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APRIL - MAY 2005

Chiefs Message



I hope everyone had a great spring break! Last month's pine car event was fantastic! It was really good to see all the young racers with their pine cars ready to race. There were a lot of great looking cars and plenty of fans to cheer the pine cars down the tracks. Congratulations to all the winners and to

Nora Baran who was the overall champion at this years event. Nora did a great job and now holds the title for three years in a row! I also want to once again thank Rick Howe for creating the finish line gates at the end of each track. These gates really made the event run smoothly and more exciting.

We also had our "Day with the Cavs" event at the beginning of April. Despite a few obstacles prior to the game, (Cavs game start time changed, I-77 closed, power outage in the city, daylight savings time change), Mike Zubic and Dave Boldt did a great job putting this event together. It was really great to see the Cavs win the game 100 to 80. Let's hope they continue on winning into the playoffs.

Our upcoming events include bumper bowling, Buffalo Naval Park campout, Bike hike, Memorial day parade and the Spring campout. Be sure to read the articles about these events and send your registrations in as soon as possible. The sponsoring tribes for these events need to get attendance numbers together in order to make plans for each event. Also, it's now that time of year where we gather nominations for the 2005-2006 officers. Please consider volunteering as an officer to our organization. Each position needed should not take a lot of your time and your efforts really pay off when you see smiles on the children's faces at each event we sponsor! Please see the officer nomination article for positions that are available.

With the weather getting warmer, many of our young children are starting baseball and spring soccer. This is a great time to get out and enjoy some outdoor activities with your child. Enjoy the spring season and remember that Mothers day is Sunday May 8th.

Dan "Chief Scratching Hawk" Ogorek
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April Birthdays

Catawba	Sarah Powers
Trailblazers	Ari Prinzbach
Trailblazers	Sarah Baran
Kickapoo	Victoria Polisen
Pocohantas	Lauren Turner
Mojave	McKensey Ryan
Trailblazers	EJ Hatala
Pocohantas	Alyssa Eidam
Trailblazers	Arian Martin
Tomahawk	Michael Ulanski
Apache	Patrick Glover
Trailblazers	Andrew Plassard
Trailblazers	Cameron Baum
Teton	Carl Popielzrczyk
Apache	Adam Kasperski
Choula	Tanner Hadick
Teton	Nicholas Neumann
Navajo	Kenny Frajter
Trailblazers	Rebecca Kapusta
Crow	Michael Piekarczyk
Crow	Adam Anielski
Seminole	Ryan Brus
Shoshone	Brica Denallo
Kiowa	Jenna Harvan Bonazza
Choula	Tony Apolczer
Erie	Chase Wheeler

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Next Officer's Meeting:

Officers Meeting: Wednesday April 27th, 9:00 at the Pickle Works

Next Longhouse Meeting: Wednesday, May 4th, 7 p.m. at the Brecksville Library

Scheduled Events

Month	Event	Date	Location	Sponsoring Tribe/Assist
April	Bumper Bowling (below)	4/24/2005	Cloverleaf Lanes 1:30 - 4:00 pm	Cowichan
May	Buffalo Naval Park Campout (page 3)	5/14/2005	Buffalo Naval Park	Seminole
May	Bike Hike / Train Ride	5/22/2005	Brecksville	Navajo
May	Memorial Day Parade	5/30/2005	Broadview Hts 11:00 am	Nations Chiefs
June	Spring Campout (page 6)	6/3/2005	Camp Tippecanoe	Medicine Man & Erie
June	MS Walk (page 7)	6/4/2005	Camp Tippecanoe (following breakfast)	Rising Moon
June	Family Pool Party	6/17/05	Independence Rec. Center	Kiowa

*Times and Dates are subject to change. You can verify the above information by visiting our web site at www.cvnsnd.org

Bumper Bowling

Sunday April 24/2005 1:30 - 4:00 Cloverleaf Lanes, 5619 Breckville Road, Independence (216) 524-4833.

Sign up now for the Bumper Bowling sponsored by the Cowichan Tribe. Cost is \$8.00 per person for two hours of bowling, shoe rental, hot dogs, chips and soda. Advance registration is required by April 18th, but don't wait as space is limited to the number of lanes available and this popular event fills quickly. *This is a father/child only event.*



Arrive at 1:30 for lane assignments, shoe rental and best ball selection! Bowling starts at 2:00 pm.

