

ENROLLMENT REPORT

The enrollment committee continued looking at each person's file to make sure we had the proper and correct documentation through August of 1995.

This work went on at Marian College, Fond du Lac.

We began charging ten dollars (\$10.00) per person, a fee to help us defray the cost of making copies and requesting documentation.

A laminating machine was purchased, with the help of the Minnesota branch of the Brothertown Indians, and are starting to make membership cards.

We also have a number of people whose mail has been returned. Unless you notify us if you move and inform us of the new address, we cannot reach you.

SO PLEASE KEEP US INFORMED OF ANY NEW ADDRESS!!

When we send letters of acceptance to new members, we tell them about meetings and the charge of ten dollars (\$10.00) for the Quarterly Report.

In September a number of people worked at Marian College to copy documents for the Petition. Caroline Andler and Joan Waldvogel proof read documents, Grace Wills, consultant, spent time researching material, June Ezold, Lucy Baldwin, Boots and Irma Sampson were ~~always~~ there and ready to work.

6 copies of the Petition, 6 video tapes of THE LOST TRIBE and 6 computer discs were mailed to Washington. We have about 2122 members.

I want to thank the enrollment committee, along with Sandy Pawlaczk for all their help. It couldn't have been done without you.

I would like to remind everyone to include their roll number when writing and PLEASE let us know your change of address when you move.

WAAGOOSH EQUA
Phyllis Mattern

COUNCIL MEMBER MESSAGE

We have 2122 enrolled members in the Brothertown Tribe, but we see very few of them at our meetings. It would be nice if more of you out there could get together and get acquainted with each other and really become a tribe. There are 6 general meetings a year, which includes the picnic and the Homecoming. These meetings only take a few hours of time out of the whole year and they are all held on the third (3) Saturday of the month. Would you believe that out of all the members in the tribe, there are times when we can't have an official recorded meeting because there are not the required 15 enrolled members there. The meetings are in Feb. March, May, July, August and October. Lets show the Government we do get together as a Tribe and we are really a Tribe, not just a club. The picnic is July and the Homecoming is in October.

The tribe really needs your help for such things as being on committee, to help at various activities like Pow-wows, making crafts to sell, the picnic and homecoming; also to run for council and to help get your ideas and thoughts on some subjects. The tribe also needs monetary contributions. Out of the 2100 members there are only about 200 that send in \$10.00 a year for the quarterly reports that is sent out 4 times a year, telling about the things the tribe has been doing or is going to do. The \$10.00 is not only for the report but it assists tribal expenses such as rent for places we have our meeting, pay for use of the grounds for our picnic, various supplies, stamps, photo copying, etc. The ANA Grant money we receive can only be used for what we requested, such as working towards the petition. Also contributions towards the building fund would be greatly appreciated. We need our own land and buildings, for office space, meetings, storage, and all or most of our activities. So, you see, the tribe, in order to function, is through everyone's help!!!

Council member

Bernard "Boots" Sampson

RAFFLE- 1995

A member from Minnesota made and donated a quilt for fund raising. We took out a license for a raffle. Janet Brower made the beautiful quilt, Frank Waldvogel made a huge rocking horse, Jean Wentz made a dream catcher, a Mandella, and a medicine wheel to be included in the raffle. Someone, and I never found out who, donated an Afghan at the homecoming and that was included in the raffle. WE cleared \$949.45 profit on the raffle. Thank you all for the work that was involved to make this fund raising a success. The drawing for the raffle was at the Homecoming.

ARCHIVAL MATERIALS

Just before Christmas I received a letter from the new Librarian at Marian College asking that we move our archives because they were growing so fast and had so many students that they felt their first priority was to them. John Ebert, a former employee of Marian College, was also the director of the Adams House at the Galloway Village in Fond du Lac. He asked their Board if we could use some of the extra space they had at the Adams House to store our materials and they agreed that we could use their facilities until we had our own museum. We will be moving to the Adams House, *in* Fond du Lac, sometime before the 1st of July. The Galloway Village, along with the Adams House, is an historical village that is sponsored by the Fond du Lac Historical Society. We feel very fortunate.

