### REPORT OF THE BORTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN ANNUAL REPORT MARCH 20, 1995

Dear Brothertown Member:

The Council would like to take this opportunity to welcome the new members to the Membership rolls of the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin. Your application has been examined and put in folders with documentation tracing back to your ancestors. Each individual has been or will be assigned an enrollment number. The Enrollment Committee will be assigning enrollment numbers when the rolls are opened again, sometime in the very near future. You are receiving this annual report in recognition of your membership, a reportdistributed to ALL members once a year. The tribe does request an annual \$10.00 donation of all families which places your family's name on the tribal mailing list, and then you will receive a report every 3 months. This contribution insures operational soundness and provides monies for the expenses incurred in the process to gain federal re-recognition and to help with some of the administrative costs of the Tribe.

#### **ENROLLMENT:**

There were approximately 100 names added to the rolls in 1994. When the rolls open later there will be more added, about 100 to date. Some were missing correct vital statistic birth certificates, signed enrollment application, birth/death certificates of ancestors. All enrollment requests we receive will be charged a \$10.00 fee to help defray the cost of making copies and requesting further documentation or whatever is needed for your enrollment. Have purchased a laminating machine with the financial assistance from the Minnesota members and are still trying to figure a way to have enrollment cards and to have pictures placed on the card, along with another picture for their folder. We are still looking for ideas about that project.

#### ADDRESSES:

PLEASE! PLEASE! If you have moved recently, please provide us with your current address. Many people have moved or have had a name change and we cannot find them with our mailings. They get returned. If you know of any family member who falls into this category, PLEASE help us by providing us with that information.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WISCONSIN SCHOOLS

Tribal members who want to attend a college or trade school IN WISCONSIN the Higher Educational Aids Board has sent a notice stating that any students requesting Indian grant awards after Oct. 20, 1994, will be placed on a "waiting" list in date order and will be funded as refunds come in with the earliest date receiving priority. There are 50 students on the waiting list currently. So, if you are interested in a scholarship, get it to me, June Ezold, as soon as you possibly can. GET IT IN EARLY!

Gaynell Stone, the editor, donated a copy to the Brothertown Tribe. Included in the book is a lot of information about Samson Occum, the Brothertown Indians, our former genalogist, your tribal chairman. A wonderful bound book that goes into depth about our tribe from the beginning of time. A book may be purchased for \$75.00 to cover shipping and handling. You may order one from:

Gaynell Stone, 2322 N. Wading River Road, Wading River, N.Y. 11792

There are pictures included from our traveling exhibit. Very well done. A part of our history. You will not be sorry if you purchase it.

#### GENERAL NEWS

June, Caroline Andler and Phyllis Mattern received a phone call from a gentleman saying he inherited a huge sum of money and he wanted to do right by the Indians because they had such a raw deal from the white man and so wanted to buy some land for our tribe. He also said he could and would buy computers and other office machines we might need. He was invited to come to our January meeting to discuss this proposition with us, he never showed up and we haven't heard from him although letters were written hoping that nothing had happened to him. But no answer.

We are still looking for land in the Brothertown area, either with or without buildings. If with buildings, they probably would need rejuvenating and that is where some of our members could come in. Out of all our members some might be carpenters, plumbers, electricians, landscapers, etc. and they could most certainly help our situation. If you have any of those talents would you be willing to volunteer your time for working on these projects. It would be very appreciated and you could be helping the tribe tremendously. Not the tribe, YOUR tribe. Give it some serious thought. We need you. If you are willing to volunteer, let June or one of the Council members know so that when we get the land we will know who to get in touch with to get these things started and finished as soon as possible.

Bernard Sampson says "it is a shamethat more members don't show more interest in their tribe. The reason I say that is because out of almost 3000 members, a lot of times there are hardly enough that come to the meetings to hold a meeting. The by-laws state that fifteen members must be in attendance to have a legal meeting. Also about 220 members send in the \$10.00 fee a year for the quarterly report. We also need more members to volunteer to work at the different functions that we have throughout the year. Pow-wows, picnic, homecoming, crafts. Bernard says, "please think about these things and show that we can make something out of our Tribe". Bernard is one of our dedicated Council Members.

