

# MOHICAN NEWS

The people of the waters that are never still

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## Erin Lewis is Health Center Employee of the Month

There were 11 nominations for "EOM" for December:

Erin Lewis received 6 nominations. Erin has a great rapport with elders, community and staff and is greatly appreciated. She also helps out in Pharmacy and has calmed patients who have had long wait times. Erin goes out of her way to ensure everyone in the community has received great care.

Ally Miller was nominated for always willingly to go the extra step to help w/a referral and answer any questions asked of her.

Casey Rosenberg was nominated because she received the "Bemidji area Health and Wellness Award". Dr. Wargo was nominated by a patient because "He always takes the time with us and works on the entire spine to heal my back".

Krystyna Ostrowski received two nominations. The first one said she is "Always going above and beyond to take care of patients even when it's not her responsibility. She is dedicated and dependable and very personable. The clinic is lucky to have her". The second one said "The first time I saw Krystyna I wasn't feeling good, but

## Two Long-time Employees Retire



Sue Miller (pictured above) and Emmeretta Miller (pictured lower right) recently decided to retire from the finan department after many many years. Sue has work-erd for the Tribe for over twenty-five years and Emmeretta has worked for the Tribe for over thirty-five years.

Thank you ladies for all of your work and enjoy your retirements!

I didn't think it was bad. Krystyna saw a change in me for the worse and she kept checking on me every couple of minutes. She really is nice and knows her stuff. Excellent patient care".

Roxanne Welch was nominated because "She is always the first one to help when housekeeping is called. She never complains about her tasks. She goes department to department asking if anyone needs help with anything. She is kind, caring and thoughtful every single day. She is amazing".

The Health Board selected Erin Lewis as the December EOM. Erin received a plaque, a NSMCR gift card, a fleece jacket and a special parking spot. She was also recognized at the "All Staff" meeting on January 2, 2020.

## Exciting Agricultural News-The Hoop House



Staff Reporter-Cassie Molkentin

Back in 2017, The Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans Agriculture Department started the *From the Earth* garden on Maple Road as a place to grow fruits and vegetables. The typical Wisconsin growing season lasts from late May through mid-September; The department has been seeking alternative ways to work on extending that growing season to have offerings for a longer amount of time throughout the year.

Recently, that additional resource was completed at the location on N7534 Maple Road, Bowler, Wisconsin. The addition is referred to as The Hoop House. This structure will assist the department work towards this goal of an extended growing season.

A Hoop House can be looked at like a three seasons room on a house or similar to an unheated greenhouse. This structure will help expand the growing season from the typical 5 months to closer to 8 or 9 months for certain crops. It will have the ability to plant and grow vegetables like tomatoes and cucumbers earlier in the spring for harvest and offer those vegetables to the community 2 or 3 weeks sooner than occurred in the past.

It will also offer the ability to grow cold tolerant crops like carrots, lettuce, and spinach into November or December. The Agriculture Department will begin utilizing this structure in the spring and plan on planting the first batch of crops in April.

This Hoop House was built with the help of several departments **House continued on page Two:**



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assisting the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans Agricultural Agent, Kellie Zahn. The Tribal Roads Department Craig Kroening, Sr. assisted with setting the trusses. The building itself is thirty feet wide by over seventy-two feet in length. Joe Miller from the Family Services Department and the Environmental team: Paul Koll, Randall Wallenhaup, Mike Jones, Alex Brauer and Josh Jensen joined the crew in constructing the building itself. There is a huge fan on each end of the structure to keep the air flow moving.

"By having this enclosed structure, we anticipate the crop yield to move towards two to three per rotation," Zahn said. "this structure will offer up to double the yield of our outdoor gardens alone," stated Zahn.

This Hoop House was funded through a grant from the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS). As a part of the grant requirement, all crops must be grown in the ground for a minimum of four-year period. Last year there were 30 participants that joined in the process of growing and then being able to harvest a portion of the yield. Zahn anticipates the ability to expand that to possibly 35-40 participants. Last year's yield was approximately 4,000 pounds of produce.

**Pharmacy waits on Fridays and before holidays**

Pharmacy gets very busy on Friday afternoons and the day before a holiday. Pharmacy asks patients to come in earlier in the week, or before 2 pm on Friday. We understand that it is not always possible to make it to the pharmacy earlier, and will happily serve you on Friday afternoon or the day before a holiday, but please be aware that service times may be a longer than normal. Thanks from staff.

