

Bangor Womens Club GfWC Meeting Salutes Veterans

By Marilyn Mehas

BANGOR - The Bangor Womens Club GFWC meeting on Nov 15th saluted America's veterans. Carolyn Smith, President introduced GFWC PA State President Heide Cebrick, who spoke on her project Healing Waters. Heide's two-year project "WE GOT THEIR SIX - SUPPORTING MILITARY AND VETERANS", will be to show how much their service is appreciated. This project is dedicated to the physical and emotional rehabilitation of disabled active military service personnel and disabled veterans, through fly fishing and associated activities including education and outings.

The national volunteer run group was formed in 2005 at Walter Reed Army Medical Center to serve active and veteran disabled service members. Heide and her husband Dave started a Healing Waters program in the Wilkes Barre, PA area in 2008. the Bangor Womens Club in partners with the Northampton County Parks system are hoping to plan a day of fishing at Lake Minsi next year. Heide's theme is "Light the Way" which is to encourage us that with each sunrise there is an opportunity to make a positive difference in someone's life.

Jim Wilson, an Army Veteran, Director of the Northampton County Parks system spoke about the many areas open to fishing and they can help with the Healing Waters Fly fishing program. For information on Healing Waters FlyC Fishing Inc .visit www.projecthealingwaters. A delicious lunch was served with a patriotic cake from Weis' Market store, Bangor.

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L-R Jim Wilson, Sherwood Jones, Tom Chuss, Liz Capler

November is Native American Heritage Month

By Jim Wilson / Sec. Friends of Minsi Lake

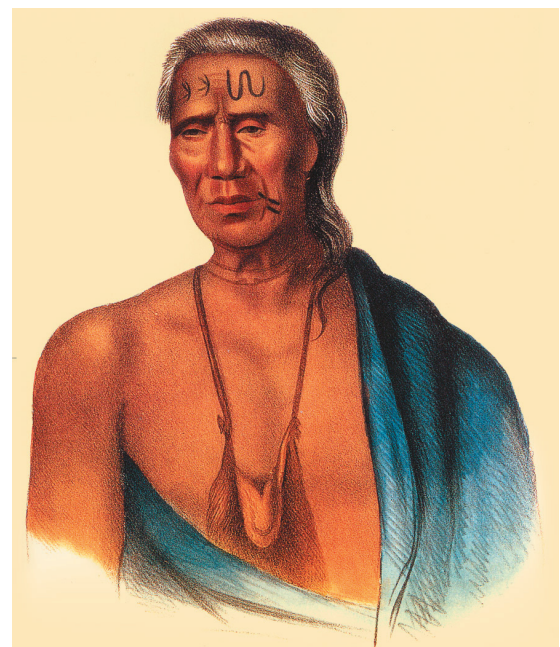
MINSI LAKE GREENWAY- The commemoration of the month serves as a reminder of the important contributions & significance of Indigenous people in the history of North America. Here in Northampton County, more than 20 Native American place names can be found, including Minsi Lake Park & Totts Gap Conservation Area in the 1100-acre Minsi Lake Greenway. And a number of notable Native American's hailed from Northampton County.

Minsi is a term for a kinship group of Lenape or Delaware Indians who occupied the upper Delaware River Basin. And Totts is likely a corruption of Tatamy, which was the name of a local Delaware translator & guide for the early settlers of the region. Early maps refer to today's Totts Gap on Blue Mountain as Tatamy's Gap. Tatamy—or Moses Tunda Tatamy, as he was formally known—was born Tashawaylennahan around 1695 in

New Jersey. He was given 315 acres of land in the Bushkill Creek Watershed in 1738, which he formally purchased in 1741 to ensure he wouldn't be displaced by colonial sprawl. This made him the first Native American to purchase land in Pennsylvania, where he lived until he died around 1761. Today's Tatamy Borough is named in his honor.

Another notable local Native American was Lappawinsoe, from the Indian village of Hokendauqua, where today's Northampton Borough is located. Lappawinsoe was a local Delaware Chief. It is recorded that he was savvy in negotiating with the colonial government on behalf

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Cheif Iappawinsoe



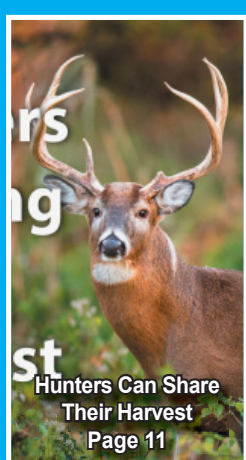
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