FOX VALLEY INTERTRIBAL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (F.V.I.C.A.)
The Fox Valley Intertribal Community Association would like to invite all
Native Americans living in the lower Fox River Valley to meet and develop
two main goals; 1) meet the educational needs of students grades K-12 through
tutoring; 2) provide opportunities to learn and share cultural activities
like beading, finger weaving, etc. They have provided us with mailings for us
to reach our Fox River Valley members and to give them an opportunity to be a
part of their group. We, along with the committee, hope that you will join the
challenge of creating a strong and nurturing Native American Community for
our young people. If one of you would be interested in being a member of their
planning committee, please notify your tribal chairman and she will pass your
name and interest on to the board.

#### SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Irene Shady, Sunshine committee, would like to remind you to send her a notice in the event of illness, death, or birthday of a member. ( 44½ Marcoe, North Fond du Lac. Wi. 54935)

The unrecognized Tribes of the United States have set up meetings in Washington DC to make President Clinton aware of us. We could only afford to send a representative for the first meeting. Cy Welch represented the Brothertown Tribe. There have been 2 other meetings since but we have not been able to attend. Have been writing and asking for information and hopefully we will hear soon. One of the projects is to make the criteria easier to attain for being recognized. Will keep you informed.

1995 CALENDER

COUNCIL MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month, 10 A.M. Labor Hall, Bank St. FDL GENERAL MEETINGS: 3rd Sat. of Feb. March, May, ., 1:30 p.M. Labor Hall FDL OTHER GENERAL MEETINGS LISTED BELOW:

APRIL 15 10 A.M. Council--Labor Hall, Bank St., Fond du Lac, Wi Traditional Pow-wow, 1:30 P.M. State Fair Park, South Exhibit Hall MAY 6-7 S. 80th and W. Greenfield-Milwaukee, Wi. (We will be exhibiting) MAY 20 10 A.M. Council--Labor Hall, Fond du Lac 1:30 P.M. General meeting--election, Labor hall Fond du Lac 10 A.M. Council--Labor Hall, Fond du Lac June 17 July 15 9 A.M. Council--Calumet County Park, Stockbridge, Wi. 10 A.M. Annual Picnic -- registration, Calumet County Park, Stockbridge, Wi Aug. 19 10 A.M. Council--American Legion Hall, Gresham, Wi 1:30 P.M. General Meeting, American Legion Hall, Gresham, Wi State Fair--ususally 14 days and will be in August. Am not certain of dates Aug. September 16.10 A.M. Council -- Labor Hall, Bank St., Fond du Lac, Wi 8-10 Indian Summer Festival, Maier Festival Park, Milwaukee September October 21 9 A.M. Council- Hamilton Building, Fond du Lac, Forest & Sophia Sts. 11 A.M. Homecoming Hamilton Building, Fond du Lac, Forest & Sophia Sts. November 18 10 A.M. Council--Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, Wi

<u>SPECIAL!</u> <u>SPECIAL!</u> <u>SPECIAL!</u>

May 20th 9-12 SPECIAL TIME FOR HELPING WITH CRAFTS FOR POW-WOW SALES. You will be shown what to do and will be provided with materials. WE NEED YOUR TIME. iI you have ideas for crafts made up, please bring them with you. YOUR KIDS CAN HELP ALSO. See you at the Labor Hall 9 A.M.-12 noon May 20th Labor Hall, Fond du Lac.

Learn how to make dream catchers, (from willow or grapevines, the more natural the better, with feathers); basket weaving; beaded head bands with feathers; necklaces and earnings; bracelets; bead work of all kinds; leather drums; adobe houses; cloth Indian dolls, ALL IDEAS AND CRAFTS ARE WELCOME. This is how your tribe can be self-sufficient. So you can see we need YOU!

