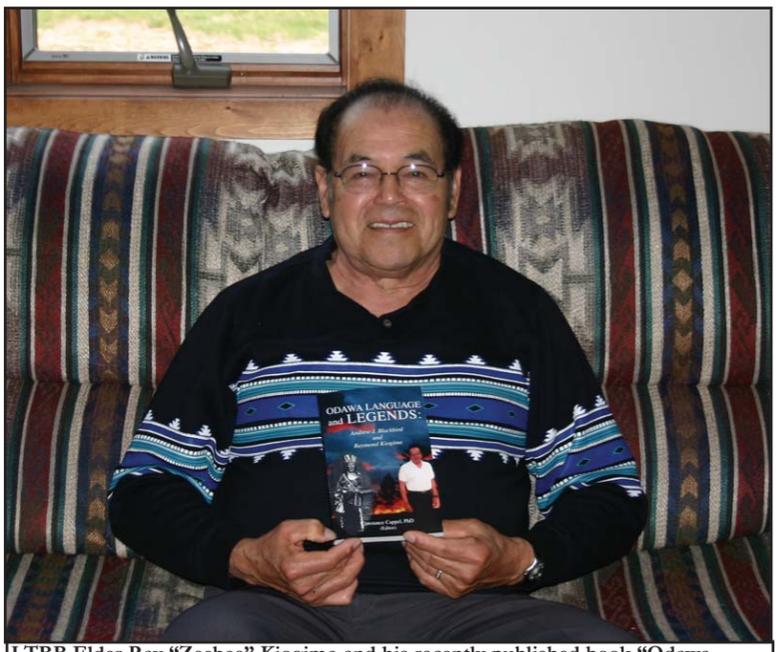




A VERY GREAT VISION
IS NEEDED AND THE
MAN WHO HAS IT
MUST FOLLOW IT AS
THE EAGLE SEEKS THE
DEEPEST BLUE OF THE
SKY.
- CRAZY HORSE -

Kiogima shares his gift of the Odawa language

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



LTBB Elder Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima and his recently published book "Odawa Language and Legends." Photo by Annette VanDeCar.

As LTBB Language Program Coordinator Carla McFall sees it, William Ray Kiogima received a gift from the Creator and Kiogima shares that gift freely.

Kiogima, who is more commonly known by his middle name Ray or his nickname Zeebee, has a special gift to understand, speak and write the

Odawa language. In the past, he shared his gift by teaching in the Harbor Springs Community School District and for the Odawa Institute at Indian Hills in Petoskey. He is frequently called upon to pray in the Odawa language at tribal community events and happenings. Now, everyone can enjoy his gift through Kiogima's book "Odawa Language and Legends" released in May. The first half of the book is Andrew J. Blackbird's 1878 text of "History of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan" and the second half is an Odawa dictionary written by Kiogima, who spent almost 20 years working on it. "When the Creator gives you a special gift, it's your obligation to share it," McFall said. "He's always shared his gift freely with others. My first thoughts of Ray are that he is a kind person and

that he is willing to help people with anything. He has a big heart. "I've never seen him say no to anyone. He always says yes with a smile on his face." Kiogima has become a local celebrity through his book signings at Between the Covers in Harbor Springs and McLean & Eakin Booksellers in Petoskey, and the *Petoskey News-Review* and the *Traverse City Record-Eagle* have written articles about him and his book. Because of the success of his first book, he plans to write a second book showing how to put words and phrases together and how to construct sentences. "We were waiting to see how this first book would be received before I wrote a second one," said Kiogima, a 73-year-old Harbor Springs resident who is a retired carpenter. "I have been overwhelmed by the positive

response. There is a big demand for it. "I have been surprised more than anything else because so many people want a copy." Despite that, it took some friendly prodding from Cynthia Haynes, a Harbor Springs writer and artist, to get Kiogima to write the book. Haynes, who used to be a French and English teacher for the Harbor Springs Community School District, worked with him in the 1970s when Kiogima taught the Odawa language to adults in the school district. Constance Cappel, a Harbor Springs author, edited the book and Xlibris Corporation, published it. Xlibris will publish his second book also. "She was instrumental in me getting this book done," Kiogima said of Haynes. "She always pushed me to write it

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"KIOGIMA"

HOW THE BIRO SISTERS USE EDUCATION AS A SPRINGBOARD FOR SUCCESS

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



Cynthia Brio (left) and Charlene Kristin Brio (right). Photo courtesy of Charlene Kristin Brio.

