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The Quarterly Report of the:

Brothertown Indian Nation

(Brothertown Nation, Inc.)

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Editorial Board: Doug Foy, Mary Rudolph Co-editors

"Thank You"

As always, we appreciate the dedication and commitment of our volunteers who generously donate their time and effort for the Brothertown Community.

Volunteers Needed

If you would like to contribute your time in any way, it is very much needed and greatly appreciated. Please call or email the office.

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| Office | Need person(s) to answer tele-phones and direct correspondence on Monday & Tuesday's.
Various office duties as needed. |
| Picnic | Person(s) willing to donate items for our picnic basket auction.

Person(s) willing to help with food set up, registration, and cleanup. |
| Raffle | Person (s) willing to sell raffle tickets. |

WANTED

Used printer ink cartridges. Mail to the office. The office receives 1 ream of recycled paper or \$3.00 @ Staples for each empty ink cartridge. This will help with the office costs & help the environment☺

Membership

It is essential that you inform us immediately when you or a family member, experience a change in name, address, or other contact information.

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Chairperson's Corner

Richard Schadewald

The Community Involvement Special Meeting

On Saturday, February 19th, we held a special meeting to discuss our tribal community. Former Chairperson, Ted Stephenson, was a driving force in these discussions. This was just the first opportunity to have a frank discussion and debate the important issue of what kind of tribal community we want to have and what steps should we take to get there. I am summarizing below, but I hope we can continue this discussion in future meetings and newsletters.

Topics discussed concerning the kind of community we want to have included the activities we do, the amount or lack thereof of member's involvement, organized connections by the extended families, efforts made to bring back formerly involved members, a place of tribal identification that can be visited, a more informed community, and involvement by members that can be documented.

Steps we could take to get greater tribal community involvement included suggestions for more family gatherings, discussion of accumulation of historical documentation, more personal contacts, council-supported family gatherings, building a community center, Brothertown Circle, and greater participation at Homecoming and Picnic.

Bottom line, we recognize the importance of our tribal community and need to take positive steps to encourage greater involvement in tribal activities and support actions to build stronger tribal community ties, especially among the families.

Charles-Mouz-Pamp-Memorial Scholarship

Applications for the **Charles Mouz Pamp Memorial Scholarship**, with a deadline of May 1st each year, can be obtained by contacting the Brothertown office.

For additional information on all grants available to Native Americans contact the FA office at the school of higher education you will be attending.

American Indian Tuition Waiver

In recognition of the Morris campus's history as an Indian Boarding School in the 1800s, the Minnesota legislature mandated that American Indians attending Morris are not required to pay tuition. Students must be admitted to the University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM), complete the American Indian Tuition Waiver Application, and present acceptable documentation of blood quantum or blood line/heritage such as Tribal Registration, Certificate of Indian Blood or other legal documentation of American Indian heritage. Applicants are not required to be residents of Minnesota. Students will receive notification of the American Indian Tuition Waiver from the Financial Aid Office.

Academic Grants

Wisconsin Indian Student Assistance Grant is a need-based grant available to Wisconsin residents who are attending a Wisconsin school of higher education.

For information contact your school or the State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board, P.O. Box 7885, Madison, WI 53707-7885.

You can also contact them at:

<http://heab.state.wi.us/programs.html> and follow the links for the "Indian Student Assistance Grant". Complete the application and send it to the Brothertown office for verification of the member-student's enrollment in the tribe. We will then send it to the school for action and they will forward it to the WHEAB in Madison. Do not contact us on the status of your application. We do not approve the grant but only verify the student's Brothertown enrollment. Check with your school or the WHEAB.

QUARTERLY REPORT

One issue is sent per adult household.

The next deadline for submission is June 13, 2008. Kindly submit all material utilizing Microsoft Word and either email the article, or snail mail an electronic disk of it, to the office.

If received after midnight, it will not make the current newsletter.

We reserve the right to edit for space.

Raffle

Linda Shady

In the spirit of Samson Occum who was asked to travel all the way to Europe to raise money for a place now known as Dartmouth College we are asking you to help raise money to build a place the Brothertown people can call home. The good news is you don't have to leave the country to help. The bad news is, we need a lot of donations.

We've made it easy for you to assist. In the last newsletter you received raffle tickets and a self-addressed envelope. Fill out the tickets and place them and your donation in the envelope and send it back to the tribal office. By donating for the raffle tickets you will help your tribe achieve its dream of a building to call its own and in the process have six (6) chances to win the prizes listed on the ticket stub.

Please request more tickets if you know people who are willing to donate to this cause. Call Linda at (920) 929-8135 or write Brothertown Indian Nation, Attn. Linda Shady, P.O. Box 2206, Fond du Lac, WI 54936-2206. Thank you in advance for your willingness to participate.

Mondovi, Wi Area Tribal Members

**My name is Roger Schuh and I am interested in getting together with any Brothertown tribal members who live in my area.
Please contact me at 715-926-3694.**

**Roger Schuh
409 Prairie Ave
Mondovi, Wi 54755**

Brothertown Nation Land Funds

Mary Rudolph

We currently have \$45,000.00 in the Calumet County Land Fund and \$10,000.00 in the BILAC Land Fund. These funds have been created over the years by your generous donations to these specific funds.

BROTHERTOWN ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECT

Craig Cipolla, University of Pennsylvania archaeologist attended the March 2008 Council Meeting. He updated the Council on the upcoming season in Brothertown. He is working with cooperative land-owners to do further digs. The project's primary goal is to locate, map, and explore early Brothertown sites, particularly those in need of preservation. Potential sites of interest include Brothertown Indian homes and communal spaces such as the historic Grist Mill. He also plans to catalog gravesites in Union Cemetery while locating unmarked burial sites. He is interested in having members volunteer for this season so if you are willing to spend some time assisting let him know. His contact information follows. craigcipolla@sas.upenn.edu or phone (617)571-5008

What kind are you?

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed or are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings, mingle with the flock or stay at home and criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part to help the work along or are you satisfied to be the kind that just belong?

Do you ever voluntarily help at the guiding stick or leave the work to just a few and talk about the clique?

Come out to the meetings often and help with hand and heart.

Don't be just a member, take an active part.

Think this over.....Are you an active member or do you just belong???

**From Oct 1985 Alumni Accent
Newsletter, OEA, Columbus, OH**



Office Information

Be sure to include your Tribal Roll # with all correspondence

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Debbie Pickering

Enrollment Committee Chairperson:

Dennis Gramentz

Tribal Genealogist:

Caroline Andler

Elders & Sunshine

Irene Shady

Upcoming ACTIVITIES

Saturday, June 14th, 2008: Appleton Flag Day Parade in Appleton, Wisconsin

June 21st & June 22th, 2008: Summer Gathering on Bay de Noc with Wally Blanc and Loran Worphal. Escanaba, Michigan

July 16th – 20th, 2008: Fond du Lac County Fair at Fond du Lac fairgrounds.

Sept. 5th – 7th, 2008: Indian Summer, Henry Maier Festival Park, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
www.indiansummer.org

COUNCIL MEETINGS / Gatherings 2008

January 19: Council meeting, 9 a.m., office

February 16: Council/General meeting, 9 a.m., office

(Election of the Election Committee)

March 15: Council/General meeting, 9 a.m., office, [Council nominations]

April 19: Council/General meeting, 11 am, **Grace Covenant Church, Little Falls, MN.**
Minnesota Annual Gathering

May 17: Council/General meeting, 9 a.m. **North Fond du Lac Senior Center**
Please VOTE!

Election of candidates to the Brothertown Nation Community Council. Election held at North Fond du Lac Senior Center, 280 Garfield St., North Fond du Lac, WI. **Voting walk-in hours 10am-2pm.**

June 21: Council, 9 a.m. office

July 12th, 2008: Brothertown Annual Picnic, Lakeside Park Owen Island West, Fond du Lac, WI
See full page for more details

July 19: Council meeting, 9 a.m., office

August 16: Council meeting, 10 a.m. at **St. Francis Church, Gresham, WI.**

September 20: Council meeting, 10 a.m., at **Spotted Eagle High School, Milwaukee, WI.**
New council meeting location!

October 18th, 2008: Brothertown Homecoming Gathering, Expo Building at Fond du lac Fairgrounds.

October 25: Council meeting, 9 am, office.

November 15: Council meeting, 9 am, office

December 06: Council meeting, 9 am, office.

[Notice of upcoming meetings is provided three weeks prior to the event to community newspapers throughout Wisconsin.]

Community Council Elections

Candidates for election to the Council
are as follows:

All terms are three (3) years

Secretary (choose one)

Caroline K. Andler

I am currently the secretary and would like your vote. I have been the only Tribal Genealogist the Brothertown Nation has had since Rudi Ottery. My research was used to satisfy the genealogy requirement for our updated petition. I have been the Chairperson for the Recognition Committee since 2004, updated and completely sourced the petition sent in December 2005.

The Petition for the Federal Government to once again recognize the Brothertown Nation as a tribal community was important because it documented our past, honored the sacrifices, the strength of our ancestors. But what of the future "for our children and children's children and on and on for perpetuity"? What are we teaching them of our history, our traditions, our culture.

The only goal worth striving for, as a tribal community, is to see a museum built to house the Brothertown documents in their rightful place –
Brothertown

Council Members (choose two)

Mike Pelky

My name is Michael Pelky (Council)

My Ancestry lines are from: Mussuck, Ceasar, Cochegan and Bostwick

I am presently working as the Veterans Representative for our Brothertown families and assisting at our Brothertown Bingo on Tuesday nights. I have served on the Council for one term until the last election and before that I served for quite a few years on the Board of Commissioners, helped with the Walk-a-thons, Brothertown Picnic and the Brothertown Homecoming. In the 1980's-90's I worked as the Craft Committee Chair for 8 years attending and selling at BTN meetings, Indian Summer, Little Falls meetings, Gresham meetings

and Powwows as well as the Fond du Lac and Chilton Fairs.

We need to encourage community involvement. I ask for your vote as I am determined to do my best for our community by serving on the council. My past involvements demonstrate my desire to be of service.

Thank you, Mike MAP6611@Verizon.net

Jeremy Marx

We are a cultural place of importance for the visitors who will see native peoples, their community, and their culture in new and meaningful ways as the result of the presence of Brothertown and their insights in thinking in all we do. As important from my standpoint as both a native person myself and as a Brothertown Indian, we will become in important ways, not withstanding our presence in Fond-du-Lac and our location on the eastern side of Lake Winnebago, a community or civic place and space, physical and virtual for the native peoples who still call that place home, and who hope for, and indeed I believe will insist upon, a cultural future.

We are well aware, sometimes painfully so, of what lies behind us, but our vision should be focused, always, on a future in the twenty-first century that hold immense promise for all that call themselves Brothertown.

Peacemakers (choose one)

Term is five (5) years

Irvin Bostwick

I am running for Peacemaker. Previously, I was chairperson of the tribal Election Committee. I want to stay involved in and with my tribe. This position will allow me to follow through with any decisions and or problems that may arise related to the elections, as well as other decisions that need to be addressed.

My qualifications are that I served for five years on State of Wisconsin Governor's Council for the Americans with Disabilities Act and Department of Vocational Rehabilitations. Presently, I am Vice-Chair of City of Milwaukee Bid #27 board. I am

also on two committees for the Burleigh Main Street programs.

I attended University of Wisconsin – Oshkosh. I am a past president and a member of the Lions Club of Brown Deer where I have resided for over 35 years.

Ancestry through Lucy Cohegan Bostwick

Debbie Pickering (incumbent)

I am honored to be nominated for the position of Peace Keeper. Elected to a one year term last year, I have found our discussions about the role of the Peace Keepers exhilarating as well as promising.

A Johnson/Fowler descendent, I have been an active member of the tribe for many years. I was one of the three people to organize the Brothertown Circle, a group dedicated to learning more about the history and culture of our ancestors. In recent years, as a member of the Circle, I have shared responsibility for the planning of three Homecoming celebrations.

Two chairpersons have asked me to be head of the tribe's Culture Division, which I accepted. In addition, I was thrilled to participate in two organized bus trips to New England to visit our ancestral lands and cemeteries. (The first trip was in 1999.)

Being a Brothertown Indian is a source of joy for me, and, as a Peace Keeper, I would strive to be fair to individuals while always keeping in mind the bigger picture: the welfare and cohesion of the tribe.

Veterans

Mike Pelky

I am looking for veterans to participate in the Appleton Flag Day Parade. To be held June 14th. 2008 There is a ride in the parade for those veterans that are unable to walk the parade route. Please contact me if you are willing to take part. Call me at 920-892-2556 or email me at map6611@verizon.net

Also,

The Fond du Lac South Shore Chorale is sponsoring "An American Salute" as a Musical Tribute to our Armed Forces. The event will be on Sunday April 13, 2008 at 3:00 PM at the Fond du Lac High

School PAC. Tickets are \$10.00 for general admission and are available at Wegner's Office Supply, from Chorus members or at the door.

For more information, contact Garvin Sheilds 920-922-9012

Adopt-A-Highway

Douglas Foy

We will again walk our stretch of State Highway 55 picking up roadside debris as part of adopt a highway program. We plan to schedule our next pickup Sunday, 1 pm May 4, 2008. Please meet at Lakeview Restaurant, Hwy F and Hwy 55 just two miles north of Quinney. Email me at dougf@brothertownindians.org or call 920-979-2449 if you desire to volunteer. I'll be able to fill you in on the process. Thanks in advance.

Backward Glances

1983

Over 85 people attend the Brothertown Indian Homecoming held October 15, 1983 at the Town Hall in Brothertown, WI. Representative Gervase Hephner and members of the Brothertown Town Board welcomed the assembly, which signaled the conclusion of the Brothertown Indians 150th year in the territory and state of Wisconsin.

A 10:30 a.m. informational meeting presided by June Ezold, Tribal Chair, began the days activities. Reports were given by all committees noting recent progress and presentations were made by Rudi Ottery, Robert Gough, Willis Ottery, and Elaine Raddatz.

A potluck dinner and round table discussion by Brothertown elders followed the meeting. Afternoon activities included a craft sale and raffle, trips to Brothertown cemeteries, and display of the traveling exhibit, fund-raising items, and all past issues of the tribal newsletter, **The Brotherton Messenger.**

Special thanks to everyone who participated in the Brothertown Homecoming. Plans are already underway for another Homecoming in 1984.

There's a Moral to be Learned

This is a story about four people named: Everybody, Somebody, Anybody, and Nobody. There was an important job to be done and Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. Somebody got angry about that, because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Anybody could do it, but Nobody realized that Everybody wouldn't do it. So, it ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody, when Nobody did what Anybody could have done.

From the Alum-Line Newsletter of the Wisconsin Office
Education Association-Alumni, September 1984.

