



INVESTMENT RESOURCES

Your *welfare is in your hands:*

It used to be that many jobs gave their employees an employer-funded pension plan. Pension plans invested money on behalf of the employee, and prohibited the employee from making any investment decisions.

Now there is greater emphasis on letting individuals control their own destinies. Each of us needs, more than ever, a good overview of how to invest and develop a long term strategy for our financial life.

Don't *play the markets!*

The easiest advice that can safely be given to any investor in any situation is to avoid trying to make an easy quick buck. Sometimes reckless investors will attempt to time the market, buying and selling investments because of the latest hot trend. In almost every case, real wealth is built by investing and staying invested in a particular market. Gains occur suddenly and unexpectedly in every investment market. It is impossible to predict that trend.

If, for instance, after being invested for five years in the stock market, you had decided to sell it all because you thought commodities were better, you would take a risk of missing that one day when your stock market money might have made it's biggest advance.

Find *a trusted advisor.*

It's important to find the right person to guide your decisions. Be sure to only work with financial advisors who are registered with the federal government. The Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) offers resources for background and information on registered advisors:

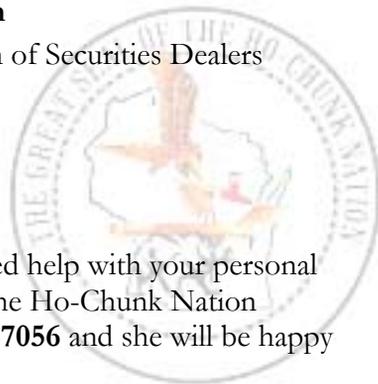
<http://www.sec.gov/investor/brokers.htm>

Another good resource is provided by the National Association of Securities Dealers (NASD):

<http://www.nasd.com/brokercheck>

How *may we help?*

Fifth Third Investment Advisors are a good resource if you need help with your personal investments or even if you simply have a question. Please call the Ho-Chunk Nation Children's Trust representative, **Christine Holm**, at (847) 354-7056 and she will be happy to help you.



THE HO-CHUNK TRUST BULLETIN

How *has the Trust performed?*

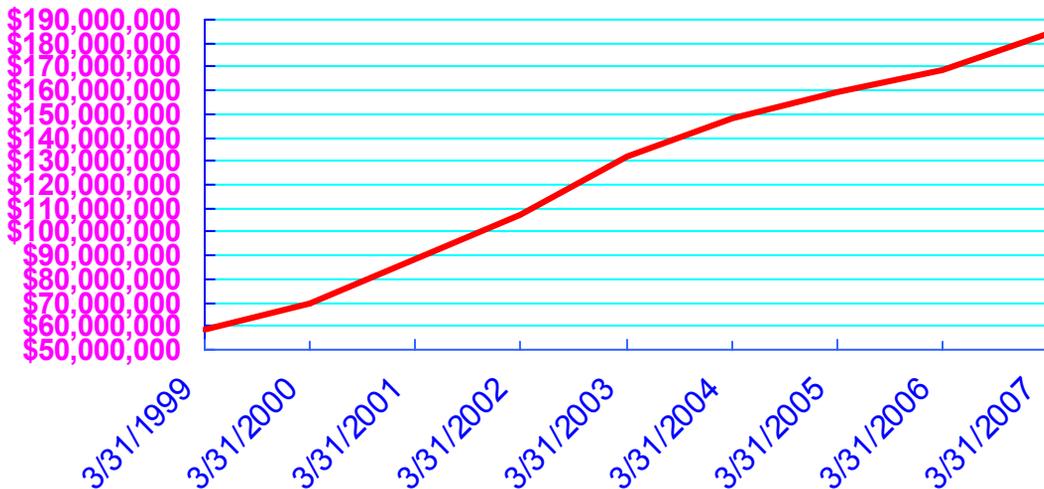
The Ho-Chunk Nation Minor's Trust Fund has continued to perform very well during our moderately growing economy. For the past 12 months, the portfolio's benchmark, the Lehman Brothers Intermediate/Corporate Index for A-rated or better bonds, returned +6.00%, while the Trust returned +6.54% before advisory fee. Even after subtracting the advisory fee, the Trust was still ahead of its index, with a net of advisory fee return of +6.34%.

The fixed income market has, for the most part, come to the conclusion that the Federal Reserve will not be easing the Fed Funds rate before the end of the year, which is contrary to expectations before June. The bond market sold off dramatically in June on the news of continued strength in the economy, a favorable employment report, and slightly higher-than-expected inflation reports. Higher energy prices and interest rates do not seem to be significantly disrupting the economy, so our expectations for a slower economy and lower interest rates have also been put on hold.

The diversified portfolio holds approximately 150 different high quality bonds. As always, we invest only in U.S. government bonds, as well as bonds issued by extremely creditworthy corporations. The Minor's Trust is well-positioned for the long term, and will continue to meet the needs of its participants for the years ahead.

Historical asset growth: 6/30/98 to 3/31/07

Below is a graph of the Ho-Chunk Nation Minor's Trust Fund market value, since inception, *net of advisory fee*.



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