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Word from the Chairman

Wuneekeesuq Nutuwam (Hello My Tribal Community);

I hope you have had an enjoyable and healthy summer. As we reflect on the last few months, I want us all to remember the unity our tribe experienced at the 2009 Mashpee Wampanoag Powwow. Tribal members from near and far have reached out to express the joy they experienced.

I want all tribal members to hold onto the theme of good medicine and share in the spirit of bringing the tribe together as one. I am focused on one voice – the tribe’s voice - that will ensure that no tribal member is left behind. We have to listen to one another, learn and grow from one another’s perspective and ensure that our tribe unifies as one. We are all family. We all have a great level of respect for our tribe and know that there is true love and PURL (Pride, Unity, Respect and Love) for one another.

I have been proud to take these principles and good medicine with me as I have travelled to Washington to educate federal officials on our tribe, our history, and our needs and goals for the future. As you know, our goal of land into trust is critical to the welfare of our tribe. In July, I testified before the Assistant Secretary of the Interior Larry EchoHawk, Solicitor Hillary Tompkins and the BIA regarding land into trust. I wanted the U.S. government to know that we are the people of the first light, we remain on our sacred Mashpee lands and we are a federally acknowledged tribe without sovereign

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New Hires Complete Tribal Justice System

After an extensive interview process the Elders Judiciary Committee recommended two new justices be hired to complete the tribal court. This includes a Chief Justice, Henry Sockbeson, a member of the Penobscot Indian Nation and a graduate of Harvard Law School who has practiced Indian law for more than 25 years.

“It’s a great honor that the tribe has put this confidence in me. I think having a judicial system is one of the strongest expressions of sovereignty a tribe can make,” said the new Chief Justice. “I look forward to working for the tribe.”

Council approved the Elders Judiciary recommendations that also include Mashpee Wampanoag tribal member Robert Mills, who will join the existing judge, Rochelle Ducheneaux, who was hired last year as an interim judge.

Robert, a graduate of Boston College and Boston College Law School, is an active tribal member and a partner at Wynne and Wynne law firm on the Cape where he has worked as an attorney for nearly 20 years.

Rob is excited about the opportunity to play a role in the tribal justice system but he



Robert Mills, shown above, will serve as one of the judges in the tribal judiciary committee.



Henry Sockbeson has practiced Indian Law for more than 25 years.

is hopeful the courtroom is not the first stop for tribal members with disputes.

“One of the available mechanisms is the Peace Keeping provision in the judicial ordinance which allows people to have more control over their own destiny,” Rob said.

If that does not work, “We will be available to promptly, quickly and efficiently dispense justice to the people.”

An important step, Rob said, will be in establishing a regular schedule of when court will be in session.

“That needs to happen so that people have confidence in the court,” he said. “People need to have their disputes resolved in a quick, efficient and impartial manner.”

Tribal member Barbara Harris, who serves on the Elders Judicial Committee, said seven candidates applied for the positions and several telephone interviews were conducted. Four finalists were chosen and interviewed on two occasions.

“The candidates we chose interviewed very well and had excellent references and affiliations with other tribes,” said Barbara. “The Chief Justice, Henry Sockbeson, has worked with the Mashantucket Pequots since 1993 and his references were outstanding.”

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September

- 5 Elders Council, 11 a.m., Tribal Office
- 7 Food Pantry, 10:30 to 2 p.m., Tribal Office
- 9 Food Pantry, 10:30 to 2 p.m., Tribal Office
- 12 Aquinnah Powwow & 13
- 14 Women's Talking Circle Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Tribal Health Office
- 20 General Membership Meeting, 2 p.m. Please note date change. Location TBA
- 21 Food Pantry, 10:30 to 2 p.m., Tribal Office
- 23 Food Pantry, 10:30 to 2 p.m., Tribal Office
- 28 CLK Classic Golf Tournament, 9 a.m. Quashnet Valley Country Club, Mashpee

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*** Youth Council meets weekly at the Tribal Office every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.**

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 Leslie Jonas
 Selena Jonas
 Paula Peters