SAMSON OCCUM and the Christian Indians of New England

By W. DeLoss Love

Originally Published by Pilgrim Press, 1899
Published by First Syracuse University Press, 2000 Edition

This classic is an account of the Brothertown history and genealogy from 1620 New England to the 1800's settlement of the Brothertown people in Wisconsin. The religion, social, political, and economic struggles faced by our ancestors throughout the centuries must not be forgotten. As we move toward recognition we must be aware of our history and the book includes a genealogy of the root families of Brothertown. This book is being offered by mail as a fundraiser for the Nation and is coordinated by the Craft Committee.



Item	Price	Total
Soft cover edition <i>Samson Occum and the Christian Indians of New England</i>	\$20.00	
Shipping per item	\$3.00	
TOTAL DUE		

Please send your tax deductible check or money order payable to **Brothertown Nation, Inc.** to:

Jane Borchardt
N9747 Brandy Creek Road
Clintonville, WI 54929

SHIP TO (please type or print clearly):

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ or Email: _____

(In the event we have questions about your order)



June Ezold Chairperson Emeritus

June Ezold Memorial Fund

Joan D. Waldvogel

2008 Brings a renewed Spark to continue Contributing to the Purchase of Our OWN Tribal Building to hold our meetings, house our library, artifacts, and have our gatherings. January 14th was one year since the death of June Ezold, who gave the Brothertown Tribe her ALL as a most devoted Chairperson for 21 years plus. In the event you have not had a chance to contribute to the Memorial Fund, NOW would be a GREAT TIME to give in Memory of June or any other Ancestor or Person you wish to remember.

As of December 31, 2007, the Total in our Memorial Fund is \$7,170.65. A very generous donation of \$20,000.00 was made for land in Calumet County in memory of June Ezold & Rudy Ottery. Let's make 2008 the YEAR that we can REALLY take steps to get our OWN Building! Every donation is greatly Appreciated!

May it be your pleasure to give whatever you can. Please use the helpful form provided.

Please cut off on line and send bottom portion with your donation

In Memory of June Ezold, or _____
Name other person/s you wish to give in memory of

My family wishes to donate _____ for the establishing of our Brothertown Nation Community Center in which June Ezold and other Ancestors will be Honored.

Member Name: _____ Enrollment #: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone Number _____

Make Check payable to: Brothertown Nation Inc., and mail to:
Brothertown Nation Inc.
P.O. Box 2206
Fond du Lac, WI 54936-2206

A Receipt will be sent to you for Tax purposes. THANK YOU!

2008 Absentee Ballot Request

Fill out the following request: **ONLY ONE REQUEST PER ENVELOPE**
(Please print)

Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Membership (roll) Number: _____

Residential Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State and Zip Code: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

check here if this is a new address to update the office records

You Must 18 or Older to Vote

Mail to: Election Committee
% Brothertown Indian Nation Office
P. O. Box 491
Fond du Lac, WI 54936

Send this form along with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to the address above.

ONLY ONE REQUEST PER ENVELOPE WILL BE HONORED

To ensure timely delivery, request for absentee ballot should be postmarked no later than 10 business days before the election.

The Election Committee will then mail the absentee ballot back to you, using your stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Place your **COMPLETED** ballot into the envelope labeled "BALLOT" (DO NOT WRITE ON THIS ENVELOPE). Place the BALLOT envelope in the **SPECIALLY ADDRESSED** envelope provided by the Election Committee, seal it and place it in another envelope that you will address, stamp and mail back in to the address above.

DO NOT WRITE ON THE BALLOT ENVELOPE!

DEADLINE for receipt of all absentee ballots will be FRIDAY, May 16, 2008

Election Procedure

If an absentee ballot is required, the procedure will be the following:

- Request must be made in writing to the Brothertown Office, P. O. Box 491, Fond du Lac, WI, 54936 by tribal member(s). Only one request per envelope will be honored.
- Request for absentee ballot should be postmarked no later than 10 business days before the election.
- Election Committee will pick up requests daily at the Post office.
- Validation of membership is verified, using list of all eligible voting members given to committee, both numerical and alphabetical.
- Once verified, specially addressed envelopes and ballots, which are initialed by all members of the Election Committee, will be sent out to the absentee voter via First Class USPS.
- Absentee ballot name, address, roll number, date ballot request received, date ballot sent out and date ballot received will be kept on a data base daily.
- Absentee ballots must be received in mail by close of business day prior to the Election Day and will be locked in a separate box which will be kept at the Brothertown Office in Fond du Lac. Key to this box will be kept with an impartial person until the day of election.
- Polling day ballots will be kept in a separate locked ballot box.
- Ballots cannot be destroyed for 30 calendar days after the election.

The election will be held at the North Fond du Lac Senior Center 280 North Garfield St, North Fond du Lac, Wisconsin on Saturday, May 17, 2008 from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM.

On the day of election, members of the Election Committee will check in and verify voting members.

Voting will close at 2:00 PM, at which time the ballot boxes will be opened and counted immediately in an open environment. Prior to counting the ballots the Election Committee must verify the appropriate number of ballots for the election.

The results of the election will be announced immediately after the count has been finalized and posted.

BROTHERTOWN INDIANS ANNUAL PICNIC 2008

JULY 12th, 2008

LAKESIDE PARK OVEN ISLAND WEST- FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN

SPONSORED BY THE BROTHERTOWN ELDERS

BRING FOOD TO SHARE AT THE FEAST. FEAST WILL BEGIN AT 12:00 NOON

- ❖ **BASKET AUCTION:** Bring a basket (your choice of theme) FOR THE BASKET AUCTION
- ❖ **CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:**
- ❖ **CRAFTS WIL BE OFFERED FOR SALE**
- ❖ **HISTORY DISPLAY**
- ❖ **SOCIALIZING AND ENJOYING PICNIC**
- ❖ **RAFFLE TICKETS WILL BE FOR SALE WITH DRAWING HELD AT PICNIC**

Please bring your own silverware and dishes as well as your beverage of choice.

Registration fee: per person \$1.00 – or \$5.00 per immediate family

(NO ALCOHOL PLEASE)

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

RETURN BOTTOM PORTION OF FORM TO:

**IRENE SHADY
403 FRANKLIN STREET
FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN 54935**

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Directions will be available on the BIN website calendar. You can also email or call the office. Questions? Contact: Brothertown Nation Office, (920)929-9964.

Celebrate CommUNITY

By Caroline K. Andler

March 8, 2008 – Fond du Lac, WI

A Fond du Lac group called "United for Diversity" sponsored a community event of cultural immersion. The focus of the day was on families, especially the children, interacting with all the diverse culture groups that live in the Fond du Lac area, through the universal language of games, music and dance. Forty-five ethnic groups from around the world, set up exhibits offering foods unique to their country at no cost. Participants wore the traditional clothing of their ancestors and displayed priceless treasures brought from their homelands.

Dennis Gramentz organized a group of Brothertown members to participate in this enriching community event. Gordon Williams and his "Gii Taa' Se Singers", graciously allowed us to bill the group as the Brothertown Drum. They drummed and sang to open the event and then sang the Native American National Anthem, as thirty-five young students carried in the flags of every Nation represented in Fond du Lac. The Brothertown Indian Nation flag was second in line, behind the United States flag. In an impressive ceremony, one by one, each student called out the country of the flag he carried and set it in place on the stage, where they remained until the end of the day.

Denny gave the opening welcome address, giving a short history of the Brothertown beginnings in New England, and their forced journey, ending in Brothertown, on the east side of Lake Winnebago.

Before noon, over 1000 people had entered the doors, visiting booths, asking questions, sampling ethnic foods and listening to the music. Children were entertained all day with special activities. A hands-on diversity experience was demonstrated by using the language of music and dance that is common to all nationalities. Dick Welch told stories for the children, following a Japanese story teller. Scottish dancers played the bagpipes, Filipino dancers encouraged hesitant onlookers to try the fast paced dancing between two moving wooden poles, a crowd filled the floor for the Polish Polka, and a gospel choir rocked the room with their joyful praises to the Lord.

Joan and Frank Waldvogel handed out samples for tasting of Cedar Tea and packages of cedar branches and the directions on how to brew your own medicinal tea. This drink kept our ancestors healthy through the bitterly cold Wisconsin winters while working in the woods.

Doug Foy, Bob and Caroline Andler, Ted and Judy Bauer, and Greg Wilson were kept busy in the booth, answering questions about the Brothertown Nation heritage and culture. Greg's twin daughters, Jessica and Amanda enjoyed themselves seeing what free trinkets they could collect from the different exhibits.

This is an event that United for Diversity will sponsor annually, not only for the benefit of promoting acceptance of people of all cultures, but to educate and maintain the pride of the new generations who are becoming further and further distanced from their heritage because of the nature of our society.

Next year we would like to have volunteers to make and serve a taste of corn soup, and venison and wild rice. Perhaps even oyster stew, a favorite food our ancestors brought with them from New England and which they continued to make here in Brothertown through the 1930's, perhaps so they would never forget where our Trail of Tears began.

All afternoon a variety of musicians, singers and dancers entertained, Mexican folk dancers; Hmong dancers; Irish dancers; Dutch Klompen dancers, all enjoying showing others the music and dance of their ancestors. Next year perhaps a group of Brothertown members in regalia, dancing around the drum?

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AS OF JUNE 23rd, 2008

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Elder's to help with the picnic.

Anyone interested in doing games for the kids that will be attending?

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| Drawing | Person (s) willing to sell tickets. |

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I AM A BROTHERTOWN INDIAN

By Theodore E. Stephenson, a retired Chairperson

Some Background. Over the years a dedicated core of volunteers, as well as our predecessors, have worked without pay keeping the momentum going in the Brothertowns drive for Federal Acknowledgment as a Sovereign Tribal Nation.

The question you must ask yourself is do you want to be a member of a sovereign Indian Nation or would you prefer to be a member of a club? The Brothertown can always play "Indian" but the depth of meaning to be "Indian" and a Sovereign Indian Nation has come at a steep price; namely the loss of our cultural, historical embodiments and our community spirit. There is no better way to keep meaning and honor for our tribal ancestors than to be recognized as a Brothertown Indian Community. We will always be Indians, as individuals, but without a home we are isolated and destined to fade away.

Can you handle that status? **The Brothertown Indian Nation's Petition Has Been Activated!** We must have your support. Acknowledgment is not free. Is the pride you have for being a Brothertown member limited by apathy? By what's in it for me? Then it is time you stand up and do something about that apathy and reclaim your passion for being a Brothertown. Distance, age, commitment of time, expertise; none of these are a factor when you can show your loyalty by saying, "Yes! I am proud of being a Brothertown Indian and I am going to help! Now is the time to stand up and say: **I am a Brothertown Indian.**"

Brothertown folklore, fact or fiction. It has been reported that in 1978, when the federal rules were revised for acknowledgment of tribes, a federal researcher telephoned and asked for the operator for the telephone number of the Brothertown Indians in Brothertown. Of course there was none. But, the operator knew that "xxx" was known to be Brothertown council member. The federal researcher then telephoned "xxx" and asked: "are you a Brothertown Indian?" and "xxx" responded: "I consider myself of German descendant." Fact or fiction, we cannot afford such answers. You are either a Brothertown Indian or you are not. For me it is a very simple question and answer.

Stand up and be recognized: Fact or fiction, this story addresses our present situation. **The Brothertown Indian Nation's Petition Has Been Activated!** How can we get our members to know and acknowledge their heritage?

Step 1: Consider this response: (The most important response is:) *I am a Brothertown Indian.* (Then followed by:) The Brothertown community traces its ancestral roots to Algonquian speaking people who lived in the Thames River Valley, some 400 years ago.

Step 2: The Historical Roadside Marker. Know and understand the Brothertowns history as inscribed on our historical roadside marker. The text is less than 150 words. The marker was installed at the intersection of State Highways 55 & 151 in Calumet County on the northern boundary of the original Brothertown land in Wisconsin. This is our most brief History.

The Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin: The Brothertown (Brotherton) are descendants of the Pequot and Mohegan (Algonquin-speaking) tribes in southern New England. They became a tribe in 1769 when seven Christian and English-speaking communities organized and moved to land in upstate New York. They cleared the land, planted

fields and built houses while under intense pressure to again move west. The Brothertown joined their neighbors, the Oneida and the Stockbridge, and planned a move to Wisconsin. The Brothertowns purchased land near Kaukauna which the United States government exchanged for the land called Brothertown Township in Calumet County. Five groups of Brothertown arrived in Wisconsin on ships at the port of Green Bay between 1831 and 1836. Upon arrival, the Brothertowns cleared land and began farming after building a church near Jericho. Today, the Brothertown remain a culturally distinct Indian community of about 2,400 with the largest concentration residing in the Fond du Lac area.

Step 3: A Very Brief History of the Brothertown Indians: Know and understand the following very brief history. The Brothertown Indians trace their roots to the initial "contact" days of the Indians of New England and the northeast --- most notably the Pequots and Mohegans.

In 1769 Samson Occum and Joseph Johnson, lay ministers and teachers, began to advocate that members of seven (7) tribal communities (Mohegan, Mashantucket, Stonington and Farmington in CT; Charlestown and Niantic in RI; and Montauk on Long Island) join together and move west. These seven communities of Native Americans were Christian, school educated, English speaking farmers and business owners and wore generally accepted clothing. Although these small congregations were generally accepted, there was increasing social and political pressure for them to leave the neighborhood. It took Occum and Johnson five years to organize his flock and begin the move to upstate NY. He called each male member of his flock brother, hence, Brothertown. Their purpose was to gain strength and move to escape increasing social and political pressure from their new neighbors.

The Revolutionary War followed by US government restrictions, the War of 1812 and continued social unrest caused the Brothertown to consider another move west. They purchased land and organized the move to Wisconsin. The Brothertown moved in five groups and arrived by ship at ports near Green Bay Wisconsin from 1831 until 1836. The Congress moved the Brothertowns from the land they purchased to a newly surveyed Township. The township in Calumet County is still on the map today on the lower southeastern shore of Lake Winnebago. In 1839, Congress converted the eventual Brothertown reservation in Wisconsin into a township. The tribe still exists and continues its many activities, including the collection of annuities due them. The Brothertown have been recognized by the state of Wisconsin. The Brothertown Indians have never been terminated as a community of Indians living in Wisconsin. Federal acknowledgement is needed.

Step 4: Research and know your Brothertown family history since 1901. There are 15 Brothertown families with 1839-1901 descendants. These Brothertown families have the evidence in their archives that a community of Brothertown Indian families existed from 1900 to 2008. Brothertown family gatherings are needed to provide data and information as evidence of participation. We need you to document your Brothertown family gathering in writing and with pictures.