Cloverleaf Lanes is located at 5319 Brecksville Road (Rt. 21) Independence. Directions: Take Rt. 21 North less than two miles North of Rockside Road. Cloverleaf is on the right hand side under the gaint Goodyear sign that can be seen from Rt. 77.

Contact John Falko with any questions. Home phone: 440-746-1145 or e-mail: John_J_Falko@KeyBank.com

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Bumper Bowling Registration Form (due by April 18th)

Dad's Name _____ Tribe _____

Childs Name _____ Tribe _____

Childs Name _____ Tribe _____

Childs Name _____ Tribe _____

Cost: \$8.00/person. Make checks payable to CVNSND.

Mail to: John Falko, 6576 Glen Coe Drive, Brecksville, OH 44141

Buffalo Naval Park Trip

Saturday, May 14, 2005 !!Get your registration forms in.

The reservation deadline has been extended to April 30th.

Cuyahoga Valley Native Sons & Daughters are "shuffling off to Buffalo" to see the historic Naval Park.

Trip includes:

An overnight stay on the USS Little Rock Missile Cruiser., dinner and breakfast in the ship's galley where NS&D will assist in the food serve line, 1 ride on the British torpedo jet motion simulator (3 min. ride) and a tour of all 3 ships docked in port at the Naval Port. They are USS Sullivans, a destroyer, USS Little Rock, a guided missile cruiser, and USS Crocker, a submarine. There will be a movie on Sat. night, a scavenger hunt, and much more.



Lights out Sat. night at 10:30 PM, dads are responsible for taking shifts for fire and safety watches throughout the night. Breakfast Sun. morning is at 6:30 AM sharp (remember, it's the military).

Recommended items to bring along: pillow, sleeping bag, flash lights and toiletries.

Check-in time is between 4-5 PM Sat. 5/14/05. The cost per person is \$42.

If you'd like to go up and enjoy Niagara Falls on Friday and early Saturday, rooms are available at the Ramada Inn for \$69.95 + tax - Call 800-272-6232 to reserve a room. Bring an extra set of clothing, if you plan on enjoying the falls.

Directions:

The Naval & Military Park is located very close to downtown Buffalo, on Buffalo Place at the foot of Pearl and Main streets, across from HSBC Arena.

Take the I-190 to downtown Buffalo - from the south take the Church St. exit, go right onto Lower Terrace (first intersection) and right again onto Pearl St. - from the north and Niagara Falls take the Niagara St. exit, go right on Niagara, and turn right onto S. Elmwood which turns into Lower Terrace after the Church St. intersection.

Or take the Kensington Expressway to downtown and the Goodell St. exit, bear left onto Pearl St. and continue to the Park. For more information, visit www.buffalonaivalpark.org/

Registration Form

Overnight at Buffalo Naval Park
Campout May 14, 2005

Dad's name _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Child's Name() _____ Tribe _____

Child's Name() _____ Tribe _____

Child's Name() _____ Tribe _____

(Note to Dad with children in 2 tribes. Please indicate with an X in () by child's name where you would prefer to sleep.)

Cost: \$42.00 per person _____ x \$42.00 = _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Make Check payable to: Cuyahoga Valley Native Sons / Daughters
Mail to: Jim Senick 6903 E. Sprague Rd. Independence, OH 44131

Bike Hike & Train Ride!

Sunday May 22, 2005 Family event

Sunday May 22, 2005 is the date for this year's Towpath Trail Bike Hike & BBQ. Bike or hike the whole family along on this great outdoor event, which will conclude with a BBQ at approximately 1pm. We will bike and/or hike our way down to the metro parks area in Peninsula, enjoy a BBQ and also have an opportunity for a short train ride with "Thomas the Tank Engine" for those interested. The Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad is having a special "Day Out with Thomas" event on the day of our bike hike. Tickets for the Thomas Train ride are \$14 and include a 25 minute train ride that will start and end at the Boston Mill Boarding site on Riverview Road in Peninsula. Trains depart every 45 minutes, beginning at 9:30am. Live music, Imagination Station, Arts & Crafts and more are also included with the Thomas event. You can check out the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad website at www.cvsr.com for more details. Bike hike, towpath trail maps, and other neat info are available at <http://www.cvsr.com/bikehike.shtml>. If you're biking from Rockside Rd. (13 miles), allow about 3 pedaling hours. If you're biking from the Canal Visitors Center at Hillside and Canal Roads (11 miles), allow about 2 1/2 pedaling hours. If you're planning to bike from the Station Road bridge near Rt. 82 and Riverview Rd (6 miles), you should allow about 1 1/2 pedaling hours to get to Peninsula. Hikers should double these times. The Navajo Tribe will have refreshments for all the bikers and hikers at Highland Road. Mark your calendars now and plan to join us for this fun family event. More details will be provided in a separate email, with a final update in the next "Smokes" issue. Please contact Dan DiTommaso at 440.526.4659 with any questions.