- Laddie's a granddaddy! Congratulations are in order for Johnathan Frye (son of Laddie Frye) and Sharri Cardoza on the birth of their daughter, Gabriel Frye this past June 26th. Little Gabriel came into the world a healthy 7lbs. 1oz.
- Congratulations to Keturah Peters, Kevin Frye Jr. and Robert Hendricks who were all inducted into the Junior National Honor Society in June. All attend the 8th grade at Mashpee Middle School and were recognized for their academic success and commitment to their community.
- An advocate for women for many years, Michelle "Strong Spirit" Nuey has been accepted in the first ever Rhode Island State Victim Assistance Academy curriculum developed by the Office of Victims of Crime and sponsored by the United States Department of Justice. Congratulations Michelle.
- Congratulations to Myels "Mak8ok" Nuey who was a member of the LYSA U10 Soccer Team that completed the 2009 competitive season undefeated! We wish Myels continued success in his sporting endeavors this year.
- The tribal administration welcomes Amy Peters to the WIA Department as the new administrative assistant and also Tony Perry to the Natural Resource Department as the new Field Assistant. Congratulations to both on their new positions.
- Beginning on September 14th Tribal Health will host monthly Woman's Talking Circle support Dinners. Open discussions on total wellness topics. Confidentiality and respect honored. For further info contact Tribal Health @ 508-477-0209.

Tribal members who would like to submit items of interest for On the Drum Beat or news for Naushauonk Mittark should send their information to MWMittark@mwtribe.com. The deadline to submit all edited copy is the first Friday of each month.

For the Record

We would like to publish the following corrections to the last edition of this newsletter:

- Geri Anderson Hicks is not a member of the tribe however is now the wife of tribal member Brice Hicks.
- Geri and Brice are the parents of Brice Hicks Jr.
- A second place Muhsh8n race finisher's name was spelled incorrectly and should have been spelled Mashamquet Myles. Additionally, we would like to correct the spelling of Nichole Govoni's name.

The Nashauonk Mittark staff strives to publish the most accurate news and information and apologizes for any errors.



Tribal members Rob Mills, Mark Harding, Trish Keliimui, and Bob Maxim after participating in the annual golf tournament on August 11th to benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Cape Cod.

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land. Land that is needed for housing, healthcare, education and economic development like gaming, fisheries & distribution, energy, manufacturing, products & services, cultural living museums, and free trade zones. All of this will provide jobs and real economic opportunity for our people.

Additionally, Vice Chairman Tobey and I have developed good working relationships with the members of the Massachusetts congressional delegation. Already, these meetings have produced important federal grants for our tribe, particularly in the area of housing. These grants will help us remain on the land our ancestors have called home for thousands of years.

The challenges we face are real, but so are the goals and opportunities for our people! I look forward to continuing to fight for our tribe and to working with the Elders Council to promote unity in the tribe and pride that we are people of the first light, we remain, we sustain, and will advance our people to maintain our cultural identity and sovereignty!

*Kataputumuw
 Qaqemasq (Running Bear)*

Genealogy Department Gets New Leadership



The Genealogy Department is now headed by Tribal Member **Jessie Little Doe Baird** who was recently hired to be the department director. Jessie, who is the wife of Aquinnah Medicine Man Jason Qununôn Baird, is also director of the Wôpanâak Language Reclamation Project and has developed extensive knowledge of Wampanoag history through her study of linguistics.

After being on the job only a few days, Jessie said the first thing she realized is how considerable the backlog is of people seeking to have their applications reviewed.

“It’s just a little overwhelming,” she said, but she also feels there is no reason they cannot be addressed efficiently and with every degree of accuracy assured by our constitution.

“It is my job, and the job of this department, to review every application to make sure it is complete and includes all valid supporting documents,” she said.

If an application is incomplete, the department notifies the applicant that a particular form is missing, and then assists in helping that individual to complete the file.

All completed applications will be sent to the newly seated Enrollment Committee, which met for the first time during the last week of July. It is up to that committee to approve or deny each completed application based on the criteria set forth in the enrollment ordinance in our tribal constitution.

At no time is it required that the Bureau of Indian Affairs review any of our applications or our enrollment process. Our Federal Recognition was approved with our sovereign status including the right to enroll tribal members as we determined in our petition for recognition.

Tribal Enrollment Committee

A new Enrollment Committee has been established by Council including tribal members Sherry Pocknett, Jim Peters, Carol Lopez, Shelly Tobey Russell, and Leslie Jonas.

