



The 29th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow scheduled for August 14 and 15, 2021 has been canceled. We wish everyone a safe and healthy year. Miss Odawa and Junior Miss Odawa 2019-2020 will reign for another year. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2022!

LTBB SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES COLLABORATES WITH LESLIE KING ON AWARD-WINNING PSA

Submitted by
LTBB Survivor Outreach Services

LTBB Survivor Outreach Services (SOS) and Leslie King, founder of Sacred Beginnings and a trafficking survivor, created an important and impactful PSA.

Leslie King graciously collaborated with us to create this PSA about human trafficking in our area. She profoundly shared her strength, courage and knowledge to make this PSA happen.

Thanks to Leslie, 9&10 News, Mane Content and all of the volunteers for this PSA as it has been awarded "Best Commercial 2020" by the Michigan Association of Broadcasters.

Please see the message below from Tessia at Mane Content:

"The Michigan Association of Broadcasters announced its commercial award winner for 2020 Broadcast Excellence Awards. Mane Content was awarded both Best and Merit for the commercial category. This is a great compliment to our clients as we compete with not only Northern Michigan markets, but Lansing-Jackson, MI, area as well.

Awarded Best Commercial 2020 - LTBB Human Trafficking PSA

It was an honor to work with LTBB to create its Human Trafficking PSAs. They communicate such an important



"Leslie King" continued on page 26.

TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE WORKING FOR OUR ANCESTORS, COMMUNITY AND THE NEXT SEVEN GENERATIONS

By Annette VanDeCar,
Communications Coordinator

As LTBB's Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Melissa Wiatrolik calls it the most healing work she's ever done.

"I believe they (the ancestors) pick you to do this work," she said. "It's the most unselfish job I've ever had. You're not doing it for yourself or your ego, you're doing it for the ancestors, the community and the next seven generations. It's an honor to do this. I'm grateful to carry out the culture and traditions of our ancestors."

The Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, the Native American Graves & Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Representative and the Michigan Anishinaabek Cultural and Repatriation Alliance (MACPRA) Representative are all housed under LTBB's Tribal Historic Preservation Office per WOS 2019-006 Tribal Historic Preservation Office Statute with Wiatrolik filling all three roles. Tribal historic preservation provides tribes with an avenue for consulting with federal and state agencies regarding impacts to tribal traditional



cultural properties, historic sites and asserting our sovereignty at all government levels. THPO's duties fall within LTBB's 1855 Reservation.

"Wes (Wes Andrews, LTBB's first Tribal Historic Preservation Officer) submitted a work plan to the National Park Service (in 2015) and LTBB achieved THPO status (in 2016)," Wiatrolik said. "It established our government-to-government relationship, so we have a seat at the table with state and federal agencies when it comes to our land and our water. When I'm at the table, I feel my ancestors who stood resilient for my generation to be heard and have a seat at that table. You're exerting sovereignty on your

"THPO" continued on page 21.

VICTORIES SQUARE MOVING TO THE NEXT PHASE

By Tanya Gibbs, OEDMI
Chairperson

Since the Tribal Council created Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. (OEDMI) in 2011, the various OEDMI boards of directors have vetted multiple business partners, development plans and financing options to develop what is now known as "Victories Square."

Previous and current OEDMI boards of directors had to really think outside of the box in order to develop the 22-acre site with virtually no dollars. OEDMI was given a lease for the Victories Square site along with the old Victories Casino building as its start-up capital. In order to ready the site for development, OEDMI received grants from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation to demolish the old Victories Casino building, used federal dollars to build the roads and LTBB funded the expansion of the wastewater treatment plant at the Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, so that future tenants at Victories Square could connect to that system.

The \$30,000,000 first phase of development was able to be completed by receiving \$9,000,000 in private investment, a \$21,000,000 BIA loan guaranty (the largest ever as of 2018), and \$0 from OEDMI and LTBB. OEDMI maintains a 51% ownership interest in this first phase through a company called GNI Phase I, LLC. From the opening of the first phase, OEDMI distributed \$200,000 to LTBB in 2018. Because OEDMI did not invest any money into this first phase, the private investors are paid back their initial investment first, then profits are distributed based on pro rata ownership (i.e., 51% to OEDMI). OEDMI anticipates receiving its first distributions by the end of 2021, which will grow for years to come.

In 2019, OEDMI continued to work with our business partners to get the remainder of the first phase open and began planning for the next phase. 2020 proved to be a difficult year resulting in lost revenues from our tenants and the Courtyard Marriott given the circumstances surrounding COVID-19. How-



ever, the Courtyard Marriott still ended the year profitable, which was a huge success by any measure given the year we all just went through. OEDMI spent much of 2020 working with its business partners, advisors and LTBB leadership to move the next phase development at Victories Square forward.

Currently, construction has begun on Lot 1 (just north of Starbucks), which is intended to be a similar building to the

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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 4-19-2021 = 4,503

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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement
Debendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'anaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing debendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwaa wiinmaadendziyiing. Gdabendaanaa debendziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadziwin miinwaa mnidoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajiidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabi'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadziwinan echiipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadenda-mowin, aakdeewin, gwekwaadziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'iing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaaad maanda gbimaadziwin. Ninda eyaamiing echiipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

LTBB Mission Statement
Being Odawa is all about freedom. The Freedom to be a part of a people who, with integrity and pride, still have and speak our own language. The freedom to share in common with all other Odawak the customs, culture, and spirituality of our ancestors. The freedom we have today we will bring to the future through unity, education, justice, communication, and planning. We will reach out to the next seven generations by holding to cultural values of Wisdom, Love, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Humility and Truth. We will utilize our Tribal assets to provide the necessary tools to become successful, hard-working community members who proudly represent our culture. With these values we will move the Tribe forward.

Contact ODAWA TRAILS Information



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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.
The deadline for the June 2021 issue of *Odawa Trails* is May 3, 2021.
You can e-mail or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

REQUEST FOR TCE - TIMELINE REMINDER

The LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind all Resident Tribal Members to please submit all Requests for TCEs prior to making the actual purchase(s). Due to the many areas of verification that occur with a TCE Request, DOC has up to 96 hours to process a completed Request once all backup and necessary information has been received – provided there are no issues found during the verification processes or circumstances that happen beyond our control (i.e., power outages, etc.).

Please make an effort to submit your Requests

within the 96-hour timeframe, so that there is a sufficient amount of time to complete the verification processes. While we do understand that sometimes this may not be possible – this should be a last resort situation and we ask that you please reach out to us as soon as possible if you do have a unique circumstance that does not allow you to submit your Request in advance. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the TCE process – please contact the LTBB DOC office at 231-242-1584 or by e-mail at DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB TAX AGREEMENT AREA FOR RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS

Listed are the townships that are included in the LTBB Tax Agreement Area. In order to receive the Resident Tribal Member benefits, your principle address must be within the Tax Agreement Area and must be on file with the Enrollment Department. Please take note of the townships denoted with an asterisk (*) as these are only partially included in the Tax Agreement Area. If you already live in the Tax Agreement Area and are not utilizing the Resident Tribal Member benefits, please contact the LTBB DOC Office, so I can go over these with you.

DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech. – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB Tax Agreement Area Townships

- Cross Village (all)
- Friendship (all)
- Little Traverse (all)
- City of Petoskey (all)
- Readmond (all)
- West Traverse (all)
- City of Harbor Springs (all)
- Bear Creek (all)
- *Resort (partial)
- *Hayes (partial)
- *Bay (partial)
- *City of Charlevoix (only North of the bridge)
- *Charlevoix Township (only North of the bridge)

A map of the Tax Agreement Area can be found on the LTBB website under the Commerce section. The DOC Office is also available to help citizens determine whether or not their address falls into the Tax Agreement Area. DOC can be reached by calling 231-242-1584 or by e-mailing

UPDATE REGARDING TRIBAL FUEL TAX EXEMPTION AT DERRER GAS STATION

The Derrer (BP) gas station, located in Petoskey, MI, has switched to a “prepay only” station.

LTBB Tribal Citizens are still able to pay for their fuel after pumping in order to get the fuel tax exemption. However, you must go into the store first and let the cashier know what pump you are on, and you will need to come back in and pay after pumping in order to receive your exemption.


Without prepay, it is also Derrer’s policy to keep an ID with the cashier while the gas is being pumped. If citizens are uncomfortable leaving an ID, please ask the cashier what other options may be available. The ID or other item(s) as approved by the store, will be returned to you upon coming back in to receive the fuel tax exemption and paying for the fuel.

If you have any questions, please contact the LTBB Department of Commerce at 231-242-1584 or DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Courtesy photo.



LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Attendance at Various Meetings and Events										
DATE	March 2021	Emily Proctor	Julie Shananaquet	Marcella Reyes	Tamara Kiogima	Melissa Pamp	Leroy Shomin	Marty VanDeCar	Fred Kiogima	Fred Harrington, Jr.
3/5/21	Land and Reservation Committee	X		X		X			X	
3/9/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
3/11/21	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3/16/21	Appropriations and Finance Committee	X	X	X			X		X	
3/23/21	Tribal Council Work Session	X	X		X	X		X	X	
3/25/21	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X		X	X	X	X		X
	*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs									

Community Support Group

Provided by: LTBB Behavior Health

Zoom meeting will take place every Tuesday and Thursday @ 12 pm Starting 4/9/2020

The meetings are intended for anyone that would like to talk to others during this difficult time. Cultural Advisor, Matt Davis and Case Manager, Sara Hacker will provide the community with information on; community resources, cultural teachings, talking circles and more.

Information on how to participate please call 231-242-1640

LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS



Please note that ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this includes Mskiki Gumik offices

- May 31, 2021 - Memorial Day
- July 5, 2021 - 4th of July
- September 6, 2021 - Adams Holiday
- September 21, 2021 - Sovereignty Day
- September 24, 2021 - Michigan Indian Day
- October 11, 2021 - Indigenous Peoples Day
- November 11, 2021 - Veteran’s Day
- November 25, 2021 - Thanksgiving
- November 26, 2021 - Day after Thanksgiving
- December 23, 2021 - Christmas Eve
- December 24, 2021 - Christmas
- December 30, 2021 - New Year’s Eve

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!



McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter
116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770
231-348-2828

McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter
McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter, formerly known as Northern Michigan MedCenter and Quick Care, can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital
416 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770
1-800-248-6777

McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital
When using McLaren Northern Michigan MedCenter, formerly known as Northern Michigan MedCenter and Quick Care, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.

Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital
14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720
231-547-4024

After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, or Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital in Charlevoix, MI.

No Insurance? See if you qualify for the Healthy Michigan Plan!

The Healthy Michigan Plan provides health care benefits to Michigan residents at a low cost so that more people can have health care coverage. Individuals are eligible for the Healthy Michigan Plan if they:

- Are age 19-64 years
- Have income at or below 133% of the federal poverty level* (\$16,000 for a single person or \$33,000 for a family of four)
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in Medicare
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in other Medicaid programs
- Are not pregnant at the time of application
- Are residents of the State of Michigan

*Eligibility for the Healthy Michigan Plan is determined through the Modified Adjusted Gross Income methodology.

If you do not have insurance and would like to fill out an application, contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 or by e-mail at vglazier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to set up an appointment today!



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEET DENTIST MARK CARL

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Every summer, Mark Carl and his family would spend time in Northern Michigan.

“My family owns property in Mackinaw County (MI), and it was always a treat to come to Petoskey (MI),” he said. “We have a lot of good memories of time spent there. We bought a home in Petoskey in July (2020), and we’re putting down roots. We plan on being here a long time.”

Carl spent 15 years in private practice as a dentist in the Oakland County, MI, area before he started working as a dentist at the LTBB Dental Clinic in Petoskey, MI, on February 22, 2021. He previously worked as a dentist at a tribal dental clinic in Hayward, WI, for the Lac Courte Oreilles



Ojibwa tribe.

“I worked at a four-doctor practice downstate,” said Carl, who grew up in the St. Clair Shores/Grosse Pointe, MI, area. “When I was in college, my parents suggested I look into dentistry. When I did, it seemed like a good combination of science and art. I enjoy

working with my hands. I also enjoy helping and working with people.”

He graduated from Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor’s degree with an English major and a chemistry minor and graduated from the University of Michigan Dental School.

He and his wife, Laura, have been married for 15 years in April, and they have two children, Ella, 14, who attends Petoskey High School, and Luca, 10, who attends Central Elementary School. Laura is a family attorney and does some ski instruction at Boyne Mountain.

He is an avid fisherman, plays the guitar, collects art, enjoys cooking and is a big baseball fan, rooting for the Detroit Tigers.

Courtesy photo.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid (Maj-tog Minowb-maude-zid) Means “A Start of a Healthy Life”

We are working towards providing services and information that will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach all families who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both parent and newborn up to the age of five years.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, but not replace obstetrical and pediatric medical care.

In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and after pregnancy. We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan.

For more information on Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call Carol J. Sodman-Morris, Maternal Nurse Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-242-1614.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES

Transportation is available to medical appointments only.

You must exhaust all other means available to you, i.e. Friendship Center Bus, Straits Regional Transit, Char/Em Transit, Taxi or Family.

Clients of the Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Department must notify the Community Health Department 72 hours prior to their appointments.

Transportation is based on availability.

Call 231-242-1601 to set up a ride as soon as possible.

Miigwech!

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MAY 2021 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution: 10th - 14th from 9am - 3pm

Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week

828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch’s Auto

Deliveries:
Local: 6th & 7th
Peshawbestown: 19th
Traverse City: 25th

For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine at 231-347-2573

LTBB Pharmacy

Hours: Monday – Friday 8 am – 6 pm
Phone: 231-242-1750

What prescriptions are filled at the LTBB Pharmacy?

- Prescriptions written by LTBB Clinic Providers
- Prescriptions written by providers where you have been referred to by the LTBB Clinic

PLEASE BE AWARE OF HOLIDAY HOURS AND MEDICATION REFILLS.

MY NATIVE PLATE

Fruit

Water

Grain/ Starch

Vegetables

Protein

Use your plate as a guide to help you eat in a healthy way!

1. Fill half of your plate with vegetables.
2. Fill the other half of your plate with a grain/starch and a protein.
3. Add a side of fruit.

Pictured here:

- Mixed berries
- Cooked spinach
- Baked squash with peppers and herbs
- Steamed wild rice
- Baked deer meat with sage
- Water

Take a picture with your cell phone. Look at the picture later as a reminder!

Remember:

- Stay active
- Drink water
- Use a 9-inch plate

Notes:

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WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help. Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get a free well and septic system or replace your current system.

Please be aware it takes approximately 3 to 4 months to gain federal approval of your application.

May Elders Birthdays

May 1

George Pamp
 Elisabeth Kiogima
 Carol Gagnon
 Sharon Sierzputowski
 Patricia Minor

May 2

William Kiogima

May 3

Robert Lasley
 Mary Powell
 Barry Laughlin
 Luella Moore
 Philip Notari
 Ardene Romer

May 4

Jerry Stromske
 Laura Blumberg
 Debra Godfrey
 Kathleen Poole

May 5

Valerie Biro
 Rochell Lang
 Veronica Lundin
 Theodore Dayson
 Joseph Petoskey, Sr.

May 6

Judith Black Feather
 Nancy Wanshon
 Robin Martell
 Sara Kagabitang
 Dale Glazier

May 7

Brenda Ybarrondo
 Shirley Firovich

May 8

Yolanda Morrow
 Charles Honson, Jr.
 Robert Parkey
 Marie Deckrow
 Donna Vanpelt
 Mary Rivers
 Reginald Dodge, Jr.

May 9

Ronald Willis, Sr.
 Debhra Robertson
 Barbara Dayson
 Mark Uryga-Williams

May 10

Kathleen Deane

May 11

Catherine Anderson
 Eric Hunting
 William Noack
 Bartholomew Gasco

May 12

Kevin Willis
 Darrel Hardwick
 Katrina Woodworth
 Michael McKeown
 Stanley Kott
 Theodore Sineway

May 13

Della Petoskey
 Laura Lonchar

May 14

Shirley Chippewa
 Gloria Miller
 Patricia Johnson
 Cynthia Pagels

May 15

Marilyn Napont
 Melvin Napont

May 16

Eileen Dennis
 Angela Hayden
 Cheryl Krogel
 Mark Delmas

May 17

Harriet Okke
 Douglas Kildee
 Susan Allen
 David Sky-Eagle
 James Weissgerber
 Judith Sandoz

May 18

Gregory Bernard
 Christine Miles
 Barbara Morgan
 Carla Wiltse

May 19

Cynthia Reed
 Anthony Parsons

May 20

Phyllis Kaminsky
 Elizabeth Johnson
 Marie Nowak

May 21

Donald Shomin, Jr.
 Thomas Antoine
 David Lacroix
 Lawrence Skippergosh
 Lawrence Nadeau
 Frank Honson
 Daniel Portman
 Edward Harrington

May 22

Dorothy Boda
 Lucile Rich
 Desiree Martinez

May 23

Cheryl Animikwam Samuels
 Diane Trafas
 Donna Newton
 Brenda Schoolcraft
 Duane Laughlin

May 24

Eric Johnson
 Christine Shomin

May 25

Sheree Gamble
 Susie Searles

May 26

John Sandoz
 Arnold Walker
 Patricia Szewko

May 27

Rose Silvey
 John Keshick III
 Joyce McClellan
 Gary Rieter
 Bernard Hunting
 Rhea Dishno
 Jannan Cornstalk
 Gregory Gasco
 Angela Friend
 George Honson III

May 28

Barbara Laughlin
 Edward Schwiderson
 Robert Ramage
 Robert Suhr
 Dwain Walker
 Catherine Merryman
 Jennie Chamness

May 29

Andrew Chingman, Sr.
 Sheila Chingwa
 Charles Beam
 Stephanie Willemstein

May 30

Ramona Curtis
 Richard Feathers, Sr.
 Jacquelyn Connelly
 Janice Garbisch

May 31

Cynthia Schuyler
 Vernetta Wachsman
 Veronica Medicine
 Debra Smithkey-Browne
 Shelly McSawby
 Cheryl Wafer
 David Crisp

ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE HAS A NEW MAIL DROP BOX

It is located to the left of the front doors of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We will have limited quantities of adult and minor address forms stocked. ****Weather Permitting****

We will happily set aside an envelope with any specific form(s) you may need as well. Just give our office a call, and we will be more than happy to try to accommodate you.

