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Thomas Kazik-Reporter
The Memory Café group took a trip to Milwaukee on April 8, 2024. The Milwaukee Public Museum was the destination for the Memory Café group. After a lunch at the Golden Corral the group was ready to hit the Museum. Walking through the different exhibits was so much fun for all the Elders. "They really loved the old town Milwaukee and Native American exhibit. Some had never been there before and Kirby Welch hadn't been there since they built the first couple of exhibits" said Briana Terrio. The mission of the Milwaukee Public Museum is to inspire curiosity, excite minds, and increase desire to preserve and protect our world's natural and

cultural diversity through exhibitions, educational programs, collections, and research. Some History to go with the Museum: The Milwaukee Public Museum's (MPM) existence can be traced back to 1851, to the founding of the German-English Academy in Milwaukee. The Academy's principal, Peter Engelmann, encouraged student field trips, many of which collected various specimens—organic, geological, and archaeological in nature—which were kept at the Academy. Alumni and others donated to this collection and by 1857 Engelmann organized a natural history society to manage and expand the collection. August Stirn, a
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CSA Farm Box Sign-Up Open!



We are excited to start thinking about our favorite day of the week... CSA & Farm Market WEDNESDAYS! Membership forms and more information is available at our website: www.mohicanAG.com/csa. You are also welcome to pick up a paper copy of the membership form at the Land Office. We have 50 memberships available this year, on a first-come basis... so don't delay! If memberships fill up, we will keep your information

for our wait-list if spots become available.

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a crop share program where a box of vegetables are picked at our farm and set aside for you every week during the growing season for 15 weeks. Having committed members allows us to plan our crops, use sustainable practices to reduce waste, and provide vegetables at the peak of freshness. 2024 is our fifth year

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Ella Besaw Center Grand Opening

The New Ella Besaw Center will host a grand opening on Monday, May 6th at 11am.

The new Ella Besaw Center building is located at W12806 County Highway A in Bowler, WI (across the parking lot from the clinic). The building will be open to our community to view the center. We look forward to the opening of this new facility that will allow us to take the best possible care of our Elders.

Ella Besaw staff will be at the event to answer questions and to accept applications for new residents. If you already placed a preapplication, you do not need to re-apply. The current Ella Besaw Center and the residents will be moving to the new facility on May 15th.

Andrew Miller
Director
Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center

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Elders attend GLNAEA in Oneida



The Great Lakes Native American Elders Association (GLNAEA) Quarterly Meeting was held in Oneida on March 6 & 7th. Eleven Elders from the Stockbridge-Munsee Community attended and were able to see old friends and make new friends.

Brianne Terrio, the Dementia Specialist for the Tribe organized the trip, drove the bus, and was available to assist our Elders at any time.

In addition, she had a booth at the event which was held in the Iroquois

Room of the Oneida Casino. Booths with giveaways lined the room. Some of the organizations represented included Judicare for Elders, GLITC Memory Care Coordinator, the Wisconsin Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, Potawatomi Dementia Care Specialist, Mole Lake Dementia Specialist, LCO Dementia Specialist, and the Wisconsin Partnership Program.

This free event focus was on Dementia in Indian Country: Gathering together for Brain Health.

The two days were filled with speakers who were not only engaging but extremely informative.

Jen Falck, a member of the Oneida Nation, who works for the Menominee Tribe's Department of Agriculture and Food Systems discussed the beginning

and the growth of the Tribal Elder Box program.

How amazing that they distributed almost 3,000 boxes last year! She also gave everyone a glimpse of the exciting future plans of the program.

Former Wisconsin Gov. Martin J. Schreiber, author of the book, *My Two Elaine's: Learning, Coping, and Surviving as an Alzheimer's Caregiver*, spoke so compassionately about his and his wife's journey with Alzheimer's/dementia. His presentation was sprinkled with humor and insightful comments detailing the progression of Alzheimer's. Gov. Schreiber was available for book signing.

The next GLNAEA meeting will be held June 5 & 6 at Turtle Lake. The topic of the meeting is to be determined.

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

Community Voices

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

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Notice from Enrollment Department

The Enrollment Department is **not** accepting applications for Enrollment and Family Tree requests at this time. Descendant verifications and ID cards by appointment. Burial assistance and requests for verification of tribal status are processed when received.

Please do not send in Enrollment Applications. We will be mailing them back.

We are revising the Enrollment application and will no longer accept the previous application.

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Mohican Veterans
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Mohican Veterans Princess

The Mohican Veterans are looking for a new, "Mohican Veterans Princess" for the Annual Powwow to reign until they reach the age of 21.

If you would like to be an applicant and reign as Princess please submit your name, address and phone number to Robert Little, N8595 Big Lake Rd, Gresham, WI 54128, no later than July 1, 2024. The following rules apply to all applicants:

Must be an enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee member and/or descendent of a Mohican Veteran. Must be between 16 and 20 years of age during your reign as princess,

Must have a clean background and stay trouble free during your reign as princess, includes no illegal drugs and be a non-smoker (additional rules may be set by the Mohican Veterans Princess

Committee),

The Mohican Veterans Committee will select applicants based on criteria they have established and will pick the princess and runner up at the annual powwow.

The princess will wear a crown and sash for the year, representing the Mohican Veterans at powwows, etc. The princess will keep the crown after her reign.

The Princess is also required to attend at least five (5) Powwows and five of our monthly veterans' meetings.

Crown and Sash Needed

The Mohican Veterans are also looking for a person(s) to design/make a Mohican Veteran Princess Crown and Sash.

