wisconsin's chief justice in general, and Chief Justice Abrahamson's leadership in particular, actually has had a direct impact on how local state courts have come to respect and interact with tribal courts and tribal governments in Wisconsin. A two-year term of office for administering Wisconsin's many courts is not sufficient to learn and appreciate the differences among tribal communities, tribal governments, tribal institutions, and tribal processes. The people of Wisconsin elected Justice Abrahamson and other judges for their terms, and the legislature is proposing to change the terms of their elections. The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. Board of Directors realizes this and opposes the proposed constitutional amendment and the mandatory retirement provision. The Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc. therefore urges each and every tribal member and supporter of Native sovereignty to go to the polls on April 7 and to vote NO on the proposed constitutional amendment and to oppose the mandatory retirement age.

Vets MOU with Clinic

The Stockbridge Munsee Health and Wellness Center has finalized the Tribal Health Reimbursement Agreement with the Department of Veterans Affairs. To be eligible you must be:

Native American, **this includes all tribes and descendants**, not only Stockbridge Munsee.

You must bring in your DD214 form into the registration desk at the health center after which the Veterans Administration will be listed as insurance in your account with us.

You will be eligible to receive any direct services we provide here at

the Health Center.

The business office will bill out these claims for reimbursement to the Health Center.

If you have any questions you can contact Sara LeMieux 793-5031 or Jeremy Pieper 793-5055.

Spring Cleanup

Spring Cleanup is May 18th watch the next issue of Mohican News for more information!



Elder Wisdom

Watch for Wildfires in the Spring

While spring and fall are the primary wildfire season in Wisconsin, wildfires can occur anytime the ground is not snow-covered.

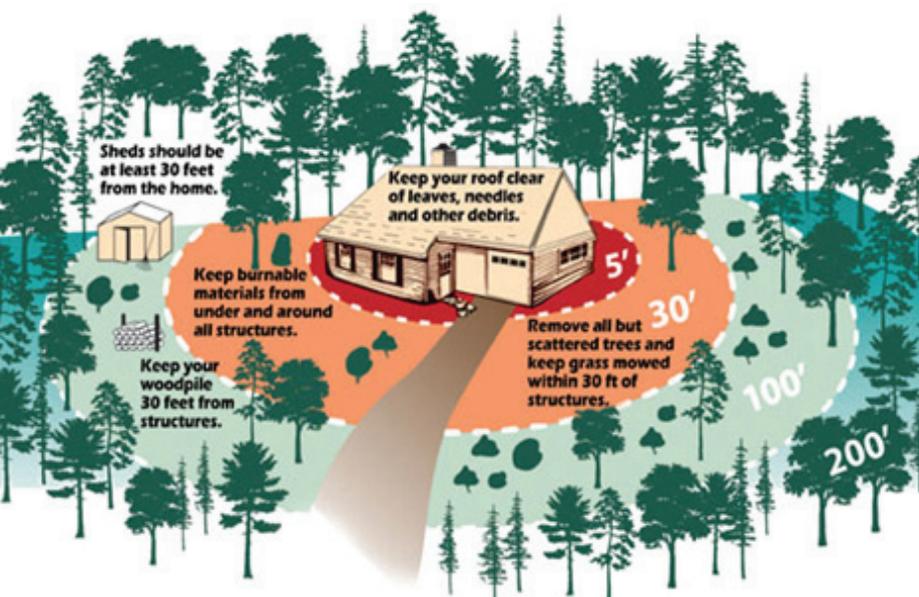
80% of homes are lost to wildfires and could have been saved by following the Firewise practice:

Preventing, Preparing, and

danger.

A map of Wisconsin will come up and click on Shawano County. This will give the burning restrictions for that day.

Preparing for wildfires: before a wildfire occurs, learning what action can be taken by homeowners, to



The Home Ignition Zone

Planning for wildfires helps homeowner prevent wildfires.

Preventing Wildfires: by understanding why and when wildfires occur and taking proactive measures will help in prevent human caused wildfires.

Be aware of conditions when burning and preparing your home by removing dead tall grasses, leaves, pine needles, shrubs, trees, lawn furniture, fire wood piles, which are fuel and can transfer heat to your home if stored too close.

If you use a burn barrel make sure to use a cover to prevent embers from blowing out, debris burning is the common cause of wildfires.

Make sure your campfires and burn barrel are completely extinguished before leaving them unattended.

Checks the burn conditions and obtain a burning permit before you burn, burning permits are free and good for a year. (These can be obtained at Headquarters' Store, at a local DNR Station, or on line at dnr.wi.gov keyword "fire".

To check on the burn conditions call 1-888-WIS-BURN (1888-947-2876). Or you can go on line at dnr.wi.gov and look for current fire

help homes survive.

If you are aware that a wildfire is in the vicinity and are not in immediate danger, prepare by doing the following:

- Be ready to go
- Alert the family and neighbors
- Collect up those important personal items
- Park your vehicle facing the road
- Close all windows
- Open window shades and curtains
- Turn outside lights on, this helps firefighters see your house in the smoke
- Remove flammable deck furniture and door mats
- Turn on garden hoses, with sprinklers attached. This will saturate all around the base of your home and yard as best you can
- Turn off propane tanks

Planning for wildfires-working together with your family and neighbors (especially the elderly or disabled) to develop a plan and take the above actions to reduce the impacts of a wildfire.

By leaving early, keeps your family safe and prevents congestions on driveways and roads, allowing fire departments and emergency vehicles to move freely and safely.