BUILDING FUND

As of March 18, 1995, we have \$17,422.70 in the building fund. Land that has been looked into runs from 5 acres with a building, to 195 acres with buildings for \$35,000 to \$204,500. When we purchase land we will have to have money to make payments and for taxes and moving and the like. If you can see fit to donate towards the building fund it would be appreciated. As I mentioned previously, if each member donated \$5.00 or \$10.00 each we would be able to swing some of the projects, especially getting back to our original land with hardly any pressure. This is your tribe and your tribe needs your input. As long as you can't help us physically why not monetary. Your donation will be used only for land and building fund. Not administrative costs. We attend and sell crafts at pow-wows for that purpose. Give what you can. We will be recognized!! You can count on that.

NOMINATIONS: Request your absentee ballot if interested. The list of Candidates follow:

#### SECRETARY-3 YEARS

Sandra (Kindness) Pawlacyk (Unapposed)
Co-chair for Tribal booth at Pow-wows; member of enrollment committee; appointed
Secretary to fulfill year of Secretary who resigned. Inputting Tribal files
into computer to prepare for Petition for federal re-recognition. Hope to
continue to work toward this goal.

#### COUNCIL -2 years (? to be elected)

Mike Pelky: My wife and I have helped with verifying the Tribal rolls when enrollment first began; worked at Fond du Lac Fair booth; Indian Summer Pow-wow, served on nominating committee; will continue to make crafts to help raise funds for the land and building fund. Married, 2 daughters, 1 grandson, a residential Journeyman sheet metal worker. Ancestry(Rachel Roberts)

Ann (Tousey) Walters; presently an at home mome, live in West Bend with husband traig, 2 sons Tygh and Sean, baby on the way.

Have been an active member with the Brothertown Indian Tribe since 1990.

Sister Jackie and I have been coordinating the homecomings(the past 3 years) had much fun doing so. Am looking forward to give more of myself and time in continuing in the direction of meeting the many goals that we the tribe set out to achieve.

Debra L. Wentz (ancestor Rachael Roberts). I would like to help the tribe receive Federal recognition and help preserve the history of the Brothertowners to pass on to generations yet to come. Enjoyed volunteering at the pow-wows located throughout the state and making a great number of the crafts that are sold.

Cy Welch (ancestor Cy Welch); Have been a member of the Council for 8 years, have a BD and BA degree, in ministry for the past 50 years and now serve a Christian Church in Madison Wi since 1970. Married and have 5 children. (Incumbent)

Election will be held May 20, 1995, Fond du Lac Labor Hall, Bank Street, Fond du Lac Wis. The ballot includes the following: Secretary 3 year term, 2 Council persons-2 year term each. Qualified voters must be enrolled member, 18 years of age. Those unable to attend the meeting can vote by absentee ballot. INDIVIDUAL REQUESTS FOR ABSENTEE BALLOT CAN BE OBTAINED FROM Sandra Pawlacyk 308 Parkwood Dr., Neenah, Wi, 54956. Request a ballot ONLY FOR YOURSELF. Each request must include a self-addressed stamped envelope mailed on or before May 6, 1995 to give the Secretary enough time to get your absentee ballot to you and to receive it back in time for the May 20 election. She will have to receive it by May 13 at least. AIM FOR THAT DATE TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT WE RECEIVE YOU BALLOT ON TIME. One signed request per envelope. The Nominating committee was elected at the February meeting and they are namely: Irene Shady, Donald Sampson and Jim Ottery.

#### ADDRESSES AND PHONE NUMBER OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

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ENROLLMENT CHAIRMAN Phyllis Mattern 1093 Cecil St Neenah, Wi, 54956 (414) 722-0311

#### REGIONAL MEETINGS

Have not been notified of the regional meeting for Minnesota members that they held each spring for the past couple of years. I certainly hope that they continue to have these meetings and to invite the Council.

If any other meeting or picnic of the Brothertown group in other states have get togethers, let us hear from you. We do not have to be in attendance as the Council but it is important that minutes be kept for those gatherings because it will help to prove to the federal government that we are still in existance and do socialize with each other. This is one of the criteria the government has set down for us to have a record of.