ELECTION - ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The nominating committee was selected at the February meeting and they met to set up a slate of nominees to fill the positions of Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and 3 Council members. In March nominations were asked from the floor. The slate presented is as follows, with their brief resumes:

VICE CHAIRMAN- Phyllis Mattern

I would like to be re-elected for Vice Chairman because I feel we are so close to becoming acknowledged. I am retired from Kimberly-Clark for 4 years--have 3 daughters and 6 grandchildren, and one great grandson. I have been a Brothertown Indian all my life.--Phyllis Mattern

TREASURER- Leo Tousey

I have enjoyed working for the tribe these past years. Am retired from West Bend Co. this past year as the Computer Director. I would like to be re-elected as your treasurer. I would also like to thank you in advance for your vote of confidence.--Leo Tousey

COUNCIL MEMBERS:--Bernard Sampson

My term is up so the Nominating Committee asked if I would like to be on the ballot to run for another term. I said I would. I've been on the Council for 12 years and I'd like to run for another 2 years, hoping these 2 years, the Tribe will finally become a recognized Tribe. I would appreciate your vote very much.--Bernard "Boots" Sampson

Irene Shady--

I would like to run for Council again as I enjoyed working for the Tribe. Married for 47 years to Herbert Shady; have 5 girls, 1 son, 12 grandchildren and 4 great grand children. Am a school crossing guard and cleaning person. Born Sept. 12, 1927 at Brothertown, Wi. --Irene Shady

George Wentz--

I want to continue serving the Tribe to accomplish all that is necessary to further our independence and become a great Nation.--George Wentz

If you wish to vote and are unable to attend the May meeting send a written request for an absentee ballot. Each member must request, in writing, their own ballot, one request per envelope. Send your request, along with a stamped self-addressed envelope to Tribal Secretary, Sandra Pawlacyk, 308 Parkwood Dr., Neenah, Wi, 54956. Do not send all family member requests in one envelope. You must be listed on the current Brothertown roll. She will check your enrollment and send you a ballot. Return the ballot to Sandy in a sealed envelope enclosed in a envelope addressed to Sandy, for her to receive no later than May 15 to be counted at the May 18th meeting. She will place the sealed ballot in the ballot box to be opened at the 18th meeting and be counted. Do not sign the ballot. Exercise your right to vote!!

BROTHERTOWN INDIAN QUARTERLY REPORT

JUNE 1996

The Brothertown Tribal election was held May 18, 1996 for the Vice Chairman, Treasurer, and 3 Council members. Out of the **2100 enrolled membership** we had a total of **44 votes cast**. The Council wishes that more members would be interested in the government of the Tribe.

The election results are as follows: Phyllis Mattern-Vice Chairman; Leo Tousey-Treasurer; Bernard "Boots" Sampson, Irene Shady and George Wentz-3 Council members. They all expressed a thank you for the ones that voted and those requesting absentee ballots.

ENROLLMENT REPORT: Phyllis Mattern has gone on-line with her computer for the Tribe to keep in touch with other Tribes. The Committee worked at Marian College in April to bring the files up to date. Enrollment applications are still being accepted and processed. When writing about membership or have a question about your enrollment, please use the roll number which is found on your name label, after your name. **REMEMBER** if you change your name or address, **please** inform the party you are corresponding with. We do not want to lose touch with our members.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Still waiting to hear from a lot of members in regard to their membership cards. Request your membership card from Ann Walters, 6996 Forseth Ct., West Bend, WI. 53095 including \$10.00 and 2 pictures, along with a self-addressed envelope. She in turn, will send a membership card back for your signature and then you return it back to her when she will laminate the card with one of your pictures attached and the signatures of the Secretary and the Enrollment Chairman, in another self-address envelope. The 2nd picture will be enclosed in your file at the archives. Ann is planning on being able to process membership cards at the picnic for anyone in attendance. Picnic July 20, at Calumet County Park.

POW-WOW REPORT: Mike Pelky, Pow-wow Chairman went to two pow-wows representing the Tribe and to earn some money for the tribe. The plea that was in the Annual report was answered by a couple of members. One being a college student who is talented with bead pouches, pen and ink pictures and is presently in the process of learning the Algonquin language. We just know there are others out there who have a talent that would benefit your tribe. Even to man our booth at one of the pow-wows for an hour or two would be a huge help. The same ones showed up to work. George and

Wentz, Linda Fleitner, Mike, Rose and Lisa Pelky. Thank you all for your help and hopefully some others will come to help. We most certainly appreciate all you are doing. Mike plans to have a workshop at his house with a pot-luck lunch on Saturday June 29th to make crafts. You may think you do not have the talent but once you are shown how to do something I am certain you will enjoy working for your tribe. **LET'S HAVE GOOD SHOWING AND BE AT MIKE AND ROSE PELKY'S HOME: SAT. JUNE 29, 11:00 AM til?? 244 BISHOP AVE, PLYMOUTH, WI, 53073 (414) 892-2556** Please let them know if you can attend.