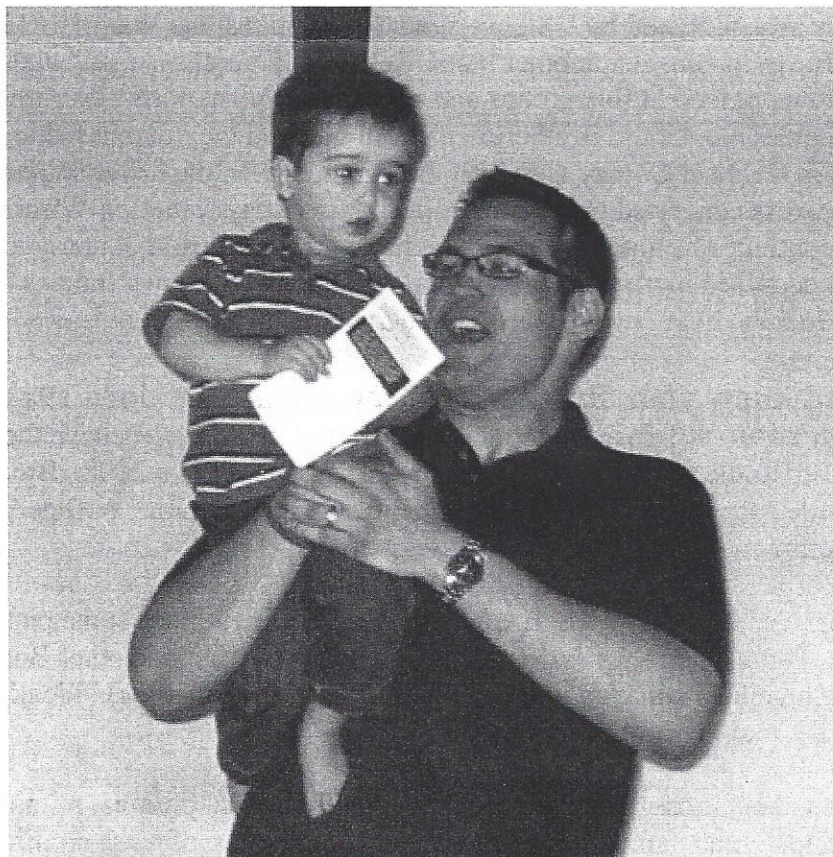
Place some key birthdates, weddings, funerals, reunions on the timeline. Place some pictures on the time line (names, locations, dates). Pictures are very important. Add events that include other Brothertowns (helping harvest, painting/working together, fun at church or riding "cycles" together, etc). Identify the Brothertowns that visited you/your family, and the Brothertowns you visited.

Think and add information about cross-family community, social contact, political relationships and denials of social and other relationships. Inter-family conflicts and the continuation of these conflicts for a number of years after, also provides evidence of the existence of community.

Finally, Always Remember, You Are Responsible for Preserving the Brothertown Indian Nation. We, the Brothertown Indian Nation, have survived for 240 years in spite of overwhelming economic, social and political pressures and will maintain the tribal community for our children and children' children and on and on for perpetuity.

On June 7th 2008 I, Leon Davis, married a Mono woman from the North Fork Rancheria in California. It was vitally important to me marry another Indian, since culturally this is how my family has always identified itself. In keeping with Tribal tradition, before I could marry her I went before the Brothertown Tribal council in February 2008, to seek their approval before we wed. Keeping Indian traditions, in particular Brothertown traditions, is very important to me and my family.

Isaac Mathew Sykes, born August 31, 2006, was presented to the Brothertown Indian Nation as a new member of the tribe at the June General meeting in Fond du Lac. He was also accompanied by his Grandfather Michael Montgomery Sykes. He descends from Arnold Skeesuck, his 4th Great Grandfather and Sylvester Sykes, his 3rd Great Grandfather.



The Brothertown Indians, as the remnant of the New England tribes, have had a peculiar plea for consideration and justice. They alone of all the scattered nations, which our forefathers were wont to term "the lost tribes of Israel," can trace their ancestry back to the days of the founders of this Republic. The rolls of all the later Colonial wars contain the names of soldiers from whom they can prove a lineal descent. Their great-grandfathers fought in the Revolution, and so many of them perished that it was, by the testimony of William Williams, the death blow to their ancient tribal strength. In the war of 1812 their grandsires were engaged, and they themselves, out of their diminished numbers, furnished nearly threescore and ten soldiers in the Civil War. Where in this broad land can such a Society of the Colonial Wars be found? Whatever the merits of their claim may have been, which it is not for the historian to judge, the survivors of the New England Indians have a title to the respect of the American People.

William DeLoss Love, 1899

RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION TRIBAL ROLL

Presented by Council Member Darren Kroenke

May 17, 2008

WHEREAS, the Brothertown Indian Nation was formed as a "body politick" by our ancestors to preserve their customs, their way of life, and the integrity of a Christian Indian community from the influence of outsiders;

WHEREAS, in order to organize individuals from seven different Praying Indian villages into one community, the concept of tribal membership took shape;

WHEREAS, this definition of tribal membership was exclusive in nature so as to preserve the integrity of the Brothertown Indian Nation and the rights and privileges of its members for all future generations;

CONSIDERING, that the criteria for tribal membership have been carefully and judiciously enforced with integrity and fidelity by the leadership of the Brothertown Indian Nation from the time of our Nation's birth up to the present time;

HAVING SEEN, the integrity of the Brothertown Indian Nation tribal rolls and the rights and privileges of legitimately enrolled tribal members threatened of recent by a surge of interest on the part of outsiders in claiming rights of membership in the Nation;

RECOGNIZING, that these unknown individuals pose a threat to the political viability and sovereignty of the Brothertown Indian Nation by their lack of historical involvement with the community, their lack of ethnic Brothertown Indian identity, and their lack of political affiliation as unknown outsiders;

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that the Brothertown Indian Nation Council will now close the rolls of the Nation to new individuals applying for enrollment with the Nation. This resolution will be published in the Brothertown Indian Nation quarterly newsletter as a "public posting". From the date of publication of this "public posting" there will be a 90-day continuation of the open enrollment period, which will allow all affected individuals to submit their enrollment applications if they have not done so to date. All applications for tribal enrollment currently in process at the time of this action and those postmarked within the 90-day period will be processed. Any and all applications postmarked after the end of the 90-day period will not be considered.

Brothertown Indian Nation Council Resolution No. 080517A

RESOLUTION TO CREATE THE BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION CRADLE ROLL

Presented by Council Member Darren Kroenke

May 17, 2008

WHEREAS, the Brothertown Indian Nation was formed as a "body politick" by our ancestors to preserve their customs, their way of life, and the integrity of a Christian Indian community from the influence of outsiders;

WHEREAS, in order to organize individuals from seven different Praying Indian villages into one community, the concept of tribal membership took shape;

WHEREAS, this definition of tribal membership was exclusive in nature so as to preserve the integrity of the Brothertown Indian Nation and the rights and privileges of its members for all future generations;

CONSIDERING, that the criteria for tribal membership have been carefully and judiciously enforced with integrity and fidelity by the leadership of the Brothertown Indian Nation from the time of our Nation's birth up to the present time;

HAVING SEEN, the integrity of the Brothertown Indian Nation tribal rolls and the rights and privileges of legitimately enrolled tribal members threatened of recent by a surge of interest in claiming rights of membership in the Nation on the part of outsiders;

RECOGNIZING, that these unknown individuals pose a threat to the political viability and sovereignty of the Brothertown Indian Nation by their lack of historical involvement with the community, their lack of ethnic Brothertown Indian identity, and their lack of political affiliation as unknown outsiders;

LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED, that the Brothertown Indian Nation Council will now create a cradle roll. This cradle roll will take affect after the 90-day open enrollment period comes to a close. New enrollment will then be limited to the lineal descendants of individuals who are members of the known Brothertown Indian Nation at that time. Applications for the new enrollees that will become part of the cradle roll must be submitted within five (5) years of the date of birth of the child. These applications must be submitted in person at a duly convened tribal council meeting or Brothertown Indian community gathering where the child will be introduced to the community by their enrolled parent(s) and therefore be known to the Nation as a Brothertown Indian by blood.

Brothertown Indian Nation Council Resolution No. 080517B

Building Drawing

Linda Shady

In the last newsletter you received drawing tickets and a self-addressed envelope. If you still have tickets to turn in please do so on or before July 10th, 2008. The drawing is to be held on July 12th at 2:00 pm at the Picnic.

Thank you to all who have sold tickets and who have graciously donated. It is very much appreciated!

To request more tickets call Linda at (920) 929-8132 or write to :Brothertown Indian Nation, Attn. Linda Shady, P.O. Box 2206, Fond du Lac, WI 54936-2206.

BROTHERTOWN INDIANS ANNUAL PICNIC 2008

JULY 12th, 2008

LAKESIDE PARK OVEN ISLAND WEST- FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN

SPONSORED BY THE BROTHERTOWN ELDERS

BRING FOOD TO SHARE AT THE FEAST. FEAST WILL BEGIN AT 12:00 NOON

- ❖ BASKET AUCTION: Bring a basket (your choice of theme) FOR THE BASKET AUCTION
- ❖ CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES:
- ❖ CRAFTS WIL BE OFFERED FOR SALE
- ❖ HISTORY DISPLAY
- ❖ SOCIALIZING AND ENJOYING PICNIC
- ❖ THE BUILDING DRAWING TICKETS WILL BE FOR SALE WITH DRAWING HELD AT PICNIC

Please bring your own silverware and dishes as well as your beverage of choice.

Registration fee: per person \$1.00 – or \$5.00 per immediate family

(NO ALCOHOL PLEASE)

PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

RETURN BOTTOM PORTION OF FORM TO:

IRENE SHADY
403 FRANKLIN STREET
FOND DU LAC, WISCONSIN 54935

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP _____

NUMBER ATTENDING: _____ AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

Directions will be available on the BIN website calendar. You can also email or call the office.
Questions? Contact: Brothertown Nation Office, (920)929-9964.

David Silverman to be at the Brothertown Picnic

Caroline K. Andler

David Silverman, Assistant Professor of the Department of History, at The George Washington University, Washington, DC, teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in Early American and American Indian History. He is in the process of writing a book concerning the Brothertown Indians.

"Brothertown: American Indians and the Problem of Race"

This is a copy of David Silverman's book prospectus about the Brothertown and racial identity. Silverman will join us on the day of the Brothertown Picnic to have a discussion with Brothertown members about his book. This is an opportunity to exchange thoughts, express your opinions, before the book comes out in print and there is no way to change what is written. If you would like to read the first four draft chapters of the book before the picnic, please contact me at randler1@wi.rr.com and I will send them to you.

David Silverman can be reached at djsilver@gwu.edu

Brothertown: American Indians and the Problem of Race Project Overview

This project will examine the evolution of Indian race consciousness during the colonial and early national eras, and place that development in the context of white America's own understandings of race and citizenship, by telling the story of the multi-tribal, Christian community of Brothertown. In the 1770s, Brothertown banded together Narragansetts, Pequots, Mohegans, Niantics, Tunxis, Montauks, and Lenapes, across divisions of language and historic rivalry, to leave their homelands along the Atlantic coast for a new start in the Oneida Indians' country in upstate New York. The community was premised, not on violent resistance against whites, which historians have heretofore seen as the locus of Indian racial identity, but first, on promoting Christianity and civilized reforms to carve out a safe Indian haven amid white expansion, and, second, on distancing Indians from blacks. Brothertown thus enhances our understanding of the varieties of Indian racial thought in early America. What makes Brothertown's story even more salient is that white settlers and authorities were determined that the Indians' efforts would fail. The Brothertown Indians' reward for creating a model Christian Indian community was to have the government of New York remove them to Wisconsin, and then the governments of Wisconsin and the United States destroy their community altogether.

This book-length project centers around questions of how the Brothertown Indians and their neighbors, the Oneida and New Stockbridge peoples, developed and articulated a sense of common Indian identity; why they chose removal and acculturation to answer the challenges of colonization; why their effort failed, with most of them forced in the early 1800s to move to Menominee and Winnebago territory in Wisconsin; and, finally, how they struggled in Wisconsin with another flood of white settlement and the incessant pressure to divide their lands and extinguish their legal "Indian" identity.

Helping Hands

Mary Rudolph

Please submit names of any member or members that who you think might need a helping hand. All information is confidential. Place "smiles" in the subject line when submitting by email to rws04@peoplepc.com. If you would like to participate and donate to helping other Brothertown members just let us know.

With the price of gas even carpooling with another tribal member when driving to Brothertown functions or meetings will help you & the other person or persons.

AWARDS ESTABLISHED TO HONOR VOLUNTEERS TO BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION

Caroline K. Andler

Two awards were established to honor volunteers.

The **JOSEPH JOHNSON AWARD** was established to honor the outstanding service to the Nation of a Brothertown Tribal member. The criteria being an enrolled tribal member; nominated by any enrolled tribal member, living or deceased; put forth to Council for acceptance with a statement of their outstanding service to the community.

The second award established was the **THOMAS DEAN AWARD** for outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation of a non-member. The criteria being nominated by an enrolled tribal member; put forth to Council for acceptance with a statement of their outstanding service to the community.

Caroline K. Andler nominated Loretta Metoxen as the first recipient of the Thomas Dean Award for her outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation.

RESOLUTION #080119

Resolution naming Loretta Metoxen a "**Friend of the Brothertown**"

Whereas, Loretta Metoxen, has assisted the Brothertown Nation in their pursuit of federal acknowledgement, as an important liaison to the Oneida Nation,

Whereas, Loretta Metoxen, was instrumental in helping secure the Brothertown historical papers, and working toward their purchase for our tribal community benefit,

Whereas, Loretta Metoxen, is a Vietnam veteran whose service helped secure the freedoms Brothertown and Americans share today,

Whereas, Loretta Metoxen, has demonstrated the true qualities of friendship to both individual tribal members, as well as the tribal community,

Whereas, in recognition of Loretta Metoxen familial connections to the Brothertown Indian Nation,

Whereas, historically the Oneida Nation has been and continues to be an elder brother to the Brothertown Indian Nation,

Be it resolved, that Loretta Metoxen, is named a "Thomas Dean Awardee" on this day, January 19, 2008.

A YOUNG BROTHERTOWN MEMBER SERIOUSLY INJURED

Help us do a CARD SHOWER for TIFFANIE HELBLING

From The MODESTO BEE: On April 30, 2008, a 23-year-old Lathrop woman sustained life-threatening injuries in a solo crash on Tuesday at 11:14 a.m. on northbound Highway 99 at the Crows Landing off-ramp. The CHP said Tiffanie Helbling was driving her 2006 Ford Focus northbound in the number one lane. She veered to the left entering the dirt and gravel center median. She turned back abruptly to the right causing the vehicle to rotate counterclockwise and slide across all lanes of traffic. The vehicle entered the gore point of the Crows Landing Road off-ramp and struck the sand barrels on the driver side. The vehicle subsequently came to rest on the east shoulder of the off-ramp facing in a westerly direction.

Helbling, who was restrained at the time of the collision, was extricated from the vehicle by fire department personnel and transported to Doctors Medical Center. She was unconscious with major injuries when help arrived. She is currently being treated for life-threatening injuries.