Officer Openings for 2005 - 2006

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2005-2006 program year. Please review the chart below and if you or someone you know in our group is a candidate, please email Rex Mack with your nomination to Rex_Mack@ml.com

Cuyahoga Valley Native Sons and Daughters Officer Positions

POSITION	CURRENT OFFICER	2005-2006 NOMINEE
Longhouse Chief	Dan Ogorek	Rex Mack
Assistant Longhouse Chief	Rex Mack	John Falko
Sachem	Chris Iula	Dan Ogorek
Fire Nation Chief	Steve Hadick	
Earth Nation Chief	Kris Scott	
Sun Nation Chief	Ed Baldwin	
Sky Nation Chief	Dave Sedivy	
Medicine Man	Jason Koeth	Jason Koeth
Assistant Medicine Man		
T-Shirt Chief	Jerry Lazar	
Assistant T-Shirt Chief		
Awards Chief	Dan Lehoty	
Thundermaker	John Zambory	Carl Wisniewski
Assistant Thundermaker	Carl Wisniewski	
Storyteller	Don Baran	Don Baran
Wampum Bearer	Kenn Synek	Kenn Synek
Information Chief	Don Krolikowski	Don Krolikowski
Assistant Information Chief	Steve Mendlik	Steve Mendlik
Smoke Signals Editor	Jeff Krejci	Jeff Krejci
Fire Maker	Todd Kinzer	
Assistant Fire Maker	Bill Niro	
Property Chief	John Falko	Mike Zubic
Assistant Property Chief	Mike Zubic	

Spring Camp Out

Camp Tippecanoe June 3 - 5, 2005

This year's Spring Campout will be held on June 3 -5 at Camp Tippecanoe in beautiful Tippecanoe, Ohio. The Campout is shaping up to be a great time. Horseback riding, pontoon rides, swimming, boating, canoeing, nature programs, fishing, archery, and BB guns are some of the events scheduled. Cost of the Camp Out is \$115 for Dad and 1 child. Each additional child is \$35. Plan to arrive at camp between 7:00 – 9:00pm.



As we arrive the Longhouse is sponsoring a spaghetti dinner along with wings. A Ventriloquist is planned after eating. Wings will be ready before the Stage Show at 9:00. Longhouse will be supplying the wings, you bring your best sauce. Make sure to mark your sauce if it is hot. Details to follow in future Smokes.

Reminder for members in Grade 4 and above: This is the last campout that you may attend as an Native Son or Native Daughter. Thereafter, you are eligible to join the Trailblazers, in order to continue in the program. The deadline for sign-up is May 1, 2005. Space is limited to 254 people. Don't wait until the last minute to sign up. This campout will sell out. It should be a great time for all. Hope to see you there.

Directions (from Rt. 82 & Rt. 21) Get a map here: <http://www.ymcastark.org/camptippemap.htm>

- Take Rt. 82 West to Rt. 77 South. Take Rt. 77 South to Rt. 250 East.
- Take Rt. 250 East to Rt. 800 South.
- Take Rt. 800 South to the town of Tippecanoe. Almost immediately after entering the town of Tippecanoe there will a YMCA Camp sign on the left, directing you to turn left onto Norris Rd.
- Follow Norris Road for about 2 miles. You will see another sign "YMCA Camp" on a tree. Just after that, turn right onto YMCA Rd. Follow YMCA Road for another 2 miles, until you reach the camp entrance. Turn right into the camp, and follow the camp lane for another mile to main lodge. Yes, folks, it's in the sticks, but that makes it fun!!!.....Medicine Man: Jason Koeth

Spring Campout 2005 - Registration Form

June 3 - 5, 2004 (deadline May 1st)

Dad's Name _____ E-mail: _____
Child's Name _____ () Tribe _____
Child's Name _____ () Tribe _____
Child's Name _____ () Tribe _____

(Note to Dad w/children in 2 tribes- Please indicate with "x" above in () by child's name where you would prefer to sleep. This will help me with cabin assignments.)