GRANT REPORT A 6 months extension was requested to complete the ANA Grant that we have been working with. Have not had a reply as yet.

PETITION REPORT: BAR of the BIA has received our petition as was reported in the last quarterly. We have been put on the list as ready to be reviewed and we are number 8 on the list. There are only 3 people reviewing the petitions so they can not tell how long it will take for us to receive an answer. But we think this all sounds real good in our favor. WE do not want to get too anxious thought, just wait and see. There will probably be some other reports that we might have to complete. All we can do is hope and wait.

EXXON MINING: Some of our members attended a rally seeking information in regard to the Exxon mine hoping to start mining near Crandon. Due to the rally and the good turnout the DNR is now looking into the project and trying to get answers as what will happen to the ground water, what will happen if they have a pit for the sulphite that will be manufactured due to the mining, and what will the outcome be when they build a tunnel to carry the runoff from the mine that will be located in Crandon to be tunneled to Rhinelander to the Wisconsin River which is about 25 or 30 miles from Crandon. We must be conscious of our environment now or we will be in trouble later on.

COUNCILMEMBER OBSERVATION: I would like to thank the members who voted in our election for Council members. Out of the hundreds of enrolled members we have, only the Incumbents were on the ballots. We have to start getting some younger members to be on the ballot for seats on the Council. If you don't get elected the first time you try, don't give up, keep trying. Have you any suggestions on how to get more of our members to put their names on ballots fo election to get on the Council and also what has to be done to get more members to come to meetings.

COUNCIL MEMBER OBSERVATION: (cont.)

When we get our recognition as an Indian Tribe back, hopefully within a year, we have to show that we really are an active tribe by more members volunteering for things such as taking charge of the picnics, homecomings, taking part in pow-wows, etc. We can't depend on the same members doing these things all the time. The Tribe belongs to all the members, we should show how much we think of and appreciate our Heritage by doing what we can for the Tribe anytime and anytime we can. I think in the near future the Tribe is going to need a lot of volunteer help. So please put your heart and mind into this, because the Tribe needs all the help it can get from everyone.

About the Homecoming; my wife Irma, my daughter Sandi and myself volunteered to take charge of the homecoming this year, but we need some volunteer to help us out with things like putting the food on the table, cleaning up, taking charge of kids games, etc. Also has anyone some suggestions what they would like to do at the homecoming besides eating and playing bingo.

Boots Sampson

ARCHIVAL MATERIALS: July 12, 1996 we are moving the Archival materials from Marian College to the Adams House in the Galloway Village complex. WE hare having movers come in to handle the move. Mr. Rothe , the new librarian at Marian College, felt the college should concentrate on the students having the library to themselves because they are growing so fast and space was getting to be a premium.

ANNUAL PICNIC: **Don't forget!!** Mark Saturday July 20th, 1996 on your calendar to be held at the Ski Lodge, Calumet County Park, on Hy. 55. We always have a great time. It helps to bring us closer together and meet some of our long lost relatives. we may have a few surprises for you. See you there!!!

ANNUAL HOMECOMING: **To** be held October 19, 1996 at Lakeside Park, Fond du Lac, Wi. in the Lakeside Pavilion 11 A.M. til 5 P.M. Why not join us at one or both functions.

BROTHERTOWN CONTACT LISTING

CLIP!!

SAVE!!

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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. AUGUST 17th 1996 at the American Legion Hall in Gresham on Main Street. Starts at 1:30 P.M.

TRIBAL HAPPENINGS-continued

National American Indian Council (NAIC) is sponsoring a national social and economic conference April 1-5 in Washington, DC. with the support of Administration for Native Americans (ANA) and other organizations. Workshops will be offered in the areas of economic development, health and federal recognition. Theresa Ottery, a member on the east coast will be representing us April 3 and Grace Will represent us April 2-4, both attending a couple of the workshops. The Council feels it is important to attend these workshops to assist us when we become acknowledged as a tribal entity. The workshops, of course, do cost the tribe travel, and lodging but we are going to find out if they are worth the money being spent. Will keep you posted.