All Enrollment services are available by appointment only. You may call or e-mail to work with our staff.

231-242-1521, 231-242-1522, 231-242-1520 or enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



LTBB TOWN HALL MEETINGS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



May 12, June 9, July 14
 August 11, September 8, October 13
 November 10 and December 8

For updates on time and LTBB Department agendas, follow the official Facebook page at www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA

Town Hall meetings are held on ZOOM at www.tinyurl.com/ltbbtownhall Use passcode 002323

2021 Tribal Directories Now Available!

Tribal Directories include adult name and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled before January 28, 2021, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

To receive your copy:

- ✓ Must include a copy of your Tribal Identification Card
- ✓ A \$5 check or money order payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians
- ✓ Choice of cover design. If you do not specify, we will choose for you!

Mail to: LTBB of Odawa Indians, ATTN: Enrollment Office
 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Enrollment Office
 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521
 Fax 231-242-1526



Hoar Frost



Peanut Butter Falls



Lake Plumbago

IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT?



Update your contact information with the Enrollment Department.

- ADDRESS
- PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL ADDRESS
- VETERAN STATUS



Marin Taylor 231.242.1521
 Kathryn Burek 231.242.1522
 Pauline Boulton 231.242.1520

COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

Communications Easter Coloring Contest Winners



Conner - 2 yrs



Faye - 8 yrs



Adaline - 5 yrs



Ava Rae - 10 yrs



Nevaeh - 6 yrs



William - 11 yrs

All 2021 graduation announcements must be received by June 7, 2021 to be included in the July issue of Odawa Trails. E-mail your announcement along with a photo of the graduate to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or mail to LTBB Communications Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!



For more information, contact Don Portman at biindigen@gmail.com or 231-487-1093

What have you been doing to occupy your time during the Stay Home, Stay Safe period?

Submit your photograph and short description along with your name to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to be included in the Odawa Trails newsletter. Any questions, please send them to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Do you need a Food & Utility Appropriation Allowance Application? Go to www.tinyurl.com/2021FUA. Still have questions? Call the Elders Department at 231-242-1423 for information.

GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

NZAAGITON NBE NIMAKIZIN

By Maryann Endanawas,
Project Instructor/Fluent
Speaker

Ngiigchi nda'waamdan nbe makizin bezhik. Aapji ngiipshigendanan biiskamaa. Miisa gimaapiich giiboonen-dimaa.

Ngoding eniminookmik gego nigiiwaabdan mide zaak-sing megwe goon. Gegaag-wa nisidwaamdan. Wewiip ngiizaagjiptoo, desgaaning ngiinji ginwaamdan maanda gaawaamdamaa. "Tahaa!! miikshago ezhinaagook nbe makizin gaanaachto'aamba Digwaagik," ndikid.

Miigego giibi zaagi-weptowat ngwisak. "Aaniish ezhiwebak," ndigook. Ndizh-noo'aan nbe makizin megwe goon midezaaksing. Miigego giimaadaapwad, aapjigwa gi-waawwendimook.

Wewiip giinaajbatwaadan ngwis nbe makizin. Waasagwa mimjignan nmakzin bikwaan-dweptood. Aapjigwa nigaanagod, kina giibinagshkaa bi-wyo giitaayiing minwaa iidig gabigonendang nagaakzid nbe



nmakzining NDAY! Miidash giigchibaapyaanh, ngiimkwendan gaazhichiget Ndaynaa minwaa giibigidnang gaazhiwebak.

Ngiigendan gwaa pane Ndaynaa giimidaabaadang minwaa giimidamnad nbe makizinan bi-indik. Giindashiingizi gwa giigaachiinid maaba Ndaynaa. Ngiikinomaagna wegwendikgwaa ebitemigak wiizaagtoyaang.

I Love My Slippers

I searched for my slippers.

I really liked to wear them. So, I finally gave up looking for them. Then, one spring day, I seen something sticking out of the snow. I almost recognized it. I quickly ran outside on the porch to have a better look. "Oh my goodness!! It sure looks like my slipper that I had lost earlier this fall," I shouted.

My sons came running out. What's wrong they said? I pointed to my slipper sticking out of the snow. They started to laugh since it was funny to them.

Then, one of my sons went to get my slipper. He came up the stairs holding my slipper away from him. It looked pretty worn by now; the fur had come off and our dog had chewed a hole in the sole of my slipper! Then, I began to laugh at what our dog can do and forget about it later.

Our dog always dragged and played with my slipper inside. Our dog was mischievous when he was small. But that day, he taught us to enjoy the moment.

Courtesy photo.

Using this set of birds vocabulary, go to this address on the internet to play the Birds Matching Game: tinyurl.com/birdmatchgame. Join our LTBB Facebook group "Daminawinan Anishinaabemang" (Games in Anishinaabe Language) for more games and puzzles.

Bineshiinh, Bineshiinh'ik	Bird, Birds	
Bineshiinhs, Bineshiinsak	Little Bird, Birdies	
Siginaak	Blackbird	
Zhaawshko-Bineshiinh	Bluebird	
Jiidiinh (also Diidiis, Gwiingwiish)	Bluejay	
Nika	Canada Goose	
Misko-bineshiinh	Cardinal or Redbird	
Jigijigigaaneshiinh	Chickadee	
Baakaakwaanh	Chicken	
Ajiiaak (also Mooshkas, Mooshkenh)	Crane	
Aandeg	Crow	
Waabmiimii	Dove	
Zhiishiibenh	Duck	
Migizi (also Migiziwaazh)	Eagle, Bald Eagle	
Ginew	Golden Eagle	
Gegek (also Boonse)	Hawk	
Gibwenesi	Hawk, Northern Goshawk	
Memeskniisi	Hawk, Redtail	
Shagi (also Zhashagi)	Heron Great Blue	
Naanooshkaanhs	Hummingbird	
Maang	Loon	
Omiimii	Mourning Dove	
Eshkimegwenh	Osprey	
Gookookoo	Owl	
Gaakaapshiinh	Owl, Barn Owl	
Bine	Partridge	
Gaagaakshiinh	Raven	
Memeskniisi	Redtail Hawk	
Pichi	Robin	
Naabesenh	Rooster	
Jiigabiiganesii	Sandpiper	
Gyaashk	Seagull	
Waabzii	Swan	
Mizisenh	Turkey	
Wiinaange, Boonse	Vulture, Buzzard	
Waa'oonenh (also Gookoolii)	Whippoorwill	
Baapaase	Woodpecker	
Ozaawa-bineshiinh	Yellowbird	



Anishinaabemowin PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM

Language Weekends-Summer Semester 2021


Wenesh Pii? When?
 April 30, May 1, 2
 May 21, 22, 23
 June 25, 26, 27
 July 9, 10, 11
 August 20, 21, 22

Aaniish epiichak? What time?
 Fridays, 1 - 8 pm
 Saturdays, 9 am - 7 pm
 Sundays, 9 am - 1 pm

Aapiish? Where?
 Online - Zoom

Register for 8 credits (5 weekends) or 6 credits (4 weekends)
 Opportunity for make-up hours include midweek classes and Bay Mills weekends

For more information, call Gijigowi Language Department at 231-242-1457 or e-mail langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
 In partnership with Bay Mills Community College



LTBB Anishinaabemowin

Find us on facebook

Dengwe-Mzinigan: Face-Book

Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department hosts Facebook Group called "LTBB Anishinaabemowin."

We will post materials for language learning, announcements and flyers. Materials will be accessible on the group page under the "Photos" tab or the "Files" tab. PowerPoints with audio and PDF's are downloadable.

- Search our name and "Join."
- Add your family and friends.
- Post Comments and Language Items.

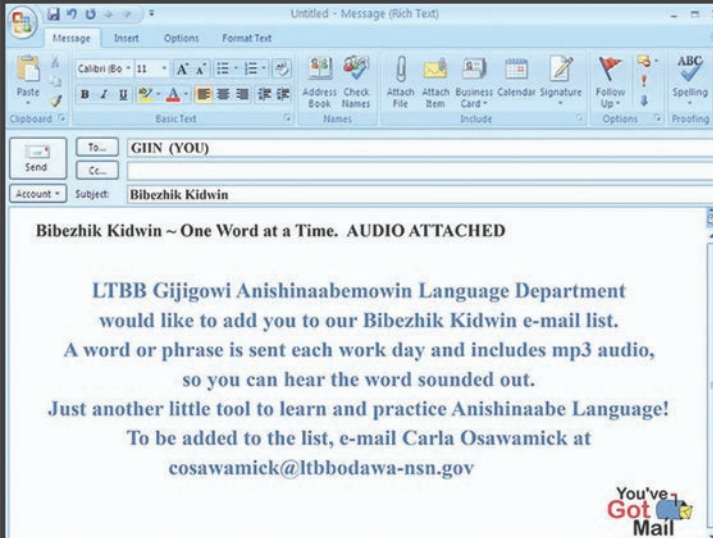
For more information, contact Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department at 231-242-1457 or toll free 1-866-652-5822 or e-mail LangTech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Ebiimoshin (modern phrase to say "e-mail me")

Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List - One word at a time - E-mails sent of a single word or phrase with MP3 audio sound attached.

Anishinaabemowin E-mail List: In addition to the Bibezhik Kidwin e-mails, you'll also receive occasional e-mails regarding Anishinaabemowin Language such as announcements of Language or Cultural Activities, Classes, Events or General Information and News.

Send us an e-mail, and we'll add you to the "Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List" or the "Anishinaabemowin E-mail List." Carla Osawamick (McFall) at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



Message: Bibezhik Kidwin

Subject: Bibezhik Kidwin

Bibezhik Kidwin ~ One Word at a Time. AUDIO ATTACHED

LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department would like to add you to our Bibezhik Kidwin e-mail list. A word or phrase is sent each work day and includes mp3 audio, so you can hear the word sounded out. Just another little tool to learn and practice Anishinaabe Language! To be added to the list, e-mail Carla Osawamick at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



LTBB Citizens Virtual Community Meeting 2020 video available online:

LTBB Website
<https://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/>
 *Citizen's Portal Tab
 *Misc. Recordings



Bineshiinh'ik
Birds [Bi ne shiinh ik]



Answer Key
on page 30.

M	H	N	E	K	I	B	Z	I	A	H	W	A	A	I	M	H	C	A	A	S
K	H	N	E	S	A	A	P	A	A	B	S	E	N	H	I	N	H	A	M	W
E	N	M	I	T	P	J	I	G	A	A	K	A	I	I	G	S	I	I	A	A
P	N	H	N	I	I	H	S	K	A	A	G	A	A	G	A	N	I	I	P	H
A	B	I	M	G	H	Z	W	A	A	N	O	O	N	E	I	G	Z	N	I	B
K	A	Z	G	N	W	S	A	E	I	O	N	O	Z	S	P	N	I	A	A	E
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E	S	S	E	O	P	N	G	N	A	H	A	I	D	A	O	H	I	I	O	E
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J	N	I	S	H	E	N	G	A	A	M	W	A	A	N	E	W	O	O	J	M

Write in Translation, Then Find Anishinaabemowin in Word Search

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| siginaak _____ | pichi _____ |
| baapaasenh _____ | ginew _____ |
| waa'oonenh _____ | migizi _____ |
| gaagaakshiinh _____ | aandeg _____ |
| naanooshkaanhs _____ | jiidiinh _____ |
| jigijigigaaneshiinh _____ | omiimii _____ |

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions:

- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

PLEASE NOTE:

The LTBB Grants Department works with LTBB Departments to obtain external funds for ongoing and special programming, services and resources for the tribal community. Please contact the respective LTBB Department for information on programming that may be of interest to you.

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGE

Due to HUD guidelines, the Housing Department is required to do an environmental review regardless of the work being done. The process of these reviews can take up to three to six months; we cannot proceed until this process has been completed. Please be aware there is a possibility the review could come back with a negative impact, in which case, could be cause for denial.

Anishinaabemdaa.com

New mobile friendly website, new design, updated code, new games, new legends and more!



Learn the Anishinaabe Language

- Grammar
- Everyday Terms
- Culture
- Legends
- History
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Hundreds of interactive words and phrases with audio!

Fluid of Life

Thank you for this water
Miigwech maanda nibiish
We come from water
Nibiishing ga-binjibaami
We are born into water
Nibiishing gdoo-jishkaami ndaadisiying
Water sustains us
Nibiish ginenmigwanaa
Water cleanses us
Nibiish gabiiniganaa
Water gives us life
Nibiish maadiziwin gamiingwanaa
Miigwech, Miigwech, Mi-

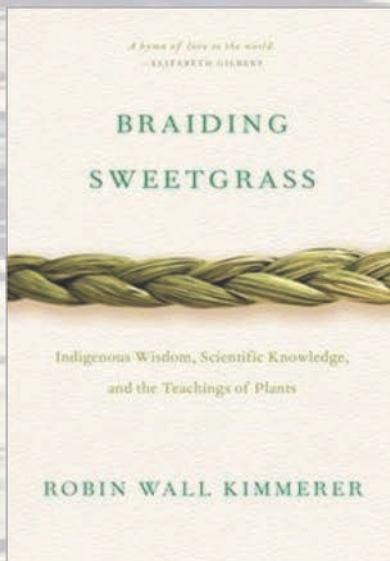
Little Traverse Bay Bands Behavior Health Department at 231-242-1640.





Mzinigangamik Virtual Book Club Series

Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge, and the Teachings of Plants braids strands of indigenous ways of knowing, scientific knowledge, and an Anishinabekwe scientist's hope to bring together in ways to serve the earth through essays that create a richly textured whole.



Each registered reader receives their own copy to keep!

- FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED
- OPEN TO LTBB COMMUNITY
- MUST SIGN UP OR BE SIGNED UP WITH CULTURAL LIBRARY
- MUST PARTICIPATE IN ZOOM BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 26TH, 7-8PM

To register for one of 20 available spots, contact Celestine Petoskey at 231-242-1487 or cepetoskey@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

MZINIGANGAMIK SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

SUMMER READING IS OPEN FOR CHILDREN, TEENS, & ADULTS!

FOR REGISTRATION FORMS, EMAIL CULTURAL LIBRARIAN CELESTINE PETOSKEY AT CEPETOSKEY@LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV FORMS AND DETAILS ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE LTBB WEBSITE AND THE CULTURAL LIBRARY

CALL 231.242.1487 WITH ANY QUESTIONS



Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with North Central Michigan College:



- Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) Certificate of Development
- Medical Billing and Coding Certificate of Development
- Medical Assistant Certificate
- Phlebotomy Certificate of Development
- Computer Information Services (AAS)
- Computer Support Specialist Certificate
- Basic EMS Certificate of Development
- Criminal Justice (AAS)



Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with Bay Mills Community College:



- ◆ Associate of Arts Early Childhood Education
- ◆ Associate of Arts Business Administration
- ◆ Associate of Applied Science Construction Technology
- ◆ Associate of Applied Science Computer Information Systems
- ◆ Medical Office Certificate

WOCTEP offers Financial Assistance!

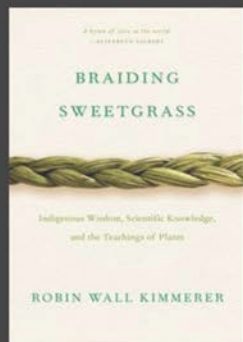
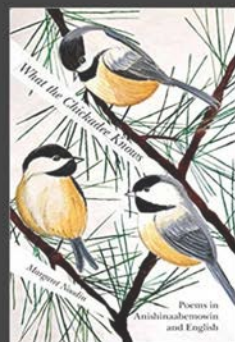
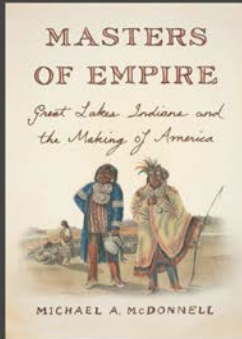
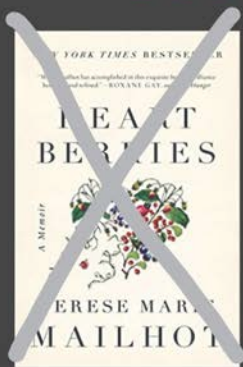


- ◆ Tuition Assistance
- ◆ Textbook and required course materials Assistance
- ◆ Mileage Assistance
- ◆ Hourly Stipend (based on household income)
- ◆ Examination/qualification fee Assistance

In addition to WOCTEP Financial assistance, Native WOCTEP students may be eligible for Board of Regents Tuition Award at BMCC.

WOCTEP is funded by the US Department of Education through the NACTEP program. Federal funds contribute to 90% of funding (\$448,744) and tribal support of 10% (\$50,108) for project year 1 (2019) budget.

Mzinigangamik Virtual Book Club Series



EACH REGISTERED READER RECEIVES THEIR OWN COPY TO KEEP!

20 SPOTS AVAILABLE PER BOOK

REGISTRATION DEADLINES & ZOOM BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION DATES TO BE ANNOUNCED



Helping Native Americans achieve self-sufficiency through employment and training opportunities in 28 counties throughout Michigan.

