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MAY 2006

Chief's Message



All eyes were on the 2006 CVNSND Pine Car Derby overall champion Alissa Bevan as she accepted her awards after edging out formidable opponent David Pietrow. In her last chance for the derby crown, the seasoned veteran of Pine Car Derby admitted to me that she “was nervous” as the cars flew down track. A recent interview with the champion revealed the following:

How did you prepare for the derby this year?
Alissa: “We went with an hour glass shape for the car.”

What do think gave you the edge?
Alissa: “We put the weight behind the rear wheels.”

How did it feel when you won?
Alissa: “I felt happy and excited!”

What advice do you have for our younger competitors?
Alissa: “They should know it doesn’t matter if you win or lose, it’s just fun to participate. Since it was my last year, I am glad I won though!”

What is your favorite NSND memory?
Alissa: “Definitely shooting bow and arrow and hitting the targets at the campouts!”

Who is the best Dad in the whole world?
Alissa: “My dad of course!” *Thanks, Alissa*

Hope to see everyone at the Spring Campout,
Chief Snakebite, Rex Mack



Don't Forget Mother's Day
May 14th

May Birthdays

- Buckeyes Kathryn Paravano
- Cheyenne Christa Zubic
- Comanche Dominic Niro
- Comanche Tyler Welsh
- Cowichan Malina Papanikolaou
- Cowichan Isabel Kaminski
- Crow Michael Boldt
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- Trailblazers..... Allie Hatala



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Scheduled Events

Month	Event	Date	Location	Sponsoring Tribe/Assist
May	Memorial Day Parade	5/29/2006	City of Broadview Hts	Nation Chiefs
June	Spring Campout	6/2/2006	Camp Tippecanoe	Medicine Man
June	Brecksville Home Days	6/23/2006	Brecksville Public Square	Nation Chiefs/Catawba
July	Pool Party	7/14/2006	Independence Pool	Chippewa

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



Pine Car Derby Recap

A warm but overcast Sunday afternoon was the forecast, but it must have been a perfect day to race pine cars. One hundred forty racers showed up with cars designed as elaborate as horses, shoes, spaceships, buses and books. The creative and crafty dads were hard at work this year.

The best design is still the sleek style of the dragster and Alissa Beven had the fastest car out of the field of 12 Nation winners. Alissa is crowned this year's 2006 Longhouse Champion, unseating the three time champion Nora Baran. The Earth Nation had team Pietrow take first and second place this year.

The Mohawk Tribe would like to extend a large thank you to all the families who attended the event this year. We had a great time; and we hope you did too. Very special thanks to all the volunteers who donated time and energy to help this event run smoothly. Thanks to Frank Madonia and his family for running the time trials and Mrs. Periwinkle for painting all those beautiful faces.

Congratulations to all the racers for showing great sportsmanship and the great excitement of fast cars.

See you next year. The Mohawk Tribe.

Congratulations to our 2006 Champion Alissa Bevan!!!



Bumper Bowling Recap

What a difference a year makes! Last year we were dealing with a record snowfall in April and power outages, while this year brought green grass and warm spring temperatures. Over 150 dads, sons, and daughters attended this year's CVNSND bumper bowling event held on Sunday, April 23rd at Cloverleaf Lanes in Independence. Strikes and spares were in abundance, and if weren't for the bumpers, many gutter balls would have surely been had by all! Big thanks to the Cowichan and Seminole tribes for hosting this successful event.



Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 29, 10:30 AM - Rain or Shine
Town Centre Drive, Broadview Hts.
Families Welcome - Only Dads and kids will march

Once again, the CVNSND will be marching proudly in this year's Broadview Heights Memorial Day Parade. The parade is scheduled to step off at 11:00 am from Town Centre Drive, and will march south on Broadview Road and finish at the Broadview Center. A memorial ceremony will be held on the Broadview Center grounds immediately following the parade. Refreshments will be served in the recreation center after the ceremony.

Please plan to arrive by 10:30 dressed in your CVNSND shirts and vests, or anything red, white and blue. We will be passing out candy and flags this year. If you like, bring along your own flag to wave!

Town Centre Drive is located approximately ¼ mile east of Broadview Road on Route 82 (you can also access Town Centre Drive from Broadview Road, approximately ¼ mile south of Route 82.) Plenty of parking is available in the lots just west of Town Centre Drive.

If you have any questions, please contact Ed Baldwin, Sun Nation Chief, at 546-0316 or edannebaldwin@cox.net.

This event is sponsored by the Nation Chiefs.



Brecksville Home Days

Friday, June 23rd through Sunday, June 25th
Brecksville Public Square
Family Event

Once again CVNSND will be hosting a booth during the upcoming Brecksville Home Days, beginning Friday, June 23rd through Sunday June 25th. Last year was our first year participating in this community event, which proved to be a highly successful recruiting tool. Activities at the booth are being finalized but will include a drawing open to Kindergarteners and 1st graders, a game of chance with prizes, and maybe glow stick sales. In order for this event to run smoothly we rely on each tribe to volunteer time in running the booth. The kids really have fun not only running the games but seeing their friends and showing off their Dad's and the great organization we belong to.

Stay tuned to next months Smokes for more information.

Spring Campout

June 2-4, Arrival Time: 7:00-9:00 PM

Camp Tippecanoe, Tippecanoe, OH

Cost: \$125 for Dad and 1 Child, \$40 per add'l child, add'l fee for horseback riding



**Attn: Assisting tribes are still needed for help with Friday night activities and cleanup!
Please contact Medicine Man Jason Koeth if your tribe can lend a hand.**

Spring is here, and soon it will be time to head down to beautiful Camp Tippecanoe for our annual 2006 CVNSND Spring Campout. This campout is always a great time - swimming on the sandy beach, pontoon rides, archery, nature programs, fishing, canoeing and more. All nestled among the scenic, gently rolling hills of Tippecanoe, Ohio!