ANNUAL PICNIC: July 20, 1996

July 20, 1996 at Calumet County Park, north of Stockbridge (not the reservation) on Hy. 55, Ski lodge, lower level (just beyond office at end of road)

One of our younger members, Kelly Riley, has taken the Chairmanship for this year and she is asking for HELP!!! Any suggestions you might have for the picnic as to program, games, etc. she is willing to listen and wants to hear from you. She is also seeking volunteers for the picnic to help with children/ games, bingo, kitchen or any of the ideas you might have. Each of us should give willingly of our time, where possible, for the Tribe when a chairman asks for help. Ask not what can the Tribe do for you but what can you do for your Tribe. If each would give a little it helps a lot. A quote "We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop."

The picnic chairman is Kelly Riley, 1352 Salisbury St., Apt. 8, Green Bay, wis. 54302 Phone (414) 469-3082. Drop her a line or give her a call with a suggestion or two.

LAMINATED MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

Ann Walters, the Membership Card chairman explains for you to receive a membership card you need to mail \$10.00 and 2 pictures along with your Social Security number with a self addressed envelope. She will return the card to you in the self-addressed envelope for your signature. Return everything to her again and it will be completed and laminated and returned to you. If you attend the picnic or homecoming bring your pictures and everything will be finished then. The 2nd picture will be placed in your file. Her address is 6996 Forseth Ct. West Bend, Wi, 53095. She thanks you for your support and waits to hear from you.

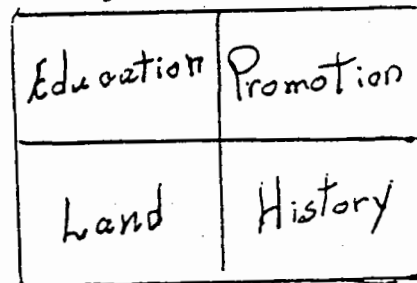
At our February meeting Grace Wills who is assisting us in grant writing and other projects, took an informal survey, as to what the members feel are the Tribal priorities and what are the Tribal need? It was suggested to reach out to the membership as a whole, just what your suggestions might be. After reviewing this small survey, would you please indicate your three top priorities and return to June Ezold, 2848 Witches Lake Rd., Arbor Vitae, WI, 54568. We need to hear from you.

Identified Need	Responses	Numerical Rating										* Other	
		#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7	#8	#9	#10		
Land	11		7	3									* 1
Museum	6				2	2		1			1		
Office	5		1	2	2								
Education	5		2		1	1							* 1
History	2										1		* 1
Health	3						2			1			
Business	1						1						
Conv.Store	2						1	1					
Day Care	1								1				
Promotion	1												* 1
Casino	1					1							
Recognition	1								1				

****After reviewing this survey, would you please indicate your three top priorities?

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

** This member suggested our funds should be distributed evenly - as diagramed:*



NAMING CEREMONY

As someone told me sometime ago, any ceremony that we have with our Tribe will be traditional knowing that we have lost a lot of our traditions through the years. At the last Homecoming we had a ceremony that named two members, June Ezold and Phyllis Mattern, with their Indian name. This was a ceremony to show what could be done with this ceremony. The proper time to do a ceremony such as this would be with your own family but we wanted to show you and give an idea of what is done. June's Indian name is Migizi Manito Equa meaning Eagle Spirit Woman and Phyllis's name is Waagoosh Equa meaning Foxy Woman. Eleanor Soto, a member, was our naming person. If you are interested, you may give June Ezold a call and she will direct you and give you Eleanor's address.

A MESSAGE FROM A COUNCIL MEMBER

Dear Fellow Brothertowners.

Do you think you belong to a worthy organization? I, as a Council member, must inform you that the Council of the Brothertown Nation is very concerned. Where are you? We certainly can use your ideas, support, and financial support. We are having difficulty trying to know your wants, wishes and needs. Let us all focus on giving our time and talents as the Great Spirit endowed in each of us. Until we meet again, may God Bless You and Your families. Take Care.

Respectfully submitted
Councilman, George Wentz

1996 MEETING SCHEDULE. MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

May 18th-Council meeting Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, 10 A.M.
General meeting Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, 1:30 P.M.

June 15th-Council meeting Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, 10 A.M.