Examples of Services Provided:

- Help with job search & placement
- Development of an Individual Employment Plan
- Opportunities for classroom training
- Assistance for entrepreneurs and small business related costs
- Financial assistance for education and employment related costs.

For more information, contact Rachael Koepp at 231-242-1488 or e-mail rkoep@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

LTBB of Odawa Indians is the recipient of this grant under the Department of Labor (DOL). In accordance with the Jobs for Veterans Act, WIOA



The Shirley Naganashe Oldman Secondary Education Completion Award recognizes your academic achievements as an LTBB tribal member. This program has been developed to promote the completion of secondary education programs. The Shirley Naganashe Oldman Completion Award, in the amount of \$100, will be awarded to LTBB tribal members who complete a secondary education program. In order to receive this award, a copy of your official transcript, copy of high school diploma, GED certificate or certificate of completion MUST be submitted.

Award applications can be found online, in person at the Education office or mailed per request (contact Education at 231-242-1480).

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



VIRTUAL COMMUNITY CRAFT CIRCLE

A laid back virtual meetup for a chance to interact & reconnect with community while working on craft projects of your choosing

- Wednesday, May 12th, 7-8:30 PM
- Wednesday, June 9th, 7-8:30 PM

Please use the following
Zoom Meeting address:

<https://ltbbodawa.zoom.us/j/3937392960>

Questions? E-mail
culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

BEADWORK CULTURAL PACKAGE RAFFLE



These packages have been created as a way to stay safe during COVID-19 that would have otherwise been in-person events. These packages are designed to connect our citizens to our culture while combating pandemic fatigue.

- 40 BEADWORK CULTURAL PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE FOR LTBB CITIZENS WITHIN THE U.S.
- BEGINNER-INTERMEDIATE: EASY PROJECTS USING BASIC STITCHES, REPETITIVE PATTERNS, SIMPLE COLOR CHANGES & SIMPLE SHAPING & FINISHING.
- VIDEO INSTRUCTIONS & INFORMATION FOR EXTRA HELP VIA ZOOM WILL ACCOMPANY THIS PACKAGE
- REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MONDAY, MAY 24TH BY 5 P.M. EASTERN TIME
- RAFFLE WILL BE RECORDED & POSTED TO LTBB EDUCATION FACEBOOK PAGE
- WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED

To register for raffle, please email your name, tribal ID #, phone #, and mailing address to:
culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Miigwech to Creative Graphics by Eva for specially creating the beadwork designs

HOUSING DEPARTMENT

Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)

Are you behind in your rent due to COVID-19?
If so, contact the LTBB Housing Department.

- Program will pay for rental arrearage costs that were incurred due to COVID-19 (Renters ONLY, No Mortgages)
- Available to LTBB Citizens in any U.S. state. Income restrictions will apply, based on individual state guidelines
- Program is funded by the Department of Treasury and is ONLY available until September 2021

Help us help you! Have questions? Contact us at 231-242-1540. Applications are available at www.tinyurl.com/ERAP2021 and can be submitted in person or mailed to LTBB Housing, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or e-mailed to hjohnson@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS
HOUSING DEPARTMENT
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Tele: 231-242-1540 Fax: 231-242-1550
TTY: 7-1-1

Apartments for Rent

Now accepting applications

- Must belong to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
- Must be 55 or older or disabled of any age
- Rents are based on income
- Accept very low, low and moderate income applicants
- All units are 2 bedroom and 1 bath
- Bedrooms are approximately 121 sq. feet and 94 sq. feet
- Located in a quiet country setting, but only 4 miles from Harbor Springs, MI
- Barrier free units are available
- LTBB Housing office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Tribal Village is approximately 4 miles north of Harbor Springs, MI

Contact person: LTBB Housing Department 231-242-1540



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NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540



Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777



SECTION 184 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM



- Low Monthly Payment
- Flexible Underwriting
- Low Interest Rates
- Monthly Mortgage Insurance - Now at a Lower Rate!

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR:

- Acquisition of existing housing
- Rehabilitation of existing housing
- Construction of new housing, including manufactured housing affixed to a permanent foundation

REFINANCING IS BACK!!! Includes rate and term, streamline, cash out

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE LTBB HOUSING DEPT at 231-242-1540.

NATIVE NEWS

ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW CANCELED, ROYALTY RETAIN THEIR CROWNS ANOTHER YEAR

By Annette VanDeCar, LTBB Pow Wow Committee Chair

The health and safety of the LTBB tribal community, dancers, drummers, vendors and spectators is our utmost priority. As we continue to navigate through the COVID-19 pandemic, that is foremost in our minds.

After careful consideration and with input from the LTBB Emergency Management team, the LTBB Pow Wow Committee has made the difficult decision to cancel this year's Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow.

Although the pow wow was scheduled for August 14 and 15, 2021, the committee would rather take a precautionary approach and protect our community and guests. The pow wow attracts people from all over the Midwest and Canada and has grown larger every year. In an event this large, social distancing would be nearly

impossible. With high COVID-19 positive numbers in Michigan, the committee feels it must continue to protect our tribal community and the community in general.

It is unclear when things will go back to "normal." We must do our best now to preserve our culture and traditions in this uncertain time, which means taking things slowly and with caution.

With the cancellation of the pow wow, Miss Odawa Nation Llesenia Crisanto and Junior Miss Odawa Nation Suzi Stillwell will retain their crowns until the 29th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow in August 2022.

It is our hope that we see all of you



next year for the 29th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow.

Until then, stay safe and healthy.

Photo of the LTBB Pow Wow grounds is courtesy of GIS Manager Jim Keiser.



Are You:

- Currently not eligible for Medicaid?
- 19-64 years old?
- Not eligible for Medicare?
- Not pregnant?
- Making under \$15,000 for a family of 1 or making under \$34,000 for a family of 4?

If you have answered "YES" to these questions, you may qualify for Medicaid due to the Michigan Medicaid Expansion: Healthy Michigan!! Please contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 for assistance.

APRIL IS ALCOHOL AWARENESS MONTH



United States. Yet, many people don't know about the link between alcohol use and cancer.

The ACS identified alcohol use linked with cancers of the mouth, throat (pharynx), voice box (larynx), esophagus, liver, colon and rectum and breast.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Dietary Guidelines for Americans, 2020-2025, recommend if you drink alcohol at all, drink in moderation - no more than one drink a day for women, and no more than two drinks a day for men. If you don't drink, don't start drinking because of any possible health benefits. The CDC adds to not drink at all if you are under the legal drinking age, are pregnant or may be pregnant, have health problems that could be made worse by drinking and are doing things

like driving that could be dangerous with alcohol.

The CDC also notes when you drink alcohol, your body breaks it down into a chemical called acetaldehyde. Acetaldehyde damages your DNA and prevents your body from repairing the damage. DNA is the cell's "instruction manual" that controls a cell's normal growth and function. When DNA is damaged, a cell can begin growing out of control and create a cancer tumor.

There are self-screening tests available online, including a self-assessment from the Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test at <https://auditscreen.org/check-your-drinking/>

For more information, visit www.itcmi.org and follow the Inter-Tribal Council on Facebook and Instagram @intertribalcouncilmichigan.

Courtesy graphic.

April is Alcohol Awareness Month, a public health program organized by the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence. This is a way of increasing outreach and education regarding the dangers of alcoholism and issues related to alcohol.

According to the American Cancer Society (ACS), alcohol use is one of the most important preventable risk factors for cancer along with tobacco use and excess body weight. Alcohol accounts for about 6% of all cancers and 4% of all cancer deaths in the

LEADERS IN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - LORI JUMP, DIRECTOR, STRONGHEARTS NATIVE HELPLINE

By StrongHearts Native Helpline

In recognition of Native American leadership in the field of domestic and sexual violence, StrongHearts Native Helpline is presenting a series of columns featuring individuals making a difference in Indian country. We begin the series with our leader, Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa), director of StrongHearts Native Helpline.

Core Native American Values

As the Director of StrongHearts Native Helpline, Lori Jump has more than 30 years of experience working in the field of domestic and sexual violence. Before that, she was a young mother with a passion for justice and a natural ability to lead. She was inspired by and gives credit to being raised in a traditional Native American family.

"We had the best kind of upbringing. Our house was open to whoever needed help.



It didn't matter who they were -if we had it, we gave it. We never turned anyone away," said Lori, explaining her parents raised 10 children and tended to many others. "For me, family is more important than any job, money, house, anything."

She explained the cornerstone to the success of any organization is to incorporate and understand core values; and, it is with the utmost respect for her culture that she

strives to tailor the work environment to fit Native people on a deeper level.

"When someone has a family issue, as an employer, you must be able and ready to let staff members deal with things that happen in their lives," said Lori. "I believe core Native American values include a heightened sense of family and community."

Working for her Tribe

When it comes to victim services in Indian country, Lori was and still is a trailblazer. She has a long history working for her tribe, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, in Sault Ste. Marie, MI. Although she says she stumbled into the field of domestic violence, her career path was anything but a stumble.

In 1989, Lori applied for a tribal court clerk position but was encouraged instead to apply for a victim advocate job. She was soon hired and worked in this position before transitioning into a juvenile

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probation officer position. As a probation officer, she quickly learned troubled teens are often found in homes experiencing domestic violence. Back then, it was her mission to not only ensure the teens follow tribal law but also to guide them onto a better path in life.

Her Mentor

As is the case with trailblazers, Lori's mentor may seem unconventional, but it was under his guidance, she carved a path in Indian country. Her mentor was Bob Nygaard, the Sault Tribe's grant writer who in the early days played an important role in the overall success of the development of the tribe's programs.

"Bob was the Tribe's only grant writer. He wrote the initial grants for our tribal programs, but it became part of our job to write and apply for grants to maintain funding for our positions," said Lori. "He was an absolute master of the written word and it was with his expertise, I learned how to write and maintain grant funding."

Growing Tribal Programs

Lori recognized the connection between the need for services, grant writing and having a meaningful impact on the lives of Native people. It became her passion to ensure programs were well-funded.

The first grant Lori wrote was to maintain the victim advocate position. The initial grant was obtained from the State of Michigan in the amount of \$27,000. She increased the request for the second grant and secured \$40,000 to continue the position. While advocating for victims of domestic violence, Lori continued to write more grants.

She wrote the grant and secured funding for the tribe's Advocacy Resource Center (ARC), a direct service program which provides assistance and support to victims-survivors and their children impacted by domestic violence. She ensured the success of that program by becoming the Program Manager and hiring more advocates. In 1996, Lori obtained her first grant of \$86,000 from the Office of Violence Against Women.

"We were over the moon," said Lori. "The grant didn't roll out until 1997, but over the years, we kept growing the program." In early 2000, she

secured grant funding for the ARC's "Aakdehewin Gaamig – Lodge of Bravery (LOB)," a 16-bed temporary emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children. Soon after, she increased advocacy and added support services that were second to none.

Team Spirit

Lori and her team worked hard to build a comprehensive program which included emergency legal advocacy, criminal justice advocacy, crime victim compensation assistance, prevention and outreach education and even funded a clinical social worker position in the tribe's Behavioral Health Program who provides outpatient therapy to victims of sexual abuse and assault. She had become a leading expert in the field of domestic violence – a true leader in Indian country.

"I didn't do it on my own. We were successful because we had really good people working for us. Our tribal board was supportive. The program was helping people, and nobody had a problem with that," she explained. "Other tribal services and programs had requirements that were tied to income and where you live. Our program didn't have any. It didn't matter if you were on or off the reservation. If you were a victim of domestic violence and a tribal member, you were eligible."

The Missing Link: Uniting Three Fires Against Violence

Lori was so committed to justice she identified the need for culturally specific training not otherwise found in Michigan. For training, tribes were dependent upon non-Native programs with instructors who lacked a basic understanding of tribal governments, court systems and jurisdictional issues. So, in 2007, she secured funding to establish an organization which could provide culturally specific training and resources.

Uniting Three Fires Against Violence (UTFAV) is a statewide tribal coalition with representation from all of Michigan's federally recognized tribes. UTFAV provides a variety of training opportunities to tribal advocacy programs, tribal leadership and tribal entities working in response to violence in Indian country. Some of the training offered includes domestic violence in Indian country, sexual

assault in Indian country, sex trafficking in Indian country, foundations of advocacy, historical trauma and shelter advocacy – to name a few.

In 2013, UTFAV was struggling. Lori believed it was a valuable organization so much so she made the difficult decision to leave the tribe and take the lead at UTFAV. She stabilized the organization and ensured its continued success to the present day. She also became an appellate court judge for her tribe and continues in that capacity today.

StrongHearts Native Helpline

Lori wasn't looking for change when it came knocking at her door. She was offered a director position outside of her hometown where she had worked and lived for the past 30 years. It would be a life-changing decision to leave UTFAV, but destiny and fate were waiting at StrongHearts Native Helpline. It was to be the nation's first domestic violence helpline designed by and for Native Americans and Alaska Natives. It was the brainchild conceived by the National Domestic Violence Hotline (The Hotline) and the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center (NIWRC).

Lori moved to Austin, Texas — a place she had never been — to learn the ropes of a domestic violence hotline under the wings of The Hotline and NIWRC. After a little more than three months, StrongHearts Native Helpline was launched on March 6, 2017.

"It's an honor to serve Indian Country," said Lori. "We have heard and are answering the call for victim services and advocacy on a national level. Thanks to the foresight of our parent organizations, The Hotline and NIWRC, Native Americans and Alaska Natives impacted by domestic violence have a trusted resource. StrongHearts advocates have already helped thousands of Natives Americans navigate the darkness of domestic, dating and sexual violence. They are on the front line meeting the needs of our people."

Lori is the daughter of Cecil and Edna Pavlat nee Gurnoe. She has three sons, Lenny (Becky) and Aaron (Kip) Jump and Nicholas Marsh. She is a grandmother of four children, Andreaka and Mya Jump and Brendan and Kimberly McCormick.

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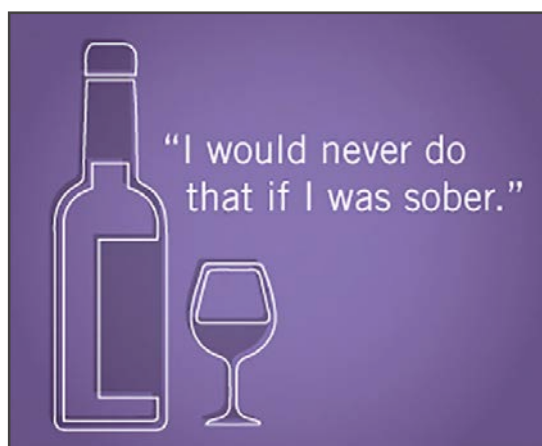
ALCOHOL AND ABUSE

By StrongHearts Native Helpline

Trigger Warning: This blog includes graphic content that some readers may find distressing.

Disclaimer: The names, characters, events and incidents are fiction. Any resemblance to actual persons, living or dead, or actual events is purely coincidental.

We know domestic violence is never okay. At StrongHearts Native Helpline, we hear many callers try to explain or make excuses for abuse. A common excuse for abuse is alcohol; victim-survivors and abusive partners blame the abuse on using alcohol. While we know using alcohol can strain a relationship, it is not the cause of domestic violence. It is also not an excuse for abusive



behavior. The example below walks through such a scenario.

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Our Favorite Bar

Yesterday, Colin and I went out for dinner and drinks. We were having a great time talking about our upcoming anniversary. Colin was about two drinks ahead of me and he started getting obnoxious and annoying. I was kind of mean to him, but I was just trying to explain to him how bad it looks for both of us when he acts like that. While we were walking home, he had his arm wrapped around my shoulders, he tripped and almost pulled me down. I angrily threw off his arm and he fell and scraped his hands. When we got home, he started crying and said the way I treat him isn't okay. I feel bad about being mean to him and pushing him off me, but I wouldn't have to do those things if he didn't drink so much. Plus, I was drunk, and I would never push him if I was sober.

Tonight, we decided to stay in and not drink. Colin brought up last night. He said he knows he can drink too much, but he still doesn't think it is fair that I "berate" him and push him. I tried to stay calm, but he can be so needy. I told him I'd never do that if we weren't drinking, and I wouldn't have to do those things if he didn't drink so much. Colin said I act like that sober, too, but the only times he pointed out were when he had upset me.

He brought up the time I broke his phone. We got into a fight because he was texting someone nonstop. I asked him who it was, and he said work. When he went to the bathroom, I looked at his phone and I saw that the person he was texting was "Amanda." I know all of his co-workers and none of them are named Amanda. After he came back, I confronted him. He says I hit him, but if I did, I honestly don't remember. I was in such a blind rage. I was so hurt. I threw his phone, but I wasn't trying to break it. He kept saying it wasn't what I thought. He said Amanda just started working at his office last week and

showed me the e-mails to prove it. If he just told me about all the women in his life, that wouldn't have been an issue. I know I can overreact and hurt Colin, but if he could just see the things he does that cause me to act that way, things would improve.

Alcohol Does Not Cause Abuse

In this story, the narrator uses alcohol as an excuse for their abusive behavior. They insist the reason for their abusive behavior - particularly the physical abuse, is because they are drunk. The narrator also implies they **have** to abuse Colin because he drinks too much. Neither of these excuses is valid. While abusive behaviors may escalate when drinking, drinking does not cause abuse nor do anyone else's actions.

The narrator abuses Colin when they are sober. When Colin confronts them the day after drinking, they blame their actions on Colin. Denying the impact or severity of past actions is a common tactic of abuse. Blaming abuse on uncontrollable emotions is equally false. Abuse is not a loss of control; it is an active choice. Abusers feel entitled to power and control over their victims.