On the Trail Home



Lena Marie Gardner (nee Besaw) received her eternal reward on Saturday, March 14th, 2015 after a brief illness. She was born in the Town of Red Springs on February 26th, 1939 to the late Bernard and Ella (Bowman) Besaw. She graduated from Bowler High School in 1957. On April 23rd, 1960 she married Ralph Gardner of Bowler at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Morgan Siding, WI. They resided in Milwaukee, WI until 1978 when they returned to their home town. Lena worked various places throughout her adulthood including Roller Fabrics, MasterLock and the Ella Besaw Center. She and Ralph enjoyed a social life with a love of dining out, shopping,

country music and spending time with their grandchildren and great-grandchildren, always by each other's side.

Lena is preceded in death by her two sons, Adrian (Kenny) and Brook John, eight brothers and several nephews.

She is survived by her devoted husband, Ralph, loving daughter and son-in-law Karleen and Michael Gumm of Plymouth, grandsons: Wayne Doxtator, Brandon (Laura) Gardner, all of Green Bay; Cody (Elise) Gumm of Melbourne, Australia; Devin Gumm of Oshkosh. Great-grandchildren: Precious, Nevaeh, Jada, Ethan and Adrian; as well as sisters, nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Visitation was held Monday, March 16th at The Swedberg Funeral Home in Gresham, WI. The funeral service was held Tuesday, March 17th at The Lutheran Church of the Wilderness on the Stockbridge-Munsee Reservation (Bowler, WI) with visitation until the funeral service. Burial is in the church cemetery.

Ralph and Karleen wish to express sincere gratitude to the staff at The Homme Home Hospice Care Unit for their gentle touch with Lena.

39th Annual Mohican Traditional Pow Wow Honoring All Veterans August 7th, 8th, and 9th, 2015 "Sustaining Community"

The Pow Wow Committee is going green! Last year was a great success with recycling, and we're doing it again! In the future we will be phasing out Styrofoam. This year we will be giving a \$40 discount to food vendors in electric slots who make the transition to biodegradable and eco-friendly cups, dishes and utensils.

The Pow Wow Committee is accepting SEALED BIDS for:

1. T-shirts & tank tops.
2. Sounds System.
3. The Feast. Bid must include meal for 400 people; meat (Venison, Bison, or Whitefish is preferred), potato, veggie (corn is preferred), side dish (wild rice preferred), bread, dessert (with real berries preferred), and drink.

All bids should be in sealed envelopes, marked "Shirts", "Sound", and "Feast" respectively. All bids must be postmarked by May 1st, 2015. They can be hand delivered or mailed to the Mohican Pow Wow Committee, N8502 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI, 54416.

If anyone is interested in working the pow wow as security, clean-up, or stand workers please email your name and number for consideration to mohicanpowwow@gmail.com.

All FOOD and MERCHANDISE VENDORS please request an application by sending an email to the account below. Slots with electricity are \$180 and slots without are \$125. Lock in soon!

For additional information and general inquiries please email mohicanpowwow@gmail.com or call Maggie Bennett at 715.793.4869 and leave a message.

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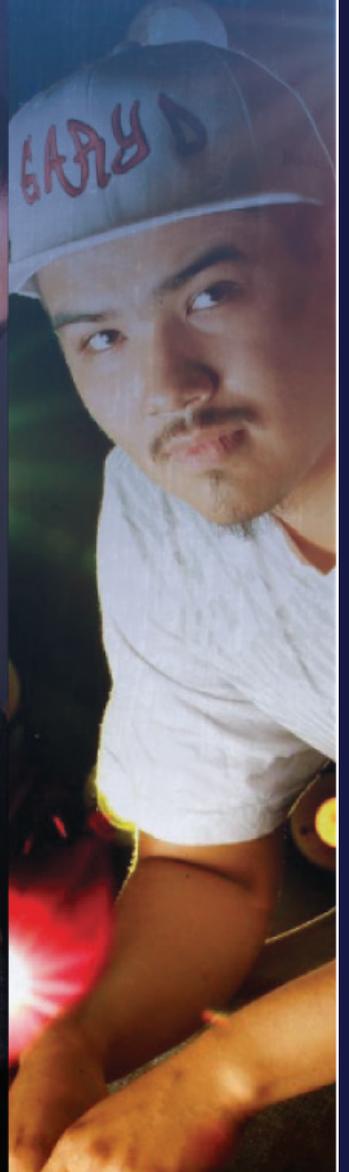
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(Left to right: Vice-President Greg Miller, Councilmember Jeremy Mohawk, CMN Dean of Letters & Science Chad Waukechon, Sustainability Coordinator Rebecca Edler, and Councilmember JoAnn Schedler) Council members are given a tour of one of the interactive classes that is televised between the Keshena campus and the Green Bay campus.

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of the loss of knowledge in general of our people, and not to be able to remember the change. It brought a tear to my eye," Miller said.

According to information provided the role of the Menominee Nation's Sustainable Development Institute (SDI) is bound to principles of sustainability and Menominee values. Prompted by Menominee's long tradition of sustainable forestry practices, the Sustainable Development Institute was created to encourage, promote, and build upon Menominee approach to sustainable development.

According to their website, the purpose of the Sustainable Development Institute is to ensure the principles of sustainability committed to by the College of Menominee Nation and integrated in our Menominee culture and values influence the activities of our Institute, our College, our community, and our tribe.

According to the Campus Sustainability Walking Map, the Sustainable Development Institute supports and advances sustainable ways through a variety of initiatives.

- Educating the community about sustainable ways of life
- Demonstrating through research and practical projects
- Creating understanding of sustainability issues, practices, opportunities, and principals through community engagement and outreach efforts
- Promoting, measuring, and reporting on sound and sustainable institutional practices
- Fostering collaboration within the College, tribal community, and external partners in sustainability

Research Assistant Marie Schaefer said, "The College of Menominee Nation's (CMN) Sustainable Development Institute (SDI) leads CMN's efforts as a consortium member with the Northeast Climate Science Center (NECSC). SDI is committed to advancing Indigenous peoples' capacities to plan for climate change in ways that strengthen Indigenous self-determination and sovereignty. Their current project Collaboration in Action includes Dr. Kyle Powys Whyte a faculty member at Michigan State University. Through these partnerships SDI seeks to provide resources for increasing effective and ethical engagement between Indigenous peoples - from students, harvesters, scientists, and others - and federal, non-profit and university or college-based organizations that are focused on climate science research and climate change decision-support."