For sisters Charlene Kristie and Cynthia Brio, the possibilities are limitless. Encouraged by their parents James Brio and Valerie (Laughlin) Brio, they have always set high standards for themselves, and they are both well on their way to achieving their educational and cultural goals.

Cynthia, a fifth-year senior at the University of Michigan, has two courses to complete in the 2006 fall semester before she graduates with a Bachelor's degree in American Culture with a focus on Native American Studies. "You shouldn't limit yourself because the opportunities in life are endless," said Cynthia, a LTBB tribal member who turns 22 on July 18. "Everyone should set high standards for themselves because they can achieve them if they work hard enough. Our parents have always told us (she and her five siblings) to get an education, and they stressed the importance of holding onto our culture as we work our way up in the world. It's very important for all tribal youth to step up and educate themselves. "It is so easy to succeed as

a Native American with the programs and opportunities out there. You just need the motivation to go out there and take advantage of them. If you have the motivation, you will succeed." Kristie received a Bachelor's degree in Applied Engineering Sciences with a minor in Business Supply Chain Management from Michigan State University on June 29, and works for Northrop Grumman, a global defense company with headquarters in Los Angeles, CA. "I feel like I am contributing to something important because not everyone can do what I do as a mechanical engineer," said Kristie, a 24-year-old LTBB tribal member who works on the F/A-18 Hornet and F-35 Joint Strike Fighter. "I was exposed to the

field at a young age because my father is an engineer (who has worked in the metro Detroit area for more than 25 years). I like the technical challenge of engineering because there is always a problem to solve, and new and exciting challenges everyday. I hope I can serve as a role model for our tribal youth and encourage them to pursue science and technical related fields. The educational journey is not easy, but very rewarding. There is so much support out there today for Native American education that the possibilities are amazing. "I don't want just my accomplishments to be highlighted, I want the youth of our tribe to read this article and be able to take away from it ways that they can achieve their goals. That is the most important thing. I

would like to be seen as a role model that our tribal youth could look up to and relate to." Valerie, a LTBB tribal member who lives in Harper Woods, MI, and her husband James have always stressed the importance of education to their six children. Besides Cynthia and Kristie, two of their other four children are also attending college right now. "My grandmother (the late Amelia Samuels Kishigo), my uncle (the late Mike Kishigo, Jr. who was a pharmacist) and my grandfather (Mitchell Alexander) all stressed to me growing up the importance of education and going to college," said Valerie, who is attending Macomb Community College in Warren, MI, and is planning on

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Departments and Programs

Tribal Administration

FROM THE DESK OF TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR ALBERT COLBY JR.

Aanii Tribal Members.

The first Annual Membership meeting held under the new Constitution went well on May 13, and beneficial information was conveyed to the Tribal Members there. It's always nice to see a gathering of this size in our Tribal Community. A chi-miigwech to the Election Board members, all the volunteers, and all the enterprise and governmental staff members who worked together to put on the meeting and made it successful.

The plans for the new pow wow grounds' restrooms are complete, and a bidding process to include Tribal and Non-Tribal contractors was used. Tribal

contractors were contacted through a direct mailing. The construction project will use the approved budget amount (\$78,000) and a bit more from our capital improvements line item. Next year, the individual showers will be added since each project requires all of the available funding to the Pow Wow Grounds Improvement project. The project budget is annually set at \$78,000.

The Grants and Donations program has approved their first proposals for the Small Grants category. The review committee consisting of Tribal Elder Harriet Kishigo-Booth, Tribal Youth Representative Ashley Boda, Cultural Preservation

Representative Winnay Wemigwase and Education Representative Katie Bauer reviewed 15 applications, and awarded 13 of the 15 requests distributing \$22,422 in funding.