REMEMBER TO VOTE
MAKE IT A POINT TO ATTEND MEETINGS

#### BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN JUNE QUARTERLY REPORT 1995 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin held our election May 20 and our CONGRATULATIONS!! go out to ANN WALTERS and CY WELCH as our elected Council members and SANDRA PAWLACYK as our secretary. Our many thanks to the members who allowed us to put their name on the ballot. Also our thanks go out to Jim Ottery, Donald Smapson and Irene Shady for doing a great job on the nominating committee. As I said, the election was held at our May meeting and each member of our tribe was notified in March. We had a total of 55 votes (absentee and those in attendance total) our of a possible 2300 members. A sad showing wouldn't you agree? But we are looking forward to working with the newly elected members and there is another year and maybe there will be a better showing then. REMEMBER, we need you all to meet the requirement for becoming federally acknowledged as the Brothertown Indian Tribe. Not just to be enrolled members, we need your active participation when possible. Every one has the opportunity to participate in the running of your tribe.

ENROLLMENT COMMITTEE: The committee has finished checking and rechecking all the members to be counted as Brothertown Indians. They finished with the A-Z folders since 1986, with all the corrected documentation. Now, we can enroll the members on the waiting list because the Council has voted to open the rolls as of June 1, 1995. There is a \$10.00 donation for being enrolled, for administrative costs entailed in enrolling members. Phyllis and June are receiving mailed materials returned with notations "forwarding has expired" or "unknown". Do you know any of your family that has moved or were married and changed their name? Will you please notify us. We can't keep everyone informed if we do not have the correct address or name change. June has received several calls asking if "so and so" is on our rolls because of job applications and the like. If they have not changed their name to their married name since they were enrolled, we have no way of finding that person on our rolls. So, please make our job a bit easier by keeping us updated.

FUND RAISING PROJECT: The Council and Tribe has the chance of signing up to have a booth at the Wisconsin state Fair the first part of August for 12 days. We are going to need a lot of crafts to sell. We need your help. Janette Brower, of the Minnesota Brothertowners, donated a hand made quilt that we will raffle off at the fair and the last day of the fair it will be drawn for. Thank you, Janette. A terrific idea.

<u>PETITION UPDATE:</u> Grace Wills and Craig Cottrell, plus the Council members are hopeful that we will be able to send in our petition to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the next 90-120 days. The sooner the better and we are working toward that goal.

ANNUAL PICNIC: Don't forget!! Mark Saturday July 15, 1995 on your calendar. It will be held at the Ski Lodge, Calumet County Park, on Hy. 55. We always have a great time. And it helps to bring us closer together and maybe meet some of our long lost relatives. We may have a few surprises for you. See you there!!!

ANNUAL HOMECOMING: To be held October 21, 1995 at the Hamilton Building, Fond du Lac, Wi., corner of Sophia and Forest Ave. Why not join us at one or both functions.

Many thanks to Mike Pelkey and Debbe Wentz for putting their names up for our election. Don't forget there is another election coming up next year. WE also want to thank Renee Sheppard for giving so willingly of her time and talent to the tribe these past years. We appreciate all you did. And of course, your family, for allowing you to be away from them at times. We want you to still feel a part of us and feel free to come anytime you wish and join us with your ideas and input. Thanks, Renee.

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Phyllis Mattern (see above)

We want to thank the members requesting ballots. Your interest and attendance are very important in helping the tribe to become federally recognized.

#### AUGUST MEETING

In addition to our annual picnic and homecoming we have a general meeting in Gresham in August. That will be August 19, 1995 at the American Legion Hall in Gresham on the main street.

## ANNUAL PICNIC JULY 15, 1995 BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN 10 A.M. to 5 P.M.

North of Stockbridge (not the reservation) on Hy. 55 Ski Lodge, lower level (just beyond office at end of road)

WATCH FOR SIGNS

REGISTRATION: Starts at 10 A.M.