Additionally, when the narrator broke Colin's phone, there were multiple abuse tactics present: Checking his phone without permission, hitting him, throwing the phone and blaming their actions on Colin. Regardless of substance use, the abusive partner is responsible for the abuse.

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a culturally appropriate and anonymous helpline for Native Americans impacted by domestic, dating and sexual violence. Advocates offer peer support and advocacy, personal safety planning, crisis intervention and referrals to Native-centered domestic violence service providers. Visit strongheartshelpline.org for chat advocacy or call 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483) 24/7.

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4. Do not leave glass bottles lying on the ground - the sun's rays reflect through the glass and can start a fire
5. When camping, do not leave campfire unattended and make sure it is completely out before you leave it
6. Use barbecues on a hard, flat surface away from grass, shrubs or fencing
7. Talk to your children about the dangers of starting fires outside

WOLF PRESERVATION TOWNHALL

Editor's note: The following is an Anishinaabek Caucus of Michigan press release.



The Anishinaabek Caucus of Michigan invited Aaron Payment, Chairperson of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, to host a panel of experts to discuss the reality of wolves in Michigan, weighed against the pressure to hunt them for sport. Payment framed the discussion with a talk on indigenous understanding and knowledge of living in balance.

Beatrice Menase Kwe Jackson, Tsimphean/Nicola Anishinawbe from Yakima, WA, and Grandmother of the Three Fires Midewewin Lodge, opened the Townhall with a song honoring wolves.

John A. Vucetich, PhD, from the College of Forest Resources and Environmental Science at the Michigan Technological University, brought insight with a few points clarifying how hunting poses as a solution for a problem that does not exist. There is not an abundance of wolves. The percentage of livestock loss to wolves is a fractional slice of 1%. The deer population is not adversely affected by wolves. Wolves are not a safety hazard. Wolves are not hunted for sustenance.

Molly Tamulevich, Michigan Director, and Jill Fritz, Senior Wildlife Protection Director, from the Humane Society of the United States, outlined the history of wolf hunting legislation that was at odds with voter ballot initiatives, including a former state senator fabricating a story. It is also important to acknowledge sport hunters do not have more authority than animal welfare advocates.

Thomas Gilpin, an environmental advocate, illustrated the watershed event that triggered the push for trophy hunting within some state legislatures. In Michigan, when the previous White House administration delisted wolves as an en-



dangered species, effective January 2021, a resolution was passed in the Senate Natural Resource Committee in support of a wolf hunt.

Nancy Warren, Executive Director of the National Wolf Watcher Coalition, provided several ways to advocate on behalf of wolves. She showed how participating in the Natural Resource Commission meetings and contacting our state legislators was important. We must have the will of the voters and the rights of the tribes honored in Michigan.

Additionally, Pearl Waaseyaa Biber and Moses Biber, tribal citizens of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, gave youth testimony. They spoke to commitment for family structure in all animal families, which echoed the science and policy points of the panel. Pearl Waaseyaa and Moses were clear hunting for sustenance is different than killing for sport.

Anishinaabek Caucus of MDP is a political caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party advocating for the issues and concerns of the 12 tribes in Michigan.

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ODAWA CASINO PRESENTS NEARLY \$9,000 TO LOCAL NON-PROFIT

Editor's note: The following is an Odawa Casino press release.

Odawa Casino raised \$8,883 in donations to present to Uniting Three Fires Against Violence as a part of the Spare Change Donation Program.

Odawa Casino launched the Spare Change Donation program in August 2020 in response to the national coin shortage, which simultaneously supports local non-profits within the community and has expanded into an ongoing project. The program includes boxes around the casino floor where guests are able to donate their change or their gaming vouchers to support important local organizations.

Uniting Three Fires Against Violence is an organization that aims to establish a network among advocates within Indian country to provide comprehensive services to victims of do-

mestic violence, empower survivors and ensure Native victims receive culturally appropriate services.

If an organization would like to be considered as one of the recipients in future months, it is encouraged to contact Community Development Coordinator, Marty Van De Car, at mvandecar@odawacasino.com

Owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the \$140 million Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, opened in June 2007 and features nearly 1,000 slot machines, table games, multiple dining options, the fabulous new Victories Sports and Entertainment Bar and an off property 137-room hotel. Odawa Casino Mackinaw City opened in May 2016 and recently, completed a new expansion for an even higher quality gaming experience.

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Pictured left to right in the courtesy photo are Brittany Bentley, Odawa Casino Marketing Coordinator; Rachel Carr, Uniting Three Fires Against Violence Executive Director; Dora Graczyk, Odawa Casino Special Events Manager; Stacey Ettawageshik, Uniting Three Fires Against Violence President; and Marty Van De Car, Odawa Casino Community Relations Coordinator.

MOHEGAN TRIBE ADDS LANGUAGE, CULTURAL SYMBOLS TO WNBA JERSEYS

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

Cultural symbols and traditional names are part of a new look for the Mohegan Tribe's women's basketball team.

The Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA) franchise Connecticut Sun introduced new jerseys as a way to honor the heritage of the team's tribal owners.

The WNBA on Thursday (April 8, 2021) unveiled three new looks for each of its 12 teams as part of the league's 25th anniversary celebration. The jerseys are designed to reflect stories of "female archetypes" in each of the teams' communities.

"We were very pleased with the entire uniform design process," Kathy Regan-Pyne, Mohegan Tribal Council recording secretary, said in a statement. "Nike demonstrated their commitment to getting it right; they consulted and worked with us as a team. Members of the tribal council and Council of Elders, our chief and our medicine woman were all involved in some fashion. It was a collaborative effort; we all absolutely love the end result."

The Sun play its games at the 10,000-seat Mohegan Sun Arena, which is part of a casino resort on tribal land in Uncasville, CT. The Mohegan Tribe was the first tribe to own a professional sports team when it purchased the Orlando Miracle, which it relocated and renamed in 2003.

Chief Many Hearts Lynn Malerba said it was important to the Mohegans that they be the ones to determine the images associated with the tribe and the team.

"The jerseys are important because there has been so much cultural appropriation and also just a lack of understanding of truly what it means to be Native in this country," she said. "We



own this narrative. This is our narrative, and we are the only ones that can tell it."

The team's three looks will each include references to the tribe, including a Mohegan symbol first painted on bark and traditional baskets hundreds of years ago. The mark's 13 dots have several meanings to the tribe, including the 13 moons of the year and the 13 sections on the shell of the turtle on which Mother Earth was created, the chief said.

One jersey will honor Gladys Tantaquidgeon, the tribe's former medicine woman, who died in 2005 at age 106. She was an anthropologist, author, tribal council member and tribal elder.

"Women in our tribe have always played a very essential leadership role," said Beth Morning Deer Regan, the vice chairwoman and justice for the Mohegan Tribal Council of Elders. "And, so, we see our women's basketball team as leaders in social justice, just as our most admired former female tribal leaders were as well."

The jersey will be blue, the color of the regalia Tantaquidgeon wore, and its neckline includes images of canoes the tribe once used. The jersey will have the Mohegan word for sun, Keesusk, across the front.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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STRONGHEARTS NATIVE HELPLINE LAUNCHES TEXT ADVOCACY

StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-7NATIVE) has expanded operations and is now offering text advocacy. The expanded service launched on April 2, 2021. Text advocacy can be reached by using StrongHearts Native Helpline's number: 1-844-762-8483.

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a culturally appropriate, anonymous, confidential and free service dedicated to serving Native victim-survivors, concerned family members and friends affected by domestic, dating and sexual violence. StrongHearts Native Helpline is a project of the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center and the National Domestic Violence Hotline.

Similar to online chat advocacy, text advocacy increases accessibility for individuals who may be hearing impaired and those who may be uncomfortable or unable to vocalize a call for support. As the pandemic continues and victim-survivors in abusive relationships are forced to shelter-in-place with their abusive partners, it becomes even more vital to offer multiple communication options, so victim-survivors can decide what is a safe and appropriate option for them.

"We are eager to expand our services to reach every Native victim-survivor who needs it," said StrongHearts Director Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). "StrongHearts will continue our work until all of our relatives have the resources they need and are safe from violence."

According to the National Institute of Justice and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's 2010 National Intimate Partner and Sexual Partner Survey, Native Americans and Alaska Natives experience some of the highest rates of domestic and sexual violence in the United States. The study found more than four in five American Indian and Alaska Native women had



experienced violence in their lifetime, and one in three had experienced violence within the past year. The study also examined how this violence affects tribal communities and Native survivors. For American Indian and Alaska Native people, the study found about half of women and nearly one in five men stated they needed victim services. With few options and supportive resources, Native American victims of abuse often go without assistance.

To address these inequities and better serve Native Americans and Alaska Natives, StrongHearts has been rapidly expanding. In 2020, StrongHearts launched online chat advocacy and sexual violence advocacy. In 2021, StrongHearts increased advocacy services to seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

As American Indian and Alaska Native communities continue to navigate the isolating effects of COVID-19, 24/7 expanded operations and text advocacy will allow those experiencing domestic and sexual violence to connect with a highly trained advocate whenever they need free, anonymous and confidential support.

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SECRETARY HAALAND CREATES NEW MISSING & MURDERED UNIT TO PURSUE JUSTICE FOR MISSING OR MURDERED AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES

Missing & Murdered Unit

Today (April 1, 2021) Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced the formation of a new Missing & Murdered Unit (MMU) within the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Justice Services (BIA-OJS) to provide leadership and direction for cross-departmental and interagency work involving missing and murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives. The MMU will help put the full weight of the federal government into investigating these cases and marshal law enforcement resources across federal agencies and throughout Indian country.

"Violence against Indigenous peoples is a crisis that has been underfunded for decades. Far too often, murders and missing persons cases in Indian country go unsolved and unaddressed, leaving families and communities devastated," said Interior Secretary Deb Haaland. "The new MMU unit will provide the resources and leadership to prioritize these cases and coordinate resources to hold people accountable, keep our communities safe, and provide closure for families."

Approximately 1,500 American Indian and Alaska Native missing persons have been entered into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) throughout the U.S., and approximately 2,700 cases of murder and nonnegligent homicide offenses have been reported to the federal government's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

A task force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives — Operation Lady Justice (OLJ) — was formed in 2019 to pursue these unresolved cases. Today's (April 1, 2021) announcement builds on that work by designating new leadership and support positions, including a Unit Chief responsible for stakehold-

er collaboration, continued policy development and overall performance of the unit. The department is also designating new positions with existing federal funding to support the investigative needs of the MMU, including the collection and analysis of performance data and coordination of services with the families of victims.

Investigations remain unsolved often due to a lack of investigative resources available to identify new information from witness testimony, re-examine new or retained material evidence and review fresh activities of suspects. The MMU, in addition to reviewing unsolved cases, will immediately begin working with tribal, BIA and FBI investigators on active Missing and Murdered investigations.

The MMU will also enable the department to expand its collaborative efforts with other agencies such as working to enhance the DOJ's National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs) and developing strategic partnerships with additional stakeholders such as the FBI's Behavioral Analysis Units (BAU's), the FBI Forensic Laboratory, the U.S. Marshals Missing Child Unit (MCU) and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC).

"Whether it's a missing family member or a homicide investigation, these efforts will be all hands-on deck," Secretary Haaland continued. "We are fully committed to assisting Tribal communities with these investigations, and the MMU will leverage every resource available to be a force-multiplier in preventing these cases from becoming cold case investigations."

For more information, visit www.bia.gov/bia/ojs/missing-murdered-unit

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OWNERSHIP CHANGE FOR INDIAN COUNTRY TODAY

Indian Country Today has a new owner. On Friday (March 26, 2021), the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) transferred its ownership interests in *Indian Country Today, LLC* to IndiJ Public Media effective March 26, 2021.

Indian Country Today was donated to NCAI by the Oneida Indian Nation in October 2017. The news organization operated as an independent limited liability company owned by NCAI. Now, *Indian Country Today* will operate as an independent company owned by IndiJ Public Media, an Arizona nonprofit corporation.

"This is an exciting time for *Indian Country Today* to become fiscally independent and to continue its tradition of an autonomous free press. I have the utmost confidence in Mark Trahan's ability to successfully lead this new media endeavor in its next phase of growth," said NCAI President Fawn Sharp. "NCAI has supported ICT in its quest for independence the last three and a half years and will continue to be an important ally moving forward in achieving our shared objective of educating the public about American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal Nations."

"This is a new day for ICT,



INDIAN COUNTRY TODAY
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which has a long history as a premier source of news for and about Indigenous communities, written and produced by Indigenous journalists," said Karen Michel, Ho Chunk, president and CEO of IndiJ Public Media. "As IndiJ Public Media's name implies, our focus remains on Indigenous journalism while emphasizing our expansion into broadcasting."

IndiJ, a combination of the words "Indigenous" and "journalism" and pronounced in-Didge, was incorporated as a nonprofit corporation in Arizona in November 2020 and is awaiting approval of its 501(c)(3) application from the IRS.

"We are grateful to NCAI for stepping in to save *Indian Country Today*. When the news site went dark in fall 2017, there was a huge void in Indian Country," said Mark Trahan, *Indian Country Today's* editor.

Trahan, Shoshone-Bannock, was hired in 2017 by NCAI to bring the publication back to life.

"We had no idea how important ICT was to our community until we saw first-hand the connection with our readers and viewers. More than

a century ago, the first tribal editor, Cherokee Nation's Elias Boudinot, called Native news "a spacious channel." That channel is even more spacious -- and more important -- in this digital age."

Over the past four decades, *Indian Country Today* has evolved from the weekly, *Lakota Times*, to a national magazine, and now, an online daily digital publication and a daily national news broadcast reporting on the ground from -- and for -- Indian country about the critical issues impacting Native nations and peoples in the United States and around the globe.

The digital site *Indian-CountryToday.com* reaches about a half million people each month.

A half-hour news broadcast began in March 2020 as a daily report about the pandemic. It has evolved to a full half hour newscast carried by FNX and many public television stations. The show is produced at Arizona PBS and the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University.

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SEE A BABY WILD ANIMAL? OBSERVE FROM A DISTANCE

By Michigan DNR



aren't far and will continue to feed and care for them."

Never remove an animal from the wild. Young animals are rarely abandoned and their best chance for survival is to remain in the wild.

Only licensed wildlife rehabilitators may possess abandoned or injured wildlife. Unless a person is licensed, it is illegal to possess a live wild animal in Michigan.

Learn more about what to do if you find a baby animal and get a list of licensed wildlife rehabilitators at Michigan.gov/Wildlife or contact the DNR Wildlife Division at 517-284-9453.

Courtesy photo.

Each spring brings a new generation of wildlife, and while you're enjoying the sights of the season, be sure to give wildlife plenty of space to raise their young while you watch from a distance.

Young animals are often left alone, but the parents are never far. This is especially true for rabbits and fawns.

"One survival strategy wild mammal moms use is hiding their young while they are elsewhere, but don't worry; they will return periodically to nurse and care for the babies," said Hannah Schauer, wildlife communications coordinator with the DNR. "This tactic helps young animals stay safer from predators while mom goes elsewhere to avoid drawing attention to where they're hidden."

Eventually, the youngsters will be strong and fast enough to venture out on their own or accompany their mother.

"As we get later into spring and into the summer, you might see fledgling birds hopping around on the ground, and this is completely normal," said Schauer. "These fluffy youngsters are getting old enough to start trying to fly and need more space than the nest has. Their parents

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DNR FIRE STAFF RESUME PRESCRIBED BURNS STATEWIDE



By Michigan DNR

Don't worry if you see wildland firefighters from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and partner agencies starting fires on grasslands or at the edges of forests this spring and summer.

They're conducting prescribed burns - the carefully considered use of fire to improve wildlife habitat, get rid of invasive plant species that can crowd out native plants or help reduce debris on the ground that could fuel large wildfires.

In 2019, DNR firefighters conducted prescribed burns on more than 8,800 acres. Prescribed burning was suspended throughout 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. It took time to develop procedures to make sure firefighters stay safe.

"Fire is an important tool to help maintain

and improve the landscape, and we're glad to be out there again," said Dan Laux, fire section manager for the DNR's Forest Resources Division.

Prescribed burns are one way the DNR keep public lands and forests healthy. The burns are planned to achieve specific objectives - often simulating the benefits of natural fires. Burns are conducted by highly trained DNR personnel in state-managed areas during appropriate weather conditions and in cooperation with the proper authorities and local units of government. Public safety is a top priority during all prescribed burns. Burns may be canceled at the last minute due to careful monitoring of weather and wind conditions.

The DNR's interactive map, "Prescribed Fire Explained," explains the benefits of prescribed fire and how it works.

Courtesy photos.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department Lead to Non-Lead Transition

Why Switch?

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For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

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SPRING BRINGS FIRE DANGER

By Michigan DNR

The ground may look damp and muddy, but grass and brush are dry in spring even if the ground is wet. That means fire can spread fast.

"Everybody wants to get out and clean up their yard, but it's important to check conditions before burning and to understand how dry these fuels on the ground are," said Paul Rogers, fire prevention specialist with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

Debris burning is the No. 1 cause of wildfires in Michigan, and some fires already have scorched Lower Michigan landscapes, including a 432-acre fire in the state's Thumb region.

Open burning is allowed where the ground is still snow-covered. Otherwise, a free burn permit is required. Burn permits in the southern Lower Peninsula are issued by local fire departments and government offices. In the northern Lower Peninsula and the Upper Peninsula, residents can check the map at Michigan.gov/Burn-Permit to see if debris/open burning is permitted in their counties.

