June of Summer 1998

# **EOYAMQUITOOWAUCOMUCK**



# BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN



#### Chairman's Corner

by June Ezold

Elections are now over and a job well done. The newly elected members are: Craig Cottrell, Treasurer; Caroline Andler, Secretary; Council members: Irene Shady, Gerald Johnson and George Wentz. Their addresses and phone numbers are listed in this newsletter. Congratulations to them and we all look forward to working together as a team toward the goals of the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin

Also, we want to thank Sandy Pawlacyk and Martha Stophenson for the time and efforts they put forth to help towards our goals. Thank you!

The picture of the Council Members and their names in the annual report sent out in April omitted mentioning that Cy Welch was not present for the picture, his name was not mentioned. We apologize for this error.

Congratulations to the 1998 Brothertown high school and college graduates. Good luck and keep progressing towards your dreams. When we become federally recognized we can utilize your talents and your education will be put to good use. Aim high and don't give up. We all need you.

Grace Wills is busy working, along with some Tribal members, on a grant to help the Tribe obtain community involvement. Some ideas are a survey and telling our long range plans, the assistance we need, etc. More at a later date.

The pow wow Chairman, Mike Pelky, and his committee are doing a fabulous job. We all thank you for all the ideas and time that you give the tribe. It is greatly appreciated.

Ted Stephenson has obtained approval from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for a historical marker in the south end of the Brothertown original reservation. We are now waiting for the State Historical Society to approve the marker and description Caroline Andler and her committee have been working on these past couple of months getting ready for the Sesquicentennial Event in Brandon, WI. It is to be held June 9th and is in coinnection with the wagon train following the Military Road. It leaves Prairie du Chien May 29 and arrives in Green Bay on June 14 with several stops along the way. One of them being Brandon, another being Fond du Lac. The Brothertown Tribe will be represented with members dressing in what is believed to be the outfits for the time. They will have story telling, making of crafts, grinding cornmeal, corn soup being served, flute playing, finger weaving, and a few surprises. If you can join us, and if you receive this newsletter on time, please feel free to come to Brandon on June 9. Otherwise we will have pictures to show.

The picnic committee of the Wentz family is in the planning process. More in a different section of this newsletter. The Homecoming this year will be October 17, 1998 at the Lakeside park pavilion in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. The park is located at the end of North Main Street, Fond du Lac. This is a good time to get together with the tribe. Attendance is usually big and you may have the opportunity to meet some of your relatives. We will most certainly have a surprise for you at this meeting. The Homecoming takes the place of a pow wow or a harvest event. Try to attend, you won't be sorry. Barb Roloff of Fond du Lac is in charge with a committee.

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I want to thank Ann Walters, Amy Tousey and Craig Walters for their pitching in and helping the Tribe with the Treasurer;s job and picking up Leo's work. This enabled the Tribe to continue at the most traumatic time in our history of working on the petition. thank the three of you for your diligence and patience. It is greatly appreciated.

There was a general meeting in Little Falls, Minnesota, on April 25 with some of the Minnesota Members. This meeting is held once per year, usually in April, to inform the membership of what is being done by and for the Tribe. There was a good turnout and this year we did not have a snowstorm to deter us. They came up with a terrific idea. They would like to rent a bus or two and follow the path of the Brothertown Tribe by leaving from Minnesota, going to Brothertown, Wisconsin, and going back to New York and possibly visiting Connecticut. This is being planned for the fall of 1999 and they would like to know how many members would be interested in this trip. It would be about 10 days long. Dennis Gramentz is taking names to see how it is received and who might be interested. His address is Dennis Gramentz, 149 Hickory Ct., Farmington, MN 55042. Let him hear from you. And pass the work. The bus alone would cost about \$40 per person.

### **Brothertown ID Cards**

by Ann Walters

Procedure to obtain a Tribal Membership Card:

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- two copies of a recent (within 6 months) picture of yourself
  - self-addressed stamped envelope
  - a check for \$10.00 made out to
- "Brothertown Indian Nation, Inc."
  - your social security number

When received, I will mail you a membership card to be filled out. If you do not know your enrollment # I will locate it. Mail it back to me for completion, it will then be laminated and returned to you. 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!

## **Pow wow Committee Report**

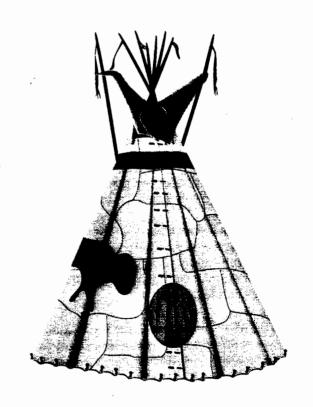
by Mike Pelky

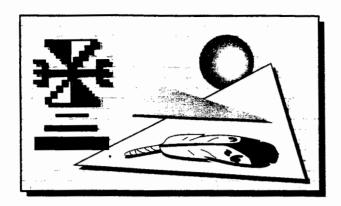
We are working on the Brandon Wagon Train Sesquicentennial Celebration on June 9 and encourage everyone to attend and be proud of their heritage.

A craft workshop is planned for June 27th, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Help is needed to get crafts ready for the picnic in July, Indian Summerfest and Homecoming in October. The workshop will be at Mike and Rose Pelky's at 244 Bishop Ave., Plymouth, WI (920) 892-2556. We will be making chokers, children's mecklaces, gourd dolls and bowls. Bring a dish to pass for noon lunch. We have a nice time working and visiting while helping the Tribe as well. Your ideas are needed as well as your hands.

Acatalog will be available soon with a price list for our shirts, jackets and some craft items. Call Mike

There is to be a raffle again this year. There will be an afghan, cross-stiched picture, lithograph bear picture, buckskin doll, moose antler with pen and ink drawing, rocking horse and beaded barrett. We would appreciate help in selling the tickets. Call Mike or any of the Council Members if you care to help.





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## **Enrollment Report**

by Phyllis Mattern

Since January 1, 1998, I have enrolled 23 new members. Welcome to the tribe.

I cannot stress the importance of keeping us informed when your address changes or you change your name. Annual reports are sent to the address you give us. We sent out 1100 Annual Report Newsletters and received 350 returned due to incorrect address. This is very expensive for the tribe. Please tell your relatives to provide us with updated information, because if you receive this we must have your correct address! Thank you for your cooperation!

#### **Obituary**

Roger Moon
b. 12-01-28
d. 03-12-98
Ancestor:
Rachel Roberts

# TRIBE LAUNCHES BROTHERTOWN INDIAN LAND RESTORATION CAMPAIGN

At its April 18, 1998 meeting, the Brothertown Indian Tribal Council appointed Mark Baldwin coordinator of a campaign to raise \$250,000 to purchase 100 acres of land in Calumet Councy Wisconsin. The purpose of the campaign is to establish a permanent tribal headquarters within the boundaries of the original reservation and restore 50 acres of land to its original habitat.

Baldwin will coordinate funding requests to foundations, corporations and local businesses and assist the Brothertown Indian Board of Commissioners in soliciting support for the campaign from individual donors. He formerly served as editor of the Brothertown Messenger, a member of the Brothertown Tribal Council, and Vice Chairman of the Brothertown Tribal Baldwin has over 18 years fundraising experience for a variety of nonprofit organizations.

The campaign officially launches in June 1998 and pledges to the project can be paid over a 30-month period. Donors at a \$2,000 level will be entitled to designate one acre of the Brothertown Indian reservation open space in their name or in honor of an individual of their choosing. Contributors at a \$1,000 level will be entitled to have their name inscribed on a permanent "Honor Roll" to be displayed in the tribal headquarters. \$500 donors will be entitled to have a tree planted in their name on the Brothertown reservation.

