



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

TRIBAL COUNCIL TRAVEL NARRATIVE

Submitted by: Treasurer Reyes

Training/Event: 16th Annual Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference
Location: Traverse City, MI
Date of Event: January 22nd – 24th, 2015

Thank you fellow Council members and the Citizens of LTBB for allowing me the opportunity to attend the 16th Annual Northern Michigan Small Farm Conference. The following is a brief travel report/summary:

Thursday, January 22nd, 2015

Departed from my home in Harbor Springs, MI traveling to Traverse City, MI, carpooling with Councilor Otto in an effort to minimize costs.

Friday, January 23rd, 2015

Registration Opens for Farm School
Welcoming and Opening Remarks
Amanda Kik, ISLAND

Agroforestry School

Holistic Disease Management

Speaker:

Michael Phillips, Lost Nation Orchard

Orchard Health

Speaker:

Michael Phillips, Lost Nation Orchard

Intercropping Specialty Crops

Speaker:

Peter Bane, author, The Permaculture Handbook

Growing Specialty Mushrooms

Speaker:

Bernie Ware, Ware Farm

Polyculture Building for Fruit and Nut Tree Health and Production

Speaker:

Peter Bane, author, The Permaculture Handbook

That evening I had the honor of introducing Winona LaDuke for her presentation on Food Sovereignty. As a result of introducing Ms. LaDuke and my volunteer efforts with registration my registration fee was refunded to the tribe.

Saturday, January 24th, 2015

Registration

Welcome & Introductions

Day One AM Breakout Sessions

Re-Indigenizing Agriculture in Anishinaabe Akiing, The Great Lakes

Speaker:

Winona LaDuke, White Earth

Keynote Speaker: Gary Zimmer

Day One PM Breakout Sessions

Regional Food Marketing with Intertribal Co-ops

Speaker:

Dan Cornelius, Intertribal Agriculture Council (Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin)

The Business of Farming and Start-Up Feasibility

Speaker:

Annie Olds, Michigan Small Business Development Center

Marcella R. Reyes