The Donations category will utilize a committee comprised of a different group of Tribal Members to process applications received by Tribal and Non-Tribal organizations. The next funding cycle for the Grants and Donations program will be in September 2006.

If you are interested in submitting a Business proposal, Small Grant request or a Donation proposal, contact Melissa Wiatrolik for an application at 231-242-1420.

Natural Resources Department

LTBB COMMERCIAL SMALL BOAT PROGRAM

According to the 2000 consent decree funds, the tribal council and the Natural Resource Commission has authorized the natural resources department to make available for lease up to five 16-inch open hull boats equipped with a 30 horsepower motor and a secondary five to six horsepower safety backup motor.

The boats are only intended for commercial fishing purposes

and can only be leased by tribal members willing to comply with the terms of a specific lease agreement.

However, if you are currently a small boat tribal fisherman or would like to become a small boat tribal fisherman and are interested in learning more about this program, please call LTBB Natural Resource Director Doug Craven at 231-439-3856.

The natural resources department is planning a Hunters Safety class for July 27, 28 and 29. On July 27 and 28, it is from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. On July 29, it is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Class size is limited to 20 tribal members, so pre-registration is required. This is for tribal members 12 or older. For more information or to pre-register, contact the natural resources department at 231-242-1670.

Elders Program

CALLING ALL LTBB ELDERS

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Elders Program sponsors low impact swim exercise classes on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30-10 a.m. at the Victories Hotel pool in Petoskey, MI. Tribal member Sheri Patton is the instructor.

Complimentary refreshments are provided after the class by the Victories Hotel staff. Changing rooms and showers are available for use at the hotel.

Transportation to and from the classes is available through the LTBB Elders Program. Contact Elders Program Assistant Tina Sutton at 231-242-1423 or the Elders Program driver at 231-838-9739 to schedule a ride.

In the above photo provided by **Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law**, pictured are **Bob Yellowbank** and **Andrea Otto** from left to right in the back row, **Veronica Medicine** and **Harriet Kishigo-Booth** from left to right in the middle row, and **Alice Yellowbank** in the front row. Instructor **Sheri Patton** is on the pool deck.

Alice Yellowbank, Carol McFall and Tina Sutton contributed to this article.



The LTBB Elders Program is in the process of making travel arrangements for the July Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) meeting and the Manistee Language & Cultural Camp. The dates for the MIEA meeting are July 10-13, and the dates for the Language & Cultural Camp are July 27-30. This will be an either/or situation. You can chose to attend either the MIEA or the Language & Cultural Camp, but you will not be allowed to attend both. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Tina Sutton at 231-242-1423 so your name can be put on the list. Availability is limited. The selection process is on a first come, first serve basis, so call as soon as possible.

Miigwetch! - The LTBB Elders Program

CORRECTIONS

Sunnese Granados was incorrectly spelled in the June newsletter in an article titled "LTBB Member Receives Award."

Regina Brubacker was incorrectly spelled in the June newsletter in a new employee article about Accounting Assistant Kathy McGraw.

The LTBB Communications Department regrets the errors.

AUCTION

Saturday, July 29

KINGS INN OF MACKINAW CITY
1020 S. NICOLET
MACKINAW CITY,
MICHIGAN



WE WILL BE AUCTIONING BEDS (WITH FREE MATTRESS), LAMPS, TABLES, COMFORTERS, POOL EQUIPMENT, FRAMED PICTURES, WASHERS, DRYERS AND MANY MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ITEMS AFTER THEY ARE SOLD

Housing Department Programs

Services are available to members residing within the 27 county service area.

For more details on the service area, please refer to the map on page 5.

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 may not exceed 30% of the household's monthly income.

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

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$5,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and **Can Be Used to Purchase or Re-finance a Home.**

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 St. 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: Our counseling provides tribal members the knowledge it takes to gain financial stability and credibility.