Members of a particular family or clan can participate by pooling their pledges to the campaign. For example, if the late Robert Smith's five children pledged \$400 each (which could be paid over a 30-month period—\$13/month) they could have an acre of the Brothertown reservation named the "Robert Smith acre." A map of the open space acreage identifying sponsoring donors will be on display in the tribal headquarters. This acre would be restored to its natural habitat and would be off limits to any type of development. In other words, it will serve as a living memorial which can be appreciated by future generations of Smith descendants.

The specific fundraising goals of the campaign are to raise \$125,000 from foundations, \$75,000 from individual donors and \$50,000 from corporations. To date, individual Brothertowns have contributed a total of \$27,000 toward the \$75,000 individual goal. In order to achieve the individual fundraising goal, we need 15 people to contribute at the \$2,000 level, 10 people to contribute at the \$1,000 level; and 20 people to contribute at the \$500 level. Pledges to the campaign can be paid on a monthly or quarterly basis. Contributions can also be made by a one-time lump sum contribution.

Pledges from individuals are extremely important to the success of the campaign. Other funding sources such as foundations and corporations look to the financial commitment made by the community requesting assistance. The best way to demonstrate that commitment is through the pledges of individual Brothertown members and friends. We currently have approximately 30 funding requests pending at various corporations and foundations. Your participation in the campaign will strengthen our position with these funders and others as we work to re-esuablish the Brothertown Indian Tribal reservation in Calumet County, Wisconsin.

### EOYAMGUTTTOOWAUCONNUCK BROTHERTOWN NATION ANNUAL PICNIC JULY 18, 1998

Held at New Berlin's Valleyview Park, picnic site 2. Refer to map on reverse side for location. (Calumet County Park Ski Lodge closed for renovation).

\*\*REGISTRATION: Begins at 10:00 a.m. Council meeting also starts at 10:00 a.m.

©FEES: \$1.00 per person.

\$5.00 for an immediate family of five or more.

**WHAT TO BRING:** Please bring your own plates, cups, eating utensils, soda, bottled water etc... to make your day more enjoyable. Coffee will be provided.

CDISH TO PASS: Bring your favorite dish to share with your fellow members. We enjoy fruit, veggies, snacks, casserole's, desserts, pickles, pasta and potato salads, sausage, crackers, roast beef, chicken, harn, rolls etc....(we have electric outlets but no refrigeration on site) please plan ahead. We will be supplying fresh grilled hamburgers and hot-dogs for a nominal fee.

CABOUT THE PARK: Valleyview Park is located in New Berlin on Sunnyslope Road between Beloit Road and Grange Avenue. Paved parking lot at the site. The pavilion will hold over 100 people as well as additional picnic tables under the shade of our beautiful Wisconsin trees. We have on site a sand volleyball court and horseshoe pit. We will provide baseballs and bats, horseshoes, volleyball, tennis racquets(court is kiddy corner from picnic site), water balloons and various other items to make this day an exciting event for all. Indoor restrooms and playground border the picnic site.

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CLODGING: Please call if you would like more information.

CRAFTS: Crafts will be sold through out the day.

•BINGO: Please bring gifts wrapped in newspaper and marked boy/girl or man/woman. These will be used for bingo prizes.

COTHER: Lunch will be served at noon. The general meeting will follow. Games for the Little Indians will held during the general meeting and then B-I-N-G-O. Several items will also be raffled.

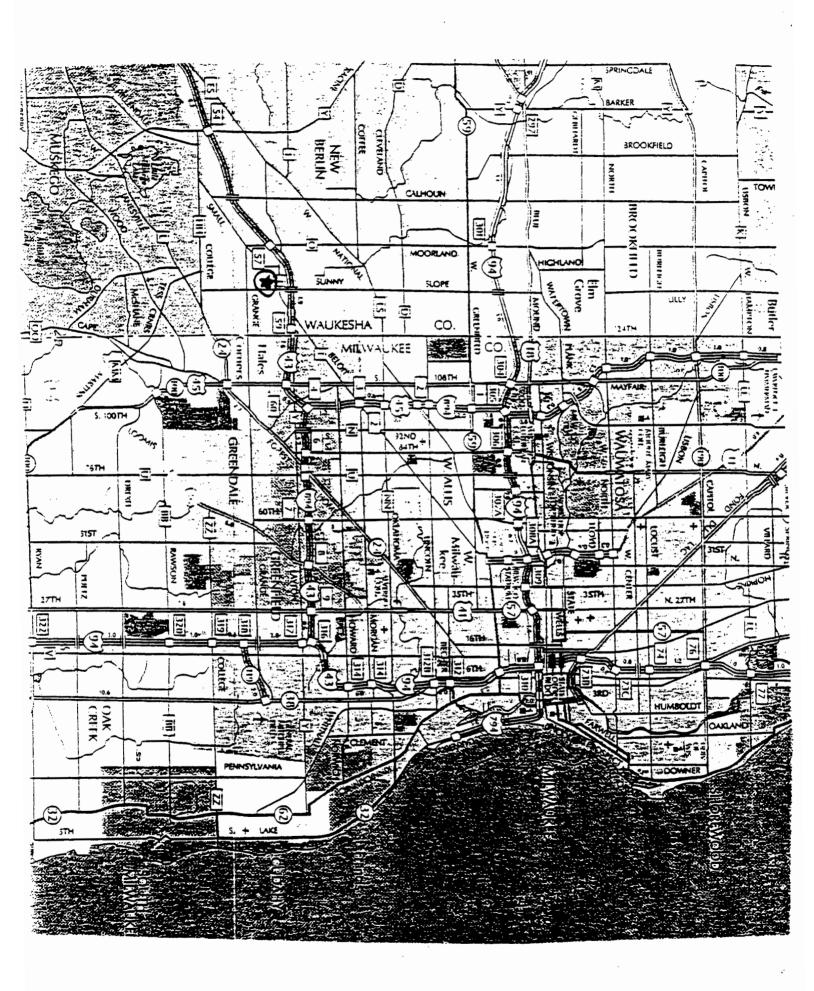
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Address No. of children City State Zip Phone

Return to: Laurie or Debbie Wentz

1950 S. 94th Street, West Allis, WI 53227 Any questions please call (414) 321-3758

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: The Brothertown Indians of WI



## BROTHERTOWN INDIAN LAND RESTORATION CAMPAIGN

#### PLEDGE FORM

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He will enter the information into a computerized tickler system and forward the pledge information to Craig Cottrell, Brothertown Tribal Treasurer. Reminders will be sent as appropriate from the campaign coordinator. Checks should be made out to the Brothertown Nation Inc. In the memo portion of the check, specify that this contribution is for the BILR Campaign. Pledge checks should be sent to:

Craig Cottrell
Brothertown Tribal Treasurer
3041 Sunray Lane
Green Ray, Wi 54313

Questions on the campaign should be directed to Mark Baldwin at the above address. He can also be reached weekdays at (510) 444-7870, evenings and weekends at (415) 923-9430.

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# INDIANS OF WISCONSIN Summer 1998



#### Chairman's Corner

by June Ezold

#### Greetings!

We are having beautiful weather in the Northwoods, a bit dry but that will come I am certain. Your Tribe has been busy these couple of months, with the election of a new treasurer, Craig Cottrell, and a new Council member, Gerry Johnson, in May.

We are getting ready to have a 1997 audit and to file a non-profit tax return, even though it will be late.

Ted Stephenson has been assisting us with the right steps to follow to obtain a historical marker in Calumet county on the outskirts of the Brothertown original reservation. It has been approved by the Department of Transportation and the historical Society in Madison. We are now waiting for approval of the wording on the marker. The cost for the marker is \$4,000 along with the agreement to maintain the plot it will be on, i.e.: mowing, trimming, checking the condition of the marker and reporting it to the DOT. The DOT will repair any loose boards or bolts, etc. It will be located on the triangle piece of land where Highways 151 and 55 meet. Highway 151 goes off to the east to Chilton and Highway 55 goes north to Brothertown. We hope to have a celebration when complete approval and funds come through.