The crown must be designed to fit any Princess.

We will be looking for designs by May 1, 2024 and person(s) to complete the Crown and Sash.

Will need to be completed for Annual Mohican Powwow this summer.

Send all designs and financial considerations to:

Robert Little
N8595 Big Lake Road
Gresham, WI 54128



Very important note on vaccines for the community.

You may have heard about the measles outbreak. Make sure your kids are vaccinated.

Also, if you are an adult and you were not vaccinated, you should get at least one dose of the measles vaccine. (the exception is if you were born before 1957 or if you are immunocompromised).

Otherwise, you spoil the herd immunity and can spread measles to people in the community, and you could make babies sick and ruin daycares, as they are too young to get the vaccine.

As the parent of a preteen/teen, do make sure to do the following (minimum of 3 visits for shots needed).

-At 11 years old, everyone should get an HPV vaccine and a meningitis vaccine.

-You need to get a second shot of HPV six months after the first.

-You need to get a

meningitis booster at age 16.

Make sure you do all of the above or at least talk with your provider about it. If you do not, you are making a very poor decision with risk of things such as brain damage with meningitis, throat or cervical cancer with HPV, and infecting babies with measles (they can get extremely sick and even die from it).

As a cherry on top, when you get a vaccine, it reflects positively on our community, that we are proactive about our health and that we take care of each other. This is part of how our clinic is evaluated.

Trust your providers. I myself published a paper about flu vaccines. I will not recommend for you to take vaccines which I do not believe in myself.

Dr. Michael Lundin

Stockbridge-Munsee
Medical Director

Featured Upcoming Classes at NTC Wittenberg

Call 715.253.3500 or visit NTC's Wittenberg Campus for more information.

www.ntc.edu/wittenberg



• **Wild Mushroom Foray**
May 10 & 11, NTC Antigo

• **Community Technology Help Desk Session | Cost: FREE**
May 13, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
(no registration needed)

• **Smart Phone & iPad Basics**
Cost: \$15
May 13, 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

2024 FREE SPRING CLEANUP



- The Spring Cleanup will occur on two days, with curbside cleanup on Monday and appliance/electronics recycling on Tuesday. Curbside cleanup is open for Bartelme tribal members ONLY. Appliance/Electronics recycling is open to Bartelme AND Red Springs tribal members. Items not allowed in the curbside cleanup will **NOT** be picked up. Any curbside items not picked up **must be removed** from the end of your driveway and disposed of properly.
- All items collected curbside are **NOT RECYCLED**, but disposed of in a landfill. Recycling or reusing items by passing them on to others can save landfill space, limit costs, and help others. It's encouraged to donate unwanted items if possible.

Spring Cleanup Dates	
Curbside Cleanup:	Monday, May 13
Appliance / Electronics Recycling:	Tuesday, May 14

RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE CLEANUP

BARTELME TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY

MONDAY, MAY 13TH

Place items curbside beginning Monday, May 6th

Have **ALL** items curbside by **5:00am Monday, May 13th**

FREE pickup for ONLY the items listed below during Spring Cleanup:

Bed Frames / Head Boards	Windows	Hard Fiberglass (4ft or less)
Mattresses / Box Springs	Cabinets	Carpet Rolls (5ft or less)
Fitness Equipment	Dressers	Chairs / Recliners
Large Plastic Toys	Toilets	Couches / Sofas
Bikes	Grills	Doors
	Sinks	

Items Not Allowed: **NO** Construction Debris, Hazardous Material, Tires, Appliances or Electronics

Volume: Total Volume **MUST NOT** exceed 4 cubic yards per residence (about 4ft tall x 5ft long x 5ft wide in size)

APPLIANCE & ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

BARTELME AND RED SPRINGS TRIBAL MEMBERS

TUESDAY, MAY 14TH FROM 8:00AM - 4:00PM

Place Appliances and Electronics into Appropriate Dumpsters at P&E and Roads Department

APPLIANCE RECYCLING

Appliances WITHOUT Freon: FREE
Stoves • Dishwashers • Compactors • Water Heaters • Washers • Dryers

Appliances WITH Freon: \$15.00 Each
Refrigerators • Freezers • Air Conditioners • Water Coolers • Dehumidifiers

Fee for appliances with freon can be paid at the Finance Department.

Proof of payment required for drop-off

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Computer Accessories	DVDs / VCRs / Blu Ray Players	Mobile Phones
Computer Monitors	Holiday Light Up Decorations	Telephones
Computer Towers	Fax / Copiers / Scanners	Televisions
Computer Parts	Radios / Stereos	Laptops
Typewriters	Microwaves	Printers



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Indigenous Youth Ages 18-24



Get paid to discover your next steps after high school.

Bridging Opportunities Program Starts June 17 for 8 Weeks Mon-Thurs.

High School diploma not necessary

SIGN UP!



What You'll Gain

Skills: Gain skills through workshops and hands-on experiences

Cash: Start earning money in just one week! Receive cash on a weekly basis for eight weeks

New Chromebook: Complete the Lab and a brand new Chromebook is yours to keep

Meals & Childcare: Meals are free and childcare is available

CALL FOR ART

Koonumunthe/Koolamansi

Curator Tamara Aupaumut is looking for Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican artists to submit artworks for "People of the Waters That Are Never Still: A Celebration of Mohican Art and Culture" at the Albany Institute of History and Art in New York.

Theme: The five senses (sight, smell, taste, touch, and hearing).