"Sustainability collaboration amongst Indian people has become harder and harder these days as we're divided on things that are not very important; sustainability can make sure our people have shelter, food, and water and friendship between tribes is important; community is our strength it's not how well we manage a dollar; however, we do that too, but the importance is community and people," Miller said.

Miller concluded saying, "We're glad to be here. We're glad to see what you're doing here. We want to be partners with you; we have been from the start. We have been supportive of you and we'll continue to be so."

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student. She earned an associate degree in 2014 from Diné College in Tsaile, Arizona, and she's now pursuing a bachelor's degree at Salish Kootenai College in Pablo, Montana. But her path to college was a meandering one.

Maxkii's childhood years were split between Houston, Texas, and the Stockbridge-Munsee reservation in Wisconsin. She left home at age 15 and stumbled into a career as a production assistant for films like "Autopsy," "Love and Mary," and "The Great Debaters." She also managed a blog dedicated to discussions about blood quantum and tribal sovereignty.

"I was working, so I thought I didn't need school," she said. "I had sat in classes, but they all seemed to disregard what life was like on reservations."

Maxkii was in her mid-20s when she enrolled in classes at Diné College, located on the Navajo Nation. One of only a handful of non-Navajo students, she majored in Diné Studies and social and behavioral science, and she ultimately served as student body president.

"Diné College gave me my base," she said. "Everyone was in the same boat. Everyone was trying to figure things out."

Maxkii now is attending college on the Flathead Indian Reservation, where she is dual majoring in information technology and psychology. At 29, she's the archetypical nontraditional student. She has attended two community colleges—both of them tribal—and navigated an education system that often is not student-friendly.

And she collected accolades along the way: scholarships and internships from the American Indian College Fund and Quality Education for Minorities/National Science Foundation.

She's also involved with the American Indian Higher Education Consortium and Achieving the Dream, a nonprofit initiative tasked with reforming higher education and ensuring success for community college students.

That's what made her the perfect candidate to introduce Dr. Jill Biden on February 20 at Achieving the Dream's annual Institute on Student Success in Baltimore. Maxkii was one of six community college students selected to participate on a panel discussion for an audience of representatives from 200 colleges and various corporate and philanthropic investors. "On this panel, we tried to reflect the diversity of our network and students who had been there," said Carol Lincoln, senior vice president for Achieving the Dream. "We wanted students of different ages, different ethnic backgrounds, different college experiences."

Achieving the Dream organizers asked Maxkii to introduce Biden on the final day of the institute. She accepted and wrote her own speech, incorporating some of her experiences in community colleges.

"It was nerve-wracking because I was escorted by the Secret Service," Maxkii said. "But then I met Dr. Biden, and she was so warm and genuine."

Biden, who teaches English at Northern Virginia Community College, spoke about the "critical role of community colleges in creating the best, most-educated workforce in the world."

"Many of my students have doubts when they first arrive at college," Biden said. "They are unsure of their future, unaware of the abilities they possess. Then, two years later, those same students proudly accept their diplomas, knowing that they have achieved something that can never be taken away from them."

Of the nation's 18 million undergraduate students, about half are enrolled in community colleges, Biden said. Yet less than half of those students will graduate or transfer to a four-year school within six years.

Achieving the Dream is trying to change that, Lincoln said. The organization is partnering with students like Maxkii to share stories that are compelling, life-changing and often emotional.

"These students tell their stories and often they start crying," she said. "It's a really powerful thing for people to hear their stories and understand how the community college experience is changing their lives."

Only three of the nation's 34 accredited tribal colleges are part of the Achieving the Dream network. Maxkii has attended two of them.

After she finishes her degree at Salish Kootenai, Maxkii hopes to attend graduate school and research public policies and the potential for technology to help bridge gaps in Native communities. She also wants to teach at a community college.

"It's a different sort of community, and it's there for you," she said. "Community colleges are about shaping you as a person. I don't know where I'd be without them."

Source **URL:** <http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2015/03/03/native-student-attributes-success-community-college-159398>

Read more at <http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/print/2015/03/03/native-student-attributes-success-community-college-159398>



Christian Haffner down at State during his 3 point shot competition. He took fifth place in the event and made everyone in Gresham and the area very proud of him and his efforts.



Sexual Assault Awareness Month Show Your Community Support! By wearing the color teal

Teens S/Awareness- April 02, 2015 Time: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Community S/Awareness – April 16, 2015 Time: 12 p.m. – 1 p.m.

Special Speaker: Shelby Mitchell, Sexual Assault Advocate for Safe Haven

Light Lunch

*First 10 wearing the color Teal will receive a prize
Blue Jean decorating Contest*

*1st place: \$30.00 • 2nd place: \$20.00 3rd place: \$10.00
Door Prize Drawings!!*

*Girls Grades 7 – 12 April 24, 2015 Time: 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.
at S/M Family Center for the “Girls Night Out” Will also
being doing a blue jean decorating contest with prizes.*

For more information call Jan RedCloud, CSA at 715-793-4863

Family Services Manager Number is 715-793-4905
Tribal AmeriCorps/Tutors number 715-793-4906