Today, June 13th, Tiff has been transferred from Doctors Medical center to a Rehab Center 75 miles away from Tim's home. Her Aunt Lani Bartelt writes:

Tiff is now being dressed in regular clothes each day and wears a shoe on the leg that is not in a cast. I combed her hair and put her glasses on when we got there and before I left tonight I put her glasses and her brush & hair band with her other personal hygiene stuff so when they clean her up in the morning they will see them and put her glasses on and brush her hair and put her headband on too.

Tiff was put through her paces with the physical and occupational therapist this afternoon. She has therapy several times a day even on Saturdays. She doesn't like it much (Makes a face) when they do the range of motion exercises with her arms but it has to be done if she is to have use of her arms and be able to brush her own hair and brush her teeth. They also stretch her foot and try to flatten it down as much as possible to stretch out her ankle and Achilles tendon. That she doesn't seem to mind as much. She has quite a rig of a wheel chair

with a tray that fits over her armrests to set her arms on and a like halo like thing that goes over the top of her head and fits on the back of her wheel chair and a helmet like a football helmet to wear and then there is four long Velcro strips on the top of the helmet and those strips can be attached to this halo like thing to hold her head up while she is in the wheel chair. After about an hour session we wheeled her back to her room and she stayed up in the wheel chair for about an hour with us before the nurses put her back in bed.

Lani and Tim

Show Tribal community support for this young Brothertown member by showering her with get well cards and your prayers. Address:

Timothy Helbling 14480 Cedar Valley Dr., Lathrop, CA 95330

James Ottery, is in a nursing home because he fell and broke his hip about 2 months ago. He could use your thoughts and prayers during his healing time, and understand he will be unable to live at his house. He may move to a nursing home in Wisconsin but those plans are not made as yet.

Jims address is: Jim Ottery
Victory Lakes Continuing Care
1055 East Grand Ave.
Lindenhurst, IL
60046

It would be great if he heard from the Brothertown's and that they are thinking of him.

SUNSHINE

Irene Shady

Irene Shady continues to mail out get-well and sympathy cards to Tribal members. She can be contacted via the office email.

MILESTONES

Michelle Lefner was a proud Brothertown Indian and was actively involved in the Native American culture. She walked on in Grand Junction, CO as a result of a drunk driver.

BINGO AUDIT

An audit was called by a council member after Bingo was stopped by a volunteer in April, 2008. The audit minutes are being transcribed and if you would like a copy send a SASE to the office and a copy will be mailed to you. Policies, procedures and enforcement of these will be in place before any entity may start Bingo again. Once the policies, procedures and the enforcement of are in place, the entire council will need to approve the start up of Bingo again.

INTERNAL CONTROL'S

An internal control study of cash receipts and disbursements of the Brothertown Nation Inc. was conducted on April 23rd, 2008. An 11 page draft copy was given to the council at the June 21st, 2008 council meeting. A final copy to follow.

FINANCIAL AUDIT'S

The audit process has started for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007.

American Indian Educational Opportunities

American Indian Tuition Waiver

In recognition of the Morris campus's history as an Indian Boarding School in the 1800s, the Minnesota legislature mandated that American Indians attending Morris are not required to pay tuition. Students must be admitted to the University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM), complete the American Indian Tuition Waiver Application, and present acceptable documentation of blood quantum or blood line/heritage such as Tribal Registration, Certificate of Indian Blood or other legal documentation of American Indian heritage. Applicants are not required to be residents of Minnesota. Students will receive notification of the American Indian Tuition Waiver from the Financial Aid Office

Academic Grants

Wisconsin Indian Student Assistance Grant is a need-based grant available to Wisconsin residents who are attending a Wisconsin school of higher education.

For information contact your school or the State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board, P.O. Box 7885, Madison, WI 53707-7885.

You can also contact them at:

<http://heab.state.wi.us/programs.html> and follow the links for the "Indian Student Assistance Grant". Complete the application and send it to the Brothertown office for verification of the member-student's enrollment in the tribe. We will then send it to the school for action and they will forward it to the WHEAB in Madison. Do not contact us on the status of your application. We do not approve the grant but only verify the student's Brothertown enrollment. Check with your school or the WHEAB.

The International Order of The King's-Daughters and Sons

<http://www.iokds.org/>

The North American Indian needs have been a concern of the Order since 1934. After World War II the Order became aware of the needs of the youth of the Indian community to receive Post secondary education. Poor health and other problems needed addressing also. We assist fifteen missions and schools. We help over 100 tribes through donations from our members in circles, Branches, and bequests.

The Order offers \$650.00 scholarships with no restriction as to Tribal affiliation or Indian blood quantum. The student must provide a Tribal Registration number and fulfill the other requirements. The scholarships are given for technical, vocational or college studies but not granted for studies beyond a Bachelors degree.

A student must personally request information concerning requirements and application forms. The request must include a stamped, self-addressed legal sized envelope, deadline is April 1st., send to: Director

North American Indian Department
P. O. Box 1040
Chautauqua, NY, 14722-1040

NIEC Conference

On October 22-25, 2009 the Wisconsin Indian Education Association (WIEA) is hosting the national NIEA Conference in Milwaukee, WI. Native American tribes from all across the nation will converge in Milwaukee for this event. The WIEA needs a huge team of volunteers for the conference. People can volunteer for as little or as much as they would like. They have opportunities available in many areas – hospitality and tours, reception, marketing, youth activities and much, much more. If you are interested in meeting others who care about Native youth and creating educational opportunities for those youth and would like to learn more about how to help, you may check out the WIEA website (see NIEA Conference) or contact Celeste Clark who is organizing volunteers at n11umbee@uwm.edu. If you don't have internet access, please contact Melissa Baldwin at 920-730-8446 and I can mail you a list of volunteer opportunities. Hope to see you there!!

Attention all students!

There are several wonderful programs available to native students. Many of these programs are funded by the DPI or Great Lakes NARCH, so there is no cost to the students or their families. Great Lakes NARCH has the Wisconsin Youth conference to be held June 15th-20th, 2008 at Stevens Point, for students aged 14-17 who are interested in learning more about college. They also have the American Indian Science Scholars program to be held July 20th-26th at UW-Milwaukee, WI. This program is for high school juniors and seniors who would like to learn more about careers in health and the sciences. If you are interested in either of these programs, application forms are available at www.glitc.org/Narch or by calling (715) 346-3576 or (800) 472-7207. There are also pre-college programs available at UW-Stout, WI. The Stout programs are free to students who receive free and reduced lunch. If you do not qualify for free or reduced lunch, a limited number of scholarships are available through the university. These programs are for students entering grades 8-12 in the fall. Programs are running July 13-19th and July 20-26th, 2008. they work on career exploration, academic strategies, multicultural exploration and more. Applications are available at www.uwstout.edu/multicultural/precollegeforms.shtml or call (715) 232-1381.

Baldwin Receives Honors

Rachel Baldwin, a tribal member from Appleton, was named the 2008 WIEA 4th-7th Grade Student of the Year at the recent WIEA conference held in Madison, Wisconsin. The Wisconsin Indian Educational Association (WIEA) promotes and supports educational opportunities for American Indian people in Wisconsin. Rachel was recognized for this honor for excelling in school, participating in sports, music, and extracurricular activities, being active in volunteer work in her community, and being involved with her tribe and other Native American cultural activities. This spring Rachel submitted artwork to the Heard Museum's Native American Student Art show and sale that took place in Phoenix, Arizona. Rachel received honorable mention for her artwork titled, "Dancer." In recent years, Rachel's artwork has also been published in a calendar from the Office of Indian Education in Washington, D.C., as well as having been displayed at the National Museum of the American Indian and the Chicago Children's Museum. Rachel also recently had two of her digital artworks published in Hemispheres Magazine, a compilation of work from students around the state from the Wisconsin Center for Academically Talented Youth, WCATY. Rachel was also named a WCATY 2008 Merit Scholar at their recent awards ceremony at UW-Madison and will receive a scholarship along with his honor. **Congratulations Rachel!** Rachel is the daughter of Mark and Melissa Baldwin.

The Heard Museum Guild

American Indian Student Art Show and Sale



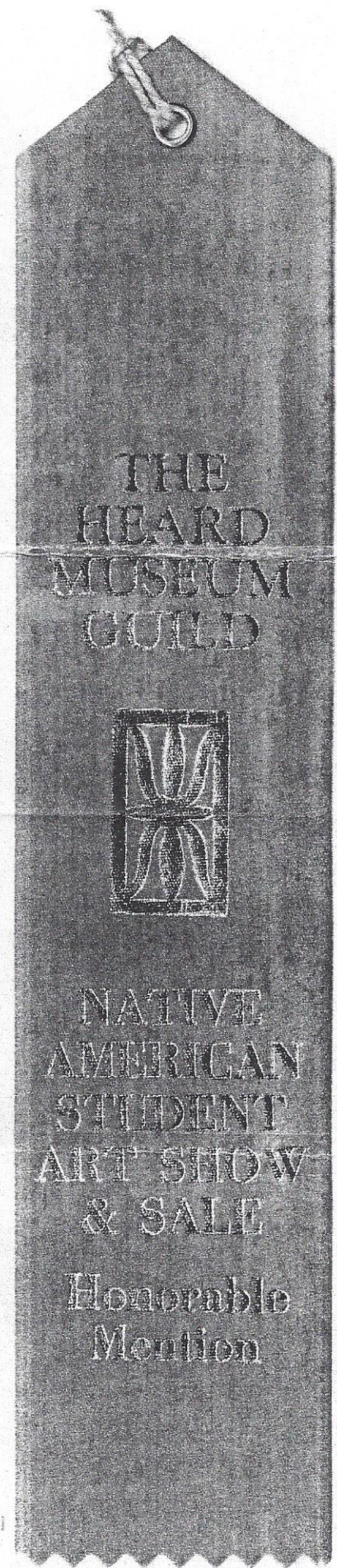
Certificate of Appreciation
Awarded To

Rachel Baldwin
Individual Entry (No School)

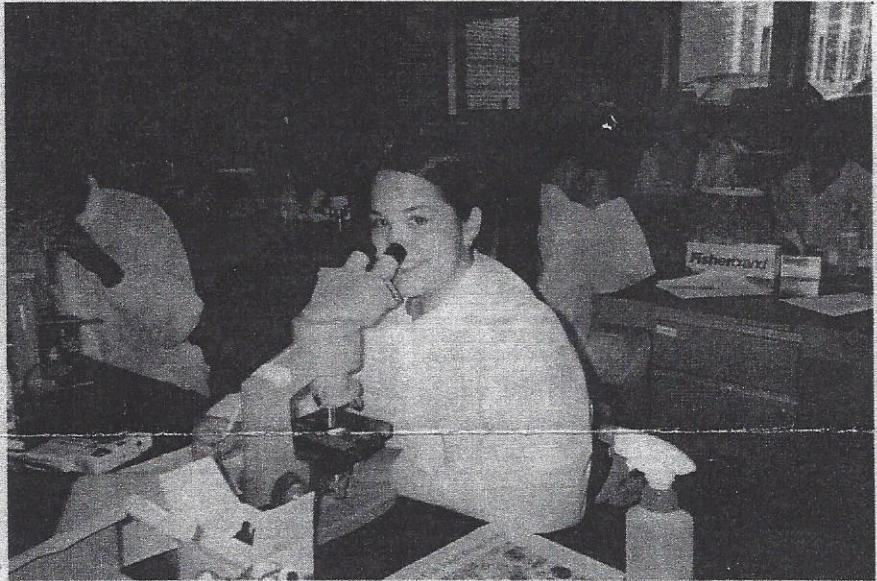
For participating in
The April 2008 Exhibit

Sidney Wilson Bette Stettner
Sidney Wilson and Bette Stettner, Co-chairs

Rachel sold both pieces of artwork
submitted to the show and
received prize money for
her artwork titled "Dancer."



Ezhi misawendamon giwizhi gakinoo'aamaago
"Fostering Unique Learning Experiences"



American Indian Science Scholars Week July 20 to July 26 2008

University of Wisconsin- Milwaukee



For more information contact:
Brian Jackson
Student Development Coordinator
bjackson@alltc.org
800-472-7207 ext. 188
PO Box 9
Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538
<http://www.alltc.org/saxst/index.html>

American Indian Science Program is recommended for high school juniors and seniors and recent high school graduates. We offer to American Indian students a **FREE opportunity** to:

- Do **hands on** laboratory experiments and other interactive activities C.S.I. MOCK CRIME SCENES
- Gain **valuable experience** for future education and health/science careers
- **Connect** with other Native students in an exciting campus environment
- **Enrich** your scientific knowledge
- SWEAT LODGE, WATER SKI SHOW, MILWAUKEE BREWERS GAME \$100.00 FOOD CARD



Office Information

Be sure to include your Tribal Roll # with all correspondence

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Fond du Lac, WI 54936-2206

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Debbie Pickering

Enrollment Committee Chairperson:

Dennis Gramentz

Tribal Genealogist:

Caroline Andler

Elders & Sunshine

Irene Shady

BIN Crafts & Clothing

Crafts due to flooding in the office basement
There will be limited crafts & clothing
available. A revised order form will be sent
out in the future.

WANTED

Used printer ink cartridges. Please mail to the
office. The office receives 1 ream of recycled
paper or \$3.00 @ Staples for each empty ink
cartridge. This helps with the office costs & the
environment☺ Let us know if you need help
with the postage.

COUNCIL MEETINGS/ Gatherings 2008

July 12th, 2008: Brothertown Annual Picnic,
Lakeside Park Oven Island West, Fond du Lac, WI
See full page for more details

July 19: Council meeting, 9 a.m., office

August 16: Council meeting, 10 a.m., at
St. Francis Church, Gresham, WI.

September 20: Council meeting, 10 a.m.
at Spotted Eagle High School, in
Milwaukee, WI.

New council meeting location!

October 18th, 2008: Brothertown Homecoming
Gathering, Expo Building at Fond du Lac
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October 25: Council meeting, 9 am, office.