A wide variety of art is welcome, including - traditional art forms, painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, ceramics, poetry, filmmaking, sound pieces, musical instruments, clothing, etc.

Please submit up to five pieces for consideration. Send images with the title, medium, and size, with an optional short description of the work.

To be eligible work must be original and created by you. You are Stockbridge-Munsee enrolled or a recognized descendant.

Artwork needs to be available July-December 2024

Please email all submissions no later than May 6th with subject **ART CALL** to: mohicanartcall@gmail.com

VA wants to make it easy for you to receive care, and to help you travel to and from your appointments.

VA offers many options for quality health care tailored for Veterans, from VA medical centers and community-based outpatient clinics to virtual care and telehealth appointments.

If you do need a face-to-face appointment, you may incur a cost to travel to see a provider. Did you know you may be eligible for reimbursement of some or all of those travel expenses? VA's travel reimbursement program can help.

"Our mission is to ensure timely access to world class health care regardless of your location or the way you choose to get care—in-person, over the phone or video appointments, at VA or in the community," said Hillary Peabody, acting assistant under secretary of Health for Integrated Veteran Care. "Travel reimbursements can make a real difference when it puts money back in the wallets of Veterans and their beneficiaries. We know the challenges of getting to an appointment. The cost to get there shouldn't be one of them."

Who is eligible?

Veterans who travel for care at a VA health facility or for VA-approved care at a non-VA health facility in their community and who also meet one of the following:

- You have a VA disability rating of 30% or higher.
- You're traveling for treatment of a service-connected condition even if your VA disability rating is less than 30%.
- You receive a VA pension.
- You have an income below the maximum annual VA pension rate.

• You can't afford to pay for your travel, as defined by VA guidelines.

• You're traveling for a scheduled VA claim exam, also called a compensation and pension (C&P) exam), to get a service dog or for VA-approved transplant care.

Eligible Veterans can file claims for:

- Regular transportation, such as by car, plane, train, bus, taxi or light rail.
- Approved meals and lodging expenses.

VA can also reimburse caregivers for transportation and related lodging and meals if they meet any one of the three requirements below:

- They are a family caregiver under the National Caregiver Program traveling to receive caregiver training or support your care.
- They are a medically required attendant traveling with you to support your care.
- They are your transplant care donor or support person.

Before filing

Before filing a claim:

1. Keep your receipts for all transportation and approved meals or lodging. Be sure to track your mileage to and from appointments.
2. Set up direct deposit. VA will deposit reimbursements into your bank account.
3. File your claim on time. You must file within 30 days of the appointment or 30 days from when you become eligible for reimbursement. File a new claim for each appointment.

To file a claim:

Use the step-by-step instructions online to file a claim through the Beneficiary Travel Self Service System (BTSSS) and refer to the Beneficiary Travel Frequently Asked Questions.



Veterans Corner

Veterans Corner

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Officer

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You can also file your claim by mail, fax, email or in-person at the VA facility where you received care. Complete the Veteran/Beneficiary Claim for Reimbursement of Travel Expense Form (VA Form 10-3542) and use the VA facility locator to find your facility's contact information.

You can also contact your local Beneficiary Travel point of contact if you need help with your travel claim. For more information, visit VA travel pay reimbursement.

Support and resources

- Beneficiary Travel FAQs
- VA travel pay reimbursement
- Learn how to set up direct deposit for VA travel pay reimbursement
- Get step-by-step instructions for how to file a travel pay claim online
- Find out what expenses we pay for and current mileage rates
- (Video Tutorial) Beneficiary Travel Self-Service System – YouTube



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CSA cont from pg One: offering a CSA program at Keek-Oche / From the Earth Farm. Boxes start out green and light with lettuce, radishes, cucumbers, green onions, beans, zucchini, and peas... but with every week more color is added and the boxes get heavier with tomatoes, beets, carrots, broccoli, squash and more! We grow 30 varieties of produce, and they each make it into the CSA box at some point. Various throughout the season, we buy from local producers to fill your box with extra goodies that we aren't able to produce at the farm like strawberries, apples, and mushrooms! We are working towards adding more traditional foods in the CSA Farm Boxes. We provide you with an insulated, reusable bag and you are responsible

for bringing your own throughout the season so we can help reduce unnecessary plastic use. Each week, we have recipes available to help inspire cooking with new flavors, how to use multiple items in your box in one meal, or tips and tricks on preserving your produce. When surveyed, previous members have been very supportive and grateful for this produce saying, "It is a true blessing to our community. My family will be able to enjoy soups this winter made from the produce I froze from our CSA. We will be thankful and reminded of the all the goodness that comes from seeds to harvest." Half Shares cost \$75 (\$5 a week) and Full Shares are \$150 (\$10 a week.) A 2023 CSA member says it is "well worth the cost."