ASP # 793-4085 or TEXT 881-0776 April 2015

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Culture Club Humility Swim Trip 5:30-9 PM	Spring Break Traditional Tobacco plant care ASP 1:00 - 5:45 PM	3 Spring Break Bike Safety Checks ASP 1:00 - 5:45 PM	4
Spring Break ASP 1:00 - 5:45 PM Good vs. Bad Self-Esteem Message Posters	7 Nurturing Being Helpers	8 Culture Club Courage	9 Dietician	10 Crafts, Computers, Games & Music	11
13 Marijuana Mystery Comic book	14 Listen to your feelings	15 Culture Club Honesty	16 TV Zombies & Soda Monsters Little League SIGN-UP 4:30 – 6:30 PM	17 Crafts, Computers, Games & Music	18
20 Rx Drug Misuse Handouts sent home	21 Scientists learn more about HIV	22 Mother Earth Day  Family Fun Night	23 Dietician	24 Crafts, Computers, Games & Music 8-Midnight GIRLS NIGHT OUT All ages Welcome	25
27 Birthday Celebration What it means to you to prevent underage drinking	28 Set boundaries	29 Inside Your Lungs Handouts	30 Community Service 7GROUP mentors Roundhouse 5:30 -8:00 PM	We have a choice in what we say or do. Realize that and practice using your choice in a good way.	

Routine: 3:30 PM Wash Hands/Backpacks in Lockers
3:35 PM SNACK / Homework help as available
3:45 PM REC / Fitness
4:15 PM Groups / Specials

* Activities Start Time: Upon Arrival for group specials
* SUBJECT TO CHANGE

THE STORYTELLER

True Stories of Faith
and Hope from across
Native North America

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Happy 95th Birthday ~ April 6th



Grandma,
YOU ARE MY:
teacher ▪ nurse ▪
words of wisdom ▪
seamstress ▪ angel
▪ advice giver ▪ hand
holder ▪ sunshine
▪ inspiration ▪ peace
maker ▪ mentor
▪ confidant ▪ hug
giver ▪ healer ▪
problem solver ▪ chef
▪ counselor ▪ doctor ▪
cheerleader ▪ baker
& MY BEST FRIEND.

BENEFIT FOR AUSTIN KOLPACK

"I'm a fighter, not a quitter!"

May 30th, 2015

2 PM - Midnight • Mattoon Community Center



On August 23, 2014, Austin Kolpack was involved in a serious UTV accident that left his life forever changed. He suffered a spinal cord injury. Luckily, an 8 hour surgery was performed that essentially saved his life, but left him paralyzed from the neck down with only limited movement in his right arm. In the midst of his situation, Austin continues to be a fighter, even at times of struggle. We are so thankful and grateful to still have Austin here with us, but now we are striving to give him a better life. He is still in need of advanced physical rehab and special equipment for his home to give him all the opportunities possible to regain movement in his hands, left arm, and legs. All proceeds from this benefit will go towards the current and future medical expenses, including physical therapy, and towards the necessary equipment Austin will need to help him live independently.

Various Raffles, Music,
Refreshments, Food & More

PRIZES

LIVE MUSIC
FEAT. LED WEST
STARTS AT 8 PM



- 1st: Gravely 50" Zero Turn Lawn Mower
- 2nd: 1/2 Beef
- 3rd: Savage .300 Win Mag
- 4th: 50" LED HDTV
- 5th: STIHL MS 251 Chainsaw
- 6th: \$300 7th: \$200 8th: \$100

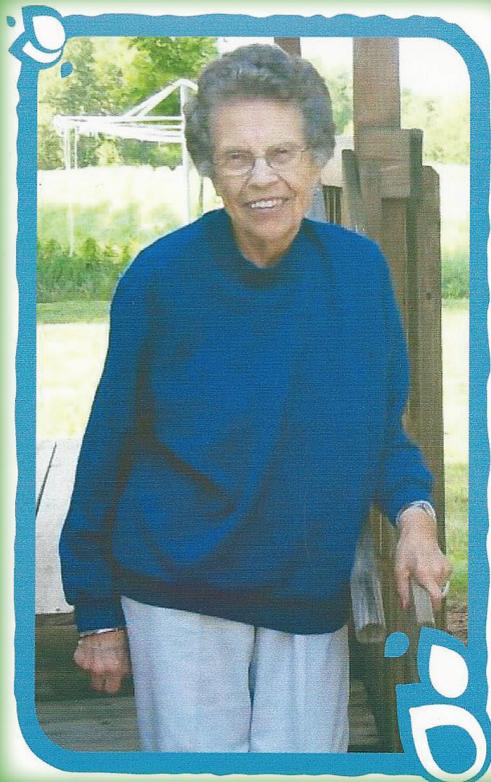
Raffle Tickets
\$5 Each or 3/\$10
Drawing at 9 PM

For more information, contact
Kasey Kolpack at 715-489-3535.

Donations are graciously accepted at
CoVantage Credit Union, (715) 627-4336,
under the 'Austin Kolpack' Fund.

LICENSE #R0004569A-15823

Happy Easter!



Happy 95th Birthday Mom
Love,
Your Angels



Happy 95th Birthday to our
Mohican Polka Queen.
We love you Dancing Grandma!
Love your Grandchildren
& Great Grandchildren.



Happy 95th Birthday Leona
Your are our HERO!
Love your Family

Career Pathways Fair

Learn career options ~ Meet regional recruiters
Light refreshments ~ Prize drawings

Friday, April 24, 2015

N172 State Highway 47/55, Keshena, on the College of Menominee Nation campus

Career Information for Youth

Informational sessions
for area youth

9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Locations throughout the CMN campus

Learn about career choices and how
to prepare for them:

- Science
- Technical and Trades Fields
- Business and Public Administration
- Health
- Liberal Studies
- Education

Job Fair for Job Seekers

Contact opportunities for community members,
college students, and recent high school graduates