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Douglas Foy

We will again walk our stretch of State Highway 55
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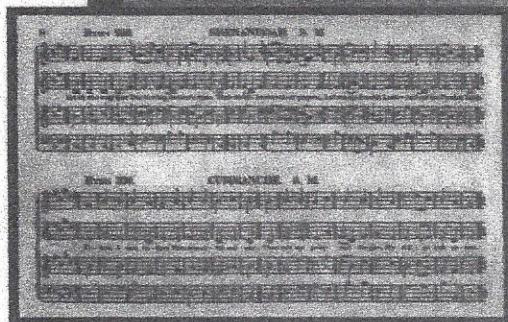
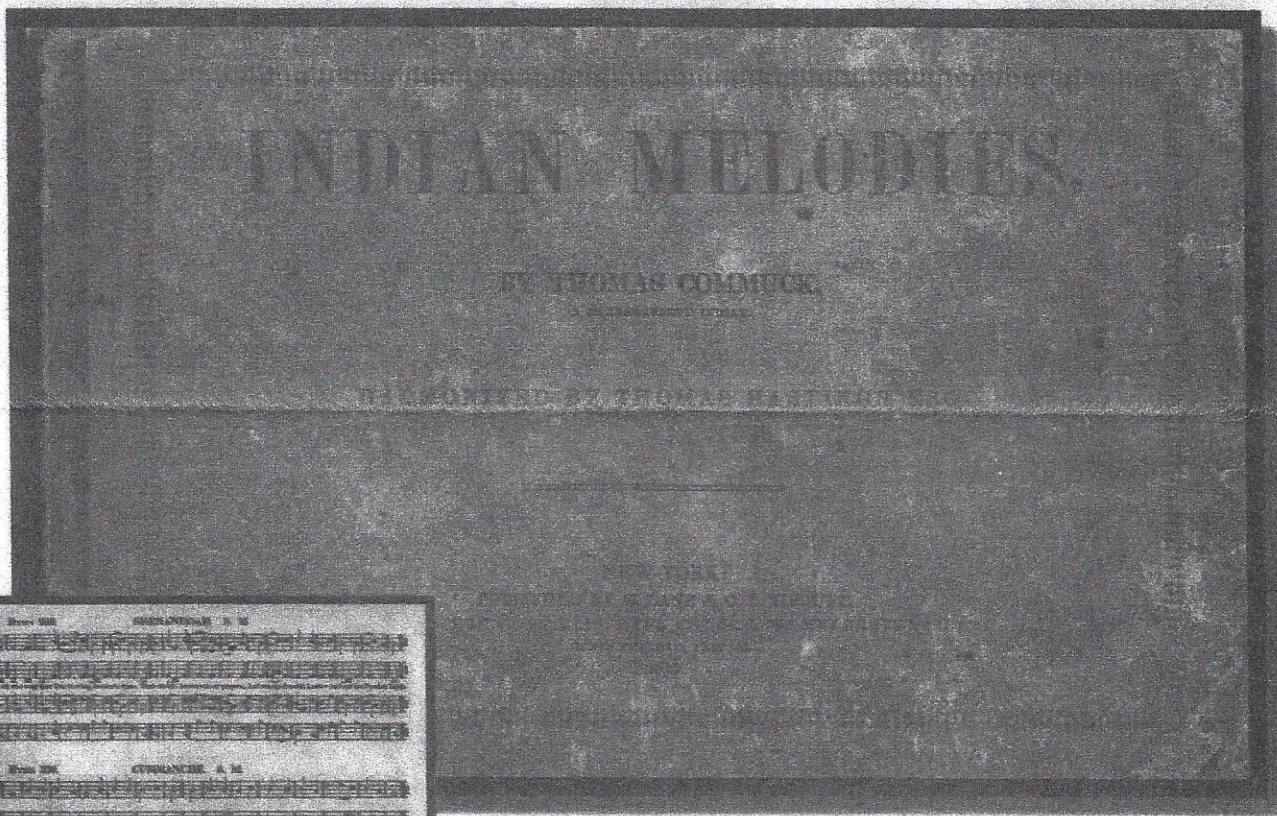
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THE BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION'S PETITION FOR FEDERAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT HAS BEEN ACTIVATED!!!!

"Thank You"

As always, we appreciate the dedication and commitment of our volunteers who generously donate their time and effort for the Brothertown Indian Nation Community.

The Brothertown picnic was a great success! Thank you to everyone who helped make it a good day for all! A lot of great food brought by all, games for the children by Judy Bauer, an excellent Brothertown history area by our Tribal Geneologist, Caroline Andler and a special guest, David Silverman.

I want to send a special thanks to two great kids, Matthew Proll & Casey Adair for working the whole picnic selling the very limited tribal crafts that we had. They did a great job and made \$469.00 for the tribe!

ANNUAL SHELLY REUNION

We are planning our summer 2009 reunion and want descendants of Simeon Shelley to contact us.

Send your name and address to:

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I AM A BROTHERTOWN INDIAN

By Theodore E. Stephenson, a retired Chairperson

Some Background. Over the years a dedicated core of volunteers, as well as our predecessors, have worked without pay keeping the momentum going in the Brothertowns drive for Federal Acknowledgment as a Sovereign Tribal Nation.

The question you must ask yourself is do you want to be a member of a sovereign Indian Nation or would do you prefer to be a member of a club? The Brothertown can always play "Indian" but the depth of meaning to be "Indian" and a Sovereign Indian Nation has come at a steep price; namely the loss of our cultural, historical embodiments and our community spirit. There is no better way to keep meaning and honor for our tribal ancestors than to be recognized as a Brothertown Indian Community. We will always be Indians, as individuals, but without a home we are isolated and destined to fade away.

Can you handle that status? **The Brothertown Indian Nation's Petition Has Been Activated!** We must have your support. Acknowledgment is not free. Is the pride you have for being a Brothertown member limited by apathy? By what's in it for me? Then it is time you stand up and do something about that apathy and reclaim your passion for being a Brothertown. Distance, age, commitment of time, expertise; none of these are a factor when you can show your loyalty by saying, "Yes! I am proud of being a Brothertown Indian and I am going to help! Now is the time to stand up and say: **I am a Brothertown Indian.**"

Brothertown folklore, fact or fiction. It has been reported that in 1978, when the federal rules were revised for acknowledgment of tribes, a federal researcher telephoned and asked for the operator for the telephone number of the Brothertown Indians in Brothertown. Of course there was none. But, the operator knew that "xxx" was known to be Brothertown council member. The federal researcher then telephoned "xxx" and asked: "are you a Brothertown Indian?" and "xxx" responded: "I consider myself of German descendant." Fact or fiction, we cannot afford such answers. You are either a Brothertown Indian or you are not. For me it is a very simple question and answer.

Stand up and be recognized: Fact or fiction, this story addresses our present situation. **The Brothertown Indian Nation's Petition Has Been Activated!** How can we get our members to know and acknowledge their heritage?

Step 1: Consider this response: (The most important response is:) *I am a Brothertown Indian.* (Then followed by:) The Brothertown community traces its ancestral roots to Algonquian speaking people who lived in the Thames River Valley, some 400 years ago.

Step 2: The Historical Roadside Marker. Know and understand the Brothertowns history as inscribed on our historical roadside marker. The text is less than 150 words. The marker was installed at the intersection of State Highways 55 & 151 in Calumet County on the northern boundary of the original Brothertown land in Wisconsin. This is our most brief History.

The Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin: The Brothertown (Brotherton) are descendants of the Pequot and Mohegan (Algonquin-speaking) tribes in southern New England. They became a tribe in 1769 when seven Christian and English-speaking communities organized and moved to land in upstate New York. They cleared the land, planted

fields and built houses while under intense pressure to again move west. The Brothertown joined their neighbors, the Oneida and the Stockbridge, and planned a move to Wisconsin. The Brothertowns purchased land near Kaukauna which the United States government exchanged for the land called Brothertown Township in Calumet County. Five groups of Brothertown arrived in Wisconsin on ships at the port of Green Bay between 1831 and 1836. Upon arrival, the Brothertowns cleared land and began farming after building a church near Jericho. Today, the Brothertown remain a culturally distinct Indian community of about 2,400 with the largest concentration residing in the Fond du Lac area.

Step 3: A Very Brief History of the Brothertown Indians: Know and understand the following very brief history. The Brothertown Indians trace their roots to the initial "contact" days of the Indians of New England and the northeast --- most notably the Pequots and Mohegans.

In 1769 Samson Occum and Joseph Johnson, lay ministers and teachers, began to advocate that members of seven (7) tribal communities (Mohegan, Mashantucket, Stonington and Farmington in CT; Charlestown and Niantic in RI; and Montauk on Long Island) join together and move west. These seven communities of Native Americans were Christian, school educated, English speaking farmers and business owners and wore generally accepted clothing. Although these small congregations were generally accepted, there was increasing social and political pressure for them to leave the neighborhood. It took Occum and Johnson five years to organize his flock and begin the move to upstate NY. He called each male member of his flock brother, hence, Brothertown. Their purpose was to gain strength and move to escape increasing social and political pressure from their new neighbors.

The Revolutionary War followed by US government restrictions, the War of 1812 and continued social unrest caused the Brothertown to consider another move west. They purchased land and organized the move to Wisconsin. The Brothertown moved in five groups and arrived by ship at ports near Green Bay Wisconsin from 1831 until 1836. The Congress moved the Brothertowns from the land they purchased to a newly surveyed Township. The township in Calumet County is still on the map today on the lower southeastern shore of Lake Winnebago. In 1839, Congress converted the eventual Brothertown reservation in Wisconsin into a township. The tribe still exists and continues its many activities, including the collection of annuities due them. The Brothertown have been recognized by the state of Wisconsin. The Brothertown Indians have never been terminated as a community of Indians living in Wisconsin. Federal acknowledgement is needed.

Step 4: Research and know your Brothertown family history since 1901. There are 15 Brothertown families with 1839-1901 descendants. These Brothertown families have the evidence in their archives that a community of Brothertown Indian families existed from 1900 to 2008. Brothertown family gatherings are needed to provide data and information as evidence of participation. We need you to document your Brothertown family gathering in writing and with pictures.

Place some key birthdates, weddings, funerals, reunions on the timeline. Place some pictures on the time line (names, locations, dates). Pictures are very important. Add events that include other Brothertowns (helping harvest, painting/working together, fun at church or riding "cycles" together, etc). Identify the Brothertowns that visited you/your family, and the Brothertowns you visited.

Think and add information about cross-family community, social contact, political relationships and denials of social and other relationships. Inter-family conflicts and the continuation of these conflicts for a number of years after, also provides evidence of the existence of community.

Finally, Always Remember, You Are Responsible for Preserving the Brothertown Indian Nation. We, the Brothertown Indian Nation, have survived for 240 years in spite of overwhelming economic, social and political pressures and will maintain the tribal community for our children and children's children and on and on for perpetuity.

Passing the Brothertown Torch

by Tim Vanderhoef August 2008

Since I was very young, my mother, Ruth Verbeten Vanderhoef, told us that her mother, Edna Lynch Verbeten, came from a New York Indian tribe. Someday, she said, we're going to get the money for the land that was taken from the family generations ago. The stories had been passed down from mother to daughter to granddaughter to great granddaughter. Mom said when they were children Edna told them when the money came in they were going to get a Shetland pony. Well that pony never came to be.

As a child I thought that the government people would give us a pony because that's how the Indians traveled around – on ponies. Obviously that was a young person's view of the big world. I had no concept of how our tribe, the Christian Indians named Brothertown Indians, had lived. To us, all people who lived before 1940 rode horse & buggies. Even my older sisters had seen horses pulling carts to deliver milk & ice. What did I know?

Grandma Verbeten had taken her children to Brothertown Wisconsin, to be enrolled in the Brothertown Tribe. She even enrolled some of her nieces and nephews to be sure the whole family was still recognized as Brothertowners. That was in the mid to late 1920's. I found out later it was called the "Kellogg Era."



Ruth & Edna Verbeten

My mother even remembers as a very small child going to the meetings at Brothertown, Wisconsin. She and mom's sister Clarice, remembered their membership cards and were allowed to see them from time to time when their mother would talk about the Indian topics. Edna always reminded her children of their Indian heritage. Something she was extremely proud of. In turn, each of the Verbeten children passed on those stories of Indian heritage. My mother was no exception and was very proud to show pictures of grandma & her posing in full Indian dress.

After all those years of hearing about our tribe I wanted to trace our ancestry backwards to find out who my ancestors were and how they got to Wisconsin from New York. It was time to get reacquainted with our tribe. So, my brother Dan, I, my parents Bill & Ruth, as well as Mom's sister Clarice & Uncle Ron, and my cousin Jerry Highman traveled to court houses and cemeteries in search of our Brothertown relatives. We all became actively involved in the tribe and went to monthly Brothertown meetings in Fond du Lac. We also served on the History Committee for the tribe. Dan & I spent many hours at our local libraries looking over books and microfilm, as well as documenting our ancestors.

Both Dan and mom became Tribal Council Members. I was the editor for the *Brotherton Messenger* newsletter for a few years. I poured my heart and soul into the *Messenger* and added feature stories with photos, history of ancestors written by their descendants, as well as newspaper accounts of the early tribal members before the turn of the century. I was very proud to keep my fellow Brothertowners informed, entertained and as a means of

communication to keep our tribe functioning as an Indian entity. I viewed our newsletter as a historical document that recorded our tribal history, both past and present. I hope I have accomplished that.

Brother Dan & I held an informative Brothertown history and enrollment meeting for our Racine relatives who numbered about 300 by that time. Chairperson, June Ezold gave a talk on the history of our tribe and of our current quest for the Brothertown Indians to be recognized by the federal government.

Our large Hammer/Verbeten clan held a Brothertown Picnic in Racine, and later held a district meeting as the Federal Acknowledgement Petition was being readied for sending to the government. Needless to say our family's efforts for the tribe was making up for the separation of distance and time from the Brothertown Wisconsin land base.

We are all proud of our Brothertown roots. But just how did we get from there to here? Our travels to courthouses and cemeteries provided us with the Verbetens and the Voets, the Lynch and Wetzel families and the very important Henry Modlin who married Mary Elizabeth Hammer. But there was still another story back to our Narragansett ancestors...

Our lineage traces back to James and Margery Hammar of the Narragansett Tribe of Charlestown, Rhode Island. To quote from DeLoss Love's Book on the Christian Indians "James Hammar and Margery his wife, were living at Charlestown, in 1761, having two sons under 16 years of age. One of these it is thought, was John Hammer, the founder of the Brothertown family. The mother was called "Widow Margery Hammer in 1763." John Hammer, with his family came to Brothertown, New York before 1804, when lot 109 was assigned to him..." John had two sons, Joseph and John. Our direct ancestor was Joseph Hammer who married Sarah and they had children: Thomas DeWayne born 1814 and Mary Elizabeth Hammer born in 1816. Both were born at Brothertown, New York.

The first time I saw the graves of Mary Elizabeth Hammer and Henry Modlin, in Charlestown near Chilton, my heart was pounding. We later found their young children buried in the Union Cemetery in Brothertown. We all felt the connection to the past, as if to reach out and hold hands with Mary Hammer, Minnie Modlin, Sarah Wetzel along with grandma Verbeten. Like a circle of life reaching back in time. I know I could feel it – and I still do.

Some say you have to know where you came from in order to know where you are going in the future. Our family's earthly connection to the famous Ninigret's tribe in the 1700's who formed into the Narragansett Indians is one piece of the puzzle. Later they, along with other decimated tribes, formed yet another tribe of Indians called Brothertowns, in Oneida New York. These Indigenous peoples have provided us with more pride in our ancestors than any personal achievement we could ever hope to obtain in our current generations.

Our bodies flow with the blood of our oldest Native American inhabitants. Our Brothertown story has been told and tribal entity continues for our future generations. It is now up to them to keep the Brothertown Indians alive and functioning. My passion and work within my tribe will continue, but my hope is that I have created a spark. A spark of the same passion for my family and my tribe that I have received from my ancestors. I tell my story here so that I may pass on the Brothertown Torch to the next generation. It is yours to carry.