A meeting has been set up in September with the President of the Union Cemetery Association of Brothertown. It seems the association members are growing older and younger members are not joining. They take care of the grounds maintenance and sometimes repair the headstones in the cemetery. If they are unable to continue the upkeep, the Town of Brothertown could take the cemetery over. The Association members felt there are so many Brothertown members buried there that we might be interested in stepping in to help. We are looking into the deed of the cemetery and we might be able to reclaim the property. this is the original cemetery in Brothertown, which dates back to the time of the tribal existence on the reservation. It would be beneficial to our petition. We call

on family members in the area to assist in maintaining of these two properties. You can do something for your tribe. We will keep you up to date on this. Any questions, please feel free to contact us.

We are again having raffle tickets available, another avenue for raising funds for the operation of your Tribe. The raffle tickets offer an afghan, a buckskin doll, cross-stitch framed picture, a huge rocking horse, painted picture on moose antler, beaded barrette. All of the items are made and donated by members. The tickets are \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. To participate by selling and/or purchasing tickets, please contact me or Mike Pelky at (920) 892-2556. We will be selling tickets at the Indian Summerfest in Milwaukee the weekend of September 11-13 at the Summerfest Grounds.

We also have available for purchase insulated cups with our logo and name. They are shaped to fit in car holders, are turquoise and have a lid that can be closed when not being used. They are very attractive, and good for travel or nice in a picnic basket. They sell for \$5.00 each plus postage.

In this newsletter you will find information about a bus trip to visit some of the locations that our ancestors traveled, lived and where some of them passed on prior to arriving and settling in Brothertown, WI. Check it out. Also in this newsletter, there is information from our Crafts Chairman, Mike Pelky, the Brandon Sesquicentennial Celebration from Caroline Andler, the enrollment progress, and the annual Homecoming Celebration on October 17 at the Fond du Lac Lakeside pavilion. Hope to see you all there! There is also a report about the picnic that was held in July at New Berlin. We had a nice turn out and a beautiful time.

We are still number 5 on the BIA waiting list to be reviewed for recognition. We have heard nothing further in regards to any change. We met with a representative from the Menominee Tribal Legislative staff, Royal Warrington. He gave us background and pointers about our Constitu-

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tion and by-laws. All of the professionals we have asked to review our present Constitution and by-laws tell us they are too weak and do not spell out directions strong enough. They also need to be more specific. It was suggested that we have a 3 day meeting to learn about policies and regulations. This would cost about \$3000 for all 9 Council Members and would be held on the Menominee reservation. We are considering this option. When we are federally recognized we will have all of this in place. We will keep you informed of this project.

The February, March and May meetings in 1999 will be held at the North Fond du Lac Community and Senior Center instead of the Fond du Lac, Labor Hall. The Center is located at 280 Garfield Street, North Fond du Lac, WI 54937. Take Highway 175 North of Fond Du Lac to Garfield Street, Turn left on Garfield and drive about 2 blocks. It is a new, large building at the end of the street.

As you can see, we have been busy and will continue to become busier in the months to come. And we need your input. Hope to see you all soon!

#### **Enrollment Report**

by Phyllis I. Mattern

Seven new members have been enrolled since our last report. We have roughly 2340 members as of this time. As of the first of August, 1998 the rolls have been closed while we update our files. Applications for enrollment may still be sent in, and will be reviewed and added to the rolls at a later date in 1999.

Please remember to send us your correct address and name change. This is the only way of us keeping in touch with you! Also, remember to help support your tribe, buy raffle tickets for our Brothertown Homecoming on October 17, 1998 at Lakeside Park in Fond du Lac, WI.

#### **Craft Committee Report**

by Mike Pelky, Committee Chairman

The committee is very proud to say that the Jacket sales are booming. We'll have some well dressed people this winter! Our picnic was a very nice success and we did quite well on craft and raffle sales.

Remember to volunteer for our Booth at Indian Summerfest on September 12 & 13th. Call Mike at (920) 892-2556. Also, after Indian Summerfest, our crafts will be at an all time low! So we need craft workshops for next years sales. Let us know if you can help with this project.

Thanks to all who pitched in during 1998. Come to the Homecoming October 17th! Bring your family members and your regalia to wear!

# Bus Tour of the Brothertown Indians June 1999 or September 1999

At the April meeting of the Brothertown Indians held in Little Falls, Minnesota, it was suggested that we travel to some of the locations our ancestors traveled, lived, and where some of them passed on; prior to settling in Brothertown, Wisconsin. Volunteers have identified perliminary destinations. Currently, the bus would begin in Minnesota, stop first in Wisconsin and then continue Eastward. Likely stopping points will include:

- Oneida County, New York home of Occum
   & Johnson
- Stonington and Old Mystic, Connecticut
- Deansborro and Jamestown, New York
- Dartmouth College, New Hampshire
- · possbily the Six Nations Reserve, Canada

Targeted travel dates are June 11-20, 1999 OR September 10-19, 1999. Economical lodging and transportation accommodations are being made. Expenses are estimated at \$180 per person for bus transportation and \$200 per person for lodging (two - four people per room at chaillocations like Super 8). Additional expenses will incluse food, souvenirs and entrance fees to various sites. Most of the facilities identifed are free of charge. Group rates are being secured where possible.

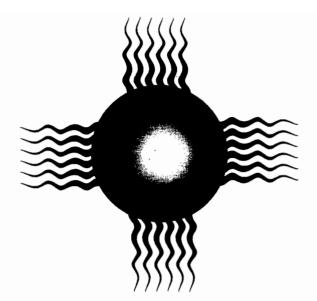
In order to establish a more accuarate expense estimate, we need an accuarate number of interested, committed participants. Bus capacity is 47. We will rent as many buses as we are able to fill. If there are not enough people to fill each bus, we may have to act on a first come, first served basis. Please share this information with your relatives, as they may not receive the Brothertown Quartely Report.

Interested participants should provide the following information, as the committee will maintain closer contact with you: Name, mailing address, E-mail address, telephone number, preferred travel dates (June 1999 or September 1999).

This information should be sent to:

Denny Gramentz 149 Hickory Court Farminton, MN 55024 612-460-6307

OR to Jessica Kramer at: jessica.kramer@co.hennepin.mn.us.



#### **Brothertown Annual Picnic**

July 18, 1998 by Laurie, Deb & Jean Wentz

This year the annual picnic was held at Valleyview Park, New Berlin, Wisconsin.

The council meeting was held at 10:00 am, which was then followed by our noon meal. Grilled hamburgers and hot dogs, and various other dishes were enjoyed. After eating, the adults assembled for the General Council Meeting, meanwhile the children played various games. Throughout the day, different sports equipment was available to use, including volleyball, horseshoes, baseball equipment and a Frisbee. After the meeting was adjourned, some people played BINGO while others shopped at the craft tent.

We had a lot of fun that day, saw some new faces this year and hope to see more next year. A special thanks to all of the children who attended. We had fun playing games with you!

#### **Brothertown Indian Corn Soup**

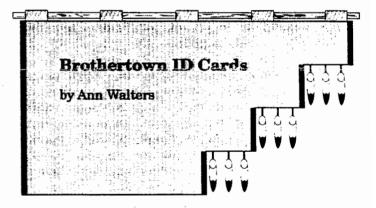
Ann Walters (Tousey) family recipe.

6 Cups Broth
1 Tbs. Corn Oil
1 Cup Onions, chopped
boil onions for 15 minutes
Add 1 lb. cooked meat (pork sausage, bacon, venison)
1/2 Cup Dried Corn and
1/2 Cup Kernel Corn
1 tsp. Ground Red Chili
Cook over medium heat until thickened. Then eat and enjoy. this recipe was a huge hit at our Brandon event with the wagon train!