July 20th-Council meeting Calumet County Park 9:30 A.M.
Picnic, Calumet County Park 10 A.M.

August 17th-Council meeting, American Legion Hall, Gresham, Wi. 10 A.M.
General meeting, American Legion Hall, Gresham, Wi, 1:30 P.M.

Sept. 21-Council meeting Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, 10 A.M.

Oct. 19th-Council meeting Lakeside Park Pavilion, Fond du Lac, 9 A.M.
Homecoming, Lakeside Park Pavilion, Fond du Lac, 10 A.M.

Nov. 16-Council meeting Labor Hall, Fond du Lac, 10 A.M.

Dec. NO MEETING

April 13--General meeting with Minnesota members, Little Falls, Mn. at Grace Covenant Church, 1201 River Wood Dr., Little Falls, Mn. 11:30-4 p.m. Potluck lunch at noon.

At all the general meetings we all bring something for a snack after.

BROTHERTOWN QUARTERLY REPORTSEPTEMBER 1996

ENROLLMENT REPORT: Phyllis Mattern, committee chairman, is working on enrollment forms being sent in to her. She is also placing the pictures that are sent for your membership card into your folder. We are finding we need further information for the enrollment procedure. We do need everyone's social security number so if you will send that to her so we can bring the files up to date. I can't think of another thing we need at the present time. Who knows, the government may ask us to get further information but for the life of me I can't figure out what that would be.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Request for your membership card should be sent to Ann Walters, 6996 forseth ct., West Bend, Wi, 53095 including \$10.00 and two (2) pictures, along with a self-addressed envelope. She in turn, will send a membership card back for your signature and then you return it back to her, she will laminate the card with one of your pictures attached along with the signatures of the Secretary and the Enrollment Chairman, in another self-addressed envelop. Even if there is to be an election to change those names, it will not affect your membership card. You will still be in good standing as long as you have it.

BROTHERTOWN COUNCIL MEMBERS**CLIP !!****SAVE!!**Chairperson:

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BROTHERTOWN ANNUAL PICNIC REPORT

A big THANKS to Kelly Riley, who was the committee chairman for our July 20th, 1996 Brothertown Picnic. The picnic was a huge success! Raffle tickets were sold and we were able to raise \$196. Thank you to all of you who donated to the raffle, there were many nice raffle items. The food was wonderful, thanks to all those who brought food to share. There is something about sharing food that brings individuals closer together as a community. The picnic was a nice time to see other tribal members and meet with relatives. Unfortunately we did not have time to play bingo this year, so all of the gifts that were brought for bingo will be used at the Homecoming on October 19th (please see attached for details). We hope to see you there!

A significant event at the picnic this year was the Naming Ceremony for Willis Ottery. It is a huge honor when one receives his or her Indian name. Willis has been named "Gisiss Gibwa Nass'i" which is translated to English as "Sun Hawk." The ceremony was performed by Eleanor Soto, a Brothertown Spiritual Leader who has named some of our tribal members. I am not as knowledgeable as I would like to be about the details of requesting an Indian name, but I will share with you what I have been taught. When an Indian person decides to walk the Red Road, he or she learns and lives the spiritual ways of our ancestors. In some ways this is similar to being baptized into a new religion, or a new way of life. When a person is ready to follow the traditional ways, he or she offers tobacco to a Spiritual Leader and requests an Indian name. The Spiritual Leader uses that tobacco for seeking a vision and ask the Great Spirit the person's name. The person requesting an Indian name also takes tobacco to four people and asks them to be sponsors, usually two men and two women. The sponsors have a responsibility to teach the person being named our traditional and spiritual ways, as well as help that person throughout his or her life to continue on the Red Road. It is a very great honor to be asked to be a sponsor. Usually the sponsors are people who are close to the person being named and are knowledgeable in the Indian ways.

After the Spiritual Leader has had a vision, it is time for the Naming Ceremony. The ceremony usually takes place with the sponsors, family members and close personal friends. The person being named usually offers gifts to each sponsor and the Spiritual Leader and helpers, as well as a feast of traditional foods for those in attendance. Traditional foods may include deer meat or buffalo, corn, berries, wild rice and fry bread. The ceremony is a significant event in a person's life. It is something to be very proud of and to carry with you for the rest of your life. As Brothertown members, we need to talk with elders and spiritual leaders like Eleanor to help us remember our ways. If you are ready to walk the Red Road and want to request your Indian, Eleanor Soto is available to assist you. She can be reached at 4344 W. Loomis Rd. Apt. 26, Greenfield, WI, 53220.

