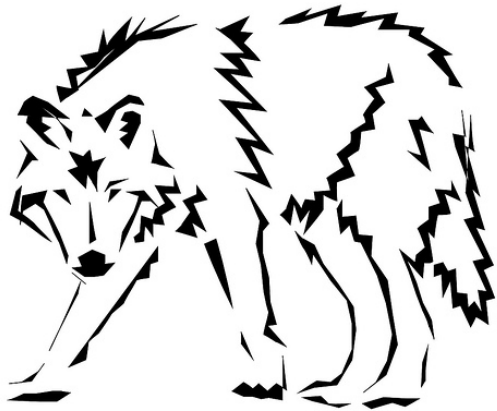


**ANNOUNNCEMENT TO ALL
BLACK WOLF WARRIORS**



Due to a lack of participation, dedication and the lack of enough young and/or physically fit people to perform the duties of the Black Wolf Warrior Society, (as to serve and protect the Tribe) the Black Wolf Warrior Society has been dissolved as of October 4, 2010. This is until such time as there is enough genuine dedication and interest from the people to re-instate it.

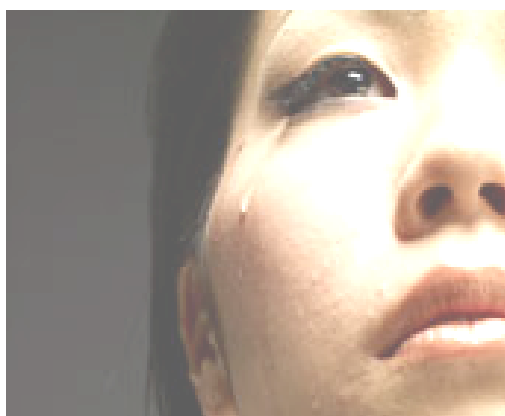
Guards for the Tribal Grounds and ceremonies will be selected from the general membership in attendance for each gathering.

The design for the Black Wolf Warrior regalia belongs to the SeCCI and from this point in time No One is authorized to wear it for any reason.

Principal Chief Vivian Panther Lawson

Ken Quiet River Fisher

Pamela Standing Bird Sandusky, Tribal Secretary



*BLUE HERON MEDICINE
LODGE SELECTS
CEREMONIAL TEAM*



During the 2010 Fall Gathering at the National Grounds, a group of ceremonial leaders that pertain to the Blue Heron Medicine Lodge were selected. These members of the ceremonial team have the task of administering the various ceremonies performed on the Grounds as well as other services such as the blessing of sacred items that pertain to ceremony.

The names of the members of the Ceremonial Team are as follows:

Vivian Panther Lawson

Dan Standing Bear

Anne Night Wind

Lee Spotted Pony

James Black Wolf

Pam Standing Bird

Rick Runningbear

Tar Morning Star

Joyce Spirit Wind

Jim Howling Wolf

There is a balance of genders (5 men and 5 women) ensuring equal spiritual energies.

During the Fall gathering, one of the tasks the team did was smudge and bless the Red Path regalia worn by Adam, the grandson of Chief Panther at a night time ceremony near the sacred council fire. # # #

Bats Attend Ceremonies

Those who have attended ceremonies at the National Grounds have likely noticed that we humans are not alone in attending the ceremonies at the Council House. I am not speaking of the spirits of the Ancestors this time. I am speaking of a type of mammal that has flourished and set up housekeeping, for the past several years, in the rafters of the Council House.



Yes, a large household of bats take their leisure time during the daylight hours and are doubtless attentive listeners to the solemn spiritual rituals and ceremonies going on below them around the sacred council fire. The builders of the Council House, which did such a high quality job, doubtless did not foresee that soon after completing the structure, the local bats would move in and flourish in great numbers.

When the Fire Keeper comes to the Council House at daybreak the day of ceremony, he is likely to be surrounded by seemingly hundreds of returning bats from their night hunts. Likewise, at dusk in the evening, the awakening furry fliers seem to almost darken the sky inside and around the council house as they go forth on their worthy mission of decreasing the mosquito and gnat populations.

There are some side affects to this situation. The bat droppings tend to accumulate quickly on the floor of the Council House and need constant management. A bat like odor can be detected with the confines of the ceremonial building.

There has been some thought of building "bat houses" especially made for bats to lure them out of the Council House. This could be a daunting task! #