Rogers urged people to be careful when burning yard debris, enjoying campfires or doing other outdoor activities, especially those that include heat or gas-powered engines. Among the



DNR's recommendations:

- Place your charcoal grill on a hard surface such as a concrete driveway rather than on the lawn where a spark or loose coal could ignite dry grass.
- Keep an eye out while using chainsaws and lawn mowers because a spark from the blade could start a fire.
- Be careful when using all-terrain vehicles, lawn mowers or other outdoor machinery. Heat from a lawn mower or the exhaust pipe of an ATV can ignite dry grass. A trailer chain dragging on pavement also can create sparks that ignite grass.
- Never leave any fire unattended even for a moment. Make sure all debris and campfires are fully extinguished before leaving the area.

Courtesy graphic.

EAGLE REMAINS RETENTION INFORMATION

The LTBB Natural Resource Department is pleased to announce that after years of work on the issue, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently changed its policy to allow federally recognized tribes to keep eagle remains found in Indian country. Tribal citizens who encounter eagle remains or feathers within the LTBB reservation boundaries may be able to retain them for culturally significant use. Any deceased eagle encountered must be reported to LTBB Conservation Enforcement immediately for investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-242-1670 E-mail: dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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COYOTES AND WHAT TO DO TO PREVENT CONFLICTS

By Michigan DNR



Michigan residents need a valid base license to hunt for them. See the current-year Fur Harvester Digest for coyote hunting and trapping regulations.

- On private property where coyotes are doing or about to do damage, a property owner or designee can take coyotes year-round; a license or written permit is not needed.
- A permitted nuisance control business may be able to assist in the safe removal of problem animals in urban or residential areas.

Additional tips and information on how to handle conflicts with wildlife are available at Michigan.gov/Wildlife or by contacting the DNR Wildlife Division at 517-284-9453.

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Coyotes can be found everywhere – forests, fields, farmlands, backyards, neighborhoods and cities. They may be more visible from January until March as this is their breeding season and when they are caring for their pups during the spring and summer months.

Coyotes may become comfortable living near people, particularly if there are food sources available. Smaller mammals like mice and rabbits are a coyote's main source of food.

Prevent conflicts by removing food sources and use hazing techniques:

- Remove potential attractants such as trash bins, bird feeders and pet food.
- NEVER intentionally feed or try to tame coyotes.
- Fence off gardens and fruit trees.
- Clear out wood and brush piles.
- Accompany pets outdoors and do not allow them to roam free.
- Take advantage of a coyote's natural fear of humans and scare them off if you see them.
- Watch the video "How to Haze a Nuisance Coyote" at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HSjHwzX9Iiw>

Removal options

- Coyote hunting is open year-round, and

USPSTF RELEASES NEW LUNG CANCER SCREENING RECOMMENDATIONS

The United States Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) released updated recommendations on screening for lung cancer. USPSTF's new guidelines will allow more indigenous people to receive life-saving cancer screenings, thereby, increasing the likelihood of early detection and creating more options for treatment. The USPSTF now recommends adults between the ages of 50 and 80 who have smoked at least 20 pack-years and currently smoke or have quit within the past 15 years get screened. A pack-year is calculated by multiplying the number of packs of cigarettes smoked per day by the number of years the person has smoked. Native people smoke at higher rates than any other racial or ethnic group in the United States. The expanded recommendations will allow more Native people to receive necessary lung cancer screenings. "Because these guidelines have been updated to be more inclusive, we are one step further in reducing the number of American Indian and Alaska Native relatives



receiving late-stage cancer diagnoses," said American Indian Cancer Foundation (AICAF) Cancer Programs Manager Lindsey Petras, MSN. Lung cancer is the second most common cancer and the leading cause of cancer death in the U.S. In 2020, an estimated 228,820 people were diagnosed with lung cancer, and 135,720 people died of the disease. The USPSTF says smoking is estimated to account for about 90% of all lung cancer cases. While a lung cancer diagnosis generally has a poor outlook, early-stage lung cancer has better chances for recovery and is easier to treat. The USPSTF says annual screening for high-risk people can prevent a substantial number of lung cancer-related deaths. "We know the rates of lung cancer among our Indigenous

relatives are high and lowering the screening age by five years can make a huge difference. The updated screening recommendations give our relatives access to life-saving screenings earlier and may help detect lung cancer before it is life-threatening," said AICAF Interim CEO Melissa Buffalo, MS (Meskwaki).

AICAF strongly supports USPSTF's new recommendations as they will greatly increase the number of Native people eligible for lung cancer screenings and help save thousands of lives each year. While Native people have the highest smoking rate in the nation, more than half of smokers want to quit. Take action and talk to your health care provider about what options work best for you and your quitting journey.

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Your Child's Early Development is a Journey

Check off the milestones your child has reached and share your child's progress with the doctor at every visit.

6 MONTHS

- Copies sounds
- Begins to sit without support
- Likes to play with others, especially parents
- Responds to own name
- Strings vowels together when babbling ("ah," "eh," "oh")
- Uses simple gestures such as shaking head for "no" or waving "bye bye"
- Copies gestures

12 MONTHS (1 YEAR)

- Responds to simple spoken requests
- Says "mama" and "dada"
- Pulls up to stand

18 MONTHS (1 1/2 YEARS)

- Says several single words
- Knows what ordinary things are for; for example, telephone, brush, spoon
- Plays simple pretend, such as feeding a doll
- Points to show others something interesting

2 YEARS

- Follows simple instructions
- Kicks a ball
- Says sentences with 2 to 4 words
- Gets excited when with other children
- Walks alone
- Plays simple pretend, such as feeding a doll
- Points to show others something interesting

3 YEARS

- Carries on a conversation using 2 to 3 sentences
- Climbs well
- Plays make-believe with dolls, animals and people
- Shows affection for friends without prompting
- Hops and stands on one foot for up to 2 seconds

4 YEARS

- Would rather play with other children than alone
- Tells stories
- Draws a person with 2 to 4 body parts
- Plays cooperatively

These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For more complete checklists by age, visit www.cdc.gov/ActEarly or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

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Volunteers selected must reside within the region of their local board and are appointed to a three-year term. Citizen volunteers should demonstrate an interest in child welfare and strengthening families. Younger volunteers are encouraged to apply. The program values diversity among board members to ensure various perspectives and life experiences positively inform decisions about the most vulnerable children in Michigan.

Michigan's Foster Care Review Board Program helps ensure safe and timely permanency for children in the state foster care system.

For more information on becoming a volunteer board member, visit <https://courts.michigan.gov/Administration/SCAO/OfficesPrograms/fcrbp/Pages/Volunteering-for-FCRB.aspx>

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The Foster Care Review Board (FCRB) program, administered by the State Court Administrative Office of the Michigan Supreme Court, is seeking citizen volunteers for membership on review boards located throughout the state. The FCRB reviews cases of children placed in foster care to ensure they receive needed services while in out-of-home care and that they are placed in safe, permanent homes as quickly as possible. The FCRB also hears appeals by foster parents who believe children are being unnecessarily moved from their care. There are currently more than 11,000 children in Michigan's foster care system.

Recruitment for board membership is year-round, but volunteers are encouraged to submit their applications by May 1. Interviews and background checks are required for all applicants. Volunteers are urgently needed in Northern Michigan, the Upper Peninsula as well as Washtenaw, Jackson, Monroe, St. Clair, Macomb and

LTBB EDUCATION'S TEXT MESSAGE ALERTS

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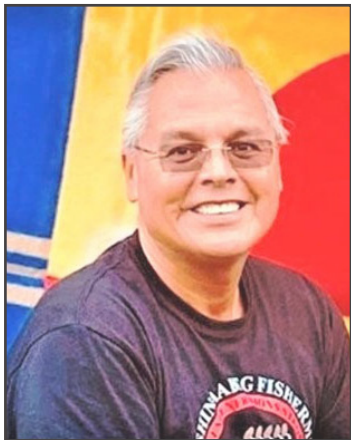
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DID ENBRIDGE INTEND TO MISLEAD PRESS AND PUBLIC? CULTURAL APPROPRIATION

Editor's note: The following is an Anishinaabek Caucus of Michigan press release.

The Anishinaabek Caucus of Michigan alerts the media and the public of misleading representation of tribal positions concerning Line-5. Enbridge recently posted a video implying the 12 federally recognized tribes of Michigan are open to "starting the journey and the possibility of reconciliation" concerning Line-5 via traditional peacemaking. This is false.

The video was created by 7th Legacy LLC, and thus, does not have any authority to speak on behalf of any tribe. The video conveys a false narrative of cultural "peacemaking" traditions, and it was not endorsed by the Michigan tribes. Neither, to our knowledge, have the respective tribal



leaders been consulted.

Decisions of tribal bodies are not made by a single leader nor by any single member of a tribe. Rather, decisions are the result of a process of consensus and formal legislative enactment. The consensus of Michigan's tribes around the continued harm and threat brought by Enbridge's Line 5 remains the same. Most, if not all tribes in Michigan

have passed resolutions to shut down Line 5, and the United Tribes of Michigan have voted on a resolution to support the shutdown of Line 5.

According to Aaron Payment, PhD, Chairperson of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and President of the United Tribes of Michigan, "Misuse of our cultural concepts is cultural appropriation and is patently offensive. Enbridge is hereby instructed to stop!"

Anishinaabek Caucus of MDP is a political caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party advocating for the issues and concerns of the 12 tribes in Michigan.

Courtesy photo of Aaron Payment, PhD, Chairperson of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and President of the United Tribes of Michigan.

GOVERNOR WHITMER MAKES APPOINTMENTS TO THE BENCH

Editor's note: The following is a press release from the office of Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer.

Today (March 19, 2021), Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced the appointments of Cori E. Barkman to the 29th Circuit Court of Clinton and Gratiot Counties and Jennifer E. Deegan to the 57th Circuit Court of Emmet County.

57th Circuit Court of Emmet County

Jennifer E. Deegan is currently a partner with Nelson, Deegan, Forster & Stikovich, PC. In her practice, Deegan practices family and criminal law and previously served as an assistant prosecuting attorney and practiced in the juvenile court system. She previously worked as an attorney with Stroup Meengs, PC and as the owner of the Law Office of Jennifer E. Deegan, PLLC. Deegan has also served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Charlevoix County, Wayne



County and Sanilac County.

Deegan holds a Bachelor of Arts in International Relations from the James Madison College of Michigan State University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Detroit Mercy. She is the president of the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Community Foundation and a member of the executive committee of the Charlevoix-Emmet County Bar Association, the Top of the Mitt chapter of the Women Lawyers of Michigan and the League of Women Voters. Jennifer lives in Harbor Springs,

MI, with her husband Jack, and their children, Ella, Jackson and Teddy.

"I am humbled to receive this appointment," said Deegan. "It is a great honor to serve our community and I am excited for this next phase of my legal career. Integrity, respect for the law and respect for others have always been the cornerstone of my legal practice and I will continue those ideals on the bench. I thank Governor Whitmer for this opportunity."

This appointment was made to fill a partial term, which expires at noon on January 1, 2023 after Judge Charles W. Johnson stepped down effective January 1, 2021. If Deegan wishes to serve the remainder of Judge Johnson's term, expiring January 1, 2025, she would be required to run for reelection in November 2022.

Judicial appointments are not subject to the advice and consent of the Senate.

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Need to update your address?

When you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an Address Verification Form.

Address Verification and many other Enrollment forms are also available at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. They can be found in the Forms Directory or on the Enrollment page of the website.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address form for any minor children.

If you are the custodial parent of a minor, please provide proof by documentation.

Upon reaching the age of 18, an Adult Address Verification form must be completed. Failure to do so may result in a delay of per capita payment.

If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current.

Minor verification forms must be signed and notarized.

Adult verification forms must be signed and either witnessed or notarized, depending on your address.

Contact the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, 231-242-1520 or by e-mail enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Please Note:

Changeable address forms are available for LTBB Citizens at www.tinyurl.com/ltbbenrollmentforms. The forms must be printed and signed by the Tribal Citizen and hard copies returned to Enrollment. We still require the form to be witnessed or notarized depending on your address.

LTBB Enrollment Office 231-242-1521

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How do I get covered?

1. Make an appointment at the LTBB Health Clinic and discuss with your physician if chiropractic care would be helpful for you.
2. If so, your physician will refer you for chiropractic care and your referral will be reviewed by our managed care team.

All approved referrals will be eligible for **three visits and ONE medical massage per month!** Patients are required to follow up with their physician annually to continue chiropractic care.

Call the LTBB Health Clinic today to get started! 231-242-1700

COURT STRIKES KEY PROVISION OF INDIAN CHILD WELFARE LAW

By Joaquin Estus

Editor's note: The following article appeared on *Indian Country Today* and is reprinted here with permission.

Legal experts are deeply concerned about an “incredibly divisive” ruling from a federal appeals court that struck down parts of a law giving Native American families preference in the adoption of Native American children.

The ruling by a sharply divided U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals is seen as a defeat for tribal leaders who said the 1978 Indian Child Welfare Act was important to protecting their families and culture.

Mary Kathryn Nagle, Cherokee, is a partner with the law firm Pipestem and Nagle and specializes in federal Indian law. She called the 5th Circuit ruling “incredibly divisive” and said, “certain parts of this decision are incorrect.”

The complex ruling from 16 judges of the 5th Circuit Court upholds a lower court's finding that the Indian Child Welfare Act's preferences for Native American families or licensed “Indian foster homes” violate constitutional equal protection requirements.

It also said some of the provisions of the law “unconstitutionally commandeered” state officials' duties in adoption matters. Attorneys for both sides were reviewing the 325-page document late Tuesday (April 6, 2021).

The National Indian Child Welfare Association issued a statement as part of the Protect ICWA Campaign, a coalition of the National Indian Child Welfare Association, the National Congress of American Indians, the Association on American Indian Affairs and the Native American Rights Fund.

The association said while it's pleased the court recognized ICWA generally is within Congress's authority, “we are deeply concerned that aspects of this opinion misunderstand the unique relationship between the United States and tribal nations.”

The full implications of the decision on adoptive children in this and future cases were not immediately clear. Some of the key points were the result of 8-8 votes. The lack of a majority meant the lower court's ruling prevailed on those points, but that no binding precedent was set by the appeals court.

“It's clear that the court could not quite make up its mind,” Nagle said. “And the question of whether or not the Indian Child Welfare Act is unconstitutional or constitutional, it does not merit a 325-page written decision. It's actually not that complicated.”

Nagle said the legal questions at issue in the lower court case, *Chad Brackeen v. Ryan Zinke*, “could and should be answered in a 10- or 20-page decision, not a 325-page decision ... things that are clearly within Congress's constitutional authority when it comes to Indian affairs have been made incredibly messy and complicated.”



The case could wind up at the U.S. Supreme Court.

The makeup of the Supreme Court has changed with the addition of two justices appointed by former President Donald Trump.

“We're in a new era where, especially with the addition of Justice Neil M. Gorsuch, there is an opportunity for other justices, who maybe haven't approached Indian law with the intellectual rigor that it deserves, to see Indian law in its true light. And I think that there is an opportunity here,” Nagle said.

The 1978 law has long been championed by Native American leaders as a means of preserving Native American families and culture. In arguments last year, an Interior Department lawyer said Congress passed the law after finding that adoption standards at the state level were resulting in the breakup of American Indian families.

Opponents of the law include non-Native families who have tried to adopt Native children in emotional legal cases.

“Our clients brought this case to protect their families from being torn apart by a discriminatory federal law,” Matthew D. McGill, lead attorney for the plaintiff families, said in an e-mail. “We are very pleased that today's ruling has confirmed that ICWA's discriminatory placement preferences are unconstitutional.”

Multiple couples seeking to adopt Native American children, a woman who wishes for her Native American biological child to be adopted by non-Natives, and the states of Texas, Louisiana and Indiana were among the plaintiffs challenging the law.

The ruling marked a reversal for the appeals court. In 2019, a three-judge panel voted 2-1 to reverse the district court and uphold the law. But a majority of the 17-member court agreed to rehear the case. With one member recused, 16 judges heard arguments in the case last year.

The resulting decision included multiple partial dissents and partially concurring opinions. On some issues, a majority of the court agreed. On others, the court tied, meaning the original district court decision on the issue prevailed although the appeals court ruling on the issues won't be considered precedential in future cases.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Joaquin Estus, Tlingit, is a national correspondent for *Indian Country Today*. Based in Anchorage, AK, she is a long-time journalist. Follow her on Twitter @estus_m or e-mail her at jestus@indiancountrytoday.com

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The LTBB Community Health / Mnozhyaadaa Department is EXCITED to announce that our Dietitian is able to meet with patients via Zoom!

Recently, Charla Gordon, MA, RD, CDCES, CHES, completed her Certification for Well Coaches! So, if you need assistance in preparing your pantry, making healthier food choices, or to have someone work with you on making changes to improve your health, then contact Charla!

CGordon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Email Charla today to schedule an appointment!

“It does not require many words to speak the truth.”

- Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce



National Congress of American Indians

HOUSING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1540.

STR - Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used ONE TIME ONLY and the rent requested must be affordable and can NOT exceed 35% of the household gross monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

HIP - Home Improvement Program: This program offers up to \$2,500 for non-cosmetic home repairs and may be utilized once every five years.

DPA - Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

FPA - Foreclosure Prevention Program: This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

Well & Septic Assistance Program: Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault Ste. Marie, MI this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

Credit Counseling: We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

Tribal Rental Housing Program: The LTBB Housing Department offers 29 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

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Did you know? Nutrition.gov also has a variety of healthy recipes to meet your personal preferences. You can discover even more resources to help you on your healthy eating journey by following us on Twitter.

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APPLICANT DOCUMENTS

- ★ TRIBAL ID
- ★ SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ 30 DAYS PROOF OF INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- ★ SUPERVISOR SIGNED WORK/SCHOOL SCHEDULE
- ★ PROVIDER AGREEMENT

LICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ COPY OF STATE UNEXPIRED LICENSE

UNLICENSED PROVIDERS

- ★ STATE ISSUED ID
- ★ ABILITY TO PASS ANNUAL BACKGROUND CHECKS



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own land."