12 Noon to 5 p.m.

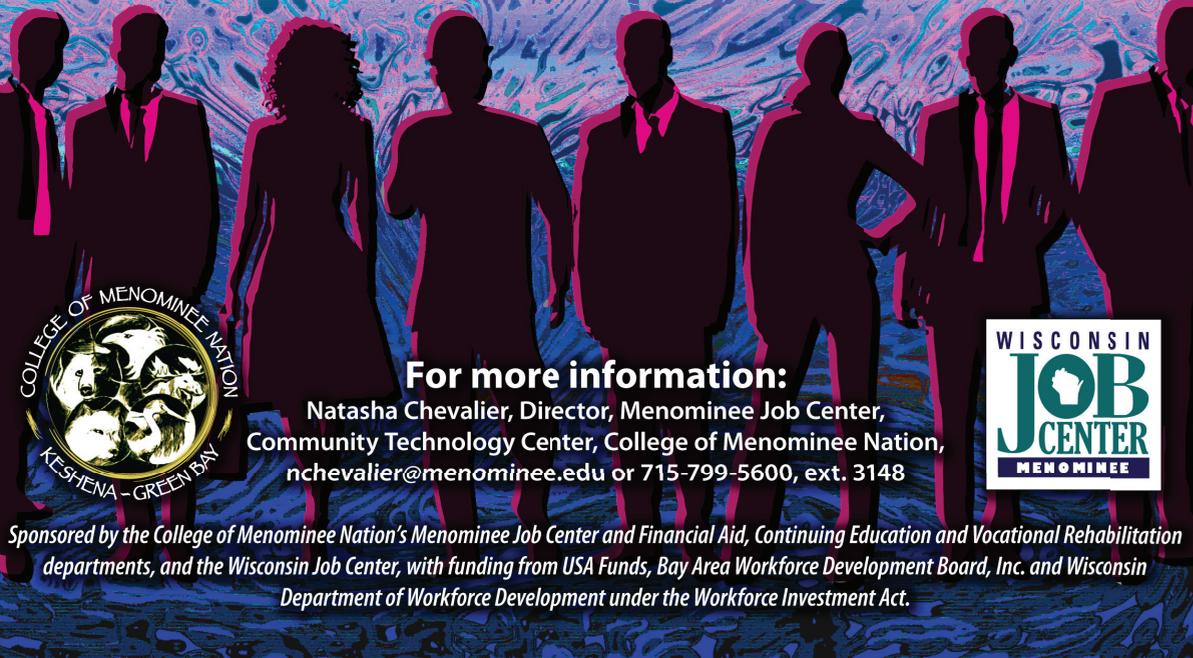
Community Technology Center at CMN

Meet job recruiters from regional employers:

- Health Care
- Technical Fields
- Business
- Manufacturing
- Social Services
- Government
- Gaming



Dr. Wrone is Molly Miller and Judy Huebel
Dr. Wrone, retired UWSP Professor of History
presented a check for \$10,000 for the Mawehleetiit
(Gathering) to be held this July. The endowment
instructs Dr. Wrone to give it to worthwhile causes
in Native country and he feels this is worthwhile.



For more information:

Natasha Chevalier, Director, Menominee Job Center,
Community Technology Center, College of Menominee Nation,
nchevalier@menominee.edu or 715-799-5600, ext. 3148



Sponsored by the College of Menominee Nation's Menominee Job Center and Financial Aid, Continuing Education and Vocational Rehabilitation departments, and the Wisconsin Job Center, with funding from USA Funds, Bay Area Workforce Development Board, Inc. and Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development under the Workforce Investment Act.



Mohican Little League Coaches/Umpires orientation



- Set up a meeting with Family Services Manager
 - Coach, Assist Coach, Umpires ,and book keeper
- Elder/Youth licensing
- Driver acceptability guidelines and approval
- Fund raising
- Equipment and uniforms
- Purchase order system and reconciliation process



2015 STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE LITTLE LEAGUE Sign Up

When: Thursday April 16, 2015

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Where: Mohican Family Center (Parents and Participant should attend)

Who Can Play: Any child ages 7-13 (must turn 7 prior to June 1st and cannot turn 14 before June 1, 2015)

Cost is \$10 per participant, with \$10 refunded at the end of the season for working 2 concession stand shifts

Mohican Little League Program is a recreational activity to help engage healthy alternatives for youth and families in the community. All youth that attend practices will be entitled to play. No Tryouts.

More information, including game and practice schedules will be given out at registration.



If you have any questions feel free to contact:
Kori Price 715-793-4905 or
Crystal Malone 715-793-4032



Harold Katchenago
 By: Bertina Dodge
 Harold Katchenago is from the Menominee Nation. He travels around to sing at powwows. He still sings at powwows. One day he told our third grade class a story about a dancing man. I don't know where he got that story from, but it was interesting. I liked it. Mr. Katchenago said he is two clans, Bear and Wolf Clan. He worked

at camps from the ages of 16 to 18. He learned the lesson to be humble.
 He must have had fun when he was a kid. I know he must have had fun because he played a lot of games. He also likes to travel and meet new friends.
 We liked talking to Mr. Katchenago, and we learned a lot.



Molly Miller
 By: Ashwut Mohawk
 We had a visitor come to Bowler School. Her name is Molly Miller. She's like an Auntie to me, and an Auntie to some of you. She is proud of her whole family and the life she has had.
 She gave some of us advice for school. Here is some of that. She said study and read, and be the best that you can be. Her favorite games are card games. She went to Bowler School and stayed until she graduated. She has a clan like us, and hers is Turtle Clan. We asked her some questions. Here are a couple of them. What

makes a good friend? She said a good friend is someone you can trust when you tell them something or need a hug. By the way, she's Otter Clan too. We had asked her who her favorite teachers were. She told us three.
 First, it was Mrs. Timm, who she said she was strict, but she loved kids. She also liked Mr. Massino as a teacher. He let kids like Molly listen to classical music. She (Molly) said you should follow your path. She also mentioned Mrs. Jones. She said she was strict, but kids learned a lot. She said she is proud to be Native and she always has her pride.