Transitional Housing Program: This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. (**Limited Availability**). Please submit a Letter of Interest and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

Elders Housing Development: Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of 12 units and is designed to meet the needs of very low to moderate income level elderly tribal members, age 55 and older. Please complete application and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Welcomes you to the 13th Annual Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp

Celebrating the unity of what our Language & Culture brings us

Bring your Nation Flag & Gift for Giveaway

No Registration fee

Meals are provided

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Manistee Mi

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July 28, 29, 30 2006

Friday July 28

8:00 Opening & Breakfast
9:15 Presentations / workshops
10:45 Presentations / workshops
12:00 Lunch
1:15 Presentations / workshops
2:45 Presentations / workshops
4:15 Free time
5:00 Dinner
7:00 Talent show
9:00 Entertainment

Saturday July 29

8:00 Breakfast
9:15 Presentations / workshops
10:45 Presentations / workshops
12:00 Lunch
1:15 Presentations / workshops
2:45 Presentations / workshops
4:15 Free time
5:00 Dinner
7:00 Jingtamok / pow wow
9:30 Entertainment

Sunday July 30

8:00 Breakfast
9:15 Presentations / workshops
10:45 Presentations / workshops
12:00 Lunch & Giveaway

These presentations and workshops are for all ages and both Anishinaabemowin and English will be used. First come, first serve for the camping area. This gathering will take place at the pow wow grounds in Manistee Mi, located at the corner of M 22 and US 31 S across from the Casino. There are showers on site. If you wish to book a room you have to do it early. This is the 13 year anniversary of this gathering and we would like everyone to bring their flags from each community and we would like to display the flags on the camp grounds the whole weekend to show unity and support for the language and culture. Also we encourage each family to bring a gift for the giveaway.

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of the Anishinaabe Nation

For more information please call

Kenny Neganiwane Pheasant at 231-933-4406 or 231-690-3508

Email: kennypheasant@charter.net

pheasant9@aol.com

Or Terri Raczkowski at 231-398-2221 Email: traczkowski@lrboi.com

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<u>Enrollment Department</u> Linda Keshick, Administrative Assistant	242-1521	<u>Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department</u> Jennifer Wilson, Office/Intake Coordinator	242-1642
<u>Environmental Department</u> Regina Gasco, Environmental Assistant	242-1574	<u>Natural Resources Department</u> Fiona Banfield, Administrative Assistant	242-1670
<u>Facilities Department</u> Steve Clausen, Facilities Manager	242-1532		

Education Department

Student Spotlight

TO HONOR THE GRADUATES
The Education Department and Education Commission will host a graduation celebration for the LTBB Tribal Community on August 11 at the LTBB Governmental Complex in Harbor Springs, MI. Dinner and ceremony start at 6 p.m. If you are a graduate or the family of a graduate and would like to attend, contact the Education Department at 231-242-1480 to RSVP. We are hoping all graduates (high school, GED, vocational, college and post graduate) contact us with their graduation information.



Preschool to 12th Grade Education Assistance Fund

New applications are available for the 2006-2007 academic year for the preschool to 12th grade Education Assistance fund, which provides \$100 per Tribally enrolled child for school-related expenses. Please contact Dorothy Perry for an application at 231-242-1482. Completed applications and a copy of the child's Tribal ID must be submitted to be eligible.

Do you have what it takes to be the next Miss Odawa?

If you think you have what it takes... We are looking for Odawa Kwezehns.

- Between the ages of 13-23.
- Knowledgeable in all aspects of their Odawa Heritage.
- Have a positive attitude.
- Dance and participate in Pow Wows.
- Be a role model for all Native American Youth.
- Be able to represent the Odawa People.

Applications must be received by August 2

Princess Contest Requirements:

- 500 Word Essay
- Public Speaking
- Interview
- Dance Exhibition



For more information, please contact:
Ellie Payton
231-242-0851
missodawanation@hotmail.com

SUMMER CAMP IS ON ITS WAY

THE LTBB EDUCATION DEPARTMENT WANTS YOU TO SIGN UP FOR THE ANNUAL SUMMER TEEN CAMP. WE HAVE SOME GREAT THINGS PLANNED WITH A FEW MYSTERY SPOTS. CALL 231-242-1480 TO REGISTER NOW.