THPO was made possible by the National Historic Preservation Act as amended in 1966. This act allows federally recognized tribes to assume some or all the state's historic preservation duties, enables a tribe to protect and identify historic places in ways that conform to tribal values, enforces tribal and federal preservation laws, to identify and nominate historically significant places to the National Register of Historic Places and to the Odawa Historic and Cultural Site Registries and to preserve traditional cultural properties within our reservation area.

Wes Andrews, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, served as LTBB's first Tribal Historic Preservation Officer from 2012-2019. Andrews also served as the Archives and Records Director, Historic and Cultural Preservation Officer and NAGPRA designee. Tribal Council honored him at its October 11, 2018 meeting with a special tribute and gifted him a Pendleton blanket.



rimony - to lineal descendants and to Indian tribes, Alaska Native corporations and Native Hawaiian organizations.

Through a NAGPRA claim submitted by Wes Andrews, LTBB received notification from the New York State Museum in December 2017 that the museum would return a "Grandfather Drum" derived from the Midewin or Medicine Lodge Society to LTBB. LTBB citizens and family members traveled to New York to transport the "Grandfather Drum" home and held a feast to celebrate its homecoming.

"With the return of the 'Grandfather Drum,' it brought people together and healed our community," Wiatrolik said. "I feel the ancestors guide me in my work. I feel like I've found my purpose. My life has changed for the better, and it has helped me grow so much as a person. Like Wes says, you put your culture and traditions first."

Turtle mound, located on the tribe's Osborne Road property in Readmond Township, MI, is where reburial ceremonies are held for our ancestors who come home from successful NAGPRA/MACPRA work.

MACPRA consists of all the federally recognized Indian tribes and the two state historic tribes from the State of Michigan. Each tribe has a designee who represents them and is the voice of their tribe. The main concern and charge of this alliance is the protection and preservation of all tribal resources, past, present and future. This includes but is not limited to former habitation areas; ancestral burials; associated and unassociated grave goods; and all other traditional cultural properties of sacred and cultural importance.

Wiatrolik has worked for LTBB for 16 years, working as the tribal receptionist, Executive Assistant to the Tribal Administrator, Housing Department Administrative Assistant, Deputy Tribal Historic Preservation Officer and the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer. She is currently serving on the Tribal Burial Board.

She has an Associate degree from North Central Michigan College.

Her parents are Steve Wiatrolik and the late Deborah Martin (Smith). She has two children, Alicia and Jordan Hooper. Her grandparents are the late William Smith and Lorraine Feathers Smith and the late Leonard and Amy Wiatrolik.

Photo of Wes Andrews by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar, the photo of Melissa Wiatrolik appears courtesy of Circle of Blue and courtesy photos.



Wiatrolik, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, lived and learned LTBB culture and traditions from her mother, the late Deborah Martin (Smith), and other community members and is Three Fires Nishnaabe Kwe from the Midewin Lodge.

"I gained an abundance of experience from Wes and Ellie (Andrews), my mother (who worked at Andrew Blackbird Museum in Harbor Springs, MI) and the community," said Wiatrolik, who served as the Deputy Tribal Preservation Officer from May 2017-2019. "Your strength comes from your teachers, and teachers are everyone."

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act of 1990 or NAGPRA provides a process for federal agencies and museums that receive federal funds to repatriate or transfer from their collections certain Native American cultural items - human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects and objects of cultural pat-



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SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families.

Assistance may include the following:
 Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance ~ Assistance with Personal Protection Orders ~ Problem Solving and Safety Planning ~ Emergency Food Vouchers ~ Advocacy and Referrals ~ Court Accompaniment ~ Relocation Assistance ~ Clothing / Toiletries

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers 1-800-275-1995.

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Join us for a week of excitement
as we celebrate our 5th Anniversary!
May 22–May 31

Saturday

MAY 22

BLOOMIN' MAY
BONUS GAME

Sunday

MAY 23

SUPER SENIOR DAYS!

Monday

MAY 24

Points Above Multiplier Days



2X Points

Tuesday

MAY 25

Happy 5th Anniversary!

Celebrate with popcorn and giveaways!

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3X Points

Wednesday

MAY 26

SUPER SENIOR DAYS!

Thursday

MAY 27

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5X Points

Friday

MAY 28

MACKINAW CITY OFFROAD WINNINGS

Saturday

MAY 29



Happy Hour
4PM–7PM

Drink Special:
Wild Cherry Cola

Food Special:
Roast Prime Rib
of Beef Au Jus \$17

Sunday

MAY 30

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Monday

MAY 31

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TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

In accordance with law and policy, Elders Comment/Public Comment as recorded in the minutes will contain the name of the Citizen or "Immediate Family" or "Family member" and only the subject matter brought forth by the individual. No attempt will be made by the Legislative Branch to summarize the comments. Written public comments will be accepted by the Legislative Office. Written comments shall be attached to the official approved minutes housed in the Legislative Branch. Written comments are not published, however, shall be open to review within the Legislative Office in accordance with any laws regarding such documents.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Tribal Council Regular Meeting
March 11, 2021 via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:05 a.m.
Opening ceremony: Carla Osawamick

Closed Session: yes
Council Present: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent at time of Call to Order: None

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. President Tanya Gibbs and Member Belinda Bardwell; Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation's Member Denise Steffel, Treasurer Cheryl Kishigo, Administrative Assistant Nick Peltier, and Executive Director Shanna Kishigo, Ziiibimijwang, Inc. Chairperson Joe VanAlstine and Farm Hand Thurman Bear.

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chair Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Health Director Jody Werner, WOCTEP Student Advisor Michael Mondoskin, WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Employment and Training Specialist Rachael Koepp, Planning Director Amanda Swiss, Gijigowi Language Director Carla Osawamick
Judicial Officials and Staff: None
Public: Patrick Anthony, Bernadecce Boda, Melissa Shomin, and Ricky Compo

Invited Guests: Michigan State Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center Dr. James DeDecker, Odawa Casino Resort's Director of Finance Roger Borton
Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to adopt the agenda for March 11, 2021 as amended.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of February 25, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports: Legislative Leader Report

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Legislative Leader Emily Proctor's verbal and written report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

9:15 a.m. Odawa Casino Resort - Odawa Online GSP Update

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to ac-

knowledge receipt of the Odawa Online GSP Update as provided by Odawa Casino Resort's Director of Finance Roger Borton for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

9:45 a.m. Ziiibimijwang, Inc. - Hemp Trim Report with guest Dr. James DeDecker

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Hemp Trim Report as presented by Dr. James DeDecker, Ziiibimijwang, Inc. Chairperson Joe VanAlstine, and Thurman Bear on March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

10:41 a.m. Break

10:54 a.m. Resume

Executive Oversight Report: Discussion: Health Director Jody Werner

Vaccine Report-total of primary doses given is at 1,700 as of March 10, 2021.

Planning on a vaccination clinic in Lansing, MI in April. Date to be determined. It will be located at the same place as the COVID-19 supply drop off.

The Tribal Health Clinic has received Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson vaccines.

Discussion: Tribal Chair Regina Gasco Bentley

Thanked Health Director Jody Werner and the entire health staff for their work and vaccine clinics.

The American Rescue Plan was signed by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021 in the amount of \$1.9 trillion. The Executive will inform Tribal Council of the amount the Tribe will receive.

The 2022 Budget will be submitted tomorrow.

The Critical Issues Conference starts Friday, March 12, 2021. Sign up and join in if you can.

Sheryl Coyne, President/CEO, of Q100 Radio Station (94.5, 100.3, and 106.3) has reached out to the Tribe to highlight the activities the Tribe is doing on their program Northern Focus.

Discussion: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay

Working on Budgets. Thanked all the staff for their work.

Monitoring the American Rescue Plan

NAFTAC participation. Trying to get more culturally appropriate foods.

Discussion: Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon

March Townhall was yesterday. It has been recorded and can be viewed on the Tribal website.

Doug Craven, Natural Resources Department (NRD) Director was on the news for the Eagle Aviary.

Walleye spear season on, get permit from NRD.

Discussion: Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson

Emergency rental assistance program available now with tighter restrictions. Please contact the Housing Department for more information.

Staffing offices with more coverage, looking at going to Phase III at the end of March.

Doing Request for Quote's (RFQ) for new Health Park.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to acknowledge the verbal Executive Report as presented by Health Director Jody Werner, Tribal

Chair Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, and Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson on March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports continued:

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to the Executive and signed on 02/26/2021:

-Tribal Resolution # 022521-01 Establishment of a Fund for the Construction and Operating Costs of a Migizi (Eagle) Rehabilitation/Aviary Center to be located at the LTBB Hatchery Property off of Drier Rd.

Vetoes (a vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within 90-days of the veto): none

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: none

Discussion: Secretary Julie Shananaquet received a call from Tom Shomin, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Economic Development, the steel

Tribal Council Meeting Dates

May 4 Work Session
May 6 Council Meeting
May 18 Work Session
May 20 Council Meeting

June 8 Work Session
June 10 Council Meeting
June 22 Work Session
June 24 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI.

Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader
Julie Shananaquet, Secretary
Marcella Reyes, Treasurer
Tamara Kiogima, Councilor
Leroy Shomin, Councilor
Melissa Pamp, Councilor
Marty Van De Car, Councilor
Fred Kiogima, Councilor
Frederick Harrington, Jr., Councilor

factory is hiring positions starting at \$14.00 per hour and up.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Secretary Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Treasurer Report Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: February 16, 2021 (Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting were presented at the February 25, 2021 Tribal Council Meeting)

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

03/06/2021 Reason for Phone Poll #1: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-01 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Demonstration Project.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent Motion carries.

03/06/2021 Reason for Phone Poll #2: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-02 Request for Funding from Great Lake Observing System, Smart Great Lakes Mini-Grant Program FY 2021.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent Motion carries.

-Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chair for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: March 5, 2021. (Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting)

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to recommend to Tribal Council to approve the Mtigwaakiis (Cemetery) site-plan with the removal of the Maintenance Building, for Murray Road land parcel that includes a maintenance area, parking and 12-foot driveway, dated February 4, 2021.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve the site plan, dated March 3, 2021, for the hotel/parking lot parcel located at 1444 US-131, Petoskey, MI.

Vote: 0-yes, 2-no (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 1-abstain (Treasurer Marcella Reyes), 0-absent Motion fails.

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: none

-Next Meeting: Friday, April 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

Public Comment

11:51 a.m. Opens Michael Mondoskin #4145 inquired if other Tribes could supply Marijuana.

Ricky Compo #4874 commented he is against a 3rd Lume Store.

Amanda Swiss #2900 commented she is against the 3rd Lume site.

11:54 a.m. Closes

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Committee Chairperson for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports:

Councilor Tamara Kiogima - Youth

Discussion with Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson, Youth Services Coordinator Tina Dominic, Youth Assistant Barry Bott, IK Curriculum Specialist Amanda Weinert and academic Services Coordinator Dorothy Perry on how to move forward with a youth wellness center and what youth need. Current location is not ideal, need more staff, Over 300 age 6-18yr old Tribal youth in Michigan. Need to do a better job allocating funds.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept Councilor Tamara Kiogima's verbal report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. - Business

Volunteered to be on COVID PPE related distributions. Working with Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Company, IE: Solar, Electrical, 8A contracting.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.'s verbal report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

12:20 p.m. Lunch

12:52 p.m. Resume

Legislative Office Reports: Office of Finance and Revenue - Senior Financial Analyst

Senior Financial Analyst - Verbal Report

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Tribal Burial Board, Inc. - No report

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - No report

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation, Inc. - No report

Gaming Authority - No report

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Tamara Kiogima) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer - No report

Legislative Services Attorney

Tribal Council Annual Report

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to authorize Legislative Services Attorney Budnick to work with the Tribally Chartered Corporations to provide due diligence assistance for economic development opportunities.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

General Counsel

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal and written report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-03 Request for Trust Acquisition of Parcel in Cheboygan County to Support Treaty Rights and Food Sovereignty.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorization for Execution of Guaranty

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for Tribe to Serve as Guarantor for Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Line of Credit with Fifth Third Bank.

Roll call: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to authorize Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. to execute all documents necessary to establish its \$1,000,000 line of credit with 5/3 Bank.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to authorize joining a Tribal amicus brief in support of the State’s remand motion in *State of Michigan v. Enbridge Energy, Limited Partnership*, Federal Court for the Western District of Michigan Case # 1:20-cv-01142-JTN-RSK.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount’s verbal and written report for March 11, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp approve the Mtigwaakiis (Cemetery) site-plan with the removal of the maintenance building, for Murray Road land parcel that includes a maintenance area, parking and 12-foot driveway, dated February 4, 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve the site plan, dated March 3, 2021, for the hotel/parking lot parcel located at 1444 US-131, Petoskey, MI.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor), 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Marcella Reyes), 0 - Absent

Comments: Councilor Fred Kiogima is in support of this motion but not the location. Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-01 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Demonstration Project.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-02 Request for Funding from Great Lake Observing System, Smart Great Lakes Mini-Grant Program FY 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 031121-02 Request for Funding from Great Lake Observing System, Smart Great Lakes Mini-Grant Program FY 2021.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to post Authorization of the Marijuana Program Statute to the Legislative Calendar in the Odawa

Register as sponsored by Councilor or Fred Harrington Jr.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to post the Domestic Violence Statute to the Legislative Calendar in the Odawa Register as sponsored by Councilor Marty Van De Car.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to post the Interim Criminal Code Statute to the Legislative Calendar in the Odawa Register as sponsored by Councilor Marty Van De Car.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to post the Policy and Procedures for Ethics Complaints filed against a Tribal Councilor to the Legislative Calendar in the Odawa Register as sponsored by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes

to acknowledge receipt of the Rehmann LTBB 401(k) Plan Financial Statements and Supplementary Information report for Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carries.

Other Items of Business:

2:30 p.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, and Treasurer Marcella Reyes exit meeting.

2:33 p.m. Break

2:38 p.m. Resume

2:39 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to enter into Closed Session for Personnel.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

3:07 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to return to Open Session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Public Comment

3:08 p.m. Public Comment open

No comments

3:09 p.m. Public Comment closed

Adjournment:

3:10 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to Adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Next Regular Tribal Council Meeting:

Thursday, March 25, 2021 via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary

Date

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Tribal Council Regular Meeting March 25, 2021 via ZOOM

Call to Order: **9:01 a.m.**

Opening ceremony: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley

Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Administrative Assistant Nicholas Peltier

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Human Resources Generalist Rose Pyant, Purchase Referred Care Lisa Brookins, Planning Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Elders Outreach Coordinator Holly LaCombe, Education Employment and Training Specialist Rachael Koepf, Planning Director Amanda Swiss, Natural Resources Department Office Coordinator Debra Smithkey-Browne, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey

Judicial Officials and Staff: None
Public: Bernadece Boda, Ricky Compo, Patrick Anthony, Marvin Mulholland, Melissa Shomin

Invited Guest: None

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to adopt the agenda for March 25, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Citizen(s) who have walked on: Michael Dominic, John Gasco Jr., Anthony Genia Sr., Alan Kiogima, Barbara Kiogima, Robert LeClear, Christopher Shagonaby, and Angel Stacy.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of March 11, 2021 as corrected.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of March 11, 2021 as corrected.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

9:15 a.m. Introduction on new Tribal Government Employees

Health Department - Purchase Referred Care (PRC) Lisa Brookins

Executive Oversight Report:

Discussion: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley

CARES funding - American Rescue Plan money has NOT been received. Consultation with the U.S. Department of Treasury continues. Hearings are currently being held to determine how much each Tribe will receive.

Consultations will be held next week by region. The Midwest Region will be held on Thursday, April 1, 2021.

Waganakising art project is in the works for display in Indian River, MI by a Tribal Citizen and Archives and Records.

Phase II has been extended to April 24, 2021. Please take precautions and stay safe.

New campaign with the COVID vaccinations

Discussion: Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon

Phase II has been extended to April 24, 2021 due to surge in COVID cases.

The 2nd Wednesday of each month, there will be an Executive Town Hall Meeting. On Wednesday, April 14, 2021 from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., the Housing Department will be featured.

Discussion: Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson

Seeking bids for modular house-received a small grant

Moving forward with health park designs. Trying to select a design firm.

Vice Chairperson Stella Kay is monitoring Indian Health Service monies for a new health park.

Discussion: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay

-May be constrained to what will be allowed by American Rescue Plan.

-April 6 at 11 a.m. for housing crisis in Emmet county

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge the verbal and written Executive Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson, and Vice Chairperson Stella Kay on March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports: Legislative Leader Report

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Legislative Leader Emily Proctor’s verbal and written report for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Secretary Report

Documents signed by the Executive on 03/12/2021:

-Tribal Resolution # 031121-01 Authorization for Execution of Guaranty for Tribe to Serve as Guarantor for Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Line of Credit with Fifth Third Bank.

Vetoes (*a vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within 90-days of the veto*): None

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: None

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Secretary Julie Shananaquet’s verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: March 16, 2021 (Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting)

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasur-

er Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 032521-01 Request for Funding from Institute of Museum and Library Services, Native American Library Services Basic Grant FY 2021.

Vote: 2 -yes, 0 -no, 0 -abstain, 1 -absent (Secretary Julie Shananaquet) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to NOT recommend Tribal Council adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$20,000 for the Legislative Branch FY21 Budget to be used for an Ethics Investigator and Arbitrator.

Vote: 2 -yes, 0 -no, 0 -abstain, 1 -absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council fund Legislative branch Arbitration Services through the Legislative Branch Consultants’ budget.