FEES: \$1.00 per person

\$5.00 for a family of five (5) or more (immediate family)

WHAT TO BRING: Utensils, plates, glasses or cups

Beer, soda, sandwich if you wish

<u>DISH TO PASS</u>: Suggestions; casseroles, meatloaf, ham, chicken, fruit, vegetables

plus dip, fruit salad, vegetable salad, potato salad, baked beans,

pies, cake, desserts

OUT OF TOWNERS: Pickles, olives, dinner rolls, cookies, cake, snack crax,

watermelon, cheese

#### NO GRILLS AVAILABLE

<u>CAMPING FACILITIES</u>: Calumet County Park. First come first serve basis.

No reservations:

MOTELS: Super 8, Executive Motel, Motel 6, Traveler's Inn, in Fond du Lac

<u>COFFEE AND MILK PROVIDED</u>: Craft sale: games: entertainment: surprises.

Children 15 years of age and under are asked to bring a grocery bag of ALUMINUM CANS. See what the mystery gift is.

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ELEPHANT BINGO: Everyone in attendance bring something (serious or foolish)

a boy for a boy, a girl for a girl, woman for woman, man for man,

Wrap them in newspaper and mark with boy, girl, man or woman.

These will be the prizes for bingo

RAFFLE:

#### DETACH AND RETURN BY JULY 5, 1995

NAME	_NO .	0F	ADULTS
ADDRESS	NO-	0F	CHILDREN
CITY	DIS	н І	WILL BRING

Return to:

Mabel Pownell 502 Morse St

Waupun, Wi, 53963

Any questions call any Council Member

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN if you are mailing in your registration fee.

# BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN QUARTERLY REPORT SEPTEMBER, 1995

#### GREETINGS:

How about this past summer, weatherwise. We really had a summer this 1995. Also, some of us were preparing to build an ark due to all the rain, although I know some have had a drought. Hope your summer was a good one. Your Council has been very busy getting things in order to send in our petition for receiving federal status. I know so many of you have heard this before, but the regulations guiding us changed, or we find more information, or we hit a snag and it puts us back again. But we are going to get it ready to have the government give us an answer, and soon. We just have to hang in there.

ENROLLMENT: The Enrollment Committee are still receiving applications for enrollment. To date, we do not have any funds to assist our members with business loans, home loans, death benefits, schooling and the like. The scholarship program is funded by the Higher Financial Office of the State of Wisconsin. Students willing to attend Wisconsin Universities or schools may receive some assitance. Michigan and Minnesota Universities sometimes do recognize our tribal students but not always. Indian Scholarship application forms must be completed before any consideration is taken in any case, from other states.

After you send in your forms to be reviewed, or any time in the future, we are asking if you have a name change or an address change, <u>please</u>, <u>please</u> include us in the address change pack you receive from the post office when you are notifying others of your changes. We have to be able to find you to keep you informed and to keep in touch. If you know of any other member who have changes made, please have them inform us as well.

We are receiving questions now from people asking why they are not enrolled because they sent in their signed forms a long time ago and have heard nothing. Back in 1986, we had to close the rolls to allow us to bring all the applications sent in, to have the proper forms. The right birth certificate showing both parents names, the birth certificate or death certificate of the Indian Ancestor and the court claim of the ancestor tracing to the 1839 Or 1901 Brothertown membership roll. In checking all the applications, it was discovered that people were sending in the hospital record showing their birth date but not parents names. We need the certified birth certificate. Also the parents birth certificate was not included. We had to remover those applications and wrote them all letters asking for the right information

and then put their files in a denied file. When we would receive the right documents we would then put that person on the roll. We still have about 3 file drawers of denied applications. If the correct form is not included we cannot accept that application. Nothing personal enters into the picture. I hope this answers some questions you might have. ARCHIVES -- MARIAN COLLEGE: We have been very fortunate to have been able to use the facilities of Marian College in Fond du Lac, for our Archives and to be able to meet the Wed, Thurs., and Fri. of the week we have our meetings in Fond du Lac, to work on the enrollment and archives in a study room, bringing everything up to date. Marian College is growing and becoming crowded. We have been asked to meet in the Library proper at a table they will provide for us due to the fact they need the study room til the end of the school year. Marian College administration and library personnel have been so cooperative and I am certain that will continue but they do need the room. We are really going to have to find some place of our own. We do continue to go to Pow-wowsin trying to raise some funds, but we really have to have a good cash flow in order to buy our own office and museum. We can't keep those files and all in a home. WE need the office space if for nothing else to have meetings to do the work that more than one person has to help with. Meaning several people have to work together on these projects.