Elders cont from pg One: city alderman and member of the national history society, obtained legislation for the City of Milwaukee to accept the collection and take the measures necessary to establish "a free public museum." The Milwaukee Public Museum opened to the public on May 24, 1884. Since then, MPM has grown considerably, with current collections containing more than 4 million specimens. Tour the Museum's 150,000 square feet of exhibit space to visit continents and habitats. Today's ticket Prices are: Adult 18-64: \$24, Teen 14-17: \$24, Senior 65+: \$20, Youth 4-13: \$18, Military/ College: \$20, and Members and children 3 and younger are always FREE. One of the favorites of the elders was The Streets of Old Milwaukee. Streets of Old Milwaukee was originally opened in January 1965. This exhibit created one of the first walk-through dioramas in the world, transporting the visitor back to a fall evening in Milwaukee at the turn of the 20th century. It was an immediate hit and continues to be the most visited spot in the Museum. This exhibit has cobblestone streets, planked sidewalks, and is dimly lit to represent taking an evening stroll. You can enter through a life-sized trolley that has stairs and a ramp. The trolley has videos playing

and rumbling sounds. The people in the buildings look very real, but they are not. The Museum's Puelicher Butterfly Wing is a glass-enclosed garden that was designed to provide fragile butterflies with a tropical environment throughout every Wisconsin season. A vivarium is a structure that is built for animals to live as closely as possible to their natural habitat. There are hundreds of live butterflies flying around this glass room. You will wait in line to enter and listen to the rules of the exhibit before entering. Some butterflies may land on you. The second floor is where The Milwaukee Public Museum is proud to house and care for Native American artifacts and objects. The centerpiece, titled Indian Country, features a contemporary powwow grand entry scene with 37 life-sized figures dressed in colorful dance attire. One of the life-sized figures is modeled after tribal Veteran JoAnn Schedler. The Indian Country powwow figures are based on life casts of Native people representing Wisconsin tribes. The local American Indian community has dedicated hundreds of hours working on the powwow outfits and drum used in the exhibit. The second floor also housed different regions of North America and its landscape and animals.

Stockbridge-Munsee COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

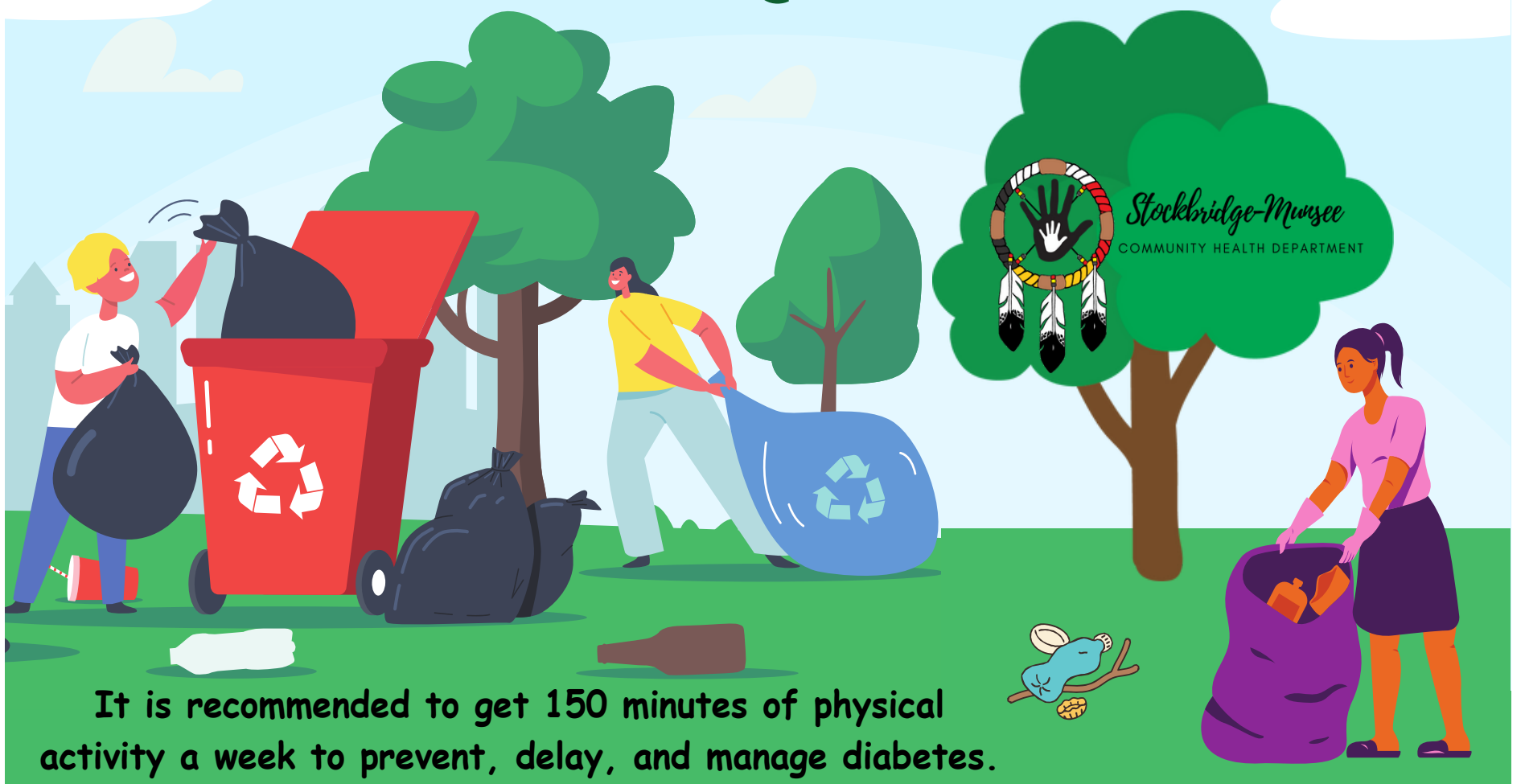
Virtual Event

MAY 12TH - 19TH, 2024

Join us by gathering family and friends to walk around the community and clean up garbage. Snap a picture of you or your family and submit it to cami.miller@mohican.com to be eligible for a prize drawing by May 19th.