The committee held its first meeting in late July and got to work quickly to establish the letter of tribal law as it pertains to citizenship.

At the time of this writing, no officers had been elected, however Sherry Pocknett said all members were committed to studying and understanding the tribal constitution and in particular those ordinances that pertain to enrollment in order to efficiently and effectively address the 925 applications that are complete and ready for review.

“We want to make sure we all know what our job is and can do it right,” said Sherry who expects they will be able to begin the review process very soon.

Jim Peters said the committee has made a commitment to meet weekly for the next several months. “We need to work diligently to clear up the backlog of applications,” he said. “It has been too long and we have too many legitimate tribal members who should be on the rolls and are now being denied services they are entitled to, and even tuition waivers for attending college.”

One issue Sherry says she will be keenly aware of is applicants who have seemingly abandoned the tribe until our recent recognition status.

As soon as the committee is clear on the ordinances she said, “we need to go through them and approve or deny them, then put them in the computer.”

Mashpee Wampanoag Housing Department

The Wampanoag Housing Department would like to welcome Sara Costa to our team. Sara started working for the Housing Department in August as the new Rehab and Weatherization Specialist. Thanks to an American Recovery Act grant that was received by the Housing Department, Sara will be working with tribal members who are home owners and are eligible under HUD income guidelines for Home Rehab and Weatherization. If you are a tribal member and would like to see if you are eligible for this program, please contact Sara at (508)477-0208 ext. 235.

On Sunday October 11th immediately following the Sunday Meeting, 4:00-5:00, please join Sara Costa, the Tribal Rehab and Weatherization Specialist, consultants from G Green by Design, and Cape Light Compact to learn how to save energy and money. We will have lots of great giveaways, including an opportunity to bring in one of your standard light bulbs, which we will replace with a new Compact Florescent bulb for free. The compact florescent bulbs use about 75% less energy and last up to 10 times longer than standard bulbs.



Tribe to Receive \$2 Million Housing Grant

After high level meetings in Washington, DC by Chairman Cedric Cromwell and Vice Chairman Aaron Tobey, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has announced that the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe will receive a \$2 million dollar grant. The grant, which will be provided through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act,

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Traditions and Culture Are Top Priorities for New Princess

The 2009-2010 Mashpee Wampanoag Powwow Princess is Chelsie “Dancing Blanket” Miranda. Chelsie is the granddaughter of the late Tribal Elder Edgar Tobey Sr., and the daughter of Laura Tobey Miranda and Warren Miranda. Chelsie is a champion Jingle dress dancer and has been dancing since she could walk.

She is a founding member of our Tribal Youth Council and is very active in its functions. Chelsie is not only active in tribal events, she also excels in academics and athletics at Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School, where she will be a senior this fall. She is a member of the National Honor Society, the KEY Club, and is frequently on the Honor Roll. She is the Captain of her varsity field hockey team, a team member on the varsity basketball team and the team manager of the softball team.

Chelsie also enjoys helping her community and is a part of Habitat for Humanity, a group with which she helped build homes for those less fortunate. She also volunteered her time at a preschool for several years. Upon graduation from high school, Chelsie plans to attend a university and major in social science and minor in business. She intends to use her degrees to open up her own adoption agency in the future. As Powwow Princess, Chelsie has a lot of plans on her agenda, including fully representing our tribe by traveling to as many powwows, socials and other events as possible. More importantly, she plans to bring our Wampanoag culture and traditions back as our top priority. She plans to do this by encouraging education and the passing on of our culture by erasing the gap between our elders and our youth. In doing so, our traditions and culture can never be lost.



Road Race Raises Money for Housing and Reveals Tribal Athletes

Congratulations go out to all tribal members who ran in the 37th Annual CIGNA Falmouth Road Race on August 9th.

As expected, the Lopez-Pitts brothers, sons of Marcia Lopez, were outstanding with Roscell, 24, finishing the seven mile race in 44:08 and Jonathon, 23, finishing in just under an hour with a time of 57:40. In this popular event led by elite runners from all over the world, Roscell's overall place in a field of over 10,000 was an amazing 191! The unexpected surprise was the outstanding race run by 18-year-old Miles Bernadett-Peters, son of Russell Peters, Jr., who finished in 47:40 with an overall place of 344. Miles, who runs cross-country for his high school team in Gold Beach, Oregon, burst on the scene a virtual unknown. He promises to be back next summer!