() Mark here if you have a daughter and a son and you would like a separate coed cabin. I will do my best depending on cabin space.

Cost: \$115.00 (1 Dad and 1 Child):\$ _____
+ 35.00 (each additional Child):\$ _____
Horseback riding - 8 yrs + \$3.00/child, under 7 yrs \$2.00/child:\$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:\$ _____

Children ages 8 and above will ride the trail.
Names of Horseback Riders:

Make checks payable to: CVNSND
Mail ASAP to: Jason Koeth, 6812 East Pleasant Valley, Independence, OH 44131
(Home: 216-524-7029 / chargingbuffalo@msn.com)

Annual CVNSND MS Walk

WHEN: Saturday, June 4th, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM (immediately after breakfast)

WHERE: Camp Tippecanoe (just outside the mess hall)



NOTE: All pledge money will be collected at the Spring Campout. Absentee pledges must be submitted at the Longhouse meeting, Wed. June 1st.

PRIZES:

- \$100 Toys-R-US Gift Certificate to the Top Fundraiser
- Raise at least \$50 and you'll have 3 chances to win a \$50 gift certificate
- Honey Hut Destroyers to the Top Fundraising Tribe & Trivia Contest Winners
- Medals to all participants plus other fun prizes

Don't wait, start collecting pledges now! Make fundraising a fun tribe event.

This is a wonderful opportunity to teach our children about helping others less fortunate than ourselves. MS is a debilitating disease effecting 400,000 Americans and their families (each day 30 more people are diagnosed with MS).

Our group's philanthropic efforts can help change lives for the better! Last year we raised \$2500. Let's surpass that amount this year.

SOME STARTLING FACTS ABOUT MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS (MS):

For reasons still unknown, the Great Lakes region has one of the highest incidences of MS in the nation - between 130 and 150 cases in 100,000. The Northeast Ohio Chapter works hard to provide many services for people living with MS, services that promote knowledge, health, and independence for all people whose lives are affected by MS. Currently, the Chapter serves over 8,000 individuals with MS and their families.

For more information to share with your kids about MS and fundraising tips go to: <http://www.nmss.org/oha> (North-east Ohio) -or- <http://www.nmss.org/> (National).

MS WALK DETAILS:

- The walk will be approximately 2 miles, easily completed by all ages (a shorter route will be available for kindergartners)
- There will be a tribe/team trivia contest. Along the route, teams can pick up trivia questions. Two winning teams will win a Honey Hut Destroyer.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

- At your next tribe meeting discuss the event and ways to collect pledges. Set a tribe fundraising goal.
- Make copies of the pledge form. A copy is available on the CVNSND website
- Get started!!!

Don't miss this great opportunity to show your kids that every person can make a difference in the lives of those that are less fortunate. We look forward to your tribe's participation.

Pine Car Champion - Nora Baran Interview

Last Sunday Chief Scratching Hawk had the opportunity to do an exclusive interview with this years pine car champion - Nora Baran. Nora who has won the overall championship the last three years took some time to answer a few questions about her pine car racing experience.

Chief: How does it feel to be a pine car champion three years in a row?
Nora: Real good.

Chief: How long have you been racing pine cars?

Nora: I've been racing for three years, since kindergarten.

Chief: What is your favorite part at the pine car race?

Nora: The finals of the pine car race.

Chief: Do you have a favorite color you like to paint your car?

Nora: No real favorite. I just like to use a lot of colors.

Chief: Do you spend much time working on your pine car?

Nora: Yes, I spend a good part of the Saturday before the race.

Chief: What makes your pine car go so fast?

Nora: Sorry but that's a family secret.

Chief: Have you ever tested your car at the NASA wind tunnel?

Nora: No I have not gone to the NASA wind tunnel. We mainly use the kitchen floor for all of our testing.

Chief: Do you have a pit crew ready to fix any broken wheels during a race?

Nora: No. We don't need one.

Chief: What advice would you give to all the other pine car racers?

Nora: Keep a positive attitude

Chief: Will we see a new car next year or are you planning on using this year's championship pine car again?

Nora: I plan on using a new car. My dad and I build new cars every year but I tell my dad to use the same car design.

Thanks Nora for taking the time to answer these questions.

We look forward to seeing you again at next years pine car derby!

Cuyahoga Valley Native Sons & Native Daughters

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