AGES 12-15 (TEEN CAMP) JULY 17, 19 & 21
8 A.M.-5 P.M. THEME: "IT'S A MYSTERY!"

College Notes

All Higher Education students receiving the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance scholarships must reapply to be eligible for the 2006-2007 school year. New students must submit completed applications, which are due to Higher Education Student Services Coordinator Katie Bauer, by August 15. For those attending college, you want to make sure to have your applications, Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver (if necessary), FAFSA, college application, and all other financial aid and scholarship related materials completed and submitted to the appropriate offices. If you need any assistance with the forms, contact us at 231-242-1480.

Updates and Information

Calling all graduates . . . High School, College, GED, and Vocational! It is time to celebrate and honor your achievements. Please complete the form below and send it to the education department, or e-mail your information to mclaramunt@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. We will be preparing our invitation list for the August 11 celebration event, so be sure to e-mail, fax to 231-242-1491, or call 231-242-1481. We have forms available in the education department located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs MI 49740. Miigwetch, the education department.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

School: _____

Diploma/Degree: _____

Post-Graduation plans: _____

Safety Department

LTBB HAZARDOUS WASTES MATERIALS TRAINING PROGRAM

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The goal of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' Hazardous Wastes Materials Training Program was to create an awareness of the presence and dangers of hazardous materials within the LTBB Government. By the end of the program period, approximately 40 LTBB Staff Members in relevant positions increased their knowledge on the presence of hazardous materials, the dangers from these materials and what to do in the event of an incident involving hazardous materials.

A training session was completed in March 2006, and it involved staff members from the

Law Enforcement Department, Natural Resources Department, Archives and Records/Cultural Preservation Department, Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department, Facilities Department, Victories Casino Security Department and the Geographic Information Services Department. Safety Coordinator Norm Emery reported there were 24 staff members in attendance at the training session. The attendance was approximately 50% of the targeted number, but scheduling conflicts prevented more from attending.

A second training session is being planned during the final three months of the program

period. Emery provides training regarding safety issues with all departments frequently outside this program. The issue of hazardous materials and the proper handling of these materials are always included as part of his discussions and presentations.

Emery attends various community wide activities and brings the concern of proper handling of hazardous materials to them. All venues are used to create awareness and raise concern throughout the community.

Human Resources Safety Coordinator Norm Emery and Grant Writer/Compliance Manager Heidi Yapple contributed to this article.

Health Department

LTBB HELPS GET NORTHERN MICHIGAN MOVING

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



The LTBB Women's Hand Drum Group closed the event. From left to right are Kathy McGraw, Michele Keshick, Regina Brubacker, Crystal Greensky and Carla McFall. Photo courtesy of Regina Brubacker.

On May 1 at the Emmet/Charlevoix County Fairgrounds in Petoskey, the "Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan 2006" kickoff was held. The kickoff started with 90 people participating in a one-mile walk around the fairgrounds. The program was sponsored by Northern Michigan Hospital, Charlevoix Area Hospital, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health and Petoskey Cardiology. Following the walk, LTBB Male Drummers, composed mostly of the Biidaasige drum group, opened the program. Robert Sweetgall, a nationally-known motivational speaker with a passion for walking to improve health, spoke to an audience of 120 people about the importance of physical activity and healthy living. The LTBB Women's Hand Drum Group closed the program.

"Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan!" is in its fifth year. It was designed to increase physical activity and to prevent chronic disease related to sedentary lifestyle in our communities. It encourages adults, children and families to set personal goals and to make activity a part of

their daily lives. Participants are encouraged to become, or continue to be, physically active during a 100-day period and to keep track of the number of "aerobic miles" they have earned.

The North Central Council of the Michigan Hospital Association will award plaques to the Northern Michigan communities with the most miles logged in the three categories (small, medium and large communities).

According to the LGMNM website, more than 6,500 participants logged 979,000 miles in 2005.

For more information or to sign up for the program, contact Health Educator Regina Brubacker at 231-242-1601.