Congratulations also to the Wampanoag Home Run Team which has been running the race annually for the last five years to raise money for the Mashpee Wampanoag Housing Program. Every team

member finished the race and while final figures on money raised were not available as the newsletter was going to print, the team raised several thousand dollars to help tribal members stay on our ancestral homeland.

Unity Organizers Seek Balance

Plans for a Unity Conference that will take place on the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal lands over the holiday weekend Saturday, October 10 through Monday, October 12 are under way.

Russell Peters Jr, who is among several tribal members organizing the event, says the Unity gathering is for all Mashpee Wampanoag. He said they are actively seeking planning input and participation from all families and factions of the tribe.

Russ said it is clear that every voice needs to be heard and respected in order for us to put aside the differences that will certainly continue to hurt us as a people.

An agenda is in the process of being developed and the organizing committee would welcome additional ideas. Anyone interested in becoming involved may contact Russ at 508-539-1717.

2009 Native American High School Summer Program at Harvard Medical School



Back Row (L-R) Harvard Medical Psychologist Dr. Dennis Norman, Harvard Neurobiologist Professor Dr. David Potter, and Neurobiologist Professor Dr. Ed Furshpan. 2nd Row (L-R) Mashpee Wampanoag Students Sydney Harris, Cameron Frye, Chaperone Brailyn Frye, Wampanoag Student Alexis Molokwu. 1st Row: Wampanoag Student Rhiannon Maher.

From June 27th- July 17th, four Mashpee Wampanoag students successfully completed a three-week course entitled “Psychopharmacology - Effects of Drugs and Alcohol on Brain and Body.”

Council Prohibits Fishing in Contaminated Areas

Fishing in contaminated areas is now prohibited according to a resolution adopted by Tribal Council in July. The resolution, 2009-RES-027, establishes a procedure for investigation and action regarding any report that a Tribal Member has fished in and/or distributed fish from an area closed due to contamination, and provides that the Council may suspend the fishing rights of any such person.

The Council's adoption of this resolution is a response to a recent incident involving two persons taking shellfish from Perch Pond in Falmouth. The resolution emphasizes that health and safety concerns are an appropriate and necessary component of Mashpee Wampanoag regulation of our hunting and fishing rights, as an aspect of self-government and stewardship of the natural resources of our ancestral territories.

Swift, appropriate action by the Council under this Resolution depends upon cooperation by all fish and game agencies in the Commonwealth. The Council has requested all such agencies to provide notice of closures due to contamination to the Mashpee Wampanoag Fish, Game, and Wildlife Committee.



Annual Benefit Golf Tournament To Be Held In September

The 11th Annual Clara Louise Keliinui Memorial Golf Classic will be held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 9:00 am at Quashnet Valley Country Club in Mashpee.

All proceeds will benefit the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe educational effort to assist students in achieving their educational and career goals. For more information, contact Trish Keliinui at (508) 360-2580 or wampwahine@comast.net.

Entry fee
\$120.00 per player

Tournament format
4+ person Team
Scramble Format
Make your own foursome
Men's/Mixed & Women's Divisions
Gross & Net awards

Sponsorship Opportunities
Platinum Sponsorship
(Includes 2 teams, 1 tee sign) — \$1,000
Team sponsorship
(includes tee sign) — \$600.00
Tee Sign sponsorship — \$200.00
Luncheon guests only — \$ 25.00



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Chairwoman of the Elders Judiciary, Vivian Bussierre, said she is confident that all three Supreme Court Justices will be a tremendous asset to the tribe and that the court system will be separate but equal to the Council.

"People can feel secure that they can go before the court and receive unbiased justice because the court will not be influenced by the Council," she said.

Vivian said Chief Justice Sockbeson was chosen not only because of his stellar qualifications, but also because of his experience in setting up a tribal court for the Mashantucket Pequot.

"He worked on their rules of civil procedure," she said. "That is going to be one of his main tasks for us and will require a lot of administrative work."

Chief Justice Sockbeson will work for the tribe on a part-time basis and will be available 40 hours each month.