<u>POW-WOWS</u>: We did not exhibit at the Wisconsin State Fair due to the fact we could not raise the money (approximatey \$3,000) for insurance, booth costs and other expenses before we were able to get in and exhibit at the Fair. We are exhibiting at Indian Summerfest at the Summerfest Grounds in Milwaukee Sept. 8-10. We are selling ourarts and crafts at that time and networking with the people of Wisconsin and surrounding areas.

RAFFLE TICKETS: We have donations of a quilt, homemade; rocking horse; Mandella, etc. to be raffled off at our Homecoming Oct. 21. The tickets are\$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. You will find enclosed 6 tickets for your chance of being involved. Need not to be in attendance to win. Write your name and address on the stubs, return them along with \$5.00 to our Treasurer Mr. Leo Tousey, 2248 E. Sandy Acres Rd., WEst Bend, Wi, 53095. Remember sign the stubs and return with your money.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS: Ann Walters, Council Member, is checking into the membership card process. We must see about the charges, printing costs and the procedure we will be using. She will have some answers for our September

Council meeting. You will be receiving information in the next quarterly. It will most certainly involve us receiving 2 small pictures of yourself I for the card and I for your file, so if you want to get started on that, go right ahead and we will fill you in on what the next step will be in the report.

<u>HOMECOMING</u>: Annual Homecoming will be October 21, 1995 at Hamilton Building, Fond du Lac, located on Sophia and Forest Aves.

The Homecoming is held because traditionally your tribe would have a Corn Festival when the members would have a 3 day gathering after Harvest Season and before the winter would set in. We are only having one day of our gathering and we hope you will be able to attend.

Ann Walters and her committee are chairing the celebration again. They have been planning a pleasant get together for us.

They are interested in how many children will attend, along with yourself, because they have some surprises planned, especially for the children. Also there will be a naming ceremony again this year. So please do attend. An interesting time is planned for all. They have suggested that it would be just great if some other members would get involved and be in charge of the Homecoming celebration. They will assist in any way but they feel, as we, the Council feel, that more members should be involved in their tribe and it is a lot of fun. Come with your ideas and plans. We need new ideas and the only way we can get them is if new members get involved. Maybe we should have each ancestor family be in charge such as Coyhis, Roberts, Sampson, Brushell, Pauls, etc. Just an idea.

They would like you to come in Indian dress if you possibly can. That would be a good way of adding to our tradition, and to prove to yourself that you really are Indian. NOt because of the dress but of the tradition that you will be taking part in. Let's give them all the cooperation that we can. See you all on the 21st of October in Fond du Lac.

Please complete the coupon on the next page to give the committee some idea of how many will be in attendance.

#### ANNUAL BROTHERTOWN NATION HOMECOMING

WHERE:

Hamilton Building, 97 Forest Ave. (corners Sophia &

Forest) fond du Lac, Wi.

WHEN:

Saturday, October 21, 1995

10 A.M. til 5 P.M.

REGISTRATION: 10 A.M-12 noon

FEES:

\$1.00 per person

\$5.00 per family of 5 or more (must be same household)

WHAT TO BRING: Utensils, plates, cups, dish to pass. A Native American

food. COFFEE & MILK will be furnished

ACTIVITIES -

COUNCIL MEETING: 9:30 A.M.