Olympic-themes activities are planned for Friday evening, along with our annual Longhouse Spaghetti Dinner and Buffalo Wing Burn-off. Chicken wings will be provided by the Longhouse, and everyone is encouraged to bring along their favorite original sauce (signature blends are also welcome!) Please remember to mark your sauce if it is HOT!!! It's great food and fun for everyone, so get busy now perfecting your sauce.

The deadline for campout registration is May 15, 2006, and space is limited to 254 people. This campout always fills-up fast, so don't delay.

This will be the final CVNSND campout for our 4th grade members. We hope that each of you will consider continuing into our Trailblazers program!

Hope to see you at Tippecanoe!

Medicine Man, Jason Koeth

Directions (from Rt.82 & Rt. 21):



- 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.

Call for Officers



Calling all Dads, would you like to lend a hand in keeping our organization strong and vibrant? If so, please consider volunteering for one of the following open officer positions for the upcoming year:

- Earth Nation Chief
- Sun Nation Chief
- Assistant Medicine Man
- Assistant Thunder Maker
- Assistant Information Chief
- Assistant Property Chief
- Assistant Smokes Signals Chief



If you are interested or have any questions, please contact John Falko at john_j_falko@keybank.com

Spring Campout Registration

Spring Campout 2006 Registration Form (due by May 15th)

Dad's Name: _____ E-Mail: _____

<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Tribe</u>	<u>Dad's Cabin*</u>	<u>Horseback Riding</u>	<u>Graduating±</u>	<u>Indian Name±</u>
1) _____	1) _____	()	Yes / No	Yes/No	1) _____
2) _____	2) _____	()	Yes / No	Yes/No	2) _____
3) _____	3) _____	()	Yes / No	Yes/No	3) _____

*Note to Dads w/children in multiple tribes: Please place an 'X' in the () next to the child's name to indicate which cabin you'd prefer to sleep in. This will help with cabin assignments.

+Note to Dads w/children graduating from CVNSND (4th graders): Please circle Yes next your child's name and please provide his or her indian name as well.

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

Base Cost: \$ 125 (1 Dad and 1 child)
 \$ _____ (\$40 per additional child)
 \$ _____ (horseback riding: \$5 ages 8 & above*, \$3 ages 7 & under)

Total \$ _____ Make checks payable to: CVNSND

Mail ASAP to: Jason Koeth
 6812 East Pleasant Valley Rd.
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*children ages 8 & above will ride the trail

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Did You Know?

- There are over 500 Native American Tribes currently recognized by the US Bureau of Indian Affairs
- There are over 300 Indian Reservations in the United States
- There are 12 Indian Reservations that are bigger than the state of Rhode Island

How the Butterflies Came to Be

Once again, the familiar shape of a man in his middle years came from out of the forest to the shores of the Cuyahoga. It was Laughing Crow, a well-known warrior in his younger years, but now just as famous for his wisdom of ages long ago. Laughing Crow was a Storyteller.

That night, the members of the Cuyahoga Valley Longhouse gathered around the ceremonial fire, under the Worm Moon of March. As Laughing Crow began to speak, a hush fell over the people...all that could be heard was the crackle of the fire. "People of the Cuyahoga Valley", he began, "I will tell you of a time long ago". "But it was not long after the Earth Maker shaped the world out of dirt and sweat he scraped from his skin". "I will tell of our Elder Brother, Itoli, and how the butterflies came to be".

"Long ago, Itoli, our Elder Brother, was out walking about. It was just after the time of year when the rains come. The flowers were blooming all around him as he walked. The leaves of the trees were green and bright. Itoli came to a village and there he saw children playing. It made his heart feel good to see the children happy and playing. Then he became sad. He thought about how those children would grow older. But that was the way the world was made to be. The red and yellow and white and blue of the flowers would fade. The leaves would turn colors and fall from the trees. The days would grow shorter and the nights would get colder.

A wind brushed past Elder Brother, making some fallen yellow leaves dance in the sunlight. Then an idea came to him. 'I will make something,' Elder Brother said. 'It will make the hearts of the children dance and it will make my own heart glad again.'

Then Itoli took a bag and placed in it the bright-colored flowers and the fallen leaves. He placed many things in that bag. He placed yellow pollen and white cornmeal and green pine needles in the bag and even caught some of the shining gold of the sunlight and placed it in there as well. There were birds singing around him and he took some of their songs and put them in the bag, too.

'Come here,' Elder Brother called to the children, 'come here. I have something here for you.' The children came to him and he handed them the bag. 'Open this,' he said.

The children opened Elder Brother's bag and out of it flew the first butterflies. Their wings were as bright as sunlight and held all the colors of the leaves and flowers, the cornmeal, the pollen and the pine needles. They were red and gold and black and yellow, blue and green and white. They looked like flowers, dancing in the wind. They flew about the heads of the children and the children laughed. As the first butterflies flew, they sang and the children listened.

But as the children watched and listened to the singing butterflies, the songbirds came to Elder Brother. 'Itoli,' the songbirds said, 'those songs were given to us. It is fine that you have given these new creatures all the brightest colors, but it is not right that they should also have our songs.' 'Ah,' Itoli said, 'you speak truly. The songs belong to you and not the butterflies.'

So it is to this day. Though they dance as they fly, the butterflies are silent. But still, when the children see them, brightly dancing in the wind, their hearts are glad. That is how Elder Brother meant it to be."

Adapted from 'Native American Animal Stories', by Joseph Bruchac
(Contributed by Guy Savastano, Thanks Guy)

Did you find the 13 butterflies?



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