Pre-registered participants are eligible for gloves, garbage bags, and pick up tools (limited number available).

Contact Cami @ 715.793.5064



It is recommended to get 150 minutes of physical activity a week to prevent, delay, and manage diabetes.

Memory Cafe Trip





Recent Events at the Family Center

Thomas Kazik- Reporter

Wednesday April 3 the Family Center hosted its start to their walking club. On April 6 the family held a family fort night event. These are just a few events the family center held with many more to come in the future.

Walking club was held on National Walking day and kicks off the Family Centers Mile Mocs walking club- a journey towards better health and a community connection. National Walking Day is every year on the first Wednesday in April. National Walking Day is exactly as it sounds — a day to celebrate the easiest way to be the healthiest version of you. Walking for thirty to sixty minutes per day may sound like it isn't much, but studies have shown that it can drastically improve your health and even help prevent ailments such as type II diabetes, cancer, and heart disease. A couple of walking facts:

3.1 miles per hour — the average walking speed of a human.

500 miles — the walking duration a pair of tennis shoes lasts for.

6,000 — the number of steps a day that improves overall health.

65,000 miles — the distance a person walks in their lifetime.

Family Fort Night was held April 6 and was an action-packed day. Families got to build a fort out of cardboard boxes that were donated by tribal businesses and community members. The creativity was on full display as families got bust in the fort-building madness. After the forts were complete then the nerf guns were brought and the kids had a blast hiding in their forts. Light snacks and prizes for different things were available for the families that showed up and displayed their building skills. It was an awesome event and all families were looking forward to doing it again.

Some upcoming events at the Family Center are:

Unity Play Date (Call for Details) April 14

Family Services Luncheon April 24

Community Rummage Sale April 27 (call for details)

For more information and insight on events follow the **Families and Youth Education Services** page on face book.



Meningococcal Vaccines for Preteens and Teens

All preteens and teens should get vaccines to protect against meningococcal disease. Talk with your child's doctor or nurse about meningococcal vaccination to help protect your child's health.



Why does my child need meningococcal vaccines?

Meningococcal vaccines help protect against the bacteria that cause meningococcal disease. Meningococcal disease can refer to any illness caused by a type of bacteria called *Neisseria meningitidis*. Meningococcal disease is not very common in the United States, but teens and young adults are at increased risk.

The two most common types of illnesses include infections of the

- Lining of the brain and spinal cord (meningitis)
- Bloodstream

Even with treatment, about 10 to 15 out of 100 people with meningococcal disease will die from it. Meningococcal vaccines are the best way to protect preteens and teens from getting meningococcal disease.



When should my child be vaccinated?



Dose 1: Ages 11-12
Dose 2: Age 16

All preteens and teens should get 2 doses of the meningococcal conjugate (MenACWY) vaccine. They should get the first dose at ages 11-12 and a booster dose at 16 years old. If your teen hasn't gotten this meningococcal shot, talk to their doctor or nurse about getting it as soon as possible.

Teens and young adults (16 through 23 years old) may also get a serogroup B meningococcal (MenB) vaccine (2 doses). The preferred age to get MenB vaccine is 16 through 18 years old. Talk with your teen's doctor or nurse about meningococcal vaccination to help protect your child's health.

Are meningococcal vaccines safe for my child?

Researchers have studied the meningococcal vaccines very carefully and they are shown to be very safe. Like any vaccine, meningococcal vaccines may cause mild side effects, like redness and soreness where the shot was given (usually in the arm). Note that your child can get both meningococcal vaccines during the same visit, but in different arms.

Some preteens and teens might faint after getting a meningococcal vaccine or any shot. To help avoid fainting and injuries related to fainting, preteens and teens should sit or lie down when they get a shot and then for about 15 minutes after getting the shot. Serious side effects from meningococcal vaccines are rare.

How can I get help paying for these vaccines?

Most health insurance plans cover routine vaccinations. The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program also provides vaccines for children 18 years and younger who are uninsured, underinsured, Medicaid-eligible, American Indian, or Alaska Native. Learn more at www.cdc.gov/Features/VFCprogram.



Talk to your child's doctor or nurse about meningococcal vaccines, or visit www.cdc.gov/meningococcal/vaccine-info.html



HPV Vaccine for Preteens and Teens

HPV vaccination is recommended at ages 11-12 years to protect against cancers caused by HPV infection.

Why does my child need HPV vaccine?

Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine protects against cancers caused by HPV infection. HPV is a common virus that infects teens and adults. About 13 million people, including teens, become infected with HPV each year. HPV infection can cause cervical, vaginal, and vulvar cancers in women and penile cancer in men. HPV can also cause anal cancer, cancer of the back of the throat (propharynx), and genital warts in both men and women.

When should my child be vaccinated?

All kids who are 11 or 12 years old should get two shots of HPV vaccine 6-12 months apart. Getting vaccinated on time protects preteens long before ever being exposed to the virus. People get HPV from another person during intimate sexual contact.

Some children may need three doses of HPV vaccine. For example, adolescents who receive their two shots less than 5 months apart will need a third dose for best protection. Also, children who start the vaccine series on or after their 15th birthday need three shots given over 6 months. If your teen hasn't gotten the vaccine yet, talk to their doctor about getting it as soon as possible.

The best way to remember to get your child all of the recommended doses is to make an appointment for the remaining shots before you leave the doctor's office or clinic.

Is HPV vaccine safe for my child?