Justices Mills and Ducheneaux will serve as needed when the Chief Justice is either unavailable or has a full calendar.

Anyone interested in going before the tribal court may go to the tribal headquarters and pick up a petition, which includes instructions for filing a legal action.

The Elders Judiciary is available Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the main Tribal Headquarters. You may email inquiries to Chairwoman Vivian Bussierre at ejudiciary@mwtribe.com.



New Memorial Bell Honors Tribal Member

Mashpee Baptist Church has a new bell which was dedicated on Sunday, August 9, in memory of Leah Janine Frye-Gomes, Pastor Curtis Frye Jr.'s sister, who passed away on November 7, 2008. A ceremony to dedicate the bell was held at the church with a large congregation and many tribal and family members in attendance.

Anyone who is interested in sharing a story in the “Our Story” column that is significant to Mashpee Wampanoag history or our heritage, recent or long past, should contact the newsletter committee by calling the tribal office at 508-477-0208 and leaving a message, or by sending an email to mittark@mwtribe.com.

Our Story

As told by Drifting Goose

“The most important thing our young people need to know is about the ones who carried on our traditions before them,” said Ellsworth “Drifting Goose” Oakley who was raised in Mashpee and now lives in Canada. “There was my father, Ellsworth “Drifting Goose” Oakley Sr., he was the chief and he had sub-chiefs like Ambrose “Rain in the Face” Pells and Oaks Coombs. Billy James was the medicine man, and he was a good medicine man who taught Johnny Peters a lot of what he knew. And we can’t forget Mable Avant; she was a very powerful woman in the community in those days.”

Ellsworth, who served for many years as Sachem before moving to the Eskosni Reservation in Cape Britton, Nova Scotia, was born in March of 1933 into the arms of his grandmother, Christine Oakley, in the house on the hill behind the Ockry’s Trading Post. He was raised there with his brothers John and Erving and sister Christine.



“I remember at the Oakley homestead we had a potbelly, kerosene stove in the living room. The stove became so hot at one time that it blew out the plastic window. The flames frightened our babysitter. I was about five. She sent me out in the snow storm to get Mr. Hicks who lived at the bottom of the hill. He came and put out the fire.”

His mother was Edella and he was named for his father but had many nicknames throughout his life, all associated with the tradition of the goose.

“When I was younger I was called baby goose names like Gosling, then Honks and Winger,” he said, recalling his happy childhood in Mashpee.

He attended the Samuel G. Davis School where he recalls many fond memories including his classmate John Peters’s antics using a sling shot in school which was frowned upon by principal Kenneth Coombs. But Mr. Coombs was a kind man as Ellsworth now remembers, “He was good to me, he was real good to me.”

“In school we used to go and do plays throughout Cape Cod in Indian dress, swim at Mashpee Pond, hang out at the old chestnut tree and listen to the old timers, Ike, Jump Pocknet, Weldon Cowit, Bob Fish, Tom and Russell Mingo, talk of Mashpee.”

“Sometimes I think of the old Indian medicines that we don’t use today, skunk grease, molasses and sluper, cod liver oil. For drum sound, sassafras tea, black cherry bark tea, beach plum, flag root, and box berry tea.”

While in school he earned extra money delivering the Cape Cod Standard Times around Mashpee. “Rain or shine I never missed a house for five years,” he said proudly. At first he walked until he earned enough to purchase one of the first bikes in Mashpee. “It was a real fine bike with fancy hand grips,” he said. “Bought it from Watson Hammond who lived in Cotuit.”

He recalls the winters on Cape Cod were much more harsh back then, the snow piling up so deep that it was necessary for him to tunnel his way to the coop behind the house to feed the chickens.

“In the winter we would put bricks in the oven to heat up. We would wrap them up in newspaper and put them in our beds before retiring.”

During World War II, living nearby the Otis Air Base left the community vulnerable to the Germans who brought their submarines as close as Waquoit Bay trying to retrieve their prisoners of war being held on the base.

“The air raids were really something,” Ellsworth recalled, “Mr. Frank Hicks was the warden and he would go around town and have everyone put out all the lights.

Sometimes, says Ellsworth, the German prisoners would escape and find their way to Mashpee homes where they were treated kindly because they were just boys.