**Pharmacy phone line**

If you need to reach our pharmacy, you can call 715-793-5027. Please note that at times, the pharmacy gets very busy, and staff may not be able to immediately answer the telephone. If you do not receive an immediate answer from pharmacy, please wait 10 to 15 minutes before calling back to pharmacy. Please also note that Pharmacy is very busy after 2pm on Fridays and the day before a holiday.

**Medicare part B & D insurance cards for 2020**

For patients with Medicare part B & D coverage, you should have received new insurance cards for 2020. Please bring these insurance cards in with you so the clinic can update our systems with the new insurance information. Please also give Pharmacy your Medicare part D insurance information.



**February**

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**Workshop Dates**

**WIOA Information Session**

Date: Feb. 12, 2020

Time: 8 am to 12:00pm

**How to View Your**

**Credit Report**

Date: Feb. 10, 20, 26, 2020

Time: 1:30 to 2:30 pm

**Interview Skills**

Date: Feb. 5, 18, 24, 2020

Time: 1:30 to 2:30pm

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## Attention!

The library-museum language department is providing language lessons in Mohican and Munsee on a weekly basis. Munsee is being taught by Jeremy Mohawk on Wednesdays 6pm to 7pm. Mohican language study is being led by Nikole Pecore on Mondays from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

Classes will run weekly until October with the exception of holidays and bad weather. Come out and connect with your ancestors through language.

## Grammy Award Winner, Michael Bolton to Perform at North Star Mohican Casino Resort

BOWLER, WISCONSIN – With over 65 million records sold globally; singer, songwriter, and social activist, Michael Bolton, is booked to perform in the Orion Event Center on April 17th at 8pm.

Signing at the young age of 16, Bolton celebrated his 50th year making contributions to the entertainment industry in 2019.

Bolton has won two Grammy awards for Best Pop Male Vocal Performance, six American Music Awards, three Emmy nominations, and a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Bolton's work also includes having written with some of the greatest and diverse talent of our time including Bob Dylan, Paul Stanley, Lady Gaga, Diane Warren, and David Foster.

North Star Mohican Casino Resort, located in the heart of Bowl-

er, Wisconsin, is pleased to have a classic, well-known star such as Bolton perform in the area.

"Michael Bolton has toured all over the world, which will now include Bowler, Wisconsin," said Michael Bonakdar, General Manager of North Star Mohican Casino Resort. "His work is completely timeless and we are privileged to be able to provide our rural area with entertainment from artists like Bolton."

Bolton continues to tour around the world and remains committed to humanitarian causes, especially through his own Michael Bolton Charities, now in its 25th year.

Tickets start at \$55 and are available for purchase on January 15th at [www.northstarcasinoresort.com/entertainment/](http://www.northstarcasinoresort.com/entertainment/)



## Legal Notice for Intent to Change Name

Kassandra C. Miller has petitioned the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Court for a minor child name change from:

Aaliyah Mae Zhuckkahosee to Aaliyah Mae Miller.

The Court hearing will be held on Friday, February 28th, 2020 at 10:45 AM at the Stockbridge-Munsee Community Tribal Court, N8476 Moh He Con Nuck Road, Bowler, WI 54416.

Any objections may be raised at that time.

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## Self-Care Event

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February 3<sup>rd</sup> & March 2<sup>nd</sup>

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**Refreshments  
will be  
present!**



## New Year, New You...Same W-2 Tax Scam

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*From the desk of Thomas F. Duffy, MS-ISAC Chair*

Tax season is in full swing, which means criminals will go to great lengths to separate you from your money, your identity, or anything of value that is within their reach. They may offer seemingly legitimate "tax services" that are actually designed to steal your identity and your tax refund.

Often times, criminals will lure you in with an offer of larger write-offs or refunds. Such scams might include fake websites and tax forms that look like they belong to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) in order to trick you into providing your personal information.

Due to the rise in data breaches, you should always take steps to minimize your risk of identity theft and other online-related crimes; this is especially important this time of the year.

Below are some warning signs to look for and basic precautions you can take to minimize risk and avoid becoming the next victim!