HPV vaccination provides safe, effective, and long-lasting protection against cancers caused by HPV. HPV vaccine has a reassuring safety record that's backed by 15 years of monitoring and research.

Like any vaccine or medicine, HPV vaccination can cause side effects. The most common side effects are mild and include pain, redness, or swelling in the arm where the shot was given; dizziness, fainting, nausea, and headache. Fainting after any vaccine, including HPV vaccine, is more common among adolescents.

To prevent fainting and injuries related to fainting, adolescents should be seated or lying down during vaccination and remain in that position for 15 minutes after the vaccine is given. The benefits of HPV vaccination far outweigh any potential risk of side effects.

It is important to tell the doctor or nurse if your child has any severe allergies, including an allergy to latex or yeast. HPV vaccine is not recommended for anyone who is pregnant.

How can I get help paying for these vaccines?

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program provides vaccines for children ages 18 years and younger who are uninsured, Medicaid-eligible, American Indian or Alaska Native. Learn more at www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/parents/qa-detailed.html

Where can I learn more?

Talk to your child's doctor about HPV vaccination and ask about other vaccines your child may need. You can also find out more about HPV vaccination at

www.cdc.gov/hpv

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GED TUTORING IS BACK!

Want to get your GED?

The Stockbridge-Munsee Education & Career Services Department is offering individualized tutoring.

How it works

Call 715-793-4353 to enroll in the GED Program.
Take GED ready practice test.
Schedule times to come in for tutoring.
Reach your Goal of getting your GED.



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SMC Tribal Members 18 years and older who have not participated in past trips organized by SMC are eligible. Requests to bring a traveling partner who is an enrolled SMC Tribal Member/Member of their Household (Partner/Child)* will be taken into account.

**We are unable to cover Travel Expenses for Non-Enrolled Member of Household (Partner/Child).*

To Apply Online Scan the QR Code OR
<https://forms.office.com/r/iV98Zuu30Bto>

Paper Applications will also be available at any SMC Office Buildings and Drop Off at the Library/Museum

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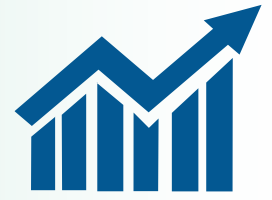
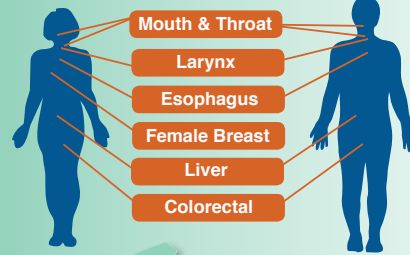
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THE STATE OF STIs IN THE UNITED STATES, 2022

CDC's 2022 STI Surveillance Report underscores that STIs must be a public health priority

- 1.6 million** CASES OF CHLAMYDIA (6.2% decrease since 2018)
- 648,056** CASES OF GONORRHEA (11% increase since 2018)
- 207,255** CASES OF SYPHILIS (80% increase since 2018)
- 3,755** CASES OF SYPHILIS AMONG NEWBORNS (183% increase since 2018)

LEARN MORE AT: www.cdc.gov/std/

- ANYONE WHO HAS SEX COULD GET AN STI, BUT SOME GROUPS ARE MORE AFFECTED
- YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 15-24
 - GAY & BISEXUAL MEN
 - PREGNANT PEOPLE
 - RACIAL & ETHNIC MINORITY GROUPS

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- INCREASED RISK OF GIVING OR GETTING HIV
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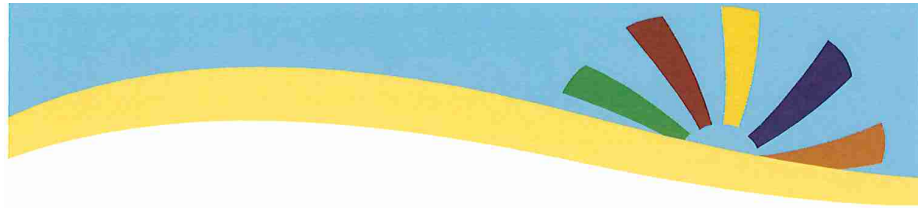
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When: June 12th, 2024

Where: North Star Mohican Casino

The deadline to submit the Participation Application is May 12th, 2024, Please submit application along with a 5x7 picture to the SM Education Office. Applications are available at the Education Office, Bowler, Gresham and Shawano High Schools.

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If student is in an alternative learning program that student must receive a diploma on/or before their classes scheduled graduation date. The Education Department will NOT be responsible for any travel expenses accrued by the student and/or their families to attend the banquet.

2024 Summer Youth Program

- Application available at Konkapot
- Deadline May 10, 2024
- Enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee youth ages 14-18
- Direct descendants pending available space
- Pay \$15.00 for 80 hours

2024 College Internship

- Application at the Konkapot Resource Center
- Deadline May 3, 2024
- Enrolled Stockbridge-Munsee College Student
- Completed at least 12 credits minimum GPA 2.0
- Pay \$20.00 for 200 hours

For more information contact
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Directives

On Tuesday, April 2nd, 2024, the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council held a Regular Tribal Council Meeting and at that time the following actions were taken:

Roll Call:

Shannon Holsey	Present
Craig Kroening Jr	Present
Sara Putnam	Present
Ella Kazik	Present
Terrance Miller	Present
Willy Miller:	Present
Shawn Moede	Present

APPROVAL OF AGENDA-

ADD: Use of Tribal Seal
Microgrant of Remaining Funding
Police and Fire Commission Appointment
Elder Hardship Request in Executive Session
Contract Clarification in Executive Session