MOHICAN FAMILY CENTER RECREATION

April 2015						
Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
			1 12-1 Noon-Ball 3:30-4:15 ASP Gym Time 8-10 Late Night Basketball 9 th and Up	2 12-1 Noon-Ball 1-3 Elderly Aerobics/Gym 5 Sweaty Sisters 6-Delaware GAP Trip Information Meeting 8-Midnight 6 th -12 th Grade Lock In Tween/Teen Night	3 Midnight-8 AM 6 th -12 th Grade Lock In Tween/Teen Night CLOSED at Noon GOOD FRIDAY	4 CLOSED
5 CLOSED EASTER	6 12-1 Noon-Ball 2-8 PM Youth Night Movie Trip 4 Fly Tying	7 12-1 Noon-Ball 3:30-4:15 ASP Gym Time 5 Sweaty Sisters 8-10 Late Night Basketball 9 th and Up	8 12-1 Noon-Ball 3:30-4:15 ASP Gym Time 3:30 Kayak Prep 8-10 Late Night Basketball 9 th and Up	9 12-1 Noon-Ball 1-3 Elderly Aerobics/Gym 3:30-4:15 ASP Gym Time 5 Sweaty Sisters 8-10 Late Night Basketball 9 th & Up	10 12-1 Noon-Ball 3:30-4:15 ASP Gym Time 6-8:45 Movie Night	11 2:30-8 Open Gym and Weight Room
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SUBJECT TO CHANGE GYM ALSO CLOSED THE WEEK OF THE 26TH Gym Floor Refinishing

Updates from the Diabetes Program

Who? What? Where? When? How?

I remember learning in school that these 6 questions are important to understanding a story. And I think they can be used to help us each better understand our relationships with food and eating. Let's investigate . . .

Who? Who has influenced your eating habits? Parents likely played a large role in shaping our early thoughts and habits about food. Spouses and other family members may have added new influences along the way. Friends? Teachers? Co-workers? Television personalities? In what ways do the people in your life influence your eating? Do you eat differently when you're alone compared to when you are with other people?

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When? Do you eat regularly

What is stress?

Stress is your body's response to change. The body reacts to it by releasing adrenaline (a hormone) that causes your breathing and heart rate to speed up, and your blood pressure to rise. These reactions help you deal with the situation. The problems come when stress is constant (chronic) and your body remains in high gear, off and on, for days or weeks at a time. Chronic stress may cause an increase in heart rate and blood pressure. Not all stress is bad. Speaking to a group or watching a close football game can be stressful, but they can be fun, too. The key is to manage stress properly. Unhealthy responses to stress may lead to health problems in some people.

How does stress make you feel? Stress affects each of us in different ways. You may have physical signs, emotional signs or both.

It can make you feel angry, afraid, excited or helpless.

It can make it hard to sleep

It can give you aches in your head, neck, jaw and back.

It can lead to habits like smoking, drinking, overeating or drug abuse. You may not even feel it at all, even though your body suffers from it.

How can I cope with it? Try positive self-talk — turning negative thoughts into positive ones.

scheduled meals? Do you just grab something when you remember at three in the afternoon that you didn't eat anything yet today? Do you make eating important enough to take a break? Do you feel like you eat non-stop once you get home in the evening?

Why? What is your purpose in eating? Are you eating because you're truly hungry and are nourishing your body? Are you eating to soothe hurt feelings? Are you eating because it's a birthday party and that's just what you do at birthday parties?

How? How do you approach eating? Is it something to get over with as quick as possible or do you take your time to enjoy and experience the foods you're eating? Do you start with gratitude for what's before you?

Taking some time to examine these and other questions about your eating habits can help you identify your strengths and challenges. The dietitian is available if you want support in this process.

Call Margie Pieper @ 715-793-5006 to set up an appointment

For example, rather than thinking "I can't do this," say "I'll do the best I can."

Take 15 to 20 minutes a day to sit quietly, relax, breathe deeply and think of a peaceful situation. Engage in physical activity regularly. Do what you enjoy — walk, swim, ride a bike or do yoga. Letting go of the tension in your body will help you feel a lot better.

Try to do at least one thing every day that you enjoy, even if you only do it for 15 minutes.

How can I live a more relaxed life? Think ahead about what may upset you. Some things you can avoid. For example, spend less time with people who bother you or avoid driving in rush-hour traffic.

Learn to say "no." Don't promise too much. Give up the bad habits. Too much alcohol, cigarettes or caffeine can increase stress. If you smoke, make the decision to quit now. Slow down. Try to "pace" not "race." Plan ahead and allow enough time to get the most important things done. Get enough sleep. Try to get 6 to 8 hours of sleep each night. Get organized. Use "To Do" lists to help you focus on your most important tasks. Approach big tasks one step at a time.

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For more information go to heart.org



American Red Cross Babysitter's Training

Developed for Youth like You!

Babysitter's Training will be available in May 2015.

MUST BE 11 YEARS OLD TO PARTICIPATE

You'll learn to be the best babysitter on the block. Plus, you'll gain the confidence to make smart decisions and stay safe in any babysitting situation.

You'll learn how to:

- Supervise children and infants
- Perform basic child-care skills such as diapering and feeding
- Choose safe, age-appropriate games and toys
- Handle bedtime and discipline

issues

- Identify safety hazards and prevent injuries
- Care for common injuries and emergencies such as choking, burns, cuts and bee stings
- Communicate effectively with parents

As we get closer to May, there will be another flyer in Mohican Newspaper with information on days, times, and place.

Any questions regarding the Babysitter's Training please contact Julie Burr at (715)793-5013.

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Education

Did you know that...