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Mary and Fellow Members of the Brothertown Indian Nation,

In the introduction to the 1989 book "A Man Called Sampson" my father, Willis Dee Ottery (Gis Gib Wanhssc/ Sun Hawk), and my mother, Rudi Ottery, made the following statement:

"We have been taught that it is important to put something back into the life we receive, and this book is an attempt to do so. With ever-growing numbers of descendents and increasing American mobility, the last opportunity to locate so many lines of descendancy would have passed within the next generation. Now, having shared our research with other descendents, this ancient ancestral history has been preserved for descendents of all the surviving Sampson lines."

With such parents and with the tremendous work that went into the book and subsequent projects with and for the Brothertons, I, too, have been taught to give back. It was with similar motivation that I made the first of a series of donations in December 2007 to support the Brothertown Indian Nation's efforts to purchase land. This initial donation was made to honor the Brothertown lineage in general and to specifically honor Tribal Chairperson Emeritus June Caroline Ezold (Migizi Maneto Eqway/Eagle Spirit Woman) and tribal genealogist Ru-Ellen (Rudi) Ottery. These two women -- my aunt and mother -- have had great impact on me, my life and on the lives of members of the Brothertown Indian Nation, especially in the context of the on-going efforts in Tribal recognition.

It is with great humility that I again find myself able to make another set of donations, this time recognizing my paternal grandmother Irene Elizabeth Sampson Ottery, her two sons James Robert Ottery and Willis Dee Ottery, Jr. and ancestor and founder of Brothertown, Sampson (Samson) Occum. Below is a listing of my 11 ancestral generations that reinforce this humility.¹

Faith Debra Ottery	born 1952
Willis Dee Ottery, Jr.	b. 1927 (Children: Faith, Noel, Theresa, Willis III)
Irene Elizabeth Sampson Ottery	b. 1902 (Children: June, James, Willis Jr)
James Duane Sampson	b. 1858 (Children: Avery Lou II, Archie Leon, Cora E, Rose Pauline, Charles Jams, Bess, Maude Pauline, Richard Hart, George Dewey, Frederick Krumbein, Irene Elizabeth, male unknown, Irving, Margaret Elizabeth, Clifford, Florence Matrilda, James Duane Arthur Irving)
Clark David Sampson	b. 1819 (Children: Almira Jeanette, Seth Forret, Sarah Elizabeth, George, Joel Julius, Olive, Ellen L, John, Emily Amelia, James Duane, Albert Clark, Rose Hortence)
David Sampson	b. 1792 (Children: George W., Mary, Clark David, Alonzo J., Avery L. Avis Theresa); married Olive



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Waukus circa 1795 at Brothertown, NY. Olive was daughter of James Fowler Waukus and his wife Philena Adams, whose ancestry traced back through the Brothertown founder Samson Occum, his mother Sarah Sampson, and to Uncas.

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| James Sampson | b. circa 1761-62 (Children: George, Abel, Eveline, James II, David, Fanny, John) |
| Sampson | b. ca. 1729-35 (Children: 6 males, unknown names, and Esther, James) |
| Little Samson | b. ca. 1690's (Children: Sampson and 1 male unknown name and 2 female unknown names) |
| Sabientouset II | b. ca. 1650 (Children: Little Samson, Ephraim, Hannah Justice, 1 female unknown name, Sarah Samson Occum, perhaps others) |
| Sabientouset | b. ca. 1600-1620 (Children: only Sabientouset II is known) |
| Nimrod | b. ca. 1580's (Children: Sabientouset, Kakatrewet, Acrowmus, female child unknown name, Robin Cassassinamon) |

As seen, I have not kept up my part in extending the lineage of the Brothertown Nation, but it my hope that through the enclosed donations, I can still contribute to the Tribal future. The enclosed donations will more than double the current Land monies and will help fulfill the dreams of both Tribal Elders and younger Brothertown Nation members. The passionate commitment of one Tribal Elder to these dreams is represented by her comments that "I would literally walk on hot coals if it would get the Brothertown a building back on the Brothertown Reservation before I die!" I hope to help meet this objective without having to undergo such painful efforts.

At my Aunt June's request, I had the honor to serve as Brothertown Nation representative at the opening of the Mashantucket Pequot Museum and Research Center in Mashantucket, Connecticut a decade ago, where the earliest part of my family history (Pequot and Brothertown) truly came alive. As I passed the exit to the Mashantucket Pequot Reservation this past weekend, my connections to my family, my relatives, my ancestors, and my commitment to making things happen in this very important year -- after more than 30 years of work for Brothertown Nation recognition -- were intensely reinforced. I can only imagine what a Brothertown gathering will feel like when we come home to Brothertown land and its associated museum and research facility. Please accept these donations to the Brothertown Nation Land funds given in love and in recognition for this very unique lineage.

Taubut neanawyeen (I thank you).

Sincerely,

Faith D. Ottery, MD, PhD

1. Ottery Will, Ottery Rudi. A Man Called Sampson 1580-1989. Penobscot Press. Camden Maine. 1989. Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 89-61820. ISBN 0-929539-51-6.



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Annual Homecoming
Saturday, October 18, 2008 at the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds (EXPO)
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10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Please bring **food** to share at our **FEAST**, which will begin at noon.

Consider making a **Native American dish**.

Please bring your own silverware and dishes as well as your beverage of choice. (NO ALCOHOL, PLEASE!)

Register from 10:00 am. on.

After lunch, listen to drumming and take part in American Indian **dancing**

View **educational displays**, featuring our own history.

Watch American Indian **artisans and vendors demonstrate their crafts**.

Wear your **traditional NATIVE clothes**. (Contact Martha Stephenson with questions about your regalia and/or dancing.)

Donate to and participate in a **drawing** and an **auction**. If you wish to donate, contact Dusti Scheibe or Carol Youngren (mushrock@hotmail.com)

Lodging: We have group rates at the Microtel motel for Friday and Saturday nights, October 17 & 18. Be sure to mention that you are a Brothertown to get the discount.

Microtel, 920 S. Military Road, (920) 929-4000: one bed, \$52 plus tax; two beds, \$58 plus tax.

We have reserved the meeting room at the motel for those who wish to gather on Friday night, October 17.

Registration donation: \$3.00 per person or no more than \$10.00 per family.

Questions? Call or email Debbie Pickering (708) 795-1571 or dpwriter@comcast.net

Anyone in need of transportation to the Homecoming Gathering, please contact the office either by email, office@brothertownindians.org or by calling, 920-929-9964.

Directions to the Fond du Lac County Fairgrounds

From the **South:**

Hwy 41 north exit on Hwy 151 north. Follow to county road V and turn left. Follow V to hwy 45 (Fond du Lac Ave.) and turn left. Follow to Fairgrounds on the left.

Hwy 45 north to Fond du Lac. Stay on Hwy 45 to the Fairgrounds on the left.

Hwy 151 north to Pioneer Road. Turn right on Pioneer Road, follow to the 5th light and turn left on Martin Ave.

Follow to the Fairgrounds on the right.

From the **North**:

Hwy 45 south from Oshkosh. Follow Hwy 45 through Fond du Lac to the Fairgrounds on the southeast side of town.

Hwy 151 south to Luco Road, turn left. Luco Road turns into National Ave. Follow National Ave to Hwy 45. Turn right on Hwy 45 to Fairgrounds on the left.

From the **West**:

Hwy 23 east to Pioneer road (by the Mall). Right on Pioneer, go to the 6th light and turn left on Martin Ave. Follow to the Fairgrounds on the right.

From the **East**:

Hwy 23 west to National Ave. Turn left on National Ave. and follow to Hwy 45. Turn right on Hwy 45 and follow to the Fairgrounds on the left.

SAMSON OCCUM and the Christian Indians of New England

By William DeLoss Love Originally Published by Pilgrim Press, 1899
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This classic is an account of the Brothertown history and genealogy from 1620 New England to the 1800's settlement of the Brothertown people in Wisconsin. The religion, social, political, and economic struggles faced by our ancestors throughout the centuries must not be forgotten. As we move toward recognition we must be aware of our history and the book includes a genealogy of the root families of Brothertown. This book is being offered by mail as a fundraiser for the Brothertown Nation.

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DEAR BROTHERTOWN FAMILY

OUR NATION NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT AT THIS CRITICAL TIME

Until last April our nation had a group of hard working volunteers who ran Brothertown Bingo. These people got upset and decided to quit volunteering to run the Brothertown Bingo Enterprise. Instead of coming to council and explaining they no longer wished to do this volunteer work for the nation they took it upon themselves to announce to the public that Brothertown Bingo was closing. And, not only that, they allowed another nonprofit they had trained to take over our bingo night. The bingo director and the bingo committee informed the council of their action four days after the fact.

The reality is that it takes money to run an office and pursue federal recognition. We need your help. We need people in Fond du Lac and the surrounding area to come forward and volunteer to work for the nation if we are to have bingo for a Brothertown business again.

We need people who are willing to learn all aspects of running bingo so that there is always someone who can take charge if needed.

If you have the time and are willing to work together with others who have the Brothertown Nations best interests at heart. Please contact the Brothertown office at 920-929-9964 or write the Brothertown Nation P.O. Box 2206 Fond du Lac WI. 54936-2206

Working together we can fulfill the dream so many Brothertown members have worked so hard to achieve. FEDERAL RE-RECOGNITION and OUR OWN LAND BASE.

Building Drawing

Linda Shady

In the March newsletter you received drawing tickets and a self-addressed envelope. The drawing was held on July 12th at 2:00 pm at the Picnic. The winners are as follows...

1st place \$1,000.00 winner Brian Burgess, 2nd place \$500.00 winner Lee Fowler, 3rd place \$250.00 winner Shamus Davis, 4th place \$100.00 winner Dawn Welch and 5th place \$50.00 winner was Roberta Vanderhoef

Thank you to all who have sold tickets and who have graciously donated. It is very much appreciated!

Election News

Richard Schadewald

There will be an election in May 2009 for the positions of Vice-Chairperson, Treasurer, Council Member and Peacemaker. The 2008 Election Committee members are Craig Cottrell, Mary Huberty and Barb Roloff. If you are interested in running for a position in 2009, you may contact these members of the Election Committee.

In February of 2009, we will have a general membership meeting which will elect the next Election Committee. If you are interested in serving on the 2009 Election Committee, please let any current Election Committee or Tribal Council member know of your interest in serving. In March of 2009, the Election Committee will identify nominees for open positions for the general election in May. Nominations can also be made from the floor.

This is an important time in our tribal community. Please consider participating in your tribal election process and tribal government.

Lawton Undergraduate Minority Retention Grant

These grants provide funds to undergraduate minority students who are of at least sophomore status. Applicants must be African-American, Latino, Native American or Southeast Asian students. Students must file a FASFA so financial need or no need status can be determined.

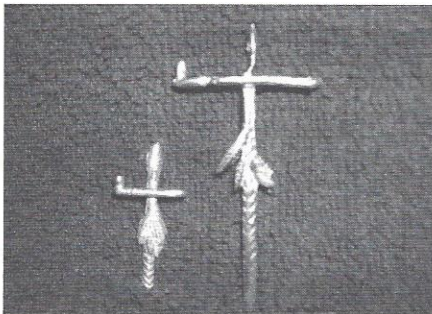
Qualifying minorities must be U.S. citizens and Wisconsin residents who are enrolled at least half-time and making satisfactory academic progress. Students who demonstrate financial need must have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher to be considered; those with no financial need must have a grade point average of 2.4 or higher. Those with a grade point of 3.0 or better may be considered for higher grant awards. These grants are renewable. Contact the financial aid office of the school you are attending for more information and application guidelines.

Helping Hands

Mary Rudolph

Please submit names of any member or members that who you think might need a helping hand. All information is confidential. Place "smiles" in the subject line when submitting by email to rws04@peoplepc.com. If you would like to participate and donate to helping other Brothertown members just let us know.

Your donations have been very generous and we thank you. We have been able to help our members with various needs. Many in our tribal community are struggling and could just use a helping hand. Please keep this in mind with the holiday season approaching. Another great way to help is by visiting with our elders. They would love to have you visit. With the price of gas even carpooling with another tribal member when driving to Brothertown functions or meetings will help you & the other person or persons.



CALUMET CROSS

The Calumet Cross was designed by Rudi Ottery to represent the combining of three integral parts of being a Brothertown Indian. The spear, which was used by the New England Indians as a means of gathering food for their people, represents the history of the Brothertown Indians. The Calumet "Peace Pipe" is symbolic of the original Brothertown settlement in Calumet County, Wisconsin. Together they form a cross which symbolizes the integral part Christianity has in Brothertown history.

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STERLING SILVER CALUMET CROSS ORDER FORM

SHIP TO INFORMATION:

(please type or print clearly)

DATE _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number: _____

All Items are Sterling Silver

Cutting line

Item	Quantity	Price
Lg Cross w/ 18" Chain	_____	\$60.00
Lg Cross w/ 24: Chain	_____	\$60.00
Lg Cross w/ 24: Chain	_____	\$60.00
Sm Cross w/ 18" Chain	_____	\$50.00
Sm Cross w/ 20" Chain	_____	\$50.00
Sm Cross w/ 24" Chain	_____	\$50.00
Tie Tacks	_____	\$50.00
Total Quantity:		_____
Shipping per order		\$ 5.00
Amount due plus shipping		\$ _____
Return form with check or money order to:		
Brothertown Nation, Inc. c/o Calumet Cross		
PO Box 2206, Fond du Lac, WI 54936		

SUNSHINE

Irene Shady

Irene Shady continues to mail out get-well and sympathy cards to Tribal members. She can be contacted via the office email.

Show Tribal community support for these Brothertown member's by showering them with get well cards and your prayers.

A YOUNG BROTHERTOWN MEMBER SERIOUSLY INJURED TIFFANIE HELBLING

Address:

Timothy Helbling 14480 Cedar Valley Dr., Lathrop, CA 95330

James Ottery, is in a nursing home because he fell and broke his hip about months ago. He could use your thoughts and prayers during his healing time, and understand he will be unable to live at his house. He has moved to a new facility.

Jims address is: Jim Ottery
Albon Terrace of McHenry
803 Royal Drive
McHenry, IL
60005

Phone # 815-363-9462

It would be great if he heard from the Brothertown's and that they are thinking of him.

Congratulation's!

William Riley Rhodes celebrated his 85th birthday and his 50th wedding anniversary in February, 2008. William is retired from the military with 22 years of Honorable service from 1942 – 1963.

American Indian Educational Opportunities

American Indian Tuition Waiver

In recognition of the Morris campus's history as an Indian Boarding School in the 1800s, the Minnesota legislature mandated that American Indians attending Morris are not required to pay tuition. Students must be admitted to the University of Minnesota, Morris (UMM), complete the American Indian Tuition Waiver Application, and present acceptable documentation of blood quantum or blood line/heritage such as Tribal Registration, Certificate of Indian Blood or other legal documentation of American Indian heritage. Applicants are not required to be residents of Minnesota. Students will receive notification of the American Indian Tuition Waiver from the Financial Aid Office

Academic Grants

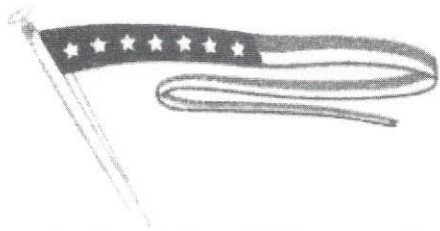
Wisconsin Indian Student Assistance Grant is a need-based grant available to Wisconsin residents who are attending a Wisconsin school of higher education.