STRIKE: Head Start Student Teaching Contract Additional Amenity in Family Center Expansion Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to approve the agenda as amended. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES-

Motion by Willy Miller to approve meeting minutes from Tuesday, March 19th, 2024. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the Special Tribal Council Meeting Minutes from Tuesday, March 26th, 2024. Seconded by Shawn Moede. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (for posting)- January 31, 2024

Directives cont on pg 13:

Directives from page 12: Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the financial statements for posting for January 2024. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST: Christmas in July Charity-Darwin Martin, Tribal Member

Motion by Sara Putnam to donate to the Marshfield Children's Hospital for Christmas in July. Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

Motion maker amends motions: and to approve that Darwin is to hand deliver the check at the event. Second concurs. Motion carried.

DCF CO-VID PAYMENT APPLICATION-Ginny Rusch, Head Start Manager

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve Head Start participation in the DCF Funding Workforce Recruitment and Retention Payment Program through the duration of the program and availability of incentive funds. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

105L LEASE PAYMENTS-Amanda Stevens, CFO

Motion by Terrance Miller to restrict 105L lease revenue effective FY 2024 as stated: 25% for future building repairs, 25% offset Tribal Contributions, and to invest 50% of the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center 105L lease payments for future health center expansion to be reviewed annually. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

FEBRUARY 2024 GM REPORT WITH FINANCIALS-Tony Granquist, GM

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the GM Monthly Report with Financials for February 2024. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

MOHICAN 101 PROJECT-Diane Burr, Career Advisor

Motion by Terrance Miller

to approve the proprietary information gathered as a result of the Mohican 101 project for free public access dissemination so that Educators or Public-School Districts have free access to culturally responsive curriculum as supported by the Tribe through tribal funding and resources. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

USE OF TRIBAL SEAL-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve use of Tribal Seal for three Cultural Affairs/Historic Preservation Projects 1) Memorial marker to be placed at Historic Hugenot Street, New Paltz, 2) Schoenbrunn Village Interpretive Panels, New Philadelphia, Ohio and 3) Vermont Agency of Transportation Interpretive materials. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

DONATION REQUEST-Monique Tyndall, Director of Cultural Affairs

No action taken.

SIGNATURE AND PERMISSION TO SUBMIT-Stephanie Bowman, Aging & Disability Services Area Manager and Brianna Terrio, Memory Care Specialist

Motion by Terrance Miller for the Stockbridge-Munsee Dementia Care Specialist to submit a request to apply for funding from the reallocation of unspent funds from the Department of Health-Bureau of Aging and Disability Resources and the Tribal Affairs Office grant in the requested amount. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

NEW ELLA BESAW POLICIES-Andrew Miller, SMHWC Director

Resident Rights- Motion by Willy Miller for approval of the policy Resident Rights for use in the new Ella Besaw Center. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

Resident Privacy-

Motion by Ellie Kazik for approval of the policy Resident Privacy for use in the new Ella Besaw Center. Seconded by Craig Kroening Jr. Motion carried.

Resident Funds-

Motion Shawn Moede to approve the policy Resident Funds for use in the new Ella Besaw Center. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

KONKAPOT EXTERIOR-Clifton Pecore, Facilities Manager

Motion by Willy Miller to approve the bid offered by contractor Top to Bottom and approve additional funds. Seconded by Terrance Miller.

Roll Call: Shawn yes, Willy yes, Craig no, Sara yes, Ellie yes and Terrance yes. Motion carried.

ALERT MEDIA RENEWAL-Bill Terrio, Emergency Preparedness Manager

Motion by Terrance Miller for approval of the renewal request for the Alert Media which is an early warning system in the event of a disaster for a storm flood, fire, terrorism, shooter event, etc. to come out of Unallocated.

Seconded by Ellie Kazik.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Ellie yes, Sara yes, Craig abstains, Willy yes and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

USE OF TRIBAL SEAL-Shannon Holsey, President

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the use of the Tribal Seal on invite letters to the May 18th dedication of the Liberty Tree by the Sons of the American Revolution. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried.

MICROGRANT OF REMAINING FUNDING-Linda Mohawk-Katchenago, Tribal Administrator

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve a Micro-grant award of the DreamUp Grant to Lil' Cubs Childcare to assist with the cost of connecting an additional sink,

so they can expand the facility to include a 1-2-year-old room. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

Motion by Ellie Kazik to approve budget mod #1 to Fund 253 FY2024 budget. Seconded by Terrance Miller. Motion carried.

POLICE AND FIRE COMMISSION APPOINTMENT-

Motion by Willy Miller to appoint Roland Rick Church to the Police and Fire Commission. Seconded Shawn Moede.

Roll Call: Terrance yes, Ellie abstains, Sara yes, Craig abstains (*Fire Officer*), Willy yes and Shawn yes. Motion carried.

OPEN AGENDA-EXECUTIVE SESSION-

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to go into Executive Session. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried at 5:37 PM.

Motion by Craig Kroening Jr. to come out of Executive Session. Seconded by Willy Miller. Motion carried at 6:43 PM.

While in Executive Session discussion was held on a Personnel Matter and Elderly Hardship Request.

Motion by Terrance Miller to approve the employment agreement as discussed in Executive Session with the addition of on #18 Page 3 Attachment B Tribal Mentorship. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried.