Health Educator Regina Brubacker contributed to this article.



Health Educator Regina Brubacker (on the left) and Health Director Sharon Sierzputowski (on the right) in front of the Health Department's display. Photo courtesy of Regina Brubacker.

LTBB, GTB AND YMCA OFFER "A BETTER CHOICE CAMP"

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The State YMCA of Michigan in collaboration with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians is offering "A Better Choice Camp" from August 16-18 at Camp Arbutus Hayo-Went-Ha in Traverse City. It is for girls and boys eight to 14. A "Steps to a Healthier Anishinaabe" grant will pay for the cost of the camp.

The camp emphasizes culturally healthy choices through fun activities and interesting presentations. With the assis-

tance of LTBB and GTB Tribal Staff and Volunteers, many of the sessions will be Native American specific.

Daily activities are swimming, canoeing, field games, climbing wall, nature programs, craft projects, group initiatives, and high ropes courses.

Sessions will include diabetes prevention and healthy food choices. On August 17, an "Honoring the Ancestors Feast" will be followed by a special program. A buffalo dinner with other Native American dishes will be served at the feast.

Each evening will conclude with a campfire on the shores of Arbutus Lake with Native American storytellers and singing. Campers are grouped by age and gender. Last year, LTBB took 22 children to the camp.

For more information, contact Health Department Administrative Assistant Cathy Gibson or Health Educator Regina Brubacker at 231-242-1601.

Health Educator Regina Brubacker contributed to this article.

Are You Interested in Working for the LTBB Government?

If you would like to be included in the LTBB Human Resources database, please send resumé and cover letter to:

sgasco@lthbodawa-nsn.gov
(send as Microsoft Word or as a PDF)

or **LTBB Human Resources**
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740



(IMPORTANT: We need an e-mail address to notify you when a position that meets your interests becomes available.)

Please check our website, www.lthbodawa-nsn.gov, for current openings or call our toll-free job hotline at 1-866-582-2562. Job postings are updated every Friday.

LTBB of Odawa Indians' Food Distribution Program Warehouse Schedule

Days for Distribution

1st Monday	1 & 2 person households
2nd Monday	3 & 4 person households
2nd Tuesday	GTB Elders
3rd Monday	5+ person households

Hours of Distribution

Open	9 a.m. - noon, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
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If you missed your pickup, please call Patrick Boda at 231-242-1661.

Human Services Department Community Resources COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT-EMERGENCY NEEDS PROGRAM

ATTENTION: LTBB TRIBAL MEMBERS IN MICHIGAN

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THIS PROGRAM.

VERY LIMITED FUNDING AVAILABLE.

IF YOU KNOW OF A LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD THAT MAY NEED ASSISTANCE PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT THE LTBB HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT 231-242-1620 AND REQUEST AN APPLICATION. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, OR UNTIL FUNDS ARE DEPLETED; WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.

THIS IS AN INCOME-BASED PROGRAM!

LTBB of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Theresa Boda
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Do you want to:

Gain experience?

Make a little money?

Temporary positions available!

Work in an office setting?

Work in the tribal community?

Are you a tribal member?

Work as little as one day or as long as a month!!! Contact the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians' Human Resources Department today!

Call Today! 231-242-1555

STEPS TO A HEALTHIER ANISHINAABE

By Regina Brubacker, Health Educator

Here we are in the full blast of summer!

Beaching, biking, gardening, boating, hiking and sitting outdoors in the shade with your feet in the kiddie pool are just a few of the endless outdoor activities we can enjoy.

This summer, LTBB is supporting many projects aimed at increasing your activity, and none require wearing Spandex gear. Here are some examples:

Let's Get Moving Northern Michigan is in its fifth year. Our kickoff event was May 1. The plan is simple. Select activities that appeal to you, keep track of your miles for 100 days, turn in your tickets every two weeks and get your name entered in prize drawings every month. If you log more than 100 miles in 100 days, your name is entered in the grand prize drawing at the end of the program. One grand prize is a stay at Victories Hotel. This is the LTBB Community Health's first major collaboration with Northern Michigan Hospital, so we are hoping to make a good showing this year. For more information on the kickoff event, see the related article on page 4.