- Wisconsin averages 23 tornadoes annually.
- In 2014, 22 tornadoes were reported in Wisconsin. Eighteen of those tornadoes occurred in June. The strongest tornado in 2014 occurred on June 17 when an EF 3 tornado hit Verona in Dane County. At least 30 homes were damaged as well as the Country View Elementary School. The tornado traveled about a mile, had wind speeds of 136 to 165 mph and was

on the ground for several minutes. An EF 2 touched down that same night in Platteville in Grant County. Several homes and businesses were damaged including the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

- In 2013, 16 tornadoes touched down in Wisconsin including six tornadoes during the overnight hours of August 6-7. An EF 2 struck near New London in Waupaca and Outagamie counties injuring two people and caused millions of dollars in damage.

Senior Banquet

The annual Senior Banquet is a community celebration of the accomplishments of our high school graduates. To be included in this celebration the following must apply:

1. Student must be an enrolled member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians or;
2. Community Member who has a parent or grandparent on the rolls of the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians living within the townships of Bartleme or Red Springs, attending Bowler, Gresham, or Shawano Schools..

3. Students who wish to participate must submit a biographical form to the S/M Education Department by April 15th. (Biographical forms are available online at www.mohicansn.gov under Education, S/M Education Department, and at Bowler and Gresham Schools)
4. If the student is in an alternative learning program that student must receive a diploma on/ or before their classes scheduled graduation date.
5. The Education Department will NOT be responsible for any travel expenses accrued by the student and/or their families to attend the banquet.

Stockbridge-Munsee Education Dept.

W13447 Camp 14 Road • PO Box 70
Bowler • WI 54416

2015 Senior Graduation Banquet Biographical Form



Please provide the following information, signatures, and dates:

Student's Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Gender: Male: _____ or Female: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Parent/Guardian's Work Phone Number: _____

Student's Enrollment Number: _____
(If Applicable)

Parent's or Grandparent's Enrollment Number: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Gresham School News

Gresham School has been busy this past week. On Thursday the Elementary had their Drama Performance. Friday, the first and second grade classes took a trip to the circus while the rest of the school had a half day, coming back later that night to cheer the boys basketball team on to a victory against St. Thomas Aquinas. Saturday night the boys went on to play another game. They fought hard, but in the end lost by two points.

Monday was a very eventful day as the Pennies for Patients campaign began, encouraging the students to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, the K-1

grades traveled to the Weidner Center and the Children Museum, the senior boys had dinner at the Woodland, and our combined Gresham Bowler High School Track Practice began.

On Tuesday night, families came out to enjoy a visit from the Timber-rattlers mascot, Fang, and played GNOME games. On Wednesday, there will be a Quiz Bowl meet at Marion, as well as a performance of the play HONK, done by the High School Drama Club. There will be three showings on the 12th, 13th, and 14th, each starting at 7 p.m. The entrance fee is \$5 per person. Ages 10 and under get in for free.

These past two weeks at Gresham Community School, student Council has been doing pennies for patients and have raised over \$900. The 6th grade class took first place at Gresham with \$173.78, second place was the 5th grade with \$114.55. Since all of the elementary did such a great job raising money for leukemia and lymphoma, they all will be rewarded with a pizza party next month.

Culture Club went on a field trip last Wednesday to tour UW-Oshkosh

and listen to guest speakers. Last Saturday Christian Haffner went to Madison for a three point contest and tied for fifth place. Christian was named Unanimous 1st Team All - State in Basketball he was 1 of only 3 in the state to be a unanimous selection! He was also selected for the WI Basketball coaches All-Star game this June. Also the members of National Honors Society inducted the new members of National Honors Society on Tuesday night.

Gresham cont on pg Thirteen:

Bowler School News



Juniors (pictured above) at Bowler High School recently participated in Bowler's first annual Mock Interviews/Soft Skills panel. Each student participated in a mock interview and received immediate feedback. Then the group came back together and asked the panel questions about workplace etiquette.

Members of the panel (pictured lower) were Karla Bowman from North Star Casino, Tonia Lagunes from Shawano County Job Center, Laura Carlson from Gannett Press, and Mary Windmiller from College of the Menominee Nation. Bev Miller from Stockbridge-Munsee HR Department was unable to join us that day. The students were excited to receive their feedback and genuinely surprised at the high regard they received from the panel!



Gresham cont from pg Twelve:
This last week at Gresham School we hosted a family game night on Tuesday, March 10th. A parent that attended said "The kids got to meet Fang, the Timber Rattlers mascot and received an autograph and a picture. They provided pizza that was sponsored by the 21st Century Grant. We then went into the library and played games that Gnome Games from Green Bay brought. At the end they gave out prizes. We all had a great and fun time!"

On Wednesday, Quiz Bowl had a meet in Marion. The B-Team lost by 5 points the score was 109-104. The A-Team lost.

The Pennies for Patients fundraiser continued throughout the week. Also the junior class

had a fundraiser for prom. They sold phone passes for two dollars.

On Thursday, everyone wore green to support Lymphoma! Also at 7:00 p.m. Drama Club had their musical "Honk." Ms. Davids said "The musical was very good and you can tell the kids worked really hard!"

On Friday, students attended the Teen Summit at the Menominee Casino. The students learned about substance abuse, gang prevention, dating violence, and suicide awareness. The students said it was a great program and they learned alot! On Monday, there was a FFA banquet. They gave away awards for all of their accomplishments. Also the baseball and softball season started.