#### Poetry written by Louis Kay Olbekson

Brothertown Member June 7, 1998

A small band of rebels just going nowhere, Ragged and tattered with nothing to wear, Were off to a place where nobody cares, Just empty shells filled with pain and despair. There's nothing to leave and nothing to take. In the name of expansion for everyones' sake. They've taken our land by the creek and the lake. There's not much to see now as I look around. We no longer fight them, they've beaten us down. Not too many traces of life can be found. Not too many traces of life can be found, So many are scattered and dead on the ground. As our once great people become the outcast. The old ones still tell of our glorious past. As into their fences we're herded at last. The seasons have come and then they have passed. The wind through the trees makes the snow drift by. As smokes curls up toward a stone gray sky. Somewhere in the distance a lone wolf cries, As slowly but surely our heritage dies...



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#### Brandon Sesquicentennial Celebration By Caroline K. Andler

On October 20, 1997, June Ezold, Phyllis Mattern and I met with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Otto for the first time to discuss the Brothertown Indians participation at Brandon's Sesquicentennial Celebration on July 10-11, 1998. Jim enthusiastically described all the plans he had for that day from the covered wagons traveling the Military road. Black Powder Encampment, Civil War soldiers, with authentic uniforms and cannons, on and on-but he always stressed the most important part of the day would be the Brothertown Indians.

His enthusiasm was infectious! About 50 of our Brothertown members came on July 10th to say to Wisconsin, "150 years ago our ancestors walked the Military Road, we were then, we are now, and we will be forever the BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION."

We had three workshops to sew traditional Brothertown dress. Martha Stephenson designed an easy tear pattern for a calico smock that the most novice sewer among us could make. She and I researched with the Algonquian (Eastern Woodland) Indians had worn in New York, and on July 10th everyone wore traditional smocks, skirts, leggings and shawls. Finger weaving proved to be more difficult than it looked but not to Frank Waldvogel, who makes beautiful woven sashes with long fringes, decorated with beads to finish off our dress.

Our Brothertown members showed they had many talents. We had storytellers, weavers, and a flute player. Boots and Irma Sampson demonstrated how our ancestors hollowed out a stump for a mortar, carved a branch into a pestle and ground corn that ended up being cooked by Ann Walters, in a black iron kettle over an open fire and produced an excellent corn soup for everyone to taste.

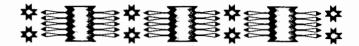
Another member, Ted Bauer, hollowed a log and made a traditional log drum and built a loom for his granddaughter, Heather Bauer, to weave bags. He supplied wild turkey feathers for us to use to make fans for all the participants.

Sandy Pawlacyk led us in an opening prayer to the four directions, giving everyone a chance to thank the Great Spirit. The Brandon Community summer religious program brought 150 school children to fill the circle, observe, and learn about a heritage different from their own. Those same children circled around our storyteller, Dick Welch, to listen to his story of the young Indian hunters.

Several of our members are excellent beaders, as was shown by some of the crafts sold and decorations worn. Mike Pelky's breechcloth was done in traditional Woodland Indian beading, made by his wife, Rose.

Sandy (Sampson) Hahn's flute playing and singing shows all: we have not forgotten our traditions.

The Wentz family, Phyllis Mattern, Irene Shady, the Loppnow family, Mark and Bonnie Schriener, Jim Ottery and June Ezold and all Brothertown members and associated ate members who participated: Thank you for making the day a huge success for the Brothertown community!



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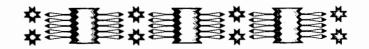
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INDIANS OF WISCONSIN Fall 1998



#### Chairman's Corner by June Ezold

A very merry Christmas to each of you and your families from your Council Members, and a blessed and happy New Year. We all hope that 1999 will be the year the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin will be a lot closer to federal recognition. We are still waiting to hear from BAR regarding our petition, which is number five on the "waiting to be reviewed list," but we are making plans on going forward for the Tribe.

We are also waiting to hear from the Historical Society regarding the wording on our Historical Marker to be erected on Highways 151 and 55 in the triangle formed in that area by the two highways, in Calumet County.

We are planning on joining the Union Cemetery Association of Brothertown, to help with the maintenance of the grounds and replacing broken headstones. There are a great number of Brothertown ancestors buried in this, the original cemetery in Brothertown. The Association is planning on trying to get the cemetery placed on the historical records. We will try to give them financial assistance towards the maintenance of the cemetery. We will keep you informed.

One of our future plans is to have our Constitution and By-laws reviewed and brought up to date, to be more meaningful and helpful in the tribal government process. If you have any suggestions, please feel free to give us your ideas. We appreciate any input.

The Council is working on applying for a grant to put our archival materials on microfilm, to enable us to hire someone to guide and instruct us on how to do this mountainous job. We must do this important record keeping task as soon as possible to protect our records. We need this to be professionally guided for this type of job. It will be cross referenced and all.

Our annual Homecoming was held October 17, and it was a huge success, but not enough time to really visit. We are renting the pavilion for next year for the entire day. It will be held October 16, 1999, at the Fond du Lac Pavilion in Lakeside Park. A Drum group came from Michigan to sing some Indian songs for the afternoon. The children had fun during a Halloween parade and listening to Dick Welch's story telling. The food was delicious and plentiful and a good time was had by all. The winners of the raffles were: Mannie Maas, the afghan; Marilyn Heacock, the rocking horse; KB McCann, the pictures; Cathy McArthur, the buckskin dressed doll; Philip Skenadore, picture scene on a moose antler; Boots Sampson, a bear picture; Tom Hetzel, a beaded barrette; Darold Seresse, a flute music tape; Barb Roloff, a flute music tape; D. Montgomery, a knitted sweater; Linda Bostwick, a framed deer picture. All these items were made and donated by Brothertown members. Thank you all for making this event possible.

One of our many friends from the East Coast mailed a copy of an article entitles: The Betrayal of Samson Occom," from the Dartmouth Alumni Magazine written by Bernd Peyer. The article was very informative about the trials of Samson Occom and what a wonderful preacher he was. He knew how to get his message across to his audiences. The author's remark titled "The Last Stone," accompanied the article and it was as follows:

#### THE LAST STONE

When Samson Occom died in 1792, he was buried in Brothertown, the Christian Indian Community he had helped create in New York's Oneida territory. He had envisioned Brothertown as an enduring safe haven for Indians. It was not to be. The Brothertown tribe was forced to move west in 1812. Their former home was subsumed by the towns of Kirkland and Marshall.

Today the wooded cemetery where Occom lies is nearly all that remains of the original Brothertown site. A historical plaque at the side of Bogusville Road off state rout 128 points to his grave a quarter-mile from the road, in the midst of private farmland. Years ago nearby Unitica, New York, resident Carl Waterbury Il and his classmates urged Dartmouth to erect a proper graveside memorial to Occom. They did not succeed. Occom waited all his life for the kind of recognition his accomplishments would have carried a non-Indian. In an unmarked grave, he waits still.

#### Letters to the Editor:

September 10, 1998

Dear June,

Thank you very much to you and the Brothertown Indians for the grant I have received. It is hard for me to express how much I appreciate this grant and how much it is going to help me.

I am working and studying very hard to get the most out of my education. I am also taking classes during the summer to enable me to take more classes related to my field of study, which is computer programmer/analyst.

I am proud to have received this grant and I hope that my success and hard work will bring pride and recognition to the Brothertown Indians and be a good reflection on our tribe. Please extend my many thanks to everyone involved in making this possible.