HELP!! HELP!! HELP!!

WE NEED YOU

YOU ARX A KXY PXRSON!

Xvxn though my typxwritxr is an old modxl, it works vxry wxll--xxcpt for onx kxy. You would think that with all thx othxr kxys functioning propxrlly. Onx kxy would hardly bx noticxd; but just onx kxy out of whack sxxms to ruin thx wholx xffort. You may say to yoursxlf, "Wxll, I'm only onx pxrson. No onx will noticx if I don't do my bxst." But it doxs makx a diffxrxncx bxcausx to bx xffctivx, an organization nxxds activx participation by vxryonx to thx bxst of his or hxr ability. So thx nxxt timx you think you arx not important, rxmxxmbxr m y old typxwritxr. You arx a kxy pxrson!

HOMECOMING

OCTOBER 19th, 10:00 AM

Lakeside Park Pavilion, Lakeside Park, North Main Street, Fond du Lac, WI.

Boots, Irma and their daughter Sandi, have volunteered to be in charge of the planning and implementing the Brothertown Homecoming this year. We appreciated their leadership at this event! Mark it on your calendar--it's another opportunity for you to meet our Council members and, just maybe, you might find some long lost relatives that you didn't know existed! A good many people have met people they didn't know were related. Besides, we're a friendly, fun group of folks! Let's carry on the vision of our Founder, to be unified on the traditions of our Tribe. It's really a lot of fun and a good education about our history. No, your history. See you there!

MEDICINE BOX OR BASKET

For thousands of years, Native people have offered prayers of thanksgiving. A smudge was used to carry the prayers to the Great Spirit. The elements used among the tribes were "Sage" for strength and meaning' "Tobacco", a gift; "Sweet grass" for truth and purity; "Cedar", the straight tree, so that the spoke and prayer would rise uninterrupted. These elements were kept in a medicine box or basket, in a special place in their lodges and treated with great respect.

POW WOW REPORT

Mike Pelky is seeking a used trailer to transport all our arts and crafts to the different pow wow or fairs or Summerfest that we participate in. We may be able to pay a small amount for the trailer, enclosed or not. He can build a box for it if we have just the framework, but the trailer needs to be safe, in working condition and trails well. Mike can be reached in Plymouth at (414) 892-2556. Please call soon, we are waiting to hear from someone out there!

The pow wow committee is doing a fantastic job with the help of having some pot-luck lunches at Mike's home, everyone is pitching in. In addition to having fun, we are becoming acquainted and learning what it was our founder had in mind when he wanted us all to work together for the furthering of the tribe. Mike reports that the Arts and Crafts sales brought in \$589 at the picnic and \$560 from the Fon du Lac County Fair. That was gross, not net, but a good job. If you are able to contribute by making a donation, either monetary or art and craft work, please contact Mike! Keep up the good work, Mike and committee!!

BROTHERTOWN HOMECOMING**OCTOBER 19, 1996****10 AM to 5 PM****WHERE: LAKESIDE PARK PAVILION: LAKESIDE PARK, FOND DU LAC, WI.**
park located end of North Main Street, Fond du Lac, WI.**REGISTRATION:** Start 10 A.M.**FEES:** \$1.00 per person
\$5.00 for family of five (5) or more (immediate family)**WHAT TO BRING:** Utensils, plates, cups or glasses, soda, (no beer)
Sandwich if you wish**DISH TO PASS: SUGGESTIONS:** Indian food, cole slaw, hot or cold potato salad,
raw vegetable plus dip, sloppy joes plus buns, fruit salads,
baked beans, pies, cakes, desserts.**OUT OF TOWNER'S:** Pickles, olives, dinner rolls, chips, mustard, desserts.**ONLY REFRIGERATOR AND SINK AVAILABLE: NO STOVE:** Hot dishes should be in electric
casseroles or a way to keep hot. Prize for best hot or cold dish, would
like some Indian dishes.**COFFEE AND MILK PROVIDED:****CHILDREN UNDER FIFTEEN (15) BRING A HALLOWEEN COSTUME. A PARADE WILL BE HELD. THERE WILL BE A PRIZE FOR THE WINNER.****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.**ENTERTAINMENT:** Surprise!!