Gidaaki Miikaanhs translates to "The Trail on the Top of the Hill." Behind Victories Casino and

the Health Park is a 0.25 of a mile paved walking path. Together with the Victories Casino Employee Wellness Department, "Steps to a Healthier Anishinaabe" has been working on turning the path into a fitness trail. Gidaaki Miikaanhs is becoming a one-of-a-kind place to walk, run, bird watch or to sit and listen to the wind in the trees because it has 10 activity stations scattered throughout it as well as nature and cultural information stations. The trail is open to the tribal and non-tribal communities.

The Native Way gym is our perennial offering to stay active. The gym has cardio equipment, weights, and a studio where we offer tae kwon do and yoga classes twice weekly. This year, our martial arts class was represented for the first time at the North American Indigenous Games in Denver, CO, by Taylor Fisher and Alex Fisher who competed in tae kwon do there. For more information on the Waganakising Martial Arts Club, see the related article on page 11.

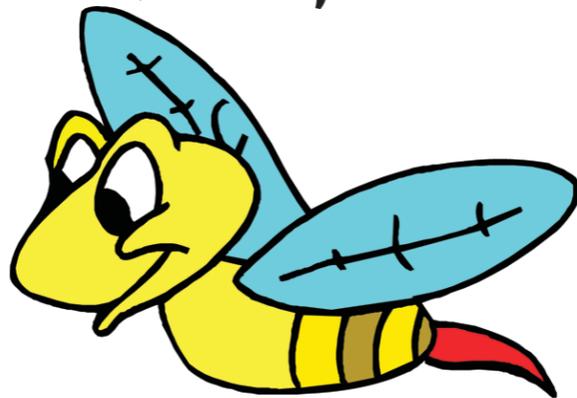
Berry Picking with the Community Health Department is a new event. The LTBB Community Health Department is partnering with Peaceful Valley Farms of Alanson and Kitley's Farms of Charlevoix for the event.

It's not too late to join us for raspberry and blackberry season. Call 231-242-1601 for information or to sign up. If there is enough interest, we will also try to organize a blueberry or cranberry picking day in the future. For more information on this event, see the announcement on page 5.

A Better Choice Camp is a joint venture with the Michigan YMCA and Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. Up to 50 students will attend the camp from August 16-18 at Lake Arbutus Camp Hayo-Went-Ha in Traverse City. Last year, 22 LTBB children went to the camp. The children enjoyed sports, horseback riding, climbing, the high ropes course, hiking, swimming, health education and crafts there. For more information on the camp or to sign up for it, see the related article on page 4.

We hope you continue to enjoy the rest of the summer however you choose to spend it. If you would like more information on how to increase your activity, please do not hesitate to call me at 231-242-1601. For additional information on any of the activities mentioned above, please call Health Department Administrative Assistant Cathy Gibson or myself at 231-242-1601. Migwech!

THIS BEE MAY LOOK FRIENDLY, BUT...



DR. TERRY SAMUELS WANTS TO REMIND EVERYONE ALLERGIC TO BEE STINGS TO CHECK THE DATE ON THEIR BEE STING KITS TO ENSURE THEY ARE UP TO DATE. IF IT IS OUTDATED, PLEASE RENEW YOUR BEE STING KIT. A BEE STING CAN BE FATAL WITHOUT THE PROMPT USE OF A BEE STING KIT.

BERRY PICKING AT PEACEFUL VALLEY FARMS

THE COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO A DAY OF BERRY PICKING AT PEACEFUL VALLEY FARMS IN ALANSON, MI. DEPENDING ON WEATHER CONDITIONS, RASPBERRIES SHOULD BE READY SOMETIME IN EARLY JULY AND BLACKBERRIES SHOULD BE READY BY THE END OF JULY OR EARLY AUGUST. CALL 231-242-1601 FOR MORE ACCURATE DATES AND DIRECTIONS TO THE FARM.



Communications Department

