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MESSAGE FROM CHIEF PANTHER :

To remind you, this October 2nd is our annual membership meeting and two ceremonies will take place. It is also an election year to vote for the Council members. It is important that your vote be counted. If you cannot come to the Tribal Grounds in Georgia, then please fill out the absentee ballot and mail it to the Secretary by September 30th.

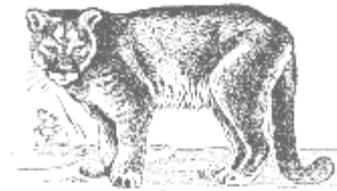
Due to heavy flooding, we have incurred some major damage to the Grounds. The bank and retaining wall under the covered bridge washed out and one end of the bridge fell into the water. My two sons (Robin and Dewey) with the help of my grandson Thomas, and Kyle and BlackWolf, the bridge is once again raised, stabilized and on solid ground. The rotted boards will be replaced before the October meeting. We also

sustained some minor damage to the Fire Mound, but work days are being set up to repair the mound and do general cleanup before the October meeting.

This has been a strange summer. When it has not been raining, it has been too hot to stay outside and do all the yard work necessary to keep the grounds up. Some of us have also been under the weather off and on through the summer and it takes all of us who are living on the grounds to keep the work up. But, it will be ready by October 2nd.

I need to remind some of you that all the work done on these grounds is strictly voluntary. NO ONE gets paid for the work. We do it, because we want you to have a nice place to come to when we hold the meetings and ceremonies. Being a 501-C3 organization and according to our charter and by-laws, no member of the Council can receive monetary gains for what they do. It, too, is voluntary. So be sure to let the people who work for you know they are appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you in October,



Panther

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