Sincerely,

#### Michelle Shady

Editors note: The grant refered to is the Wisconsin Higher Eduation Grant



A tape recorder and several tapes (flute music and Indian songs) in a white canvas bag with green handles (a Wisconsin sesquicentennial tote bag) was mistakenly picked up by someone at our Homecoming. If you know of its whereabouts and don't know who it belongs to, please notify June Ezold at (715) 542-3913. It will be greatly appreciated when it comes back to its home. Thank you.



#### Last of the Tribe

A small band of rebels just going nowhere, Ragged and tattered with nothing to wear, Were off to a place where nobody cares, Just empty shells filled with pain and despair.

There's nothing to leave and nothing to take, Were weakened and weary and ready to break, In name of expansion for everyones sake, They've taken our land by the creek and the lake.

There's not much to see now as I look around, We no longer fight them they've beaten us down, Not too many traces of life can be found, So many are scattered and dead on the ground.

As our once great people become the outcast, The old ones still tell of our glorious past, As into their fences we're herded at last, The seasons have come and then they have passed.

The wind through the trees makes the snow drift by, As smoke curls up toward a stone gray sky, Somewhere in the distance a lone wolf cries, As slowly but surely our heritage dies...

> Written by Lois Kay Olbekson A Brothertown Indian of Wisconsin June 7, 1998



# Brothertown Tribal Council Members

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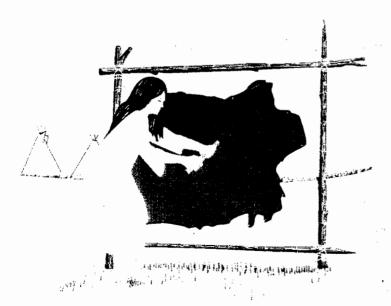
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#### A Prayer to the Four Directions

from Caroline Andler

In the book, "The Biography of an Indian Preacher," Samson Occum says, "I was born a heathen and brought up in Heathenism, 'till I was between 16 and 17 years of age..."

By the early 1740's our ancestors were converted to Christianity. Praying Towns were set up and our ancestors had given up their gods. But before they embraced Christianity so fervently, our ancestors prayed to the Great Spirit in a ceremony much like the opening prayer Sandy Pawlacyk lead us in at Brandon.

The prayer to the four directions is a traditional Native American ceremony from the ancient past and is still used today by many Nations.

First, the Sacred Smoke is fanned with an eagle feather to purify and ready us for prayer. Cedar boughs, which are our Grandmother and Healer are placed in a circle. The circle is sacred to all Native Americans. It symbolizes life and the paths we all must walk in this life.

The colors of the Four Sacred Directions are laid on Mother Earth. East (yellow), South (red), West (black), and North (white). Each of these directions is assigned helper spirits, or Grandfathers and Grandmothers, by the Creator. They have each been given a different gift by the Creator to help the people.

The EAST is where the sun rises. It brings new light, new beginnings, and understandings. Everything that is born comes up in this direction - the birth of babies, the birth of ideas, and the birth of friendship. The Herb associated with this direction is sweet grass, which brings the Creator blessings.

The SOUTH is where the sun is at its highest and warmest, the spirit of all that is warm, gentle, and refreshing. Its gifts are summer growth, the young, and women. The Plant associated with this direction is Cedar - which heals, brings God's blessings, and calls attention to our prayers.

The WEST is where the sun sets and day comes to fulfillment. It is associated with autumn, fulfillment, and the Adult. It is also the direction from which come the thunders and the rains, which give life. The Herb associated with this direction is sage, which purifies and sends evil away.

The NORTH is where the cold harsh winds of winter come from. It is associated with hardship, purification, and the Elder. If you can face this direction and stand firm, you will learn patience and endurance, as the winds of life can truly be overwhelming at times. The Plant associated with this direction is Tobacco - which is an offering used to carry our prayers to the Creator. It is usually

#### **Enrollment Report** by Phyllis Mattern Enrollment Vice Chair

The Rolls are closed until sometime in 1999. You can still send in your enrollment application, which will be processed and then enrolled when the Rolls re-open. Roughly, we have 2330 members currently enrolled.

Please remember to inform us if you marry, change your name, or move. Also, when writing, please use your enrollment number.

#### **Brothertown ID Cards** by Ann Walters

Procedure to obtain a Tribal Membership Card: Please send the following list of items to Ms. Ann Walters, 3842 Hwy D., West Bend, WI 53090:

- 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 Indian Nation, Inc."
- · your social security number

When received, I will mail you a membership card to be filled out. If you do not know your enrollment # I will locate it. Mail it back to me for completion, it will then be laminated and returned to you. 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



## BROTHERTOWN EASTERN TRIP June 11 -20, 1999

Hello Brothertowners.

This is the planned itinerary for our trip. We have 6 vacant seats, so if you are interested please contact me at 651-460-6307 to sign up.

ITINERARY:

The following itinerary is the basic structure of where we will be when!!!!!

- Day 1 Depart Minneapolis early!! Pickup stops in Madison & Milwaukee?? Overnight Elkhardt, IN
- Day 2 Travel to Syracuse, NY (overnight)
- Day 3 Oneida & Madison County New York
- Day 4 Oneida & Madison County to Stockbridge, MA for lunch, travel to CN visit Soapstone Quarry & rock shelter (overnight Farmington, CN)
- Day 5 Connecticutt
- Day 6 Connecticut spend day at Mashantucket Pequot Museum (overnight Mystic)
- Day 7 Connecticut (overnight Mystic)
- Day 8 Travel Home via Niagara Falls
- Day 9 Travel Home
- Day 10 Visit Brothertown, WI and finish trip in Minneapolis.

We have people in Connecticutt and New York who will travel with us and assist us. Some of the places we will try to fit into our schedule are:

#### CONNECTICUT:

- Tunxis Reservation Land & burial grounds in Farmington, CN
- ◆ Pequot Museum & Pequot Lands in Ledyard, CN
- ◆ Rock shelters & soepstone quarry in Canton, CN
- Day/Lewis Museum in Farmington, CN
- ♦ Meet with Gladys Tantaquidgeon in Uncasville, CN????
- ♦ Mohegan burial grounds and Samson Occom Wigwam in Uncasville, CN
- Connecticutt Historical Society in Hartford, CN
- ♦ The Indian & Colonial Center in Old Mystic, CN
- ♦ Samson Occom's birthplace in Montville, CN
- Free time in Connecticut for individual siteseeing and shopping.

#### **NEW YORK:**

- Brothertown Lands in Kirkland, NY
- Samson Occom's gravesite
- Deansboro New Indian cemetery
- Dicksville Burying Ground (Dick/Skeesuck/Fowler)
- Indian trail from Brothertown to Stockbridge (Bogus Hill Road)
- Hamilton College (Brothertown Record Book)
- House of Jacob & Esther Fowler (house still there and occuppied)
- Stockbridge Lands (contact person Olive Baylan, Stockbridge historian)
- Oneida Museum and reservation in Madison County
- Samson Occom's home in Madison county (contact Philys? Brown)??

#### **MASSACHUSETTS:**

Stockbridge, MA

If you know of sites we may be interested in visiting or people we should contact to make our trip more rewarding, please provide us the information ASAP. There are three of us putting together these plans and making the arrangements for transportation and lodging. Dennis Gramentz 612-460-6307, Alicia Johnson 612-943-9566 and Jessica Kramer 612-724-7747.

#### **ESTIMATED COST:** \$500.00 Transportation and Lodging

As it appears today, the maximum cost for transportation & lodging will be \$500.00 per person. We will know definitely as we finalize motel reservations and get the group cost for museums etc.. We will be staying in midrange price motels such as Comfort Inn or Days Inns, & Motel Super 8 which will serve continental breakfast and help load/unload luggage. Arrangements are being made to have as many sit down meals as possible.