LUNCH

12 noon

PROGRAM;

Naming ceremony, children's games, adult games,

Video tapings to be viewed if you wish

PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Number of adults\_\_\_\_\_ NAME Address\_\_\_\_ Number of Children\_\_\_\_\_ Dish I will bring

Return to: Ann Walters

6996 Forseth Ct

West Bend, Wi, 53095

Phone:

(414) 334-0291

### BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN DECEMBER QUARTERLY REPORT

1995

The way things are shaping up I guess we are going to have a long, cold winter. Everybody keep warm!

The program we had for Homecoming in October was a bit long that we didn't have a chance for a general meeting. Sorry! That won't happen again, even if we have to have an informational meeting during our meal.

The Chairman and Vice Chairman had their Indian names given to them.

June's name is Migizi Manetou Equay (Eagle Spirit Woman) and Phyllis's name is Waugoosh Equay (Fox Woman). A very impressive and long ceremony was conducted by Eleanor Soto and we had to be out of the Hamilton Building by 4 P.M.. So after the ceremony everyone had the intention of leaving but we had to return the tables and chairs back to where they belonged in another room. We had a wonderful turnout for the Homecoming with good food and a lot of unity and ceremony. We will be holding our Homecoming next year in Fond du Lac again but at Lakeside Park Pavilion.

The winners of the raffle were:

Afghan--Ernie Baker---Milwaukee, Wi

homemade quilt--Viola Buechner--Waunakee, Widream catcher--Helen Kindness--Menomonee Falls, Wimandella-- Jim Anderson--Sussex, Wimedicine Wheel--Juliette Sippel--Fond du Lac, Wimandella Horse-Peter Hashbarger--Muskego, wi

\$1126 Was taken in through the sale of the raffle tickets with expenses \$171.55. Thanks to all who returned their tickets and helped in this project. Those that didn't participate missed out on a great idea of helping your tribe.

<u>PETITION</u>: We have the petition put together and have contacted the Assistant Secretary of Interior, Ada Deer and Mike Anderson to set up an appointment to hand deliver the petition to be reviewed. Of course, you must understand, after we present the petition to the powers that be it might be another year before we are acknowledged as an Indian entity. At least we can see some light at the end of the tunnel, so to speak. Have not eard as yet as to the appointment date, but will keep you posted.

ENROLLMENT REPORT: The Enrollment Committee met at Marian College on Fri.
October 20 with Boots Sampson, Erma Sampson, June Ezold, Sandy Pawlaczk and

Phyllis Mattern in attendance.

They worked from 10:A.M. until 4:00 p.m.

The roll is now ready to present along with the petition to the BAR. We have 2093 members. We will be making 5 more copies of the diskettes to take along to Washington, DC. The roll will be on-going as we have some new members trickling in and some that must be passed on or reviewed.

• I want to thank the Enrollment Committee for all their help. Thanks again.

Waagoosh Equa Phyllis Mattern

We have a lot of letters that have been returned for one reason or the other. Moved no forwarding address, forwarding address expired, etc. If you know any of these members, please have them give us their new address. We do not want to lose any of our members due to lack of communication, and we can't communicate if we do not have their address.

Donna Perry
Jerome Sagle
DAvid Highman
Jeremy Mohawk
Rev. Fr. Gordon Musolf
Susan Butler
Milton C. Floyd, Sr
James Boone
Megan Welch
Cindy Wollitz
Dianna Kennedy
Janet Oelke

Bryce Gibson
Tammy Nietzer
Anita Baker
Lorri Anderson
Mandy Kolb
Shane Kolb
Patricia Petersen
MacKenzie D. Petersen
Rosann M. Welch

SO PLEASE,, IF YOU RECOGNIZE ANY NAME PLEASE LET US HEAR FROM YOU OR GET THE MESSAGE TO THESE MEMBERS. THANK YOU.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Ann Walters, Jackie Wilson, Kelly Baetz, Amy Tousey, Barbara Tousey and Regal Ware for their donations made toward the Homecoming. This also includes the Walters Builders, the' Baetz farm and Regal Ware for the door prizes, also Barbara Tousey for the Christmas Ornament engraved with the Brothertown name and date that she donated. Without people such as they are we just can't thank enough for helping to make our doings (picnic and homecoming) successful and enjoyable.

