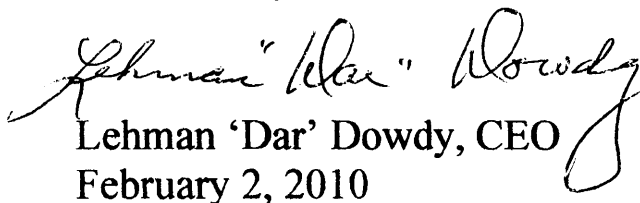


JANUARY 2010 MONTHLY REPORT

The highlight of this month was our preparation and completion of our 2010 Mid-Winter ceremonials; we have successfully completed our yearly obligations of gratitude and thankfulness to our great Creator. I am thankful to everyone who helped us and gave a bit of themselves to fulfill our annual celebration of life. I'm especially proud of the young speakers and singers who stepped up and are now ready to become the new spiritual leaders of our longhouse. Looking at the number of children at our longhouse I can clearly see that our future generations desire to learn more about our traditional ways. They are a blessing and it becomes our responsibility to teach them. Our leaders should come to our longhouses to see the large turnout of children; then they will see where the funding for our future belongs. I also thank the new Faithkeepers who have now accepted the lifelong obligation of continuing our traditional ways: Janine Bowen, Diane Beaver, and Parker Booth. Yes, though I am tired it is a good tired; I am spiritually sound and I am closer to my Creator. Every song, speech and dance was a personal thankfulness for the beautiful creation that we are privileged to enjoy and partake of. This is the goodness that I wish we could hold in our hearts and minds each and every day; this is the same wholesomeness that our ancestors felt and cherished. They understood the worth of returning thanks to our Creator for all of creation and they brought it to bear in our lifetimes; we honor them for thinking of us in such a loving and caring manner. Our responsibility is to pass it on to our children and those yet unborn; let them understand gratitude and teach them to honor their ancestors through the use of our Seneca language and culture. Though we are few in number, we still carry on our Seneca traditions; and, we do it on behalf of all of our membership. We include everyone in our thankfulness to the Creator because we know that we are all connected spiritually. This is our pledge to our ancestors; we will continue to honor them by learning, using and teaching our Seneca language, culture and traditions.

Respectfully Submitted,


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