### **YOUR RESPONSE:**

Attrached is a form that you need to fill out and mail to Dennis Gramentz. Remember there is only 6 vacant seats, so get your name in right away. The \$100.00 deposit is to reserve the bus, and some motels require some up front money. If you decide that you can not go by time balance is due, your money will be refunded. The balance will be due April 10, 1999.

If you have friends or relatives that are interested in going please have them contact us.

Jessica Kramer e-mail address is: jessica kramer@co.hennepin.mn.us

Dennis Gramentz: 149 Hickory Court, Farmington, MN 55024

#### **PICKUP POINTS:**

Depart South Minneapolis (Lakeville) 6:30am, Madison, and Milwaukee. Exact locations will be determined at later date.

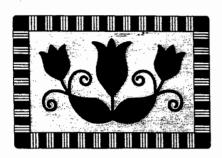
For reservation fill out form and send with \$100.00 deposit to: Dennis Gramentz at 149 Hickory Court, Farmington, MN 55024 Phone: 612-460-6307

Accommodation desired:	Single	Double	Triple/Quad	
Name(s):		······	Phone:	
Address	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Roomate:		Smoking	Non-Smoking	

Make your check payable to <u>Brothertown Eastern Trip</u> and submit as soon as possible. There are only 6 vacant seats as of November 4, 1998.

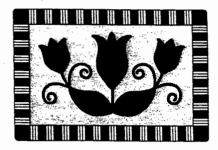
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BROTHERTOWN INDIANS OF WISCONSIN



ANNUAL REPORT
WINTER 1998

Editor: Laura Pawlacyk



#### **Tribal Chairman Report**

by June Ezold

We hope this annual report will be informative and help keep you up to date as to what is happening with your Tribe. Some members have sent articles to be included and one was sent by Delores Block, from Frenchtown, Montana. She thought to introduce Samson Occum, founder of the Brothertown Nation to the members and to follow up with other bits of history. Thank you to Delores. If any others have bits of history, please contact me. We are all learning.

Lynn O'Mohundro sent maps of the Indian Tribes of the United States and it shows the Brothertown Tribe. We will have these items added to our Archives so everyone will be able to enjoy this history in the future. Lynn is from Oregon.

In this issue there is information on voting, Wisconsin Sesquicentennial, pow-wow report, calendar of events, information about the petition, and other information telling you about your Tribe. Will this get you interested enough to start (or continue) involvement with your Tribe? We sure hope so! Maybe we will see you at the picnic or Homecoming this year.

Getting involved is very important when the Brothertown re-recognition petition is reviewed. BAR will conduct a field review and will be looking for involvement from individual tribal members. We really want and need your input and involvement. Although we are spread out across the country and around the world, you are an important part of our community. We ask for your input as well as your assistance with tribal and community projects.

# PLEASE SEE PAGE 3 FOR RESUMES OF THOSE NOMINATED FOR COUNCIL POSITIONS!

#### Exercise your right to vote!

The election of the Nominating Committee for your Tribal Council was held at the February Council meeting. Mark Schreiner, Dick Welch and Debbie Wentz were elected. The offices that will be open for election include Treasurer, Secretary as well as three Council positions. At the March meeting, nominations were accepted from the floor and were added to the nominations brought in by the Nominating Committee. Elections will be held at the May, 1998, Tribal Council meeting. If you wish to exercise your right to vote, you can vote at the May 1998 Brothertown General Assembly meeting held at the Union Hall in Fond du Lac, WI. If you are unable to attend this meeting, please see instructions below.

### **Absentee Voting Information**

In order to request an absentee ballot, you must send a send a signed, written request for and absentee ballot along with a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

Sandy Pawlacyk 308 Parkwood Drive Neenah, WI 54956

In order to vote, each member must be listed on the current Brothertown Tribal roll and each member must request a single ballot. DO NOT send all family member requests in one envelope. If you know your enrollment number, please include this with your request. Once received, Sandy will check your enrollment and send you an absentee ballot. Return the ballot to Sandy in a SEALED ENVELOPE inside the envelope you mail it in (so the mailing envelope can be opened to reveal the sealed envelope which contains your ballot). Sandy must receive your ballot no later than Friday, May 15, 1998. When your ballot is received it will be added to the ballot box which will be opened at the May 16th General Assembly Meeting. DO NOT SIGN the ballot or the envelope with the ballot.

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# Brothertown Indians 1998 Calendar of Events:

All meetings will be held at the John Adam's House, Galloway Village, Pioneer Road, Fond du Lac, WI unless otherwise noted.

February 21	Council Meeting, 10:00 am, Union Hall*
	General Meeting, 1:30 pm, Union Hall
	Election of Nominating Committee (3)

March 21	Council Meeting, 10:00 am, Union Hall General Meeting, 1:30 pm, Union Hall Nominations for council members will be accepted from the floor at meeting.
	Nominee permission required.

April 18	Council Meeting, 10:00 am
April 25	General Meeting, Little Falls, MN. Call for information.

May 16	Council Meeting, 10:00 am, Union Hall
	General Meeting, 1:30 pm, Union Hall
	Election of council members will be held
	(Please make sure you vote!!)

June 9	Sesquicentennial Celebration. Invitation
	from Brandon, WI, see this issue.

June 20	Council Meeting, 10:00 am
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July 18	Annual Picnic at Milwaukee Park, see
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Sept. 19	Council Meeting,	10:00 am

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October 17	Annual Homecoming at Lakeside Park Pavilion, Fond du Lac Council Meeting, 9:00 am Potluck meal, Noon
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General meeting, 1:30 pm

Nov. 21 Council Meeting, 10:00 am

December No meeting. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Jan. 16, 1999 Council Meeting, 10:00 am

If you have questions or want more information, please contact any Council member listed in this report.

\*Union Hall, 50 E Bank Street, Fond du Lac, WI



### Brothertown Indian Petition Status As of September 8, 1997

Petitions Under Consideration Within the Department
of the Interior
(As of September 8, 1997)

#### Ready Status

Ready. Waiting for Active Consideration - 11
Petitioners have corrected deficiencies and/or stated their petition should be considered "ready" for active consideration. Priority among "ready" petitions is based on the date the petition is determined 'ready' by the Branch of Acknowledgment and Research (BAR).

#### Ready DateName of Petitioner

10/4/95	Eastern Pequot Indians of Connecticut, CT		
10/26/95	Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa		
	Indians, Inc., MI		
1/17/96	St. Francis/Sokoki Band of Abenakis of VT		
2/12/96	Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, CA		
2/14/96	Mashpee Wampanoag, MA		
2/28/96	Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin, WI		
5/10/96	Paucatuck Eastern Pequot Indians of CT		
5/23/96	Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, CA		
7/30/96	Tolowa Nation, CA		
5/29/97	Piro/Manso/Tiwa Indian Tribe of the		
	Pueblo of San Juan de Guadalupe		
	(formerly Tiwa Indian Tribe), MN		
6/2/97	Schaghticoke Indian Tribe, CT		

\* As of 2/4/98 the Eastern Pequot Indians of CT have been put on the Active Consideration list. That puts us at number 5.

#### **OBITUARY**

Eola Resop (Sampson) b. 07-13-29

d. 02-06-97

Ancestor: Clark Sampson

Ethel (Mathers) Wettstein b. 09-28-14

d. 12-21-97

Ancestor: Charles Mathers



## PLEASE VOTE!!! See page 1 for voting instructions!

# 1998 Nominees for Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin Tribal Council (listed in alphabetical order):

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#### Caroline Andler

Running for: Secretary (current Council Member) A descendant of John Johnson, Mohegan and John Skeesuck, Narragansett. I am an avid, amateur genealogist. As a member of the Enrollment Committee, I have helped many now on our roll to find their "roots" and as I searched, I learned much about our history. This past year, I had a new learning experience as a Tribal Council Member. I would like to continue to do whatever I can to help the Brothertown Nation achieve the goal of Federal Recognition.