For information contact your school or the State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board, P.O. Box 7885, Madison, WI 53707-7885.

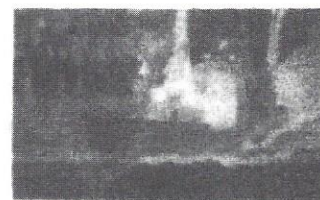
You can also contact them at:

<http://heab.state.wi.us/programs.html> and follow the links for the "Indian Student Assistance Grant". Complete the application and send it to the Brothertown office for verification of the member-student's enrollment in the tribe. We will then send it to the school for action and they will forward it to the WHEAB in Madison. Do not contact us on the status of your application. We do not approve the grant but only verify the student's Brothertown enrollment. Check with your school or the WHEAB.

NIEC Conference 2009



COMMANDING OFFICER
 USS VICKSBURG (CG 69)
 "AMERICAN MUSCLE.....READY"



July 28, 2008

Sherry Wightman

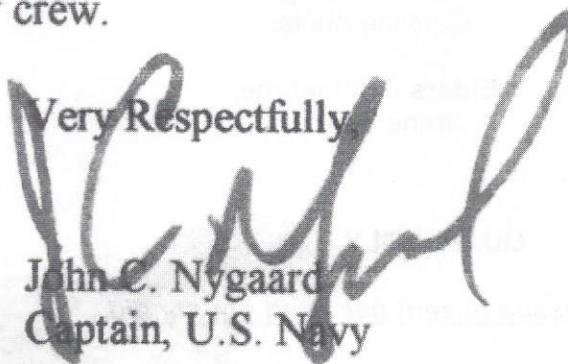
729 Maine Ave
 North Fond Du Lac, WI 54937

Your son Ensign Wightman, has been awarded the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal. He led the ship's successful completion of VICKSBURG's Aviation Certification. He demonstrated astute leadership potential. His leadership and high professional standards delivered VICKSBURG's first tactical milestone on the road to the 2009 Deployment. He is a proven team member and a valued member of this fine ship.

I am glad he is a member of my crew.



Very Respectfully,



John C. Nygaard
 Captain, U.S. Navy



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Tribal Genealogist:

Caroline Andler

Elders & Sunshine

Irene Shady

QUARTERLY REPORT

One issue is sent per adult household.

**The next deadline for submission is
December 6th, 2008.**

Kindly submit all material utilizing Microsoft Word and either email the article, or snail mail an electronic disk of it, to the office.

Dougf@brothertownindians.org &
Maryr@brothertownindians.org

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COUNCIL MEETINGS/ Gatherings 2008

July 12th, 2008: Brothertown Annual Picnic, Lakeside Park Oven Island West, Fond du Lac, WI
See full page for more details

July 19: Council meeting, 9 a.m., office

August 16: Council meeting, 10 a.m., at St. Francis Church, Gresham, WI.

September 20: Council meeting, 10 a.m. at Spotted Eagle High School, in Milwaukee, WI.

New council meeting location!

October 18th, 2008: Brothertown Homecoming Gathering, Expo Building at Fond du Lac Fairgrounds in Fond du Lac, WI.. (see full page)

October 25: Council meeting, 9 am, office.

November 15: Council meeting, 9 am, office

December 06: Council meeting, 9 am, office

April, 2009: MN Gathering info contact Doris Straw @ 312A Oak St. S., Onamia, MN 56359

[Notice of upcoming meetings is provided three weeks prior to the event to community newspapers throughout Wisconsin.]

WANTED

Used printer ink cartridges, HP, Dell or Cannon. Please mail to the office. The office receives 1 ream of recycled paper or \$3.00 @ Staples for each empty ink cartridge. This helps with the office costs & the environment☺ Let us know if you would like help with postage.

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The Quarterly Report of the:

Brothertown Indian Nation

(Brothertown Nation, Inc.)

DECEMBER 2008

Editorial Board: Doug Foy, Mary Rudolph Co-editors

"Thank You"

As always, we appreciate the dedication and commitment of our volunteers who generously donate their time and effort. To volunteer is to give of oneself without expecting or receiving anything in return. Volunteering can be the most rewarding and satisfying experience and it is greatly appreciated!

Volunteers Make a Difference!

If you would like to contribute your time in any way, it is very much needed and greatly appreciated. Please call or email office@brothertownindians.org

We are still in need of a grant writer

Contact Debbie Pickering, BN Cultural Division Director if you are interested in helping with the 2009 picnic, Homecoming or other cultural events we may have this year. Send by mail or email to the BN office, Attn: Debbie Pickering

Important Notice

Watch for the March newsletter for the upcoming election information. Expect it by about March 28th, 2009. The candidates will have up to 150 words to tell you about themselves. Know the candidates and make sure if you are 18 years of age or older that you VOTE May 16th, 2009!

Members

It is essential that you keep the office informed when you or a family member, have a change in name, address, phone number or any other contact information such as email addresses. We want to make sure that your records are updated so that you receive all tribal information. Keep in mind, to include your minor children when you have an address change.

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Thank you to everyone who has contributed!

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Caroline Andler

2009 COUNCIL MEETINGS & EVENTS

January 17: Council meeting, 9 am, office
February 21: Council/General meeting, 9 am, office (Election of the Election Committee)
March 21: Council/General meeting, 9 am, office, [Nominations for council & peacemaker positions]
April 18: Council/General meeting, 9 am, **Grace Covenant Church, Little Falls, MN**
May 16: Council meeting, 9 am, TBD & **ELECTION**
June 20: Council meeting, 9 am, office (Swearing in of newly elected council members & peacemakers) To follow the council meeting will be the BIN Inc Annual Executive Board meeting.
July 11: Brothertown Annual Picnic Lakeside Park in Fond du Lac, WI
July 18: Council meeting, 9 a.m., office
August 15: Council/General meeting, 10 a.m., **St Francis Church, Gresham, WI**
September 19: Council meeting, 10 a.m., **Spotted Eagle High School, Milwaukee, WI**
October 17: Homecoming Gathering, Fond du Lac, WI
October 24: Council meeting, 9 am, office:
November 21: Council meeting, 9 am, office
December : none

For more details check the website calendar



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March 14th, 2009.

Keep in mind if you are running for open positions, you will need to have your BIO, up to 150 words, turned in at this time also for the March publication.

Kindly submit all material utilizing Microsoft Word, either by emailing or by mail on a CD. Hand written letters are also accepted, just not preferred, to the office.

If received after midnight, it might not make the current newsletter. We reserve the right to edit for space

Updated Election 2009 News

The May 16th, 2009 election will be for the following positions, Vice-Chairperson, Council Member and Peacemaker. The 2009 Election Committee members are as follows...

Mary Huberty – Home # 920-744-8005
Cheri Welch Jones – 920-923-3620
Lorie Totzke – 920-513-3728

At the general council meeting, March 21st, 2009, the Election Committee will identify nominees for open positions for the general election May 16th. Nominations can also be made from the floor at this general council meeting.

This is an important time in our tribal community. Please participate in your tribal election process.

ADOPT A HIGHWAY

Contact the office attention, Doug Foy, if interested in participating this year.

More information will be available in the upcoming quarterly reports with dates and meeting places.

BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION ELECTION ORDINANCE Nov. 15, 2008

1. Composition of Election Committee:

a.) Immediate family members should be conflicted out of the Election Committee if they have a relative running. Immediate family to be defined as spouse, (step) children, siblings, parents, grandparents or those living in the same household.

b.) The Election Committee members should have an understanding of the Tribal government process and shall be solely responsible for conducting all business.

2. Methods for becoming a candidate:

a.) The nominating process should include a method for a person to become a candidate.

i.) They are nominated by the Election Committee.

ii.) They file a written notice with the Tribal Secretary and Election Committee for the position they would like to run for.

iii.) They can be nominated from the floor with a second at a general meeting.

b.) Qualifications and requirements of a Candidate:

i.) Each candidate will receive a written description of the position for which they are running from the Election Committee.

3. Campaigning:

a.) All written and mailed campaign solicitations must list the names of all the candidates running for that position and then campaign for whoever they are supporting.

b.) All candidates will be allowed to campaign in the newsletter and the council will verify that a newsletter goes out with campaign information about all of the candidates that have submitted a statement of candidacy no more than 150 words.

c.) No encouragement to vote for or against a specific candidate will be allowed on the Brothertown forum.

d.) All campaign solicitations must include the name of who prepared and paid for the campaign materials.

4. Reporting of Violations:

a.) If there is a belief that a violation of the election process took place, a written letter of complaint must be sent to the Tribal Secretary and Election Committee.

b.) Disciplinary actions will follow Constitution Article IV, Section 2,e; Election Process.

SAMSON OCCUM and the Christian Indians of New England

By William DeLoss Love Originally Published by Pilgrim Press, 1899

Published by First Syracuse University Press, 2000 Edition

This classic is an account of the Brothertown history and genealogy from 1620 New England to the 1800's settlement of the Brothertown people in Wisconsin. The religion, social, political, and economic struggles faced by our ancestors throughout the centuries must not be forgotten. As we move toward recognition we must be aware of our history and the book includes a genealogy of the root families of Brothertown. This book is being offered by mail as a fundraiser for the Brothertown Nation.

Item	Price	Total
Soft cover edition <i>Samson Occum and the Christian Indians of New England</i>	\$20.00	
Shipping per item	\$3.00	
TOTAL DUE		

Please send your tax deductible check or money order payable to **Brothertown Nation, Inc.** to:

Jane Borchardt

N9747 Brandy Creek Road

Clintonville, WI 54929

SHIP TO (please type or print clearly):

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

The Brothertown Indian Nation is featured in an article by Alana Rice with a great photo spread!

Wisconsin Magazine of History

Winter 2008-2009 Issue

Volume 92, Number 2

Featured

"To procure a residence amongst their brethren to the west":

The Relocation of the Brotherton Tribe in Territorial Wisconsin

by Alanna Rice

In the early nineteenth century the Brotherton tribe of New York State, feeling the pressure of encroaching white settlement, began a long process of removal into what would become the state of Wisconsin. On a 23,040 acre homestead on the shores of Lake Winnebago, the Brotherton found new pressures and conflicts, not only with white settlers, but also with Wisconsin's indigenous inhabitants who spoke different languages and followed different religious practices than the Brotherton. In Wisconsin, the Brotherton worked to recreate community in a strange country, often walking a fine line between continuity and adaptation.

Homecoming 2008 Fund Raisers

By Carol Youngren

This year at Homecoming the Brothertown Nation held three different fund raisers. Dusti Schiebe and myself were in charge of organizing an auction, a silent auction and a raffle. These events raised \$1790.50 The Brothertown tribe had no overhead for these events, thanks to the generous donations of the following Brothertown members and families. Lois Kay Olbekson, Frank Waldvogel, Catherine Klemp, Judy Bauer, Carol Pulkas, Leonard J. Davis, Vicki G., Caroline Andler, Dusti Schiebe, Barbara Adair, Debbie Pickering, Mary Rudolph, Crystal Monteen - The Ho Chunk Nation, and Leonard Youngren. We would also like to thank the following people who volunteered (some took a little coaxing) to work this event. Merle Kiesner, Joan Meyer, Lorie Totzke, Nancy Le Air, Judy Bauer, and Mathew Proll.

We have many events during the year and we would like to ask you to be part of the fund raising efforts of the Brothertown tribe. It does not matter where you live, if you would like to take part, you can donate in many ways; an item you made, a donation of your time, or monetary donation. All are greatly needed and will help the Nation to raise the funds we need to keep our office running.

Always Remember, You Are Responsible for Preserving the Brothertown Indian Nation. We, the Brothertown Indian Nation, have survived for 240 years in spite of overwhelming economic, social and political pressures and will maintain the tribal community for our children and children's children and on and on for perpetuity.....Ted Stephenson

BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION

Enrollment Application

Enrollment applications are limited to children under (5) five years of age who are lineal descendants of individuals who are members of the Brothertown Indian Nation as listed on the September 13, 2008 Brothertown Membership Rolls. The followings rules apply:

- a) Applications for new enrollees must be submitted within (5) five years of the date of birth of the child. Before child's fifth birthday.
- b) This application must be submitted in person at a duly convened Brothertown Tribal council meeting or Brothertown Indian community gathering where the child will be introduced to the community by their enrolled parent(s) or adult guardian and therefore be known to the Nation as a Brothertown Indian by blood.
- c) Provide a certified copy of birth certificate that includes maiden name of mother if she is the applicant's Tribal linkage.

Applicants Name: First Name _____ Middle _____
Last Name _____

Place of Birth: City: _____ State _____

Date of Birth: _____

Enrolled Parents Name(s) _____

Enrollment Number of Parent: _____

Current Address:

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

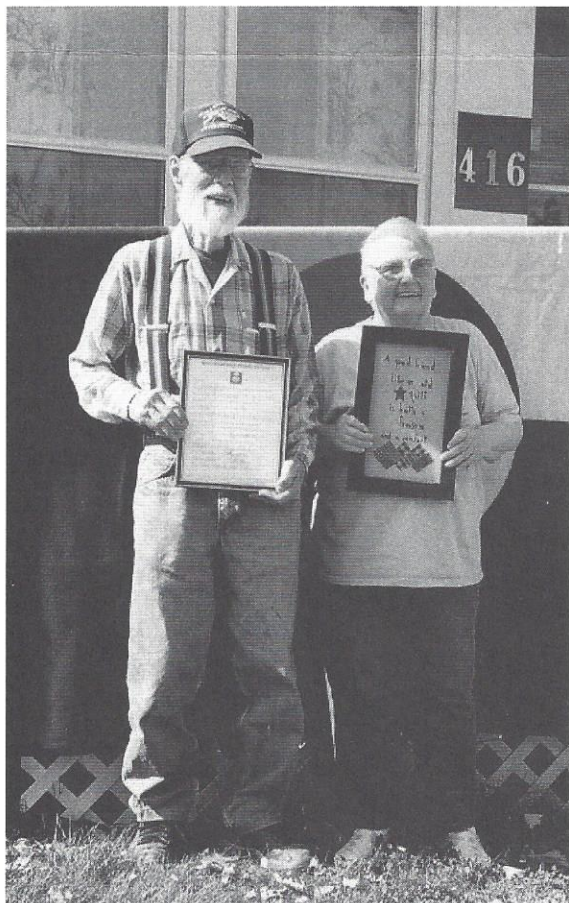
Signature of enrolled parent or adult guardian: _____

Date: _____



Left to right...Bob Andler, Phil Griggs, Frank Waldvogel, Cynthia Griggs, Joan Waldvogel, Caroline Andler, Debbie Pickering

Boots and Irma Sampson



AWARDS GRANTED TO HONOR VOLUNTEERS TO BROTHERTOWN INDIAN NATION Joan D. Waldvogel

The **THOMAS DEAN AWARD** was granted to **Cynthia Griggs** for outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation as a non-member.

