



**CUYAHOGA VALLEY LONGHOUSE
NATIVE SONS & NATIVE DAUGHTERS**

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Chief's Message



Welcome to the summer!!! Summer vacation...summer homedays...summer sports. It really doesn't get much better than this.

Pretty soon summer baseball will be winding down providing more time for other sorts of activities. But don't worry, there still are a lot of activities planned for this summer. Check out the events calendar and be sure to mark your calendars at home so you won't miss out. On July 14th, Mike Urbanowicz will head a CVNSND group that will be hosting a cornhole tournament at the Broadview Heights Summer Festival. On July 20th, our annual family pool party will be held at the Independence outdoor pool thanks to the Chippewa tribe. In August, we have the Independence Homedays (August 3-4) followed by the Summer Family Campout on August 10-12. Keep in mind that you can come to the summer campout for two nights, one night or even just for the day. When was the last time you went canoeing with your whole family?

Summer also marks a time to start planning for next year's activities. A big part of this planning is recruiting new members to keep this great program going. If you know of kids going into kindergarten or 1st grade, tell them about this group and your experiences. You are our best source of advertisement. We have already had some great exposure at the Brecksville Homedays on June 22nd-24th.

We collected the names of over 30 potential members for next year. I want to thank Assistant Chief Guy "Sky Bear" Savastano for organizing this service event. I am proud to say that the homedays booth was manned at all times! This is truly a credit to the dad's and kids in this organization. Let's try to do the same at the upcoming Independence Homedays. Additionally, I want to extend a special congratulations to Grace Auble who won a new scooter in our drawing at the Brecksville Homedays.

I could not conclude my first Chief's message without mentioning my sincere appreciation for the dedication of our wise Sachem Broken Back, John Falko over the past year. I hope to rely on his wisdom over the 2007-2008 year for continued guidance so that we can keep proper focus on strengthening the bond with our children.

Finally, the summer provides a unique opportunity to reflect and be thankful for all the memories we create with our children. These memories will last a lifetime. I can still remember being in Indian Guides with my dad. I cannot think of a greater benefit to each of us involved in this fantastic program. I look forward to working with you all to this end.

Chief Dancing Buckeye, Gary Pitzer

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Scheduled Events

Month	Event	Date	Location	Sponsor	Family
July	Cornhole Tournament	7/14	Broadview Hts Summerfest	Ass't Medicine Man	Yes
July	Pool Party	7/20	Independence Pool	Chippewa	Yes
August	Indy Home Days & Parade	8/3-4	Downtown Independence	Nation Chiefs	Yes
August	Summer Campout	8/10-12	Mohican Adventures	Nation Chiefs	Yes
August	Outdoor Movie & Family Campout	8/17-8/18	Independence Elmwood Park	Ass't Chief	Yes
Sept	Recruiting Rally	9/12	Oaks Grove Pavilion	Shawnee / Lakota	No
Sept	New Dad Orientation	9/19	Chippewa Elementary	Ass't Chief	No
Sept	Induction Dinner	TBD	Independence Civic Center	Comanche	Yes

*Times and dates are subject to change. Please verify by visiting www.cvnsnd.org.

Longhouse and Officer's Meeting

Gary Pitzer, Chief Dancing Buckeye

Due to popular demand, the monthly longhouse and officers' meetings have been combined into a single meeting. The next meeting will be on July 25th 2007 at 9:00 PM at the London Pickle Works in Brecksville. This meeting provides valuable information about our longhouse and upcoming events that needs to be relayed back to each member of your tribe. Each tribe is required to have at least one member attend. If you are a tribe chief and are unable to attend, please contact someone in your tribe to attend this important monthly meeting.

Recruiting Planning Meeting

Gary Pitzer, Chief Dancing Buckeye

The Recruiting Planning Meeting for the 2007-2008 Recruiting year will be held on Sunday, July 22nd at 7:00 PM. Chief Gary Pitzer will host the meeting at his house, 8120 Creekside Trace, Broadview Heights 44147.

If you are interested in helping with this year's recruiting effort, join the Assistant Chief & Nation Chiefs at the meeting, or email/call Chief Pitzer at gpitzer@tarolli.com or 440-526-0675.



Cornhole Tournament

Mike Urbanowicz, Ass't Medicine Man

The Cornhole Tournament was a HUGE success. Special THANKS to Mike and the other dads for coordinating and 'manning' such a wonderful event. It is not an easy task to create a double-elimination bracket and keep track of the winners, but this team shined through. Great Job!! More details of the winners to follow in the next Smokes! If you would like, Mike can be reach at msurbs@cox.net.

Independence Home Days

Carl Wisniewski, Fire Nation Chief

Friday, August 3rd through Saturday, August 4th
Downtown Independence
Family Event

The annual Independence Home Days Celebration is right around the corner, and the CVNSND booth is back. Break out your sombrero & maracas, CVNSND will be joining Independence in a Mexican Fiesta Home Days celebration. We will march in the Independence Parade on Saturday at noon. Plan to arrive at 11:30. We will meet at the corner of Brecksville and Cherry St. Be sure to wear your CVNSND vest with some Mexican flare. **Those of you who were at the Spring Campout, please wear your Tie-Dye shirts!!**



Those interested in helping with the CVNSND Float -- Meet at Mike Zubic's house on Thursday August 2rd at 7:00 PM - 6855 Acres Dr. in Independence. Acres Drive is off Rt. 21 bewteen Hillsboro and Selig Drive.

For the rest of Home Days, we will be running a booth complete with games and prizes and a kindergarten/1st grade raffle.

Tribal chiefs should report the names of all volunteers by July 31st to Carl Wisniewski by e-mail (wis6667@aol.com) or by phone (216-901-9219).