Vote: 2 -yes, 0 -no, 0 -abstain, 1 -absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorizing the Natural Resource Department to Retain Revenue from Treaty Rights Related and/or Recreational Facilities.

Vote: 3 -yes, 0 -no, 0 -abstain, 0 -absent Motion carries.

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee: None

-Next Special Meetings: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. for Executive and Election Board Budget Hearings via Zoom

-Friday, April 9, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. for Legislative, Judiciary, and All Others Budget Hearings via Zoom

-Next Regular Meeting: April 13, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

-Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. for the Annual Budget Public Hearing via Zoom

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Committee Secretary for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: March 5, 2021 (Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting were reported at the March 11, 2021 Tribal Council Meeting.)

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: None

Next Regular Meeting: April 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

Motion to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, Committee Member for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports:

Councilor Tamara Kiogima - Tribal Youth Council met last Wednesday, March 17, 2021. There was one (1) attendee. Councilor Tamara Kiogima and Councilor Melissa Pamp would like to recruit more youth to join.

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Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Councilor Tamara Kiogima's verbal report for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

9:55 a.m. Break

10:06 a.m. Resume

Legislative Office Reports:

Office of Finance and Revenue

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Traditional Tribal Burial Board - No report

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - No report

Ziibimijwang, Inc. - No report

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation - No report

Gaming Authority - No report

Senior Financial Analyst

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal and written report as presented on March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car for Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to coordinate office staffing during COVID-19 Phase II.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

General Counsel - No report

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report as presented on March 25, 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to amend the Agenda to include the following:

Authorize Treasurer Reyes to submit an application to Tribal First for the Great American Insurance Group/Crime Supplemental Insurance Policy Renewal for Tribal Council.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Ta-

mara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to post the Incident Command in an Emergency of Disaster to the Tribal Website as sponsored by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 032521-01 Request for Funding from Institute of Museum and Library Services, Native American Library Services Basic Grant FY 2021.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to fund Legislative branch arbitration services through the Legislative Branch Consultants' budget.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to disapprove of the Sign Code Regulations REG-WOS 2009-007-02242021-001.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin Authorize Treasurer Reyes to submit an application to Tribal First for the Great American Insurance Group/Crime Supplemental Insurance Policy Renewal for Tribal Council.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Tribally Accepted Accounting Practice Statute.

Roll Call: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-absent, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-absent, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorization for Support to Designate Three New Wilderness Areas and One Addition to an Existing Wilderness Area on the Ottawa National Forest in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

Roll Call: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-absent, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-absent, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

(The following motion is not recommended by the AFC):

Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$20,000 for the Legislative Branch FY21 Budget to be used for an Ethics Investigator and Arbitrator.

Motion made by Councilor Fred

Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to remove Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$20,000 for the Legislative Branch FY21 Budget to be used for an Ethics Investigator and Arbitrator.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

*Note this was no longer a Roll Call Vote

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorizing the Natural Resource Department to Retain Revenue from Treaty Rights Related and/or Recreational Facilities.

Roll Call: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-absent, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-no, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-absent, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Public Comment

11:46 a.m. Opens

Patrick Anthony #1794 spoke regarding concern over the Service Area and to consider removing it during the pandemic. He would like Tribal Council consideration of not making the Service Area apply to Tribal Elders.

Marvin Mulholland #2297 spoke regarding the on-line sports betting as all being about the same except when in the casinos, Little Traverse Bay Bands is last as we need to upgrade our slots. We need to be more competitive as we are way below our competition.

Melissa Shomin #0602 spoke to echo Patrick's comment to extend the Service Area. Why does the Health Clinic allow the COVID vaccination for all people to receive at the LTBB Health Clinic but no other services? Thanked Councils efforts to better the Tribal and outside community.

11:52 a.m. Closed

11:54 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. exits meeting.

Other Items of Business: Closed Session for Personnel

12:04 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to enter into Closed Session for Personnel.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

12:43 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to return to Open Session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Public Comment

12:47 p.m. Opens No Public Comment

12:48 p.m. Closed Adjournment

12:48 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to Adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Treasurer Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Next Regular Tribal Council Meeting April 8, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as written.

Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary Date

If you or a loved one is a victim of Domestic Violence, help is available.

National Resource Center on Domestic Violence 1-800-799-7233

Stronghearts Native Helpline 844-762-8483

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233

LTBB Survivor Outreach 231-242-1628

LTBB Behavioral Health 231-242-1640

Women's Resource Center 231-347-0082 or 1-800-275-1995



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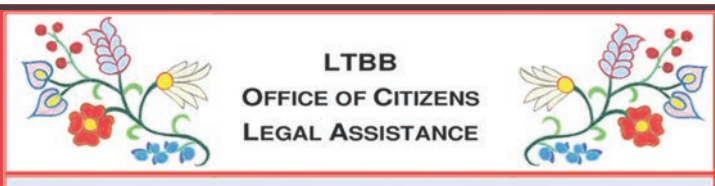


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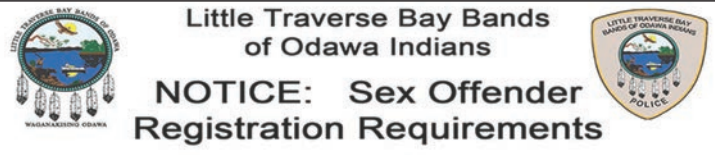
LTBB OFFICE OF CITIZENS LEGAL ASSISTANCE

The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

- Family Law: Divorce, Child Custody, Child Support, Guardianships, Parentage/Paternity
Estate Planning: Wills, Health Care Directives, Powers of Attorney
Probate
Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act
Landlord/Tenant: Evictions, Tenant Rights
Setting Aside a Conviction
Consumer: Debt Collection
Driver License Restoration

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments, Please call Monday - Friday, 9 am - 5 pm 231-242-1433



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

NOTICE: Sex Offender Registration Requirements

All persons who have been convicted as a sex offender are required by the LTBB Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statute to register with LTBB Law Enforcement if any of the following circumstances are true:

- 1. If your residence is on Tribally owned land;
2. If you will be visiting and staying on Tribally owned land for more than seven (7) days;
3. If you are enrolled in any classes or schools located in Tribal buildings; or
4. If you are employed on Tribally owned lands.
LTBB Law Enforcement is located at:

911 Spring Street, Petoskey, MI 49770 231-242-1500

For more information regarding Sex Offender Registry, you can visit the LTBB Website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and choose the Law Enforcement link on the right side of the page.

CHARGES AGAINST TREATY DEFENDERS DROPPED

By Meghan Sullivan

Twenty-one treaty defenders ended up being arrested and charged with misdemeanors with Tilsen receiving a combination of misdemeanors and felonies - a sentence that could have resulted in up to 17 years in prison. He told the *Associated Press* he will participate in a prison diversion program in exchange for all but one charge against him being dropped. The final charge will be dropped once he completes the program.



reached out over the past nine months. This is a wakeup call for our communities," said Krystal Two Bulls, Oglala Lakota and Northern Cheyenne, director of the LANDBACK Campaign at NDN Collective. "We will continue to organize forward and fight for all our targeted and incarcerated Relatives!"

"This is a day of victory for our Movement and our People," said Tilsen. "We will utilize it to catalyze our cause forward."

The Pennington County State's Attorney's office did not immediately respond to a request by *The Associated Press* to confirm the charges were dropped.

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

Meghan Fate Sullivan, Koyukon Athabascan, is a writer for Indian Country Today. She grew up in Alaska and is currently reporting on her home state from Anchorage.

Courtesy photo.

In the aftermath, thousands of supporters came to the group's defense through petitions, social media campaigns and national media coverage of the cases. In December, the United Nations weighed in with a statement in support of the treaty defenders.

"This victory and the dropped charges are a direct result of the Movement showing up and standing up for all the Land Defenders who took a stand in the esápa (Black Hills) on July 3," Tilsen said in a statement. "Tens of thousands organized, called, donated to our legal and bail fund and signed the petitions to drop these charges, and we acknowledge their invaluable support."

"I have so much gratitude for the thousands of supporters who prayed, donated, called, emailed, signed petitions and

message. We

feel so lucky

to have such an amazing community partner. Please extend our gratitude and congratulations to the tribe as well. We will post a special social message including SB/Leslie and them once the award arrives.

Thank you so much."

The links to the PSAs are below along with Leslie sharing her story as well as Leslie's website. Please take the time to watch these as they are important in the fight against human trafficking.

PSAs: <https://tinyurl.com/screenlightpsa>

Leslie's Story Part 1: <https://tinyurl.com/lesliesstory1>

Leslie's Story Part 2: <https://tinyurl.com/lesliesstory2>

Leslie on the Today Show: <https://tinyurl.com/lesliesstory2>



[com/leslietodayshow](https://www.leslietodayshow.com/leslietodayshow)

Leslie's award-winning video also featured on her website: <https://vimeo.com/247366992>

Leslie's website to learn more about how you can help in the fight against trafficking: <https://www.sbtp.org/>

Courtesy photos

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Commission is looking for LTBB tribal citizens with an interest in Great Lakes Commercial Gill Net Fishing

The LTBB Commercial Small Boat Apprentice Program is designed to provide eligible LTBB tribal citizens with an opportunity to learn the trade of commercial fishing from an experienced LTBB Great Lakes Commercial Fishing Captain

For more information on eligibility and requirements, please stop in or contact the LTBB Natural Resources Department



7845 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1670
dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



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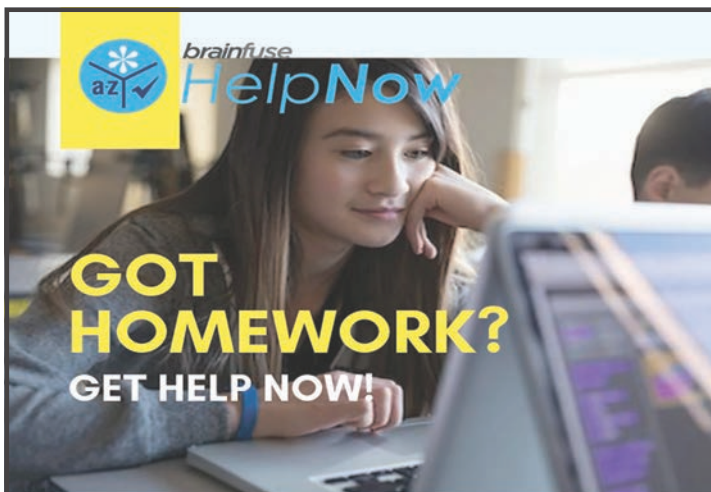
- In person at our LTBB Human Resources office
- E-mail: hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Mail to LTBB Human Resources, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Questions? Please contact the Human Resources Department at 231-242-1563.

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to Elders.	\$10
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/28/2017 Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file First 3 copies free, \$1 for each page thereafter.	\$1 ea
Marriage License Application	\$15
Certified Copies: \$10	
Photo Copies: \$5	
Tribal Notary Application	\$10
Surety Bond: \$125 (Payable: Brownrigg Companies LTD)	

- Services**
- Enrollment Applications.
 - Address Change Forms.
 - Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box.
 - Minors require notarization annually.
 - Tribal Directory.
 - Marriage License Application.
 - Tribal Notary Application.
 - Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Certification.
 - BIA - 4432 Indian Preference Form.
 - Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form.
 - Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood.

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Contact the Education Department at (231) 242-1492 for login credentials.

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- ARRANGE A SAFE HAVEN**
Arrange a place for pets to stay if you evacuate. Do not leave your pets at home. If it isn't safe for you, it isn't safe for them!
- MAKE AN EMERGENCY KIT**
Have your kit made and keep it in a safe location near your front door for easy access.
- KEEP IDENTIFICATION ON YOUR PET**
Keep up-to-date license and contact info on your pet at all times. Consider having pets microchipped.



in negotiations with a lender to finance it using a combination of one or more of the following: a USDA loan guaranty, new market tax credits, "key money" from Cambria and energy assessment financing.

In January 2021, we submitted an application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) for a low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) which, if awarded, will be used to partially finance a 50-unit workforce housing building at Victories Square. It is no secret that housing is a major need in the Petoskey, MI, area. The full buildout at Victories Square will create hundreds of jobs and OEDMI understands that we need affordable places for workers and their families to live if we are going to attract good talent. LTBB leadership has been very helpful since our application submission working with MSHDA and participating in various listening sessions, consultations and submitting comments to MSDHA on how to improve its process and ensure that tribes receive these much needed LIHTC awards. OEDMI and LTBB leadership will continue to work together on this and hope that an award will be received later this year to build the 50-unit building.

Overall, 2021 has been off to a good start and OEDMI is really looking forward to completing the next phase of development.

Courtesy graphics.

"Leslie King" continued from page 1.

"Victories Square" continued from page 1.

one that currently hosts Starbucks, Great Clips and T-Mobile. It is a four-tenant building, of which two spaces are already leased by Tropical Smoothie Café and Spectrum Wireless. The re-



cent line of credit approved by the Tribal Council will allow OEDMI to front some of these construction costs as we work towards closing on permanent financing, at which time OEDMI will be fully reimbursed for those expenses.

Also in the works is a 133 room Cambria



hotel which will have a rooftop bar and terrace. OEDMI anticipates that construction will start sometime this year and that the hotel will be open in 2023. The Cambria will cost approximately \$23,000,000 to build. We are currently

USDA AGENCY LAUNCHES NEW SITE FOR SCIENCE-MINDED STUDENTS



Welcome to AgLab

The Future of Science Starts Here

AgLab, a new science-education website operated by USDA's Agricultural Research Service (ARS), is now "open for business" to student and educators alike at <https://aglab.ars.usda.gov/>

AgLab builds on the past successes of its predecessor, Sci4Kids, in educating students about the critical intersect of science and agriculture in their daily lives such as wrinkle-free cotton, edible coatings that keep apple slices from turning brown, a low-glycemic sweetener, DEET insecticide and a bounty of new varieties of fruits and vegetables.

Geared toward K-12 students with an interest in food and science, AgLab offers a variety of content to promote a greater understanding of how agricultural research is helping meet the food, fiber, feed and fuel needs of a growing world population while also safeguarding our environment and natural resources.

For example, students considering career fields in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), may be especially interested in AgLab's "20 for 30" offering. It profiles young researchers on the rise at ARS — starting with Jaqueline Serrano, an entomologist who is with the agency's Temperate Tree Fruit and Vegetable Research Unit in Wapato, WA.

In need of science project ideas? AgLab has you covered with "Let's Get to Work," a page offering a series of instruction-based experiments,

including on food fluorescence, vitamin C content and soil erosion.

Other features include:

- An interactive map showing what ARS research is underway at locations near you.
- Mobile apps like "FoodData Central," where you can learn about what ingredients are in the food you eat and nutritional information about them.
- Learn and explore sections that help students discover the wonders of agricultural science.

Produced by the ARS Office of Communications in Beltsville, MD, AgLab operates with the recognition that today's students are tomorrow's farmers, scientists, policy makers and consumers. With this latest iteration, the website reaffirms its commitment to making sure kids have access to information about agricultural research in a way that's fun, timely and significant.

Check back often to view new AgLab content, including videos, games, contests, experiments and recipes.

The Agricultural Research Service is the U.S. Department of Agriculture's chief scientific in-house research agency. Daily, ARS focuses on solutions to agricultural problems affecting America. Each dollar invested in agricultural research results in \$17 of economic impact.

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SAVE THE DATES

June 22-24, 2021 | 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

What is Career Academy for Kids?

Career Academy for Kids is a three-day summer program of enrichment classes operated by the Charlevoix-Emmet Intermediate School District. Classes are designed to help students currently enrolled in grades 2-8 experience a particular field of interest in-depth and hands-on. Diverse sessions offer kids a variety of opportunities!

Where does CA4K take place?

Career Academy for Kids will take place at Harbor Springs Middle School/Shay Elementary and at a second location TBD. The online course listings will clearly state locations. The *High Flyers* course takes place at Pellston Regional Airport.

When can students register for CA4K?

Course descriptions will be posted by March online, at www.charemisd.org/ca4k! Online registration begins in mid-April; more details to follow. Links to registration will be posted on Char-Em's home page, social media and in flyers sent home to students.

What is the cost?

Cost is \$80, which includes breakfast and lunch each day and a camp T-shirt!

Is transportation available?

Char-Em will provide transportation to and from camp, at no extra charge, from specific locations.

What about COVID-19? Will camp be held in Summer 2021 for sure?

Char-Em ISD staff are optimistic that CA4K will be able to proceed as planned in June 2021. If it becomes necessary to postpone or cancel this camp due to the uncertainty of COVID-19, the decision will be announced prior to registration opening in mid-April.

Need more information?

Please contact Tory Thrush, Char-Em ISD Career/College Readiness Consultant, at (231) 582-8070 or email CA4K@charemisd.org.

Previous classes have included ...
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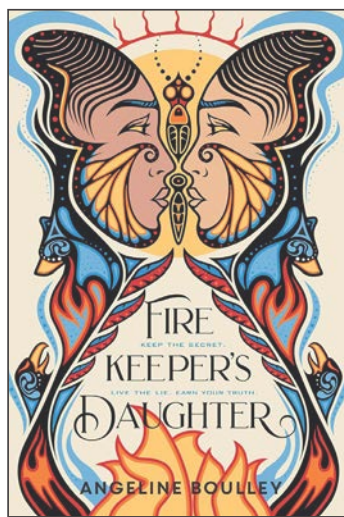
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SAULT TRIBE MEMBER'S DEBUT NOVEL TO BECOME A NETFLIX SERIES

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



"Eighteen-year-old Daunis Fontaine has never quite fit in, both in her hometown and on the nearby Ojibwe reservation. She dreams of a fresh start at college, but when family tragedy strikes, Daunis puts her future on hold to look after her fragile mother. The only bright spot is meeting Jamie, the charming new recruit on her brother Levi's hockey team. Yet even as Daunis falls for Jamie, she senses the dashing hockey star is hiding something. Everything comes to light when Daunis witnesses a shocking murder, thrusting her into an FBI investigation of a lethal new drug. Reluctantly, Daunis agrees to go undercover, drawing on her knowledge of chemistry and Ojibwe traditional medicine to track down the source. But, the search for truth is more complicated than Daunis imagined, exposing secrets and old scars. At the same time, she grows concerned with an investigation that seems more focused on punishing the offenders than protecting the victims. Now, as the deceptions - and deaths - keep growing, Daunis must learn what it means to



be a strong Anishinaabe kwe (Ojibwe woman) and how far she'll go for her community even if it tears apart the only world she's ever known."