After high school Ellsworth went to work in construction. “I worked for Labute Construction, all of us Mashpee guys worked for him, built some of those smaller houses in New Seabury.”

When he wasn’t working he hunted partridge, pheasant and deer with Elwood Mills, Merwin Sturgis, and Barry and Bing Hollis.

“But we never gave up on who we are,” said Ellsworth who said that is why he never gave up on Federal Recognition. “I knew we would get it someday.”

Contract Health Services: Robyn Can Help!

Dear Tribal Community: I am Robyn Tobey Stamps, Medical Support Assistant for the Contract Health Services Program, a health service unit within the Tribal Health Center.

I have been working diligently to develop and implement Contract Health Services with the support and assistance from Indian Health Service as well as the Tribal Health Center. With an Associate’s Degree in Health Information, as well as other business certifications, and more than 15 years experience working in health care, I have developed strong medical administrative skills that I know will accommodate the many different needs of our tribal community.

Please contact me @ 508-477-0209 ext. 112 Monday-Friday, 8:00AM - 4:30PM if you have a medical or dental appointment coming up that has charges or co-pays. You may qualify to have all charges paid through the Contract Health Services Program.

Native Educator Hired to Run Juvenile Justice Program

After nearly 18 years teaching in the Mashpee school system, Gail Hendricks Hill has accepted the position as Program Director of the tribe’s Juvenile Justice Program.

“Teaching art was wonderful and gave me an opportunity to really know our kids,” said Gail, “but I am very excited about this challenge. This is where the need is and I feel this job is a perfect fit for me.”

The job is funded by a two year, \$268,000 grant from the federal Juvenile Justice Department and is intended to keep tribal youth who are at risk out of the court system.

Gail said she is delighted to be working with Larry Mahan, a social worker who has worked with tribal youth for many years.

“Whenever we have kids that are in trouble, he has been an excellent counselor,” she said. “Our kids know him



Gail Hendricks Hill

and trust him.”

Gail said Larry is particularly skilled at dealing with young people who have been exposed to or are actively involved in drug and/or alcohol abuse.

“We are working in partnership with the school system — not just in Mashpee but wherever there are Native youth — Indian Education and with Indian Child Welfare, to create a social service department focusing on children in grades 7 to 12,” she said.

In addition to counseling, Gail said they will be creating programs to give tribal students a positive outlet as well as academic support.

Gail said she will be getting referrals from the school system or from members of the community and also any young person who feels they can be helped by the program can walk in.

The Juvenile Justice Department is located at the Tribe’s Madaket Place offices.

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will be used to improve housing and stimulate community development.

“We are thrilled to learn that our tribe has been selected to receive this grant, which will help us to make housing more affordable for our tribal members who are too often priced out of the extraordinarily expensive housing in our tribe’s ancestral land,” Chairman Cromwell stated. “We are deeply grateful to the assistance of Senators Kerry and Kennedy along with Congressmen Frank and Delahunt, who provided invaluable assistance in securing this funding.”

Housing Director Alice Lopez is elated with the news of the funding she says will help to complete the infrastructure for the tribe’s 51 unit affordable housing development proposed for the 48 acre site of tribally owned land off Meetinghouse Road. She says the money will also enable the tribe to erect a few homes. Work will begin immediately after state permitting is complete in approximately six months.

Need Career Counseling?

The WIA Department provides employment and career training opportunities for Native Americans living in Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk, Plymouth, and Suffolk counties. If you need additional information regarding these job opportunities or need help with resume development or support with your job search, contact 508-477-0208 Angela Shwom ext. 206 or Amy Peters at ext 226.



In Our Own Words

This past July 31st through August 2nd the Wôpanâak Language Reclamation Project held its 3rd Annual Weekend Language Immersion Camp. Over 50 people attended the camp held at the Mashpee Wampanoag tribal grounds and committed to speaking only Wôpanâak for three days and nights. The Language Committee is especially proud of Doug Pocknett, Jr. for being our first teen instructor. There were many returning campers as well as many first timers. All of the campers did a great job!

Anuee wuneeekun wamee hawan!



WampWords

weehchumuneash - corn

8nôyumuneash - blueberries

kôkôty - crow

mataqs - cloud

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