Motion by Sara Putnam to approve the Lifelong Lease Request for the Elderly Disabled Emergency Program #EHLL-002-BM24. Seconded by Willy Miller.

Roll Call: Terrance abstains (*relation*), Ellie abstains (*relation*), Sara yes, Craig yes, Willy yes and Shawn abstains. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT-

Motion by Terrance Miller to adjourn. Seconded by Ellie Kazik. Motion carried at 6:45 PM.



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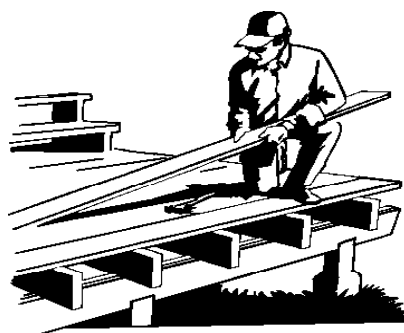
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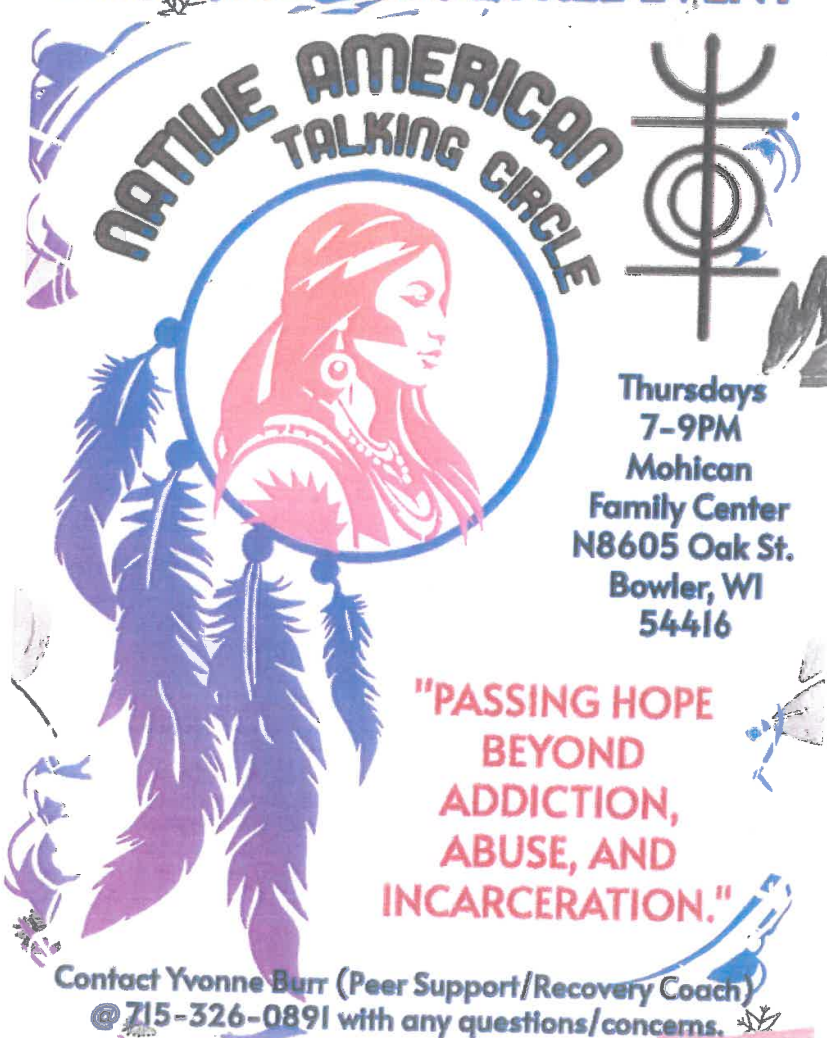
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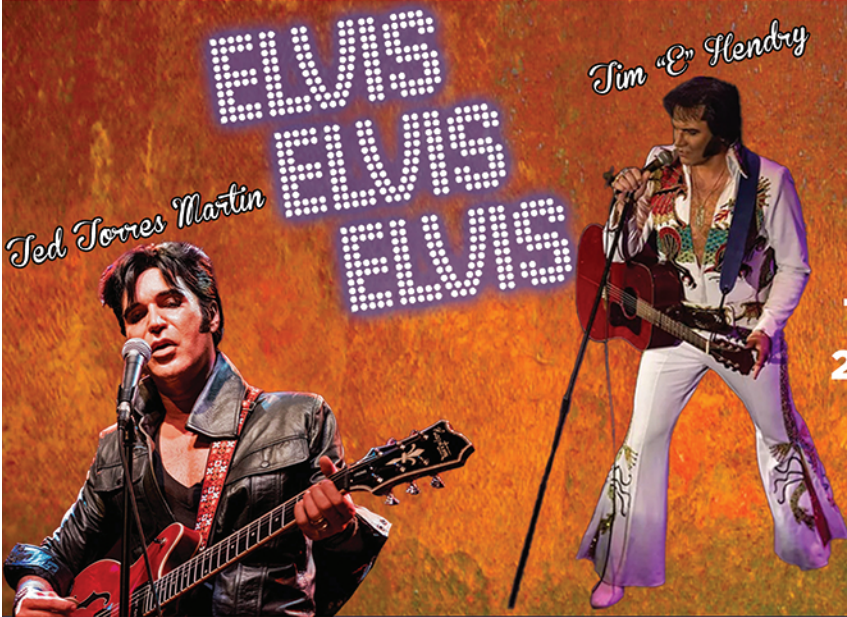
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