Warning Signs of an Online Tax Scam:

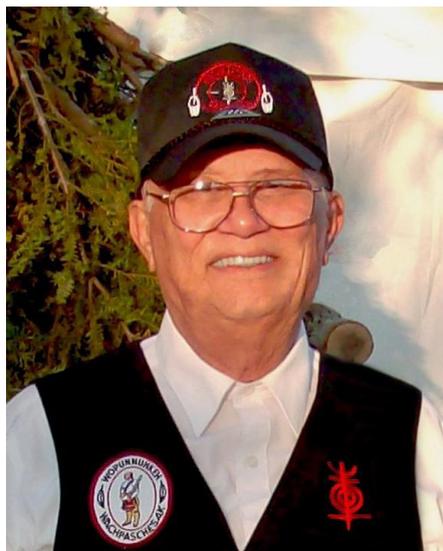
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- Emails from the IRS or federal agencies. The IRS will not contact you via email.
- Emails containing exciting offers, tax refunds, incorrect spelling, grammar, or odd phrasing throughout.
- Emails discussing «changes to tax laws.» These email scams typically include a downloadable document (usually in PDF format) that purports to explain the new tax laws. However, unbeknownst to many, these downloads are almost always populated with malware that, once downloaded,

will infect your computer.

How To Avoid Being a Victim:

- Never Send Sensitive Information in an Email. Information sent through email can be intercepted by criminals. Make sure to consistently check your financial account statements and your credit report for any signs of unauthorized activity.
- Secure Your Computer. Ensure your computer has the latest security updates installed. Check that your anti-virus and anti-spyware software are running properly and receiving automatic updates from the vendor. If you haven't already done so, install and enable a firewall.
- Carefully Select the Sites You Visit. Safely searching for tax forms, advice on deductibles, tax preparers, and other similar topics requires great caution. NEVER visit a site by clicking on a link sent in an email, found on someone's blog, or in an advertisement. The websites you land on might look like legitimate sites, but can also be very well-crafted fakes.
- Be Wise with Wi-Fi. Wi-Fi hotspots are intended to provide convenient access to the internet, however, this convenience can come at a cost. Public Wi-Fi is not secure and is susceptible to eavesdropping by hackers, therefore, never use public Wi-Fi to file your taxes!
- Look for Clear Signs. Common scams will tout tax rebates, offer great deals on tax preparation, or offer a free tax calculator tool. If you did not solicit the information, it's likely a scam.
- Be on the Watch for Fake IRS Scams. The IRS will not contact you via email, text messaging, or your social network, nor does it advertise on websites. Additionally, if an email appears to be from your employer or bank claiming there is an issue that requires you to verify personal information, this is most likely a scam as well. Don't respond to these types of emails; always contact the entity directly.
- Always Utilize Strong Passwords. Cybercriminals have developed programs that automate the ability to guess

# On the Trail Home



Harold J. Price

Harold James Price, age of 78, of Shawano, (formerly of Milwaukee) was called home by the Great Creator and began his journey to the spirit world on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Harold was born on December 19, 1941, to the late Lewis and Margaret (Welch) Price in Red Springs, WI; brother to the late Victor Price, Bernard Price, Michael Cook, Sr., Albert Cook, William Cook, Beatrice Cook, and Veronica Cook, survived by sisters, Beverly Klemp and Micholeen Kormann and sisters-in-law Elisabeth Price and Kay Cook.

Harold is survived by his beloved wife of 57 years, Darlene (Katchenago) Price, sons, Harold Katchenago (Linda) and Steven (Kori) Price, and daughters, Nicole (John) Gnad and Sheila (Val) Navarro. Harold is also survived by his grandchildren, John (Vanessa) Katchenago, Jessie (Richard) Boyd, Dan Gnad, Mitchell Gnad, Olivia Gnad, Julia Gnad, Justin Navarro, Jesse Navarro, Rick Navarro, Blaze Navarro, Kenedie Malone, Ramsey Price, Jace Price, and Emerson Price, as well as great-grandchildren Lilia Katchenago, Freyja Katchenago, Ziva Boyd, Ethan Boyd and Korric Malone. Also, by Godsons, Darrell Schneider and AJ Price.

Harold attended school in Bowler, WI and continued his education

your passwords. To best protect yourself, make your passwords difficult to guess. Passwords should have a minimum of nine characters and include uppercase and lowercase letters, numbers, and symbols.

If you receive a tax-related phishing or suspicious email at work, report it according to your organization's cybersecurity policy. If you

at Boys' Technical High School in Milwaukee, WI, before proudly serving in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. He was a member of the honored Mohican Veterans group, where he represented the group for many occasions and was part of the color guard at numerous Pow Wows. He was a devoted member of the congregation at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Keshena with his wife, Darlene. Prior to his retirement, Harold proudly worked for Allis Chalmers in West Allis, WI. After retiring, Harold enjoyed spending time with his family and friends, whom he adored. Harold loved photography, and could always be seen with a camera around his neck ready to snap a picture. He loved being outdoors and enjoyed fishing, especially with his grandchildren. Harold enjoyed helping others, being active in his community, listening to his favorite music, and taking road trips with his wife.