Boulley, who lives in southwest Michigan, is the former Director of the Office of Indian Education at the U.S. Department of Education. She is originally from Sugar Island in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

She was selected as an emerging Young Adult writer in the 2019 *We Need Diverse Books* Mentorship Program and chosen to attend the 2019 *Tin House* YA Writers Workshop.

Courtesy photo and courtesy graphic.

Angeline Boulley released her debut novel, *Firekeeper's Daughter*, on March 16, 2021, and it quickly garnered the attention of former President Barack Obama and his wife, Michelle.

Their production company, Higher Grounds Production, is working with Boulley, a Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians member, to develop it for a Netflix series. The novel is available for purchase in bookstores everywhere and online and as an audiobook.

The following description of the novel appears on Amazon.com:

HUD MAKES \$10.2 MILLION AVAILABLE TO MICHIGAN TRIBES AS PART OF HISTORIC INVESTMENT TO PROVIDE COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDING TO NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION



hit by the pandemic,” said Secretary Marcia L. Fudge. “HUD understands the significance of our responsibility to serve American Indian and Alaska Native families, and the Department is dedicated to working in a government-to-government manner with Tribes to quickly bring much-needed relief to Tribal communities.”

Indian Housing Block Grants primarily benefit low-income American Indian and Alaska Native families. The amount of each grant is based on a formula that considers local needs and housing units managed. Eligible activities for the funds include housing development, operation and maintenance, modernization of existing housing, housing services to eligible families and individuals, housing management services, crime prevention and safety activities and model activities which provide creative approaches to solving affordable housing problems in Indian country. Please see the allocated amounts for Michigan tribes:

Courtesy graphics.

State	Tribe	Amount
MI	Bay Mills Indian Community	\$526,375
MI	Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians	\$864,993
MI	Hannahville Indian Community	\$139,239
MI	Keweenaw Bay Indian Community	\$1,358,601
MI	Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians	\$178,140
MI	Little River Band of Ottawa Indians	\$201,721
MI	Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians	\$413,623
MI	Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians	\$132,420
MI	Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi	\$296,923
MI	Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians	\$1,474,353
MI	Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe	\$1,102,844
MI	Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians	\$3,507,499
Michigan Total		\$10,196,731
National Total		\$450,000,000

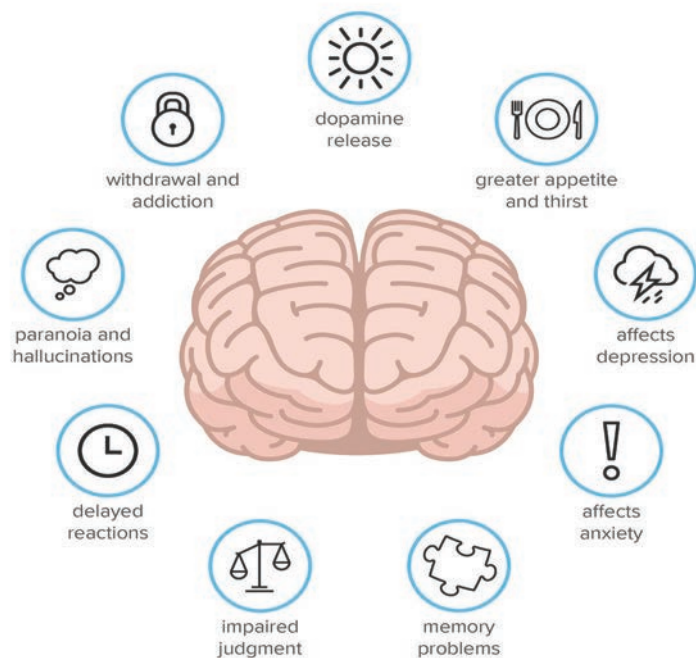


Anishinaabemowin words for online meetings

- **Ndayaa maa** - I'm here
- **Gaawii yaasii** - S/he isn't here
- **Kina wiya na yaa maampii?** - Is everyone here?
- **Wii-bi-zhaa** - S/he is coming
- **Gaawii wii-bi-zhaasii** - S/he isn't coming
- **Miigwech gii-bi-zhaayeg** - Thank you all for coming
- **Gdaa-waabndaanaawaa na ewaabnda'ingok?** - can you all see what I'm showing (see my screen)?
- **Gaawii gnoondaagoosii** - We can't hear you
- **Kidan miinwaa iw** - Say that again.
- **Gaawii njida. Giin ntam** - Sorry. Your turn.
- **Aaniish pii waa-maawnjidiyng miinwaa?** - When's the next meeting?

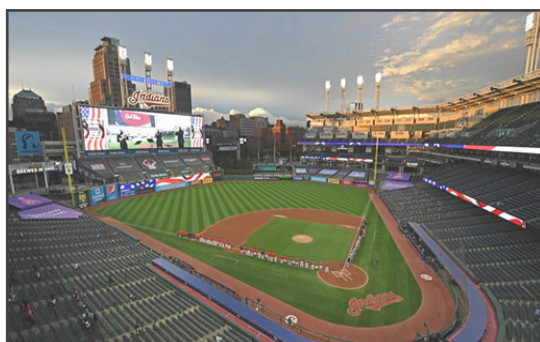
MEDICAL NEWS TODAY

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CLEVELAND BANS HEADDRESSES, PAINTED FACES AT GAMES

By Tom Withers



team's contentious mascot. The team removed the smiling, red-faced Wahoo caricature from its game jerseys and caps two years ago but still sells merchandise with its image.

The Indians said earlier this year they are changing their name for the first time since 1915, joining a nationwide movement to ban racist symbols and slogans. The name change will not take effect until the 2022 season at the earliest.

In December, owner Paul Dolan told *The Associated Press* the team's new name "will not be a name that has Native American themes or connotations to it."

Cleveland's move to change its name followed a similar decision by the NFL's Washington Football Team.

Courtesy photo.

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

While moving forward with a plan to change their name, the Cleveland Indians said they will not permit fans inside Progressive Field wearing Native American headdresses or face paint.

The team announced the fan dress policy for the 2021 season on Wednesday (March 31, 2021) in advance of Monday's home opener against Detroit.

The team's new policy states fans can be ejected or denied entrance for disorderly, unruly or disruptive conduct that includes "headdresses and face paint styled in a way that references or appropriates American Indian cultures and traditions. Inappropriate or offensive images, words, dress or face paint must be covered or removed, and failure to do so may constitute grounds for ejection or refusal of admission."

The Kansas City Chiefs announced a similar ban of headdresses at Arrowhead Stadium last year.

Cleveland fans will still be allowed to wear caps and clothing featuring Chief Wahoo, the

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2021 ELECTIONS ANNOUNCEMENT

Beginning April 8, 2021, candidate statements will be posted on the LTBB website, Election Board webpage:

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Here, you will be able to read about candidates running for Tribal Council and candidate teams running for Tribal Chairperson and Vice Chairperson in the 2021 LTBB Elections.

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If you would like to be on the tribal governmental vendor list for providing goods or services to the LTBB government, please contact Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439 or mszocinski@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Please be prepared to provide the following information: Name, contact information, good/services you are providing and any additional information as required. Supporting our tribal businesses is our preference. Chi Miigwech!

2021 Tribal Elections Schedule

<p>APRIL Friday, April 2 - Primary Ballots Mailed to All Those Who Are Registered to Vote As Of February 2</p> <p>MAY Monday, May 3 - Primary Election Day Location To Be Determined, 9 am - 6 pm Thursday, May 6 - Non-Certified Primary Results Posted Thursday, May 13 - Last Date to File a Challenge to the Primary Election by 5 pm Friday, May 14 - Last Date for General Election Candidates to Withdraw Monday, May 17 - Certification of the Primary Election at 5 pm & Official List of General Election Candidates Posted</p>	<p>Thursday, May 27 - Mailing of the General Election Ballots</p> <p>JUNE Monday, June 28 - General Election Day Location To Be Determined, 9 am - 6 pm</p> <p>JULY Thursday, July 1 - Non-Certified General Election Results Posted Thursday, July 8 - Last Date to File a Challenge to the General Election by 5 pm Monday, July 12 - Certification of the General Election at 5 pm & Official Results of General Election Posted</p>
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LTBB ELECTION BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD
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VOTER REGISTRATION FORM

IMPORTANT NOTICE

This Voter Registration Form must be signed by the Tribal Member and verified by either of the following:

1. The seal and signature of a notary public.
- OR**
2. Attaching a legible copy of one (1) of the following forms of Identification that bears the signature of the Tribal Member:
 - Valid Tribal Identification Card, OR
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 - Passport

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SIGNATURE OF NOTARY		MY COMMISSION EXPIRES	



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- Cyber Civil Rights Initiative
844-878-2274
- Love Is Respect
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- Mothers Against Drunk Driving
877-MADD-HELP
- National Domestic Violence Hotline
800-799-SAFE, TTY 800-787-3224
- National Human Trafficking Hotline
888-373-7888, TTY 711
- National Runaway Safeline
800-RUNAWAY
- Parents of Murdered Children, Inc.
888-818-POMC
- Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network
800-656-HOPE
- Pathways to Safety International
833-SAFE-833
- StrongHearts Native Helpline
844-7NATIVE
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline
800-273-8255, TTY 800-799-4889
- The Trevor Project
866-488-7386
- Veterans Crisis Line
800-273-8255 x1, TTY 800-799-4889

INFO & REFERRALS FOR VICTIMS

- Battered Women's Justice Project
Legal Helpline
800-903-0111 x1, TTY 711
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Country
Child Abuse Hotline
800-633-5155
- Federal Trade Commission Identity
Theft Hotline
877-FTC-HELP, TTY 866-653-4261
- National Center for Missing &
Exploited Children
800-THE-LOST*
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration Helpline
800-662-HELP, TTY 800-487-4889
- VictimConnect Resource Center
855-4-VICTIM

WHITNEY GRAVELLE BECOMES BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY'S YOUNGEST CHAIRPERSON

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Bryan Newland resigned as the Bay Mills Indian Community Chairperson effective February 19, 2021 and is now the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs for the U.S. Department of the Interior.

On March 19, 2021, Whitney Gravelle took the oath of office as Bay Mills Indian Community's youngest chairperson and is only the second woman to hold the position. Prior to becoming the chairperson, she served her community as the Tribal Attorney and Chief Judge of the Bay Mills Tribal Court.

She earned a Bachelor's degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Michigan State University (MSU) and earned a Juris Doctorate from the MSU College of Law. After graduation, she worked for the U.S. Department of Justice in the Indian Resource Section.

While attending law school, she worked for the Udall Congressional Washington D.C. Internship, the Native American Rights Fund, the Michigan Supreme Court in Justice McCor-



mack's Chambers, the Michigan Attorney General's Office in the Indian Child Welfare Section and in Michigan State University's Indian Law Clinic.

Courtesy photo.

Pet Fire Safety

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keep collars on pets and leashes at the ready in case firefighters need to rescue your pet.

Secure Young Pets - Especially Puppies
keep them confined away from potential fire-starting hazards when you're away such as in crates or behind baby gates.

Use a Pet Alert Window Cling
Write down the number of pets inside your house and attach the sticker to a front window. This saves rescuers time when trying to locate your pets.

Pets Left Alone Can't Escape a Burning Home
consider using smoke detectors that are connected to a monitoring center so emergency responders can be contacted when you're not home.

Source: The American Kennel Club
GrammarPros.com

TRIBAL NOTARY INFORMATION

The Tribal Notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands Jurisdiction unless he/she violates section C. Revocation WOS#2008-05 Tribal Notary Statute

*****Tribal Notary Services are available by appointment only. See below for contact information *****

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Phone Number	Surety Bond Expiration	Serial Number
Rebecca R Fisher	Active	231-242-1418	February 20, 2027	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	231-242-1462	June 5, 2023	05-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	231-242-1400	February 21, 2027	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	231-242-1610	August 23, 2021	11-09
Marin C Taylor	Active	231-242-1521	May 14, 2024	13-09
Janice L. Shackelford	Active	unavailable	February 16, 2026	14-09
Hayden Hooper	Active	231-242-1584	February 1, 2027	15-09

Marijuana IT'S HARMFUL LIKE TOBACCO

Marijuana Facts

	%Percent Factual
Addictive and harmful to health.	100%
Has 400+ chemicals (including THC).	100%
Impaired memory and learning.	100%
Daily smokers are risking damage to their lungs and brain.	100%
Most common identified illegal drug in fatal accidents (14% of drivers).	100%

HEALTH WARNING:
about 5 marijuana joints = 1 pack of 20 cigarettes

Tobacco Facts

	%Percent Factual
Addictive and harmful to health.	100%
Has 200+ chemicals (including Nicotine).	100%
Wheezing, yellow stained teeth, coughing, frequent colds, etc.	100%
Can damage lungs, cause heart disease, emphysema, mouth cancer, throat cancer and other cancers.	100%
In US, cigarette smoking accounts for over 440,000 deaths per year.	100%

HEALTH WARNING:
1 pack of 20 cigarettes = about 5 marijuana joints

Know the Facts

Please visit www.drugfreebroward.org

How to Support Stem Nesting Bees?

Spring

Larvae grow into adults and appear from before-last-year stalks

Spring/Summer

Females are fed by the flowers and build nests in last year's stalks

Summer/Fall

Eggs and pollen are now hidden and stored in last year's stalks

Fall/Winter

The hidden eggs will develop into larvae, which feed on the stored pollen

Don't clean up the old growth; there is life in it!

HEALTHY YARDS

Bineshiinh'ik Birds [Bi ne shiinh ik]

Puzzle on page 8.

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Write in Translation, Then Find Anishinaabemowin in Word Search

siginaak	blackbird	pichi	robin
baapaasenh	woodpecker	ginew	golden eagle
waa'oonenh	whippoorwill	migizi	bald eagle
gaagaakshiinh	raven	aandeg	crow
naanooshkaanhs	hummingbird	jiidiinh	bluejay
jigijigigaaneshiinh	chickadee	omiimii	mourning dove

Plant Guide For Pet Owners

Poisonous Plants

- Daffodil
- Castor Bean
- Easter Lily
- Sago Palm
- Star Gazer Lily
- Tiger Lily
- Cyclamen
- Azalea

Toxic Plants

- Aloe
- Begonia
- Bird of Paradise
- Bougainvillea
- Calla Lily
- Carnation
- Chrysanthemum
- Coleus
- Cosmos
- Dumb cane
- Elephant ear
- Fleabane
- Gardenia
- Geranium
- Hibiscus
- Hydrangea
- Iris
- Mother-In-Law Tongue
- Pansy
- Peace Lily
- Pinks (Dianthus)
- Plumbago
- Poinsettia
- Primrose

Pet-Friendly Plants

- Alyssum
- Blue Daisy
- Boston Fern
- Bottlebrush tree
- Camelia
- Canna
- Ceolsia Plumosa
- Christmas Cactus
- Coreopsis
- Echevaria Succulents
- Gerber Daisy
- Gloxinia
- Impatients
- Marigold
- Nasturtium
- Pampas Grass
- Persian Violet
- Petunia
- Polkadot Plant/Baby Tears
- Rose
- Snap Dragons
- Spider Plant
- Start Jasmine
- Sunflower
- Sword Fern
- Viola
- Zinnia

LINEs FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP



Birthday



Happy 9th birthday **Bedassige!** Love, Mom.

Walking On...



Julius James Kewaygoshkum, 82

Julius James Kewaygoshkum, 82, walked on April 10, 2021 at McLaren Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI, after battling leukemia. Julius was born on September 15, 1938, the son

of Julius Kewaygoshkum and Nellie Webb. He attended high school in Pellston, MI, and became a skilled tradesperson and carpenter. On March 23, 1985, he married the love of his life, Judie Wilton, at St. Clement Catholic Church in Pellston, MI. Both Judie and Julius were incredibly involved with their church, Judie served as a board member and Julius volunteered his time and materials to many church projects. He worked as the sexton of St. Clement Cemetery for many years with great care and attention to detail. He was devoted to his church and to God. Julius was an extremely caring and kind person. He was the first to offer to bring food to someone who needed it or to lend a hand on a home renovation project. He was generous to those he loved,

kind to animals, dedicated and hard working. He will be deeply missed by his family, church and community. Julius is survived by his nieces and nephews, Mark (Jackie) Givens of Pellston, MI, Mike (Tammy) Givens of Levering, MI, John (Kim) Givens of Alanson, MI, and Tricia (Keith Tuck) Givens of Cheboygan, MI; great nieces and nephews, David Givens, Jessie Givens, Dallas (Britney) Givens, Megan Givens, Bailey (Hannah) Givens, Zack Givens, Marissa Kilpatrick, Kyle Kilpatrick, Larson Kilpatrick and Julia Kilpatrick; sister-in-law, Pauline Kewaygoshkum, of Pellston, MI; and by his stepsons, Kyle Voris and Tyre Voris. He is preceded in death by his wife, Judie; his sister, Rosanna Givens; and his brother, John Kewaygoshkum.



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