No naming ceremony this time.

A SHORT AFTERNOON MEETING, INFORMATIONAL AND QUESTIONS.

DETACH AND RETURN BY OCTOBER 12, 1996

NAME _____	NO. OF ADULTS _____
ADDRESS _____	No. OF CHILDREN _____
CITY _____	DISH I WILL BRING _____

RETURN TO: Irma Sampson
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DECEMBER 1996 QUARTERLY REPORT

COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

by June Ezold, Tribal Chairman

Recent Activities:

The months are just flying by! We've had our annual picnic and Homecoming for 1996 and they were very successful. Have met new members at both and it has been an interesting year. If you didn't attend either, you missed out on a good time and informative one. Larry "Many Hats" Jacobs donated a shell for us to use during our smudging when we burn sweet grass. Thanks Larry, it is most appreciated.

The Petition:

The Brothertown Council has not heard from the Bureau of Archives and Research (BAR) in regards to our petition which was sent in February, 1996. We phoned to find out where they are in the review of our petition and were informed they have lost their Genealogist as of May, 1996, and being short of help they haven't been able to do much reviewing. But we are still number eight on the list.

Tribal Events:

The Oneida Tribe held a History Seminar in October and we were invited to participate. Phyllis Mattern was on a panel telling the story of the Brothertown Tribe and how the Oneida and Stockbridge Tribes helped us and moved to Wisconsin with us way back then. She did a great job! We still have good relations with the two tribes. We received, as a gift, their language dictionary hot off the press that day. This will be another project for our tribe to do in the future, learning our language. So many things we must do when we are recognized as a sovereign nation.

Indian Names:

Several of our members have received their Indian name, which I think is a fine start. Eleanor Soto has changed her phone and we do not have her present number. Sorry.

Re-recognition:

We are still looking for land to establish a base. Will keep you updated. A meeting was held with Falmouth Institute to help us to work on an ANA grant for next year to help us finance our re-recognition process. With the help of Grace Wills and Mark Baldwin one will be written and hopefully it will be awarded to us.

Long Range Suggestions:

The Council had a meeting for long range planning for the tribe. If you have any suggestions to pass along as to what you feel our tribal community should have to offer our members, please let us hear from you. We are your tribe, we want and need your assistance!

Training's:

The tribal council is planning workshops to assist tribal members in learning to conduct business meetings and other necessities once we become recognized. We want to run a smooth organization now, as well as when we become federally recognized. We are always attempting to foresee future challenges for both the Council and Brothertown members. For more information, please contact June Ezold at (715) 542-3913.

Fund-raisers:

We still need help with pow wow's and making crafts to sell. The craft sales at pow wow's are enabling us to have a cash flow to help with the finances of the tribe that are not covered by the grants we are awarded. If we do not have help with the crafts, we could go to having each family send a annual donation to the treasurer until we have some economic development working, if you want to really become federally re-recognized. Please offer your time or cash donations to assist our community!

Elections:

A reminder that Election is coming up in May 1997 for two Officers and two Council Members to be elected. Give it some serious thought! We need your input

Additional note:

May you and your family have a happy and blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year from the Brothertown Tribal Council!

BROTHERTOWN ANNUAL HOMECOMING 1996

by Irma Sampson

Our annual Brothertown Homecoming was held on Saturday, October 19th, 1996, at the beautiful Lakeside Park Pavilion in Fond du Lac, WI. Approximately 100 people were in attendance and we raised \$98.00. Boots and Irma Sampson would like to thank everyone who helped us at this years Homecoming! Thanks goes out to Jerry Andrews, Cathy and Sara MacArthur, Carol Huck and Dawn Parzy. Also, thanks to those who helped us clean the building afterwards.

Prizes were awarded as follows:

- **Mike and Rose Pelky** won the prize for bringing the best Indian dish, which was Smoked Salmon
- **Sandra Pawlacyk** won the adult door prize
- **Dante Biancardi** won the children's door prize
- **Vera Stephenson** won the prize for being the oldest Elder in attendance

Everyone enjoyed the music by our daughter, Sandra, who sang and played the flute before we ate. Her husband, Phil, accompanied her by playing the bells. They did a lovely job! A special thanks also goes out to Dick Welch, who instigated several Round Dances. Everyone participated and had lots of fun dancing to the pow wow music. Thanks, Dick, we hope you will be there again next year! Thanks to June Ezold who gave the blessing and Laura Pawlacyk who carried the sage which was used to bless the food and the people before we ate. Hope you can do this at every gathering.