Harold could always be found with a big smile on his face and a twinkle in his eyes, ready to tell a humorous story or a bad "dad joke" while wearing one of his many caps on his head. He was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and friend to many and will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Visitation was held on Monday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020, at David Barrett Parish Hall, in Keshena. Funeral Services were held Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at St. Michael's. Military Honors were conducted by the Mohican Veterans at the church following services. Procession to Harold's final resting place followed at the conclusion of services. Harold's family invited all loved ones and friends to join in the celebration of his life back at St. Michael's.

The Family wishes to extend a special thank you to the staff at Maple Lane Heath Services and Heartland Hospice for the care provided.

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receive a similar email on your personal account, the IRS encourages you to forward the original suspicious email (with headers or as an attachment) to its phishing@irs.gov email account, or to call the IRS at 800-908-4490.

More info on tax scams is available on the IRS website and in the IRS Dirty Dozen list of tax scams.

## Stolen Sisters Exhibition - January 30 - February 29

*Crossman Gallery at the University of Wisconsin – Whitewater*  
(Whitewater, WI) **STOLEN SISTERS** Exhibition featuring thirty indigenous artists and allies will open at the Crossman Gallery January 30, 2020. The exhibition will showcase technically diverse artworks of regional, national and international indigenous artists and allies addressing a range of experiences and emotions surrounding the violence against, and loss of indigenous women and girls. Materials will range from works on paper, mixed-media installation, metal, clay, quillwork, textile and paint. **STOLEN SISTERS** exhibit runs from January 30-Feb 29, 2020.

The issue of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) <https://mmiwusa.org> is gaining

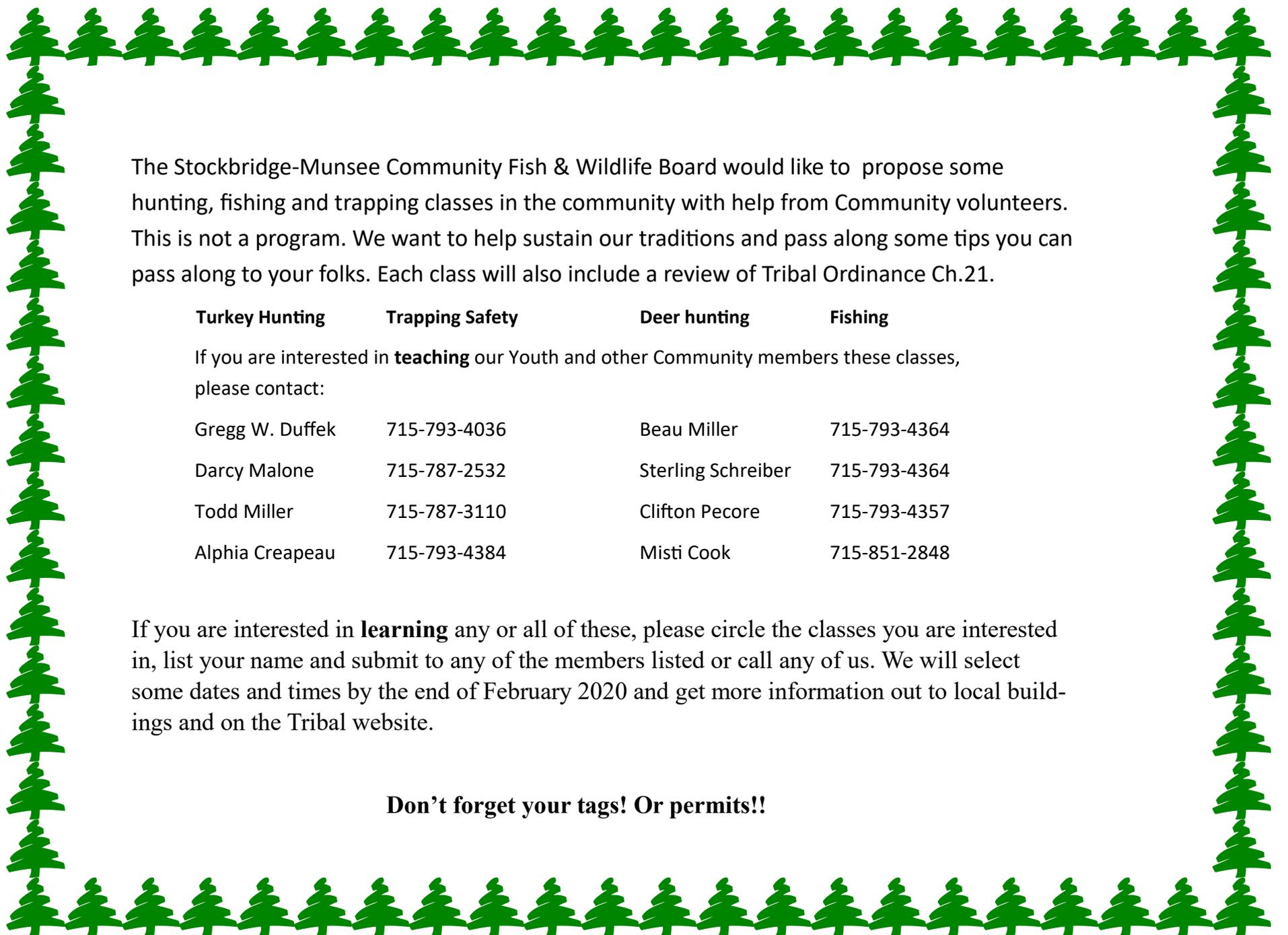
national attention due to the recent election of Deb Haaland and her initiatives surrounding this issue, and various other MMIW efforts. The choice to use Crossman Gallery at University of Wisconsin-Whitewater as a platform for this project is because Wisconsin is home to eleven registered tribal communities, and the adjacent Highway 90 acts as a main corridor for missing persons. With four out of five native women affected by violence in today's society, it is vital that the issue of MMIW is given a voice in this region. The exhibit is being organized with the curatorial assistance of Professor Teresa Faris, a faculty member in the Department