Joan D. Waldvogel nominated Cynthia Griggs as the second recipient of the Thomas Dean Award for her outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation.

RESOLUTION # 080920

Resolution naming **Cynthia Griggs** a **“Friend of the Brothertown”**

Whereas, a Lasting Friendship was begun when June Ezold and Phyllis Mattern providentially met Cynthia Griggs at a conference by invitation of the Tunxis Community of Farmington, Connecticut in the 1980's,

Whereas, Cynthia Griggs has, over the years, sent researched Documents, Letters, Petitions, Deeds, and Lists she found in State, Town, and Private Historical Archives to contribute to our Brothertown Nation Archives,

Whereas, these materials that Cynthia Griggs has contributed and enriched the Documentation of our tribe, has shown that our tribal roots go back hundreds of years,

Whereas, Cynthia Griggs has shared publications she has researched and published in Newspapers, and Magazines,

Whereas, Cynthia Griggs has shared transcribed Lectures that she gave on behalf of the Canton Historical Society; and has given the tribe a copy of the recent publication of the Book: CANTON REMEMBERS which contains a chapter she wrote on INDIAN HISTORY recounting our roots and History along the Farmington River, its tributaries and vicinity where our early Algonquin Speaking peoples lived,

Whereas, Cynthia and her husband Phil Griggs have also contributed monetarily to the June Ezold Fund to help us preserve and remember Who we are and Where we came from,

Whereas, Cynthia Griggs continues to give us her friendship, loyal support , and cultural enrichment whenever she can,

Be it resolved, that Cynthia Griggs, is named a “Thomas Dean Awardee” on this day, September 20, 2008

Respectfully Signed by the Tribal Council of the Brothertown Nation, Inc.

Richard Schadewald Chairperson Dennis Gramentz Vice Chairperson

Caroline Andler Secretary Mary Rudolph Treasurer

Jeremy Marx Council Member Mike Pelky Council Member

Doug Foy Council Member Carol Youngren Council Member Mark Bannach Council Member

The **JOSEPH JOHNSON AWARD** was granted to **Bernard "Boots" Sampson**, a member of the tribe, for outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation.

Joan D. Waldvogel nominated Bernard "Boots" Sampson to receive the first Joseph Johnson Award for his outstanding service to the Brothertown Nation.

RESOLUTION # 080920A

Resolution Naming **Bernard "Boots" Sampson**, a. Member of the Brothertown Nation to have given **Outstanding Service to the Tribe**.

Whereas, Boots Sampson was a Loyal, Hard Working Council Member, contributing his time, talent and energy with outstanding service to the tribe for many years,

Whereas, Boots Sampson always spoke up for what he felt was the good of the tribe, also serving as photographer on occasion,

Whereas, Boots Sampson served on the enrollment committee, helped with craft workshops in making items to sell at our craft booth,

Whereas, Boots Sampson was part of setting up the Brothertown display at Marian College in the early 1990's, often looking up information, checking on things that the Council had questions on, and willing to go the extra mile,

Whereas, Boots Sampson was also an Honorable Brothertown Nation Veteran of WWII,

Whereas, Boots Sampson was a vital member in working on rerecognition of the tribe by the Federal Government,

Be it resolved, that Boots (Bernard) Sampson is named a "Joseph Johnson Awardee" on this day,

September 20, 2008

Respectfully Signed by the Tribal Council of the Brothertown Nation, Inc.

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Caroline Andler Secretary Mary Rudolph Treasurer

Jeremy Marx Council Member Mike Pelky Council Member

Doug Foy Council Member Carol Youngren Council Member Mark Bannach Council Member

Annual Minnesota Feast and Meeting Of The Brothertown Indians

Saturday, April 18, 2009

**11 am Monthly Council Meeting
12 pm Feast
1 pm Minnesota Meeting begins**

**Grace Covenant Church
17117 Riverwood Drive
Little Falls, MN 56345**

- **Bring your questions, concerns, interesting information about your family, and contact information updates.**
- **Bring a dish to share for the feast.**
- **Hot and cold beverages as well as plates, napkins, and silverware will be furnished.**
- **Crafts will be available.**

Native American Artists Wanted

The University of Green Bay and the Lawton Gallery would like to offer an invitation to participate in a contemporary Native American art show. We are looking for work that deals with today's issues. Work that uses traditional or non-traditional materials to highlight today's Native artists.

We are looking for work that may be outside of what is considered stereo-typical Native art. We will accept all media including written text. All ages and skill levels welcome.

The deadline for submissions is August 1, 2009 . Submissions may be jpegs or other forms of electronic imagery. Submissions can be sent to: Amii John at johnal33@uwgb.edu .

**FREE HARVARD EDUCATION FOR STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES!!!
DISTRIBUTE WIDELY**

Harvard University Announcement

Harvard University announced that from now on undergraduate students from low-income families will pay no tuition. In making the announcement, Harvard's president Lawrence H. Summers said, "When only ten percent of the students in elite higher education come from families in the lower half of the income distribution, we are not doing enough. We are not doing enough in bringing elite higher education to the lower half of the income distribution."

If you know of a family earning less than \$60,000 a year with an honor student graduating from high school soon, Harvard University wants to pay the tuition. The prestigious university recently announced that from now on undergraduate students from low-income families can go to Harvard for free—no tuition and no student loans!

To find out more about Harvard offering free tuition for families making less than \$60,000 a year, visit Harvard's financial aid website at: <http://www.fao.fas.harvard.edu/>

SEND TO SOMEONE WHETHER THEY CAN USE OR NOT. THEY JUST MIGHT KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN.

**Heard Museum Guild
American Indian Student Art Show & Sale 2009**

About the Student Art Show & Sale

The Guild's American Indian Art Show & Sale is an annual event that is celebrating its nineteenth year. Invitations are sent to high school and junior high school art teachers, asking them to submit their students' artwork to the Show. Since many talented young artists are not involved in their school's art classes and are being mentored, instead, by established artists, a list of these artists is contacted and asked to submit the work of their protégés. In recent years, more than 1,000 pieces from some 650 artists representing dozens of tribes in at least a dozen states have been received.

Student Art is Judged

Each entry is judged by a panel of professional artists. First, second, third, and honorable mention ribbons are awarded in each of the following art categories:

Baskets	Sculpture	Jewelry & Lapidary	Photographs
Beadwork	Drawings	Weaving & Textiles	Graphics
Pottery	Paintings	Collage & Mixed Media	Cultural Items
Computer Generated Art			

Best of division, best of show, and other special ribbons are also awarded. Each ribbon winner also receives a cash prize. In recent years, the total amount awarded to student winners has averaged over \$4,000.

Student Artists Sell Their Work

Each creation is priced by the student and made available for sale during the five days the Show is open. In recent years, students have sold pieces ranging in price from \$15 to \$5,000. The student receives 80% of the price paid. The other 20% remains with the Guild to help (1) fund the students' cash prizes, (2) defray the costs of the Show, (3) provide school grants for classroom art supplies, and (4) support a workshop for participating student artists.

Go to the following website for more information including application forms.<http://www.heardguild.org/student-art/about-student-art-show.aspx>



June Ezold Chairperson Emeritus

JUNE EZOLD MEMORIAL FUND

Joan Waldvogel

As of November 30, 2008 the total in the JE Fund is \$10,865.65. \$120,000.00 is in the Land Fund other than this amount. A great thanks to all who have contributed. We are very serious about getting a Building of our own, and materials that are needed for immediate cultural education of our people and for presentations regarding WHO IS the Brothertown Indian Nation. These materials will be added to the collection in our Library/Museum to benefit ALL of us.

In May 2008 the Council approved of \$3200.00 from the JE Fund for hardware and soft ware to make possible a Power Point Cultural /Educational program. To date \$2284.51 of this fund has been spent. Mike Sykes and Caroline Andler are presently working on the photo and script presentation. Their services are volunteered.

It will be wonderful to have a program ready for presentations. Members who have come to recent Council Meetings have seen previews. We are having more and more requests for Cultural and History Presentation of our tribe. This will help.

NOW is a GREAT TIME to be part of our History with your gift of money in Memory of June or any other Ancestor or Person you wish to remember. If you prefer to make a donation toward the general Building Fund, any donation is Appreciated. Please help keep the Fund Growing!

May it be your pleasure to give whatever you can. Please use the helpful form provided below.

Please cut off on line and send bottom portion with your donation

In Memory of June Ezold, or _____
Name other person/s you wish to give in memory of

My family wishes to donate _____ for the establishing of Brothertown Indian Community Center in which June Ezold and other Ancestors will be Honored.

Member Name: _____ Enrollment #: _____

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Make Check payable to Brothertown Nation Inc., and mail to:

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James (Jim) R. Ottery, 83, of Waukegan, IL, died Saturday, January 17, 2009 at the Golden Living Care Center in Minnesota. Jim was born on January 1, 1926 in Fond du Lac, WI, the son of Irene and Willis Ottery. He got a kick out of telling people that he was a New Year's Day baby.

After graduating high school, Jim served in the U.S. Navy on an LST in the Pacific during World War II. He was a member of the LST 750 Association and he enjoyed attending several ship reunions. In June of 1947 he married Ruth Heikkila of Waukegan. They lived in Waukegan for all of their lives until Jim moved to La Crescent, MN 6 months ago to be close to his son Randy of Onalaska, WI. Jim worked for more than 35 years as a driver-salesman for Meadow Gold Ice Cream and a member of the Teamsters Union. As a Brothertown Indian, he worked with his brother and sister and other tribal members to have the Brothertowns Indians of Wisconsin recognized as a sovereign tribe by the federal government.

Well-known for his great sense of humor, easy-going ways and a nearly permanent smile, Jim made friends easily. He was a diehard fan of the Green Bay Packers and played a mean game of cribbage. He will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved him.

He is survived by his sons, James Ottery Jr. (Sara Cordell) of Springfield, IL and Randy Ottery (Diana) of Onalaska, WI; granddaughter, Meredith Ottery of Chicago, IL; brother, Willis (Linda) of Weare, NH and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; sister, June and his wife, Ruth.

A memorial service will be held during the third weekend in June in Gurnee, IL. Arrangements were under the care of the Salata – Gurnee Funeral Home, 4190 Old Grand Ave., Gurnee, IL (847) 244-1155. Memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans and the Brothertown Indians of Wisconsin. Be sure to sign the online guestbook at www.gurneefuneralhome.com.

June Ezold

By Carol Youngren

As we the Brothertown people anxiously await our determination by The Office of Federal Acknowledgement I would ask that we take a moment to remember our past Chairperson June Ezold. I only knew June for some eight years. In that time I realized June was a woman who deserved my respect and admiration. She worked tirelessly for our community never complaining, instead doing what she thought necessary to achieve our goal of re-recognition by the U.S. Govt. We as members did not always agree with June's ideas but we could rest assured that anything June did was because she thought it would best serve our community. This January 14th is the second anniversary of June's passing but I believe she is with us in spirit at this exciting time in our history. June is sadly missed.



Gertrude June DeLora "Trudy"

Gertrude DeLora, the daughter of James and Mable Madison, was born on June 2, 1931. She passed away November 16, 2008, after complications from open heart surgery and diabetes.

She was a devoted wife to Ralph DeLora for 48 years.

She was a kind and gentle soul in this world. We had the pleasure all this time to call her Mom "our very own". She was like a rainbow that shines through, after the rain, reminding us all, our Angel has no more pain. She will be remembered by all who had the pleasure of her company.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers.

She leaves behind her children, Jackie (Mike) Conners, Jim Eslinger, Linda Cooper, Vonnie (Ray) Crawford, and Roger (Sarah) DeLora; step-son, Lou (Perlyne) Rowberry; and numerous grand and great-grandchildren.

Trudy was the granddaughter of Wealthy Jane Johnson, the great granddaughter of Orrin G. Johnson, who came with his parents, William Johnson and Charlotte Skeesuck to Wisconsin with the first group of Brothertown Indians from New York. She was very proud of her heritage and always found ways to be an active member of the tribe, though living across the country in Washington. Trudy and her cousin, Eileen Geiger, flew to Minnesota one spring to meet her Brothertown cousins at Little Falls. She donated many craft items over the years and frequently called the office to say hello.

She will be missed by many of her Brothertown cousins.

Donna (Davis) Possi

Brothertown tribal member Donna (Davis) Possio died in her home in Dixon, Montana on January 8th. Her husband and children were by her side.

She is survived by Her husband Vern, two adopted sons Timothy, and Terri Paul, three brothers- Butch, Norman, and Arnold. And three sisters- Sharon, Cathy, and Patty. Along with her grand children, and many nieces and nephews.

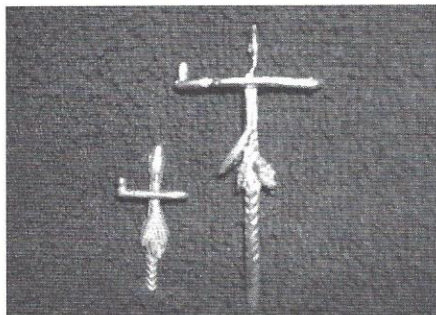
Donna was preceded in death by her parents Alfred Francis Davis, and Violet Rose (Mager) Davis, a brother William Davis, and a sister, Norma Bess.

She was a deeply spiritual woman, passionate about her Christian beliefs, and her Brothertown Indian heritage. Donna was a Lucy Skeesuck descendant. She will be dearly missed by all who knew her.

-Leon S. Davis

Larry Simons/Pendleton

Larry Simons, 58, died suddenly Monday afternoon, January 5, 2009. He was born April 23, 1950 in Neenah, WI to Earl and Juliette (Pendleton) Simons. He grew up in Neenah and on April 22, 1994 he married Nora Rath in Shawano and the couple have made their home in Gillett all their married life. Larry will be lovingly remembered for his consideration and willingness to help others, his good sense of humor and fondness for participating in family activities and fishing.



CALUMET CROSS

The Calumet Cross was designed by Rudi Ottery to represent the combining of three integral parts of being a Brothertown Indian. The spear, which was used by the New England Indians as a means of gathering food for their people, represents the history of the Brothertown Indians. The Calumet "Peace Pipe" is symbolic of the original Brothertown settlement in Calumet County, Wisconsin. Together they form a cross which symbolizes the integral part Christianity has in Brothertown history.

STERLING SILVER CALUMET CROSS ORDER FORM

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Lg Cross w/ 24: Chain	_____	\$60.00
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Sm Cross w/ 20" Chain	_____	\$50.00
Sm Cross w/ 24" Chain	_____	\$50.00
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