#### **Craig Cottrell**

Running for: Treasurer

I am running for Treasurer of the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin. My Tribal ancestry dates back to the Inez DeGroat on the Official Rolls of 1901. For the past several years I have served in the capacity of Advisor to the Brothertown Community Council. My education background includes and Bachelors Degree in Accounting and Business Management. I am currently the Treasurer of the Oneida United Methodist Church and have served as Treasurer, and Chief Operating Officer, of a Native American owned corporation. I have traveled throughout the United States and Canada doing business with Native American and First Nation Governments. I will do my best to continue the recognition and development of the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin.

#### Gerald R Johnson

Running for: Council Member

My ancestry is Johnson/Fowler. I am running for the position of Council Member because I would like to see Federal Recognition of the Brothertowns. I feel qualified to serve on the Council because of sixteen years of administrative experience as Postmaster. I am retired and can donate sufficient time to the Council.

#### Dawn Kraintz

Running for: Council Member

Potter ancestry. In the past I organized activities for the children during the picnic and the homecoming events. Now I want to expand my involvement, join the council to help obtain our Brothertown goals. Myself, to gain more knowledge of our heritage now and then.

#### **Robert Marx**

Running for: Council Member

Ancestry: Lucinda Brushel, 1939. Thank you for the opportunity to run for Council. I consider it a privilege and duty to be part of the advancement of the Brothertown Tribe. I'm 43, married 22 years, 4 children, self employed in Auto Collision repair. I'm son of a Dairy Farmer, with 10 brothers and sisters (brother of Joan Waldvogel). I'm a life long resident of Longlade County, WI. Active member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Wisconsin Right to Life and Knights of Columbus.

#### Irene Shady

Running for: Council Member (incumbent)
Descendent of Arther Potter. I have been on Council for four years and find that I have learned a lot. If I'm elected will do my best to help the Tribe. I have been on picnic committee, am sunshine person, have helped with the pow wows. I'm retired and work part time as a School Crossing Guard, married 49 years, have 6 children, 12 grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren. If I'm re-elected I will do my best for the Tribe.

#### Martha Stephenson

Running for: Council Member

Descendent from the Lillian Welch 1901 Roll. I got my Masters of Library and Information Science Studies from UW-Madison in May, 1996. I am currently working at the Dane County Housing Authority. I have been attending Council meetings regularly since May, 1997, when I took over as the coffee person. I replaced Ann Walters on the Tribal Council in February, 1998. I am an active Pow wow craft maker and am part of the traditional regalia committee.

#### George Wentz

Running for: Council Member (incumbent)
I sincerely want to finish the projects needed to cause our future endeavors to come to a good end for the betterment of the Tribe and all citizens of the Brothertown Nation. I believe that once we can get our recognition as a tribe out of the way, we will succeed in any path we choose. This is my way of asking you to vote for me again. I served on the Council for five years and I know your trust is with me.

#### Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Brothertown Tribe is to establish a stable and dynamic government which will promote and maintain the spiritual, physical, intellectual, social and economic well being of our citizens; to restore and preserve our unique historical, cultural and traditional beliefs; to preserve and protect our sovereignty in order to achieve self-determination and self-sufficiency; to promote a positive image of integrity, honesty, respect and fairness when pursuing cultural, economic and social initiatives; to promote peace and harmony for the fulfillment of our vision as a community where all people can prosper and grow in mind, body and spirit.

The Brothertown Tribe recognizes and accepts the relationships which must be forged between all who will be affected by our sovereignty.

It is in faith we undertake these tasks and it shall be with a spirit of cooperation and friendship that we reach the goals which we have set apart in this document.

#### Brothertown Indian Board of Commissioners

Appointed by the Tribal Council, which is elected by the Tribal membership, the Board of Commissioners answers directly to the Council. The members of the Board include: Jim Ottery of Waukegan, IL, Laura Pawlacyk of Minneapolis, MN, Mike Pelky of Plymouth, WI, Dick Welch of Fond du Lac, WI, and Mark Schreiner of Germantown, WI.

The main priority of the Board of Commissioners is to seek land and create policies and procedures toward its pursuit. While the Board of Commissioners looks for and examines properties, the Tribal Council reserves the right of final approval on any action taken in obtaining a property.

To date, the Board has looked at assorted buildings including a house that might be used as an office and at bingo halls that could be rented on a daily basis. The Board has also looked as some land located north of Fond du Lac. The largest obstacle the Board of Commissioners faces in obtaining property is lack of funding.

## Brothertown Tribal Council Members



Council Members back row: George Wentz, Phyllis Mattern, Sandy Pawlacyk, June Ezold; front row: Caroline Andler, Irene Shady, Martha Stephenson.

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Enrollment Report
Phyllis Mattern

I have enrolled roughly 64 new members from April 1997 to March 1998. Please remember to keep us informed if you marry, change your name, or move. When writing please refer to your Roll Number!

### Wisconsin Sesquicentennial Celebration June 9, 1998 Brandon, Wisconsin

The Brothertown Indians have been invited to participate in the Wisconsin Sesquicentennial Wagon Train on June 9, 1998 in Brandon, WI.

The people on the planning committee in Brandon want to keep the celebration historic and authentic, therefore have contacted the Brothertown Indians to provide demonstrations on Indian culture. We, as a community, are working hard to make Traditional Brothertown Regalia (see article below) and to participate in this event. All are welcome and encouraged to participate!

Some of the events planned for the Sesquicentennial Celebration include a welcoming parade for the wagon train, three public feasts, a historic military re-enactment, an arrowhead collection, demonstration by blacksmiths, Amish quilting and spinning, weaving and tanning hides.

#### Traditional Regalia by Martha Stephenson

We will be getting together to work on our traditional Brothertown dress for the Sesquicentennial Celebration in June, 1998. All members and spouses are welcome, no experience is necessary. Please come to one or more sessions. Learn and sew. Call us for more information and RSVP.

Sandy Pawlacyk 308 Parkwood Drive Neenah, WI 54956 (920) 722-4305 March 28, 1998

10:00 am

Martha Stephenson 306 N Yellowstone Drive Madison, WI 53705 (608) 833-9392

May 2, 1998 10:00 am

Caroline Andler S37 W34917 Hwy D Dousman, WI 53118 (414) 965-3994 May 30, 1998 10:00 am

#### Pow wow Committee Quarterly Report by Mike Pelky

We attended the Winter Pow wow in Milwaukee in March, 1998. We had two nice days but attendance was down due to winter storms. Those that helped were Jim Ottery, Mary Randolph, Martha Stephenson, Linda and Irene Shady, Carolyn and Bob Andler, Joe Loppnow, Rose and myself.

We had tow craft workshops and made quite a few children's things, as well as dream catchers. We want to thank Irene Shady and Dawn Kraintz for use of their homes. Also thank you to our helpers: Jerry Andrews, Lisa Andrews, Boots and Irma Sampson, Linda Shady, Kathy McArthur, Mark Schreiner, Martha Stephenson, Carolyn and Bob Andler, Sandy Pawlacyk and Sandy's mother Eleanor Kindness.

Joe Loppnow donated two painted feathers and a painted Goede and Lisa Andrews made a set of bride and groom dolls, as well as Impkin dolls for us to sell.

We are still taking orders for embroidered jackets and flute tapes "Flutes of Moo-Wa-Sah." The flutes for this tape were made by Wally Blanc and played by his friend Mark Woerpel. For more information on these things or to volunteer for our next craft workshop or pow wow, please call Mike Pelky at (920) 892-2556. Please attend meetings because WE CANNOT DO IT ALL BY OUR-SELVES!