#### FUTURE MEETING DATES -1996-

February 17--Nominating committee election

March 16--Nominating committee report for election in May

May 18--election of Council members

July 20--Picnic October 19--Homecoming

August 17--Gresham meeting

WE NEED YOUR ATTENDANCE!!

#### WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING THIS PAST YEAR:

We were involved with Indian Summerfest again this year with our arts and crafts and made out quite nicely. We also were selling arts & crafts at a couple of pow-wows.

A talk was presented at the Milwaukee Museum and a check was presented to the speaker. We have been out there giving our story. We call it networking and trying to raise funds.

We also have been working on the enrollment and also on the petition. So you see we have been quite busy. What can you do to help?

#### ARTS AND CRAFTS:

We need help with our arts and crafts to sell at Pow-wows. This is one of the few ways we can raise funds for expenses instead of having the Council paying for all the expenses. We can't continue giving our of or pocket for administration costs. We need your help in that category. Mike Pelky has some ideas that he wanted me to notify you all of:

Dear Brothertown Members: Do you want to help your tribe? We need help with fund raising crafts to be sold at Pow-wows, the picnic and Home-coming.

These funds are used for tribal expenses and the building fund. This is the only income we have besides the quarterly report and donations.

We are presently doing bead work, leather crafts, dream catchers, wood crafts, sewing and jewelry.

As Chairperson of the craft committee, I would like to thank all who were involved in our last pow-wow. These people all gave of their time and talent to make it the best pow-wow so far. Thanks to Jean, Debbie, Laurie, George, Mindy, Ilene, Linda, Sandy, Irma, Betty, June, Bonnie and Rose. If I missed anyone, please let me know.

Please contact Mike Pelky or Jean Wentz if you can help. All Brothertown family members are welcome, any and all help would be greatly appreciated. Call for details. Hope to hear from you.

Mike Pelky 244 Bishop Ave\* Plymouth, Wi, 53073 1-414-892-2556

Jean Wentz 10135 S. Scepter Cir. Franklin, Wi, 53132 1-414-425-5092

#### HOMECOMING REPORT:

A lot of planning went into the '95 Homecoming and things were thrown off schedule a bit. Which, therefore, led to comments made about the Homecoming, including the functions for the children and the donations made by the people who put on the Homecoming.

I would just like to make a little statement about this: FIRST: the children were to only be kept busy during the General Meeting! The meeting never took place therefore anything done with the children was totally done as an extra on the side. And, also, should not be looked on as a babysitting service. These are the future leaders of the Tribe.

SECOND: The donations for the Homecoming raffle are pretty much always coming from the same people. Therefore, you may see a lot of the same stuff. Don't be afraid to pitch in and bring various things to be raffled even though you are not participating in or putting on the Homecoming function. Like a family, it takes everyone to make it work, not only the heads of the household. We barely recouped the cost of the donations. Which I felt was pretty sad. Maybe we should consider eliminating the raffles at the functions all together?

Any ideas, thoughts or concerns are always welcome , to help make our functions a success. But for the most part, we are in need of your time and help with these functions.

John Roulette and his wife, Patty, offered to help out for the '96 Homecoming. We are still in need of a few more people to help in the planning and putting on the Homecoming next years. Ann Walters, Jackie Wilson, and Kelly Baetz are passing on the function for someone else to head and plan.

WE NEED YOU PEOPLE OUT THERE TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS :::

REspectfully:

Ann Walters 6996 Forseth Ct. West Bend, Wi, 53095 (414) 334-0291

#### "MEMBERSHIP CARDS"

For a \$10.00 fee you will be issued a membership card. The cards will be available at the July Picnic July 20, 1996. Our plans now are to have 2 pictures of yourself, one for the card and one for your folder. Will have more information later. Any questions please call Ann Walters, (414) 334-0291

Phyllis Mattern has the honor of receiving the first membership card. Happy Holidays!