On Tuesday, March 17th 2015, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at the time the following actions were taken on the motions:

Tribal Council Members present: Wallace A. Miller, Gregory L. Miller (travel), Joe Miller, Jeremy Mohawk, Shannon Holsey, JoAnn Schedler and Terrie K. Terrio (medical).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

Add: Vaporizer

Strike: All Hazard Mitigation Grant
Motion by Joe Miller to approve the Regular Tribal Council Meeting of Tuesday, March 17th, 2015 as amended. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

TRIBAL FINANCIALS FOR JANUARY 2015 (for posting)

Motion by Shannon Holsey to authorize the tribal financials for January 2015 to be posted for 30 days. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST: UWSP WOODLAND SPORTS TEAM (R. Miller, UWSP)

No action taken

WISCONSIN TRIBAL JUDGES ASSOCIATION: WI Tribal Legal Advocate Program-Chief Justice Higgins, Wayne Malone, Clerk of Courts and Brian Kolowski

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to support the Wisconsin Tribal Legal Advocate Program through the College of Menominee Nation. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

GM'S MONTHLY REPORT AND CASINO AND BINGO FINANCIALS FOR JANUARY 2015-Brian VanEnkenvoort, General Manager and Tammy Wyrobeck, Chief Financial Officer

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to

approve GM Monthly Report for January 2015 also Casino Financials for January 2015 and Bingo Financials of January 2015. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

COROSIVE WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM-Brian VanEnkenvoort, General Manager, Tammy Wyrobeck, Chief Financial Officer and Terrence Miller, Director of Security and Facilities

Motion by Joe Miller to go along with the recommendation of North Star Casino Resort for the solution to the water quality issues at the Casino Resort recommendation to go along with acceptance of H-O-H Water Technology and Tweet Garot Mechanical's bid not to exceed a set amount. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

Motion maker amends motions to include a magnetic meter along with this bid. Second concurs. Motion carried.

VAPORIZER FOR THE CASINO-
Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve the allocation of funds for the vaporizer and to reduce the monthly transfer to offset the cost associated with the vaporizer. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

BUDGET MOD(s): Healthy Start Grant-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Jeremy Peiper, Assistant Director SMWHC

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to approve the recommendation of Delwar Mian, Director of the Health Center and approve the Healthy Start Grant budget mod #1 as recommended. Seconded by Shannon Holsey.

ELLA BESAW CENTER-Delwar Mian, Health Center Director and Jeremy Peiper, Assistant Director SMWHC

Motion by Shannon Holsey to go along with Delwar Mian, Director of SM Health Services and Bill Terrio, EBC Manager and obligate monies out of Unallocated to budget modification #1 for the EBC for a position of a nurse. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

AMERICAN VETERAN'S SERVICE GRANT-Bob Little, Commander

Motion by Shannon Holsey to allow the Mohican Veteran's to submit the 2015 AIVS Grant submission. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Approval Roads Referenced Funding Agreement-William Miller, Roads Manager

Motion by Shannon Holsey to approve resolution 027-15, whereas the Tribal Council wishes to enter into a Referenced Funding Agreement with the BIA for Fiscal Year 2015 and future years that, among other things, identifies programs, functions, services and activities that will be provided by the Tribe or by the BIA, as well as the resources provided by the BIA;

Whereas, the Referenced Funding Agreement authorized the payment to the Tribe by BIA in one-lump sum payment; and

Whereas, the Tribe wishes to modify the Referenced Funding Agreement by the Retained Services Addendum wherein the BIA shall retain funds in order to provide engineering services for projects identified by the Tribe;

Now therefore it be resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council approves an authorizes the Tribal President or Vice-President to execute the Referenced Funding Agreement with the BIA, which is intended for Fiscal Year 2015 and future years. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

PERMISSION TO SEND SURVEY-Linda Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Shannon Holsey to authorize Land & Enrollment Office to provide address mailing labels for the purpose of mailing out a public transportation survey to Tribal Member households who reside in the zip code of 54416 and 54128 and to provide Tribal Council labeled envelopes. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

CHAPTER 1, TRIBAL COURT CODE REVISIONS; CHAPTER 5, CIVIL PROCEDURES ORDINANCE REVISIONS AND CHAPTER 29, SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY ORDINANCE-Rob Orcutt, Lead Attorney

Motion by JoAnn Schedler to post for 60 days the amends to Chapter 1, Chapter 5 and the creation of the new ordinance Chapter 29. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

HOUSING BOARD MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS-Carol Miller, Housing Board Mem-

ber
Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to approve the minutes and support the recommendations by the Housing Board. Seconded by Joe Miller.

Roll Call: JoAnn yes, Shannon no, Jeremy yes and Joe yes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION: Home Conveyance, Tenant #96-01-

Motion by Joe Miller to adopt resolution 028-15 now therefore it be resolved, that the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council supports the recommendation of the Division of Community Housing in the Conveyance of Tenant #96-01, Greta Jacobs. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

SELECTION OF BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS-

Language & Culture Committee-
Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint Karmen Mason to the Language & Culture Committee. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk. Motion carried.

Investment Committee-
Motion by Shannon Holsey to appoint Jolene Bowman and Claude "Jeff" Bowman to the Investment Committee. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried.

Health Board-
Motion by JoAnn Schedler to appoint Misty Cook to the Health Board. Seconded by Shannon Holsey. Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST: UWSP Woodland Sports Team-

Motion by Joe Miller to support the donation of Basswood to UW Stevens Point Woodland Sports Team presented by Rainer Miller. Seconded by Jeremy Mohawk.

Motion maker amends motion to add: they have to work with Forestry to obtain the Basswood. Second concurs. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Shannon Holsey to go into Executive Session. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried at 5:47 PM.

Motion by Shannon Holsey to come out of Executive Session. Seconded JoAnn Schedler. Motion carried at 6:32 PM.

Open Agenda

While in Executive Session discussion was held on several legal issues, health center issue, tribal homes and Enrollment Minutes.

Motion by Joe Miller to accept the Enrollment Committee Meeting Minutes of February 26th, 2015 with correction on the date and to go along with the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee and deny enrollment to Rebecca Christianson based on insufficient blood. Seconded by JoAnn Schedler.

Roll Call: JoAnn yes, Shannon yes, Jeremy abstain and Joe yes. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Jeremy Mohawk to adjourn. Seconded by Joe Miller. Motion carried at 6:42 PM.

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