of Art and Design and artist, and Nieves Galvan, a UW-Whitewater alumni and artist. The exhibition is scheduled to be on display from January 30 – February 29. An opening reception for the exhibit will be held in the Greenhill Center of the Arts atrium on January 30<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm. Red Birds drum, jingle dancer Sophia Ford and artist Alfonso Cervera will perform at the start of the opening reception.

Exhibiting Artists: Antoinette Thompson (ATA), Alfonso Cervera, Avis Charley, Crystal Lepscier, Craig George, Courtney Leonard, Dakota Mace, Diane Hill, Drew Askenette Lacefield, Elias Jade NotAfraid, Gregg Deal, Harmony Hill,

Jennifer Connors, Jennifer Curtis, John Hitchcock, Kaluhyak<sup>le</sup> Stephenie Muscavitch VanEvery, Laritza Garcia, Lorena Lazard, Lyndon Tsoisie, Nieves Galvan, Ray Scott, Rebecca Burns, Sébastien Carré, Scott Hill, Shawn Stevens, Teresa Faris, Tim Herrera, Tom Jones, Tonya June Rafael, Valaria Tatera

**STOLEN SISTERS** exhibition runs from January 30- February 29 with an opening reception on Thursday, January 30 from 5-7 pm. The Crossman Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10am - 5pm, Monday through Thursday evenings from 6pm - 8pm and Saturdays from 1pm - 4pm. The Gallery is located at 950 W. Main Street, Whitewater, WI 53190 in the Greenhill Center of the Arts.



The Stockbridge-Munsee Community Fish & Wildlife Board would like to propose some hunting, fishing and trapping classes in the community with help from Community volunteers. This is not a program. We want to help sustain our traditions and pass along some tips you can pass along to your folks. Each class will also include a review of Tribal Ordinance Ch.21.

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Todd Miller	715-787-3110	Clifton Pecore	715-793-4357
Alpha Creapeau	715-793-4384	Misti Cook	715-851-2848

If you are interested in **learning** any or all of these, please circle the classes you are interested in, list your name and submit to any of the members listed or call any of us. We will select some dates and times by the end of February 2020 and get more information out to local buildings and on the Tribal website.

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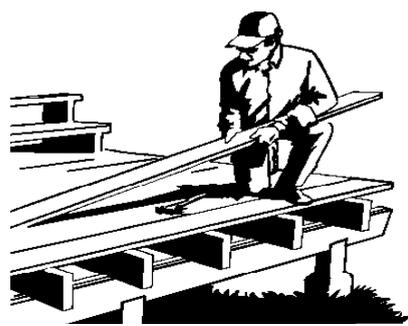
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