QUARTERLY ENROLLMENT REPORT

November 1996
by Waagoosh Equay (Phyllis I. Mattern)

I have enrolled 19 new members from September and October, 1996. We have roughly **2179 members enrolled in Brothertown**. Quite a few new applications came in this month which I'm still working on. If you have relatives that want to apply, please keep in mind that there is a \$10.00 enrollment fee for each and every applicant. It takes a few weeks to process and review the documents that trace your ancestry back to either the 1839 or 1901 Membership Rolls. Please remember to include a copy of your Social Security Number (SSN) card, or write your SSN on your application. Send the application, SSN card copy and \$10.00 to Waagoosh's (Phyllis') address listed in this report.

BROTHERTOWN ID CARDS

by Ann Walters

Procedure to obtain a Tribal Membership Card:

Please send the following list of items to Ms. Ann Walters, 6996 Forseth Court, West Bend, WI 53095:

- a written request for an ID card
- two copies of a recent (within 6 months) picture of yourself
- self-addressed stamped envelope
- a check for \$10.00 made out to "Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin"

When received, I will mail you a membership card to be filled out. If you do not know your enrollment # I can fill that in for you. Mail it back to me for completion. Please allow 2 to 4 weeks for the complete process. If for any reason you are in need of the card immediately. I can process it right away for you. Thanks for your tribal support!

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CRAFT COMMITTEE REPORT

by Mike and Rose Pelky

The Craft Committee is growing due to volunteerism and it has helped enormously with our fund raising projects. We have sold out on many items and need replacement for our next year so keep up the interest!

We want to thank the following people for all of the help with crafts: Martha, Erma, Boots, Linda S., Irene S., June, Sandy P., Eleanor, Patty, John, Bonnie, Lorie, Debby, George, Jean, Lisa, Kelly L., Linda F., Ilene, Andy, Linda O, Sandy H, Caroline and her husband, Jayme, Gerry, the Lambert's, Betty J., Rose and Mike! We even had people out of the tribe take an interest and volunteer time or crafts. They are: Jane, Sandy, Jim and Loy. Thank you!

We usually see all of the same people at crafts volunteering for selling in our booths. If we would each take 2-4 hours for one event per year, it would help prevent 2 people from spending 325 + hours to try to get things done. We have to make sure at least 3-5 events are covered in order to keep our office and fund raising going.

A special thank you to those who have given their time at sales: Boots, Erma, June, Sandy P., Tom, Martha, Linda S., Irene S., Eleanor, Jerry, George, Jean, Lorie, Debby, Linda F., Barb R., Robert, F., Renee, Tommy, Alice and her husband from Chilton, Cindy, Joan W., Betty J., Janice, Lucy B., Diane, Mike and Rose. we also have two people who cannot be here for functions, but have donated crafts and time. They are: Kelly Lanphier from Wisconsin Rapids, and Linda Omahundro from Idaho/Oregon. Thanks to you also!

Mike and Rose are asking the craft makers to follow just a couple of simple rules:

1. Contact the committee about crafts so we do not duplicate items
2. Do not spend on craft supplies without an Okay from Mike. We might have the materials you need.
3. Always make ONLY Native American crafts: the pow wow committees from other tribes would like to maintain the Native only appearance.

In the past year, the Crafts Committee took part in a Winter pow wow in Milwaukee, a pow wow in Kenosha, a festival at Park Side College, the Fond du Lac Fair, the Chilton Fair, the Brothertown Annual Picnic, the Brothertown Homecoming, and Indian Summer Fest. These will be cut to only 3-4 events in the future due to the amount of time involved, unless we have others willing to take on of the events.

On December 7, 1996 we will be having a workshop on Beading, making dream catchers, and mandellas. It will be at 9:00 AM to 5:00 or 6:00 PM (pot luck) at the Pelkey's: 244 Bishop Ave, Plymouth WI (see map below). Please try to purchase a small loom and some supplies ahead of this date if possible. If you need any suggestions, please call us at (414) 892-2556.

We will be planning workshops for the future and would like to ask anyone with craft talent to volunteer their teaching skills. Do we have anyone who could teach basket weaving or any other Native craft? Please call us with suggestions!