The following schedule lists each tribe in a particular time slot for staffing the booth at this event (all times are PM).

Pool Party

J.T. Kurtz, Information Chief

Friday, July 20th, 8:00-11:00 PM
Independence Outdoor Pool
CVNSND & Pathfinders Family Event
\$2.00 & One Can of Food Per Person (max. \$10/family), Pay at the Door

Don't miss this one! The Chippewa tribe is planning on yet another wet and wild pool party at the Independence outdoor pool. CVNSND and our Trailblazers will have exclusive use of all of the facilities including the kiddy pool, waterslide, diving boards and hot tub. Burgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks and ice cream will be served. Don't forget to bring your pool toys...especially SUPER SOAKERS!!! In case of inclement weather, we will move to the indoor pool and picnic in the Kiwanis pavilion. Please contact J.T. Kurtz with any questions at 216-276-0638 or 216-524-9794.

Summer Campout - A Family Event

Carl Wisniewski, Fire Nation Chief

August 10-12

Mohican Adventures Campground, Loudonville, OH
CVNSND & Pathfinders Family Event

COST: Primitive Camping cost is about \$30.00 per night for family of 2 Adults + 2 kids (extra kids may be more). A campsite with full hook-ups (electric & water) for 4 adults/4 children will be about \$110.00 for two nights. Cost for canoeing is \$15.00 Per Person. Cost for dinner will be \$12.50/Adult and \$8.00/child.


In addition to the full camping experience, this event will feature canoeing (late Saturday morning) and a catered dinner Saturday night. Saturday night dinner will be held in the Big River Shelter and will include ribs, chicken and all the fixings for adults; burgers, dogs and side dishes for the kids. Soft drinks will also be provided.



To campout, **you must call Mohican Adventures directly to reserve your camp sites.** Some sites have full hookups (water and electricity). To be placed together near each other, advance reservations should be made as soon as possible. We will have people staying in the primitive area and an area with full hook-ups. To be placed with our group in the primitive area, request to be near campsite 651, and if you want to have full hook-ups, request to be near campsite 43. A two night stay is required for advance reservations - walk-ups may be able to be accommodated in the primitive area. Contact Info for Mohican Adventures: Phone: 1-888-909-7400. Additional information and direction can be found at www.mohicancanoe.com. For camping, please be sure to bring your own tent, camper or opt to sleep under the stars.

If canoeing plan on arriving no later than 10:30am. In addition, we will be having the cookout around 5:00pm in the evening.

For canoeing and the dinner, please send your payment with the registration form by July 26th. Carl Wisniewski, 6667 Beverly May Dr., Independence, OH 44131 (email: wis6667@aol.com). You can do any combination of camping, canoeing and dinner. Please be sure to indicate on the registration form if you will be attending Saturday Night's dinner and/or canoeing.

	Summer Campout Reservation Form Due: July 26th
<p>Dad's Name: _____</p> <p># People canoeing: _____ x \$15.00 # Adults for dinner: _____ x \$12.50 # Children for dinner: _____ x \$8.00</p> <p style="text-align: right;">\$ _____ Total Enclosed</p>	<p>Please indicate if you will be canoeing and/or having dinner:</p> <p>Canoeing: _____ Dinner: _____</p>
<p>Please send your payment (check payable to: 'CVNSND') with this reservation form to: Carl Wisniewski, 6667 Beverly May Dr., Independence, OH 44131</p>	

Friday, August 17th, 7:00 PM - Saturday, August 18th, 11:00 AM

Independence Elmwood Park

Family Event

The City of Independence has extended a special invitation to the CVNSND to join them for an Outdoor Movie & Family Campout, to be held "close-to-home" in Elmwood Park. Join us...set up your tent on the soccer fields for one last chance for camping fun before school starts. The evening's festivities begin at 7:00 PM. The Outdoor Pool will be open from 7:00 - 9:00 PM. Our own CVNSND Storyteller will be entertaining campers around the campfire, and of course there will be marshmallow roasting! The city will provide hayrides and will be showing the movie "Night at the Museum" on

diamond #1. There is no cost for the campout...that's right, it's free - how can you beat that !

The CVNSND will be helping out at the event by cooking pancakes & sausage for breakfast on Saturday morning. Also, we will have recruiting materials available for potential new members.

General park rules apply - no pets, no loud radios, no individual campfires and no alcohol. Battery powered

lanterns only! "Lights out" will be at 12:00 midnight on Friday, and pack up time is 11:00 Saturday morning.

Refreshments will be available for sale on Friday evening, but feel free to bring your own snacks & drinks. Register directly with the City of Independence using the form below - mail it in or drop it off at the Civic Center - by

Monday August 13th. Also, if you plan on attending, please e-mail me @ thesavs@wowway.com or call 216-

406-3033 so that I have an idea of how many Native Sons & Daughters are attending. Also let me know if you

are interested in helping out on Saturday cooking breakfast. Normally non-Independence residents would need

to be accompanied by a resident, but this requirement is waived for CVNSND members from Brecksville & Broadview Heights. Note: The rain date will be Friday, August 24th - Saturday, August 25th.

Send to: Campout Registration, Independence Civic Center, 6363 Selig Drive, Independence, Ohio, 44131

Full Name: _____ Organization: Native Sons & Daughters

Address: _____

Telephone No./Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

of Tents: _____ Total # of People Attending: _____ # of Adults: _____ # of Children (under 18): _____

I have read the Outdoor Movie & Family Campout guidelines above and understand that I am responsible to make sure my entire party will abide by all rules and regulations above or I will be asked to leave the event.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE INFORMATION ONLY: Date Received: _____ Registration Number: _____ Staff Initials: _____

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