#### SACRED SELF HOOP Sandy Pawlacyk

A Sacred Self Hoop represents your life and significant events that have happened. The Hoop is made out of a red willow branch bent into a hoop with the ends crossed and tied with sinew. There are 1/4 inch satin ribbons of various colors tied to it which represent the significant events in your life, and various colors of pony beads strung on the ribbons to represent the people who helped you through these events. There is a bird feather tied to a ribbon to show where you are in your life (ascending or descending). You hang the hoop in a window to remind you of these events and how you survived them.



# Brothertown Indians of Minnesota

Come to the Meeting:

When:

Saturday, April 25, 1998

11:30am to 4:00 pm

Where:

Grace Covenant Church

1201 River Wood Drive Little Falls, MN 56345

Bring:

Food for Potluck lunch at Noon

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET TOGETHER TO SHARE pictures, books, articles, and other information.

June Ezold, Brotherton Tribal Chairperson, along with other tribal members from Wisconsin will be there to update us on current tribal affairs. If you have any questions, please write in advance. (2848 Witches Lake Road, Arbor Vitae, WI 54568, Telephone 715-542-3913)

A feature of this meeting will be the making of fry bread by Rose and Jessica Kramer and a demonstration on carving diamond willow walking sticks by Ron Skeesick.

If you have questions about this April 25th meeting, please call either Joan Schadewald (612) 753-3002 or Rose Kramer (218) 829-8136.

COME, BRING YOUR RELATIVES AND PLAN FOR A GREAT DAY!!!!

## **EOYAMGUITTOOWAUCONNUCK** BROTHERTOWN NATION ANNUAL PICNIC JULY 18, 1998

Held at New Berlin's Valleyview Park, picnic site 2. Refer to map on reverse side for location. (Calumet County Park Ski Lodge closed for renovation).

©REGISTRATION: Begins at 10:00 a.m. Council meeting also starts at 10:00 a.m.

**♥FEES:** \$1.00 per person.

\$5.00 for an immediate family of five or more.

**WHAT TO BRING:** Please bring your own plates, cups, eating utensils, soda, bottled water etc... to make your day more enjoyable. Coffee will be provided.

**DISH TO PASS:** Bring your favorite dish to share with your fellow members. We enjoy fruit, veggies, snacks, casserole's, desserts, pickles, pasta and potato salads, sausage, crackers, roast beef, chicken, ham, rolls etc....(we have electric outlets but no refrigeration on site) please plan ahead. We will be supplying fresh grilled hamburgers and hot-dogs for a nominal fee.

ABOUT THE PARK: Valleyview Park is located in New Berlin on Sunnyslope Road between Beloit Road and Grange Avenue. Paved parking lot at the site. The pavilion will hold over 100 people as well as additional picnic tables under the shade of our beautiful Wisconsin trees. We have on site a sand volleyball court and horseshoe pit. We will provide baseballs and bats, horseshoes, volleyball, tennis racquets(court is kiddy corner from picnic site), water balloons and various other items to make this day an exciting event for all. Indoor restrooms and playground border the picnic site.



**LODGING:** Please call if you would like more information.

**CRAFTS:** Crafts will be sold through out the day.

**BINGO:** Please bring gifts wrapped in newspaper and marked boy/girl or man/woman. These will be used for bingo prizes.

OTHER: Lunch will be served at noon. The general meeting will follow. Games for the Little Indians will held during the general meeting and then B-I-N-G-O. Several items will also be raffled.

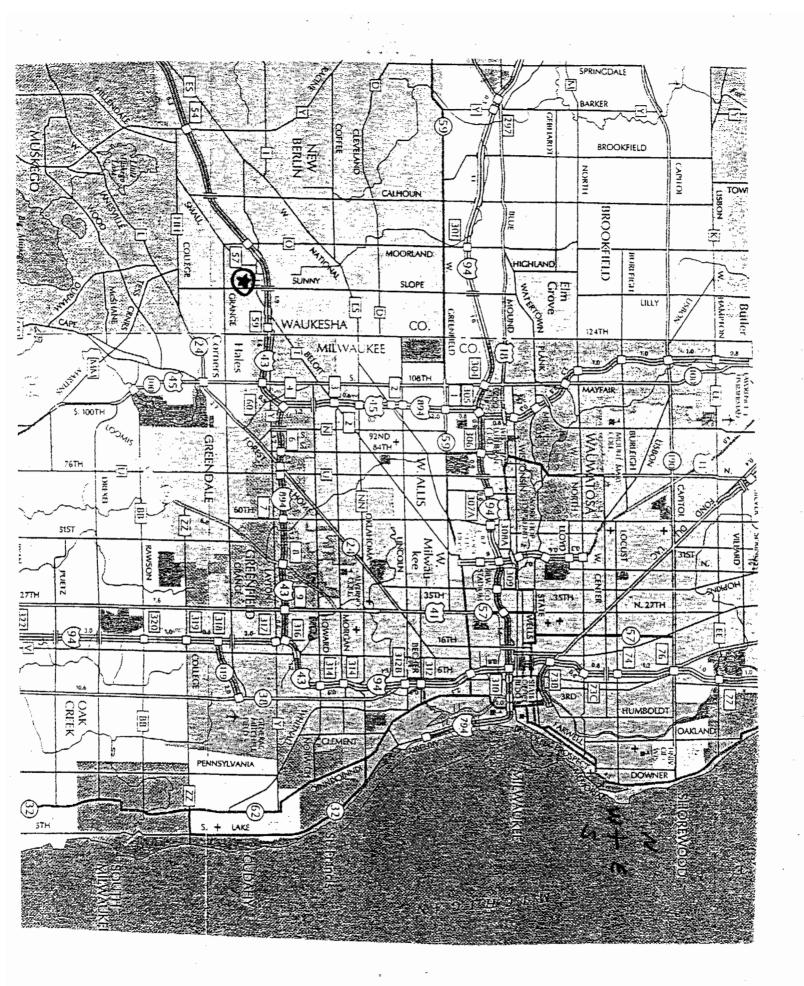
#### DETACH AND RETURN BY JULY 11, 1998

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Name			No. of adults	
Address			No. of children	
City	State	Zip	Phone	
Return to: Lauri	e or Debbie Went	z		

1950 S. 94th Street, West Allis, WI 53227

Any questions please call (414) 321-3758

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: The Brothertown Indians of WI





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March 1998

Dear Brothertown Member:

The Community Council hopes that the past Holiday Season was a joyous and healthy time for your family.

The community Council is wwriting to the Brothertown membership to inform them of the past accomplishments and to ask for your assistance in 1998.

1997, upon reflection, was one of gladness and deep sorrow. The gladness was in all the work that the Community Council, Board of Commissioners and the many volunteers had performed in maintaining the government of the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin. The Community Council and Board of Commissioners wish to thank all the members of committees and volunteers for their support and work throughout the past year. The sorrow was in the passing of our Tribal Treasurer Leo Tousey. Leo will be sadly missed for his devition and duty, as well as being a great friend of the Brothertown Indians.

In 1997, as in the past several years, the Community Council had applied for a grant from the Assistance to Native Americans Department of Health and Human Services. The grant was declined. The Brothertown Community Council will not have funding in which to carry out its business in 1998. The Brothertown Community Council is requesting your help in providing funds.

The Brothertown Membership is over 2,000 enrolled members as of the year end 1997. The number of adults is estimated at 1,000. If the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin could receive \$25.00 from every adult member, the Community Council would have the resources to continue the business of the Tribe. Please keep in mind that the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin's petition for federal acknowledgment is currently number five on the "Ready to be activated" list of the Branch of Acknowledgment and Research of the BIA.

We ask your help at this crucial time for the Tribe. Please give generously to the Tribe and remember that all donations are fully tax June Ezold,

Chairperson, Brothertown Indian Nation