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## Chairman's Column



Dear Tribal Family,

The month of May turned out to be a difficult time for many of us. Even as the beauty and renewal of spring shone its face - even as the herring began their annual run - it wasn't all sweetness and light. Amy Booth Hamblin (Hendricks), Dwight A. Peters, and my beloved mother and Tribal Elder Constance Myrna (Tobey) Cromwell went on to the Grande Lodge in the Sky. And while each of their spirits are now with The Creator, those of us who were left behind are not without a sense of grievous loss.

Of course, I cannot speak for the immediate families of Amy and Dwight. But, as for me, I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to all those who offered their love, support and Good Medicine during such a difficult time.

Amidst the heartache, however, I am always blown away by how our Tribe's strong kinship ties have the power to transform mourning into morning. The sacred songs, sage, prayers and drumming embody an ancient appreciation for the circle of life, and, I believe, is the secret to our resilience.

It is a blessing that even in death, there is still beauty - and strength - among our people. The way we come together to celebrate the lives of those of us who pass on, without regard to circumstance or status, carries the implicit message that each and every Wampanoag life matters.

To behold and partake in that is a constant source of healing and hope.

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We draw upon the everlasting energy

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## Tribe Signs Historic Agreement with Federal and State Agencies

**T**he Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe signed a historic agreement on Monday, May 18, a memorandum of understanding that is the first such contract between a tribe and federal and state transportation agencies.

The agreement will have the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation consult with Wampanoag officials before construction of transportation projects near historic Native American burial grounds and cultural resources.

In a signing ceremony Monday afternoon at the Mashpee Wampanoag Community and Government Center on Great Neck Road South in Mashpee, the government-to-government agreement is being called the first of its kind and acknowledges the special relationship tribes have with the federal government.

Discussions between the three parties began in October 2014. The tribe's director of historic preservation, Ramona Peters, led the Wampanoag effort to prepare the memorandum of understanding in accordance with sec-



*Ramona Peters, historic preservation officer, shaking hands with Pam Stephenson, Federal Highway Administration, after signing the MOU on Monday, May 18*

tion 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, which requires federal agencies to take into account how proposed projects impact historic properties.

After the signing, Ramona Peters of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe shakes hands with Pam Stephenson of the Federal Highway

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## Eye to the Future: Tribe Hires New Tribal Administrator

With an eye to the future and developing long-term strategic growth, The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe hired a new Tribal Administrator. The Tribe hired David ThunderEagle,



*Tribal Administrator David ThunderEagle*

who began work on April 20, 2015 and has hit the ground running meeting with staff and assessing organizational needs. David is widely recognized as a community leader in Indian Country and a strategic thinker that has a track record of helping Tribes strengthen their programs and services.

"I'm very excited to be joining the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe at this time," said David. "It's such a vibrant community with a rich history and a bright future...I'm thankful to have been given the opportunity to work for the Tribal Members. There's a wealth of opportunities for Tribes like Mashpee and it's my job to ensure we have the

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## Events Calendar

### New Events

**June 13 - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
Graduate Brunch, MWTCGC

**June 14 - 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
General Body Meeting, MWTCGC

**June 20 - 11:00 a.m. to dusk**  
Youth Sobriety Powwow, MWTCGC

**June 27 - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
Strawberry Thanksgiving, Mashpee  
Wampanoag Indian Museum

**July 3-5 - 10:00 a.m. to dusk**  
Powwow, Cape Cod Fairgrounds

**July 9 - 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.**  
General Body Meeting, MWTCGC

**July 19 - 11:00 a.m.**  
Blind Joe Amos Sunday Service, Old  
Indian Meeting House

### Weekly Events

**Mondays - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**  
Youth Boys Basketball, MWTCGC

**Tuesdays - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**  
Elders Lunch & Learn, MWTCGC

**Tuesdays - 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**  
Coed Volleyball, MWTCGC

**Wednesdays - 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**  
& **5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**  
Tribal Health Yoga with Virginia and  
Kimma, MWTCGC

**Wednesdays - 5:30 p.m.**  
Enrollment Committee, MWTCGC

**Wednesdays - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**  
Tribal Health Zumba with Shirley,  
MWTCGC

**Thursdays - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.**  
Elders Lunch & Learn, MWTCGC

**Fridays - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.**  
Tribal Health Zumba with Shirley,  
MWTCGC

**Monthly - 6:00 p.m.**  
Housing Commission, MWTCGC,  
It is held the first Thursday and third  
Monday of each month.

**Monthly - 6:00 p.m.**  
Chief's Circle, Old Indian Meeting House  
It is held the first Tuesday of the month.

**Monthly - 5:30 p.m.**  
Public Safety Commission, MWTCGC,  
It is held the third Thursday of the month.

## Martha Pearson Shares a Newspaper Clip



Sixth Graders, left to right, Jack A. Sylvia, Jane E. Hendricks, Bonnie L. Frye and Bernard Coombs, decorate the class Christmas tree in Samuel G. Davis School in Mashpee. Each student decorates its own tree. Gifts put under tree by students and teachers were exchanged.

## Do You Have News to Share in the Mittark?

Do you have Tribal news to share? We want to hear from you. All Tribal Members are encouraged to submit news to be included in the Nashauonk Mittark. Please contact Melissa Hill at [mhill@mwtribe.com](mailto:mhill@mwtribe.com).

## A Note to WIA and Education Departments



Cheryl J. Lammers

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for the tremendous amount of support that you have provided me with during my four-year journey through college. You have

made my dream of receiving a Bachelor degree possible. I am now a 2015 graduate of Fisher College in New Bedford, MA having received a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Services on May 16.

I began my journey as a recipient of money for books from WIA. But, when I introduced myself to Yvonne (who at the time was a new director) she informed me that she was under strict direction from the Department of Labor to stop focusing on books and focus on job placement; so, that year would be the last year for book money. But, she let me know that the Council was in

the process of hiring an Education director who would be there to assist me.

Renee Pocknett came on as Education director and I was the recipient of much appreciated Tribal scholarships. Any time I had questions and/or concerns, Anne Fox was available to assist and always treated me with the utmost respect (and believe me I called her a lot).

Throughout this entire process, the WIA department stayed in touch with me, providing job leads and counseling.

It's never too late to go to college. College isn't supposed to be easy but the load was made lighter with the assistance I received from the WIA and Education departments.

Thank you to both departments for everything!

With Sincere Gratitude,

Cheryl J. Lammers  
Daughter of Harvey Boardley Lammers  
Granddaughter of William Boardley



## MOU Signing *(continued)*



Vice Chairwoman Jessie "Little Doe" Baird and Ramona Peters sign MOU

### Administration.

After the signing, Ramona Peters of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe shakes hands with Pam Stephenson of the Federal Highway Administration.

Historically, Wampanoag ancestral lands included the entire eastern half of the state, according to a statement from the tribe.

"There are many transportation projects that run through Wampanoag territory," Peters said. "And because we're talking about pathways of our ancestors, it's extremely important to protect and preserve our cultural heritage."

Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Council Chairman Cedric Cromwell lauded the Federal Highway Administration and the Massachusetts Department of Transportation for those agencies' willingness to consult with the tribe to help preserve the historical and cultural contributions the Wampanoag have had in the founding of the state and nation, according to a statement from the tribe.

"Our people have been here for 12,000 years," Cromwell said. "We are thrilled federal and state government leaders share our appreciation in honoring our ancestors and in forging a cooperative relationship moving forward."



## Supreme Court Judge Sworn In on May 15

**A**t a swearing in Ceremony on Friday, May 15, The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Court officially appointed Judge Terri Yellowhammer to the position of Supreme Court Judge. Supreme Court Judge Robert Mills presided over the ceremony.

Judge Yellowhammer is an enrolled member of the Standing Rock Lakota Tribal Nation. She has an extensive background in human services, having practiced as an Assistant Minnesota Attorney General in the area of human services and mental health, and was with the Minnesota Department of Human Services where she was the state's policy consultant on the Indian Child Welfare Act, a position which involved working collaboratively with representatives from Minnesota's eleven American Indian tribal governments as well as county social workers and attorneys. She also held a state level position in administrative law for the Minnesota Department of Human Services' Division of Licensing. In this capacity she reviewed administrative actions affecting persons working in state licensed programs serving individuals receiving residential treatment, foster care and nonresidential treatment and habilitation.

Judge Yellowhammer is currently a



Supreme Court Judge Robert Mills swearing in Supreme Court Judge Terri Yellowhammer on May 15

consultant on ICWA cases for the Minnesota Guardian Ad Litem Board, and is a staff attorney for the Indian Child Welfare Law Center, where she represents Indian Custodians involved in child protection matters. She is also an appellate judge with the White Earth Nation in northern Minnesota.

Ms. Yellowhammer holds an undergraduate degree from St. Catherine University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Minnesota Law School.

## Chairman's Column *(continued)*

of our ancestors (as well as the recently deceased) to walk in their footsteps that we may have the fortitude to face our tomorrows.

It is with that spirit I ask you to join me in welcoming new leaders into our tribal government:

Our new Tribal Administrator David ThunderEagle; our new Tribal Supreme Court Justice Terri Yellowhammer; our new Youth Director, Tracy Kelley; our new Assistant Education Director, Scott

Shepherd; our new Indian Education Coordinator, Cameron Greendeer; our new Tribal Outreach worker, Ann Marie Askew; our new Emergency Preparedness Planner, Nelson Andrews Jr.; our new Floating Clerk, Eileen Miranda; as well as our new Gaming Authority member, Daniel Nuey.

Kutâputunumuw,

Cedric Cromwell  
Qaqeemashq (Running Bear)

## Youth Sobriety Powwow on June 20<sup>th</sup>

**T**he Youth Sobriety Powwow is being held on Saturday, June 20 from 11:00 a.m. to dusk at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community and Government Center. Grand entry will be at Noon.

Day money will be provided to the kids and donations of new toys, clothes, diapers and toiletries are being accepted at admission. Donated items will be sent to organizations that support families recovering from addiction. For more information or to sponsor the Youth Sobriety Powwow, please

email [mwtyouthcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:mwtyouthcouncil@gmail.com) or email Joanne "Nana Jo" Frye at [jfrye@mwtribe.com](mailto:jfrye@mwtribe.com).



## Dan Nuey Appointed to Gaming Authority

With a family line that comes down from the Mye/Haynes family, Dan Nuey "Wakeby Wolf" brings a love for his tribe and almost a lifetime of criminal justice experience to his role as the newest member of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Gaming Authority Board of Directors. The Tribal Council officially appointed Dan on Tuesday, April 28 to the Gaming Authority.

"I've seen it all as a police officer in Rhode Island. I've become naturally inquisitive and developed a skill to communicate on just about every level," said Dan. "I'm now looking forward to taking all of those experiences and using them in this position."

Dan has also served as a member of the Tribe's Public Safety Commission since its inception and also serves as a lifetime member of the Rhode Island Criminalist Organization at the University of Rhode Island. Currently he is a Police Sergeant in the City of Cranston Rhode Island where he has worked since 2004. Prior to joining the Cranston Police Department, Dan was a Police Detective for 10 years at Brown University.

Dan received his bachelors degree in Criminal Justice from Roger Williams University and his Masters Degree in Criminal Justice from Boston University. Dan also has completed over fifteen specialized training programs over the past decade in everything



Sergeant Dan Nuey, Newly appointed to the Gaming Authority Board of Directors

from background investigations to behavioral recognition and understanding generation x & generation y.

Dan was born in Mashpee and is the son of Mashpee Wampanoag Myrna Nuey. He currently lives in Cranston with his wife Leslie and their 11-year old son Dan Jr. "DJ". Dan enjoys watching his son play basketball and baseball and taking frequent trips to the Cape to connect with family and to "feel at home."

Dan's education, experience and knowledge of our Community will make him a valuable addition to the Gaming Authority Board of Directors. Please join the Tribal Council and Gaming Authority in welcoming Dan into his new position.

## Principles of Peacemaking

Previously we had addressed the first Principle of Peacemaking from the Mashpee Wampanoag Judicial Ordinance. During the development of the Judicial Ordinance the Elders Judiciary Committee realized that there was another alternative to the court setting that could be done in an informal environment using traditional ways to resolve differences. The four Mashpee Wampanoag Principles of Peacemaking were developed using our own language to identify important concepts of Peacemaking. The second principle is featured below.

**Non-Coercion Principle:** The most constructive way to preserve a positive relationship and settle a dispute is through the voluntary participation of the parties, rather than the use of force from an outside source. For Mashpee peoples, this means the resolution of conflict through "Muhchee cheekunum N8hswehtamuck" which means "without a forceful hand" by "observing the law." Mashpee Peacemaking is not to be confused with the adjudicatory processes or arbitration. Those processes employ the adversarial system of conflict resolution in a

court setting, and assume decision making by a person in authority. In such matters, rules are employed which are designed to compel participation, limit participation to a select few, confine consideration of a conflict to narrow issues, and impose often disharmonious decisions. Mashpee Peacemaking stresses informality, allows open and unfettered discussions, full participation of interested persons, and encourages resolution reached by consensus of all in attendance. Because Peacemaking sessions are not judicial or quasi-judicial proceedings with adjudicatory powers, characteristics or functions, and participation by the participants is wholly voluntary, the characteristics of adversarial practice, including pleadings, counterclaims, cross-claims, discovery, etc., are not contemplated and not permitted. The parties are asked to voluntarily participate, knowingly and willingly, without an attorney to fulfill this Principle.

*Principles of Peacemaking is part of a series submitted monthly by our Peacemakers.*

## New Tribal Administrator *(continued)*

capacity to explore and pursue the opportunities that meet our unique needs."

David received his bachelor's degree in Education from Eastern Washington University. Shortly after graduating he started his career as a school teacher on the Colville Indian Reservation in Washington State. From there David started a career journey that included being a tribal planner and department manager for several tribes and as the Executive Director of the American Indian Community Center in Spokane. He has also been a Tribal Administrator for the Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi of Michigan, and for the Bishop Paiute Tribe of California. David also served as the assistant tribal administrator (Vice-President of Programs) for Cook Inlet Tribal Council in Alaska where he lived and worked for 17 years.

"We are extremely fortunate to have David on our team. His past experience and ability to get things done in Indian Country is a huge asset," said Chairman Cedric Cromwell. "I'm looking forward to working closely with him and welcoming him into Wampanoag Nation."

David is an Enrolled Descendent Tribal Member of the Karuk Tribe of California. He is also German-Swiss and Portuguese.

David has been working in Indian Country for 39 years.

Sadly, in 2012 his wife Diana of 32 years and member of the Chickasaw Nation passed away. He is blessed with three children all now residing in Michigan: Nathan 34 works for the Huron Pottawatomi Tribe in building construction and solar energy technology, Brian 32 is a Journeyman Industrial Electrician and a junior at Western Michigan University to earn his Electrical Engineering degree and is happily married to Megan a Chemical Engineer working at Kellogg's, Cheniah 27 is a recent college graduate with a BA degree in Psychology. David is very proud of his children and only hopes they will bless him with grandchildren someday.

Mr. ThunderEagle has quickly fallen in love with the Cape Cod area and enjoys establishing his home here. "I love what I do for a living, it fulfills my chosen purpose to make the world a better place," said David. "And I am excited to be working with the Tribal Council, the dedicated staff, and the tribal community to meet our goals and fulfill the dreams of our tribal citizens" concluded David. Please stop by the Community and Government Center to greet our new Tribal Administrator.



## Annual Youth Ball



Our youth enjoyed a fun evening of music, dancing, food and awards during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Youth Ball on Saturday, May 16 at the Tribe's Community and Government Center. The theme of this year's Youth Ball was a "masquerade".

If you have questions for the Youth Council or would like to support the council or any of their activities in any way, please send an email to [mwtyouth-council@gmail.com](mailto:mwtyouth-council@gmail.com) or contact Joanne "Nana Jo" Frye at [jfrye@mwtribe.com](mailto:jfrye@mwtribe.com).

## Graduation Brunch

The Education Department will be hosting its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduation Brunch on Saturday, June 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Community and Government Center. The annual brunch is a celebration of the academic achievements of our high school and college graduates from the past year.

RSVP for this event was due on May 29. For more information, please call the Education Department at (508) 477-0208 x151.

The Education Department is committed to providing the support programs that nurture the positive social and academic development of the Mashpee Wampanoag tribe members. For the sustainability of our community we seek to promote and cultivate leadership skills in our youth while, deepening their understanding of tribal history, culture, and the natural environment we are entrusted to.

## From Timber to Trade Mashpee Commerce Then and Today

**M**ashpee has had a long and storied history of trade and commerce. The Mashpee Chamber of Commerce organized some 35 years ago amidst a 12,000 year old community famed for its tenacious pursuit of policy that would protect the production of goods and encourage trade throughout the Cape region and beyond.

Mashpee was home to the likes of Ruben Kuhkuneaw, a Mashpee Wampanoag man who traveled to England in 1760, to successfully petition the King for the rights of the tribe to elect its own leaders to pass and enforce its own trade and commercial codes as well as to ensure the protection of natural resources. Those resources, which included the least clear cut community on the Cape, bays and cranberry bogs would produce a long line of businesses and industry spanning from colonial times.

During the period of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, the Federal Government proposed to move many tribes off of their original lands and regions to create new reservations while integrating some tribal communities together. The endeavor spawned field visits and studies of tribes across the country and very few escaped the specter of removal. Mashpee was one such community due to the tribe's 'affinity for the land and their industry and commerce.'

Mashpee has enjoyed businesses such as The Hotel Attaquin, a celebrated resort famous for its fishing and hunting parties, to Walter Mingo's Coasting Company that provided water freight to and from New York, to Captain Godfrey's water vessel production company; The Mashpee Manufacturing Company which produced brooms; Pells Best, an oyster company, as well as Mashpee Trout, a company whose fish fetched \$1 per pound in New York City when the rest of the industry saw .25 cents per pound.

What is widely known is that Mashpee was famous for its cranberries and companies run by good business leaders such as Asa Peters. What is little known is that Mashpee's



*Solomon Attaquin was a sea cook, a whaler, lobbied the Massachusetts Legislature on behalf of the Mashpee, was the first postmaster in Mashpee and built the Hotel Attaquin*

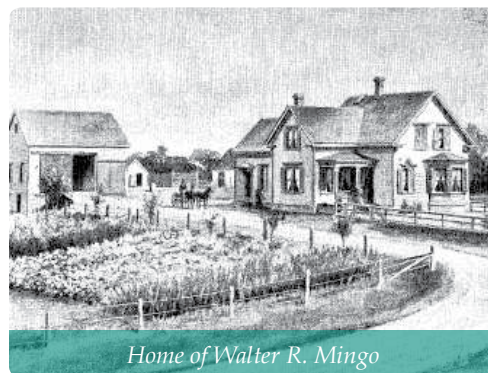
ponds were also home to mills that handled grinding for the towns of Sandwich, Barnstable and parts of Falmouth.

There were stores such as Mr. Charles Collins Store and the Ockry Trading Company that sold everything from ice cream to bullets and fishing gear; Tisit's and Peters Oil that both provided the town and travelers with fuel. There were restaurants such as TNT's, Amelia's Café, and of course the beloved Flume Restaurant, just to name a few. In recent times we saw Dick and Ellie's Clams as well as On the Rocks, a night club that hosted concerts by some of the best bands in the country.

Today we can still see the fruits of early business incubation projects such as Route 151, a cooperative project between the town and state that brought more commerce through town and we still enjoy the most open space of any Cape town; one of the greatest attractions during three seasons now that brings many thousands of visitors to Mashpee.

The groundwork laid by the many generation of leaders in Mashpee has ushered us into the modern business era in an environment that welcomes business.

*by Vice Chairwoman jessie "little doe" baird*



*Home of Walter R. Mingo*



*The Flume Restaurant*

## Meet Tracy Wunushq" Kelley Our New Director of Youth Programs

**T**he Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe is pleased to announce Tracy "Wunushq" Kelley has accepted the position of Director of Youth Programs and officially started in April. Our Youth Programs, like many of the other programs and departments at the Tribe, have experienced a tremendous amount of growth over the past few years and having an accomplished Tribal Member to guide that growth will be a key to ensure the continued success of our youth and the programs that encourage their own growth.

"This is a wonderful opportunity, and I'm really looking forward to joining this great team of talented people by enhancing the lives of our young people—our future," said Tracy. "My first few months in this position will be spent assessing and supporting current services and programs for young people up to age 24. I'm also going to be looking into developing and implementing summer opportunities for our youth," added Tracy.

Tracy's also focusing on developing a foundation and road map for strategic growth and planning with the adoption of mission, vision, and goals statements. Funding is integral for our Youth Programs and Tracy will be identifying new funding opportunities to help achieve the goals set for our Youth Programs.

Tracy was born and raised in Mash-

pee. She's the great granddaughter of late Lona White, the Granddaughter of late Loretta 'Smiling Wind' Jones and daughter of Jessie Little Doe Baird. She's also the extremely proud mother of Tahshayuw Vassell.

Most recently, Tracy was a Youth Worker for over ten years focusing primarily on violence prevention, college access, native cultural programming, and youth advocacy. She's also spent the past four summers at the Tribe's Summer Turtle Camp providing language, culture, and general summer enrichment for young people ages 5-13. In addition, she's stepped up as a teacher/chaperone of Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe for Native American Harvard Student Summer Program (NAHSSP).

To acknowledge Tracy's success and dedication to our youth, she was the inaugural recipient of the Elisha Clay Ash Johnson Youth Leadership Award. Tracy is also the recipient of the Community Builder Award and the Community Partnership Award. She also serves as a member of Tribal Girls program (a program from the 1990s several Tribal Members are looking to revive), served as our Powwow Princess and served as a Peace Boston Volunteer from 2008-2011.

Tracy holds dual bachelor degrees from UMass Amherst in Journalism and English where she also held several positions in

the Native American Student Association (NASA) and Native American Student Support Services. She is also a certified youth worker by Health Resources in Action. Ameri-corp VISTA 2008-2009 after graduation for the Youth Worker's Alliance in South End/Lower Roxbury area. In addition, Tracy is a Language Instructor for the Wopanaak Language Reclamation Project—currently instructing elders in "Elders Lunch n Learn" Program.

Tracy welcomes your thoughts, wishes, wants, and ideas for our young people. For more information about our Youth Programs or to share your thoughts with Tracy, you can send her an email at [tracy.kelley@mwtribe.com](mailto:tracy.kelley@mwtribe.com) or give her a call at (508) 477-0208 x 150 or on her cell at (774) 327-0878. Please join us in welcoming Tracy into her new position.

## Preschool Language Hour Ends in June

Language teachers Vonnie Brown, Jen Harding, and Tia Pocknett will hold their final Preschool Language Hour of the season with Kitty Hendricks at the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum on Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>. Six to ten toddlers have been active participants in the weekly games, songs, and other Wôpanâak language activities held at 10:45 a.m. every Friday morning since last October. Occasionally preschool, elementary, and daycare groups have also visited the museum on Fridays to take part in the language fun. WLRP's language teachers will spend the rest of the summer organizing the annual Summer Turtle Program to be held July 27 through August 16.

Preschool Language Hour will resume in September!

For more pictures and videos of Preschool Language Hour please visit the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum's and Wôpanâak Language Reclamation Project's Facebook pages.

Visit WLRP's Program page for all upcoming language activity updates at

[www.wlrp.org/programs.html](http://www.wlrp.org/programs.html).

Preschoolers sing the "Kuwâmônush" (I Love You) song at the Tribal Museum



## Museum Opens and Announces Events

The Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum opens on Wednesday, June 3 and has organized a series of events through August. General Admission to the Museum is free to Tribal Members and \$2 for children, \$4 seniors, \$5 adults and \$10 family. The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

June 3 - 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. (\$5 material fee)  
Craft Hour-Build a Mini-Fish Net

June 6 - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
Wampanoag Boat Burning with Marcus

June 10 - 7:00 p.m. (\$12 tickets)  
Native Whale Talk with Elizabeth Perry

June 17 - 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. (\$5 material fee)  
Craft Hour - Make Clay Beads

June 24 - 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. (\$12 tickets)  
Native Poetry Reading in Weety8

June 27 - 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.  
Strawberry Thanksgiving - Craft Activities and Traditional Food

July 1 - Time TBA  
Exhibition Powwow Dancers

July 11 - 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.  
Native Games

July 15 - 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. (\$5 material fee)  
Basket Making with Victoria Oakes

July 17 - 6:30 p.m. (\$12 tickets)  
Family Concert - Hawk Henries

July 18 - 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. (\$5 material fee)  
Craft Hour - Make Scallop Shell Necklace





## CYCLE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE/INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE PART III

**D**omestic violence can be physical, sexual, emotional, economic, or psychological actions or threats of actions that influence another person. This includes any behaviors that intimidate, manipulate, humiliate, isolate, frighten, terrorize, coerce, threaten, blame, hurt, injure, or wound someone. Simply put: Domestic violence can be defined as a pattern of abusive behavior in any relationship that is used by one person to gain or maintain power and control over another person.

### Phase I: TENSION BUILDING

Abuser starts to get angry  
Victim minimizes problems  
There is a breakdown of communication  
Victim feels the need to keep the abuser calm  
Tension becomes intolerable  
Victim feels like they are 'walking on egg shells'

### Phase II: ABUSIVE INCIDENT

Abuser unpredictable  
Victim is helpless & trapped

Incident occurs  
Victim is traumatized  
Abuser blames victim

### Phase III: HONEYMOON PHASE (MAKING-UP)

Abuser is loving, apologetic & attentive, promising it will never happen again & that he/she will change  
Abuser is manipulative  
Victim has mixed feelings; feels guilty & responsible for the abuse  
Victim minimizes abuse

This cycle can happen hundreds of times in an abusive relationship. Some phases such as the 'honeymoon' phase may disappear over time.

Seek help in an environment that honors you, your culture and the significance of that culture to your mental health. Contact the Mashpee Wampanoag Health Service Unit - Behavioral Health Clinical Therapists Nadine Phillips Smart and PumukQien Collins at (508) 477-6967.



Chairman Cedric Cromwell at the inaugural Business Beyond Gaming Summit held on April 30. Chairman Cromwell led a panel discussion on doing business in Indian Country.

## New Address?

**I**f you have moved or changed telephone numbers, please contact the Enrollment Department at (508) 477-0208 or drop by and complete a change of address form. Rita Lopez, Enrollment Director, and her staff strive to keep all members informed of events and services offered by way of mail and email by keeping current contact information on all Tribal Members.

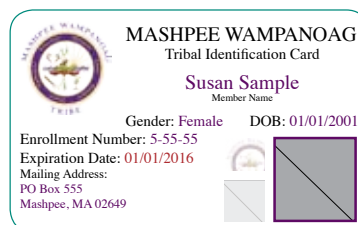
Over the past year we have been auditing our records. As part of the audit, we will be sending out letters requesting members to submit missing, required documentation for member folders. If you have been married, divorced, had a legal name change within the past 3 years please send a copy of any legal documents to the Enrollment Department.

## Food Pantry Hours

The Food Pantry, located in the Government and Community Center have extended its hours to meet the needs of our community. The pantry is now open Mondays from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m., Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Wednesdays from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## Need a New ID?

**M**embers should get a new ID if they still have the older laminated ID as they are no longer valid. ID's expire every 5 years and cost \$15 cash only. You can get an ID at any age and if you are over 55 years old the ID is free, you can also sign up to vote when you come in. Appointments are preferred please call ahead at (508) 477-0208 x173 as we could be unavailable or in a meeting.



## Housing Department on a Mission

The mission of the Mashpee Wampanoag Housing Department is to provide safe affordable housing to eligible tribal members, and other Native Americans who reside in the Tribes service area. It is the Housing Departments mission to provide housing assistance and opportunities specific to the needs of the Native Americans living with the Wampanoag Community by offering eligible members the choice to remain in existing housing, or return to quality housing provided on ancestral lands, a place appointed to us by our Creator, and to encourage self-determination and economic independence for all Native Americans.

**April Successes:** (1) Rental Assistance, (2) Foreclosure Preventions, (2) Down Payment and Closing, and (1) Indian Health Septic.

**The Mashpee Housing Development:** The Meetinghouse Housing Project is going great! All the roads are paved and the streets have been officially named. The water and sewer lines, utility sleeves, electric, gas, telecom, street light, security and irrigation are all in place under new road surface. Next step, construction. Providing you with safe and affordable housing!

### Do you know?

The Mashpee Wampanoag Housing is in need of rentals: i.e. rooms, apartments, houses. Please contact this office should you have one available.

Don't forget to complete your survey!  
Send us Comments?  
Send us Ideas?  
Send us Suggestions?



Chairman Cedric Cromwell with new homeowners Cori and Carl Johnson



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 Emcee..... Earl "Chiefie" Mills Jr.  
 Head Dance Judge..... Vicki Wakanabo  
 Head Drum Judge..... Darryl Wixon  
 Arena Director..... Brian Weeden

Head Dancer..... Nakia Hendricks, Jr.  
 Head Dancer..... Alex Lopes-Pocknett  
 Fireball Keeper..... David Pocknett  
 Fireball..... Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, at dusk

**Open to the public - Adults \$13 | Children 6 to 12/elders 65+ \$8 | Children 5 & under free | Gates open 10 AM | Grand entry 1 PM**

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# COMMUNITY



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Strawberry Thanksgiving

**S**top by the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum located on Main Street Mashpee on Saturday, June 27 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Strawberry Thanksgiving. The Museum staff would like you to join us in giving thanks for the first fruit of the season. Bring the family for a fun filled day of traditional cooking demonstrations, take home a corn husk doll, browse Wampanoag craft vendors and indulge in a dish of strawberry shortcake, native style.

Visitors will have fun learning about Mashpee Wampanoag culture by participating in native games and dances. It's also a great opportunity to see the Museum's new outdoor exhibit; the traditional garden, a weety8-bark covered house, and the mush8n, a type of boat.

See page 6 for a complete list of events coming up at the Museum or call the Museum at (508) 477-9339 for more information. You can also stay up to date on activities by liking the Mashpee Wampanoag Indian Museum on Facebook.

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Aunt Joan at the 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Strawberry Thanksgiving



Native Crafts



Native Food

## ICWA: Protecting Our Next Generation



Child in photo is not affiliated with ICWA programs

The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) Department is looking for Tribal Members that are interested in becoming a foster parent. The ICWA Department is in desperate need of individuals to step forward and give our next generation the warm, loving and safe home they deserve.

Please contact Catherine Hendricks ICWA Director for more info at (508) 477-0208 x 144 at (774) 255-0119 or at [catherinehendricks@mwtribe.com](mailto:catherinehendricks@mwtribe.com).

The MWT ICWA Department is located in the Community and Government Center at 483 Great Neck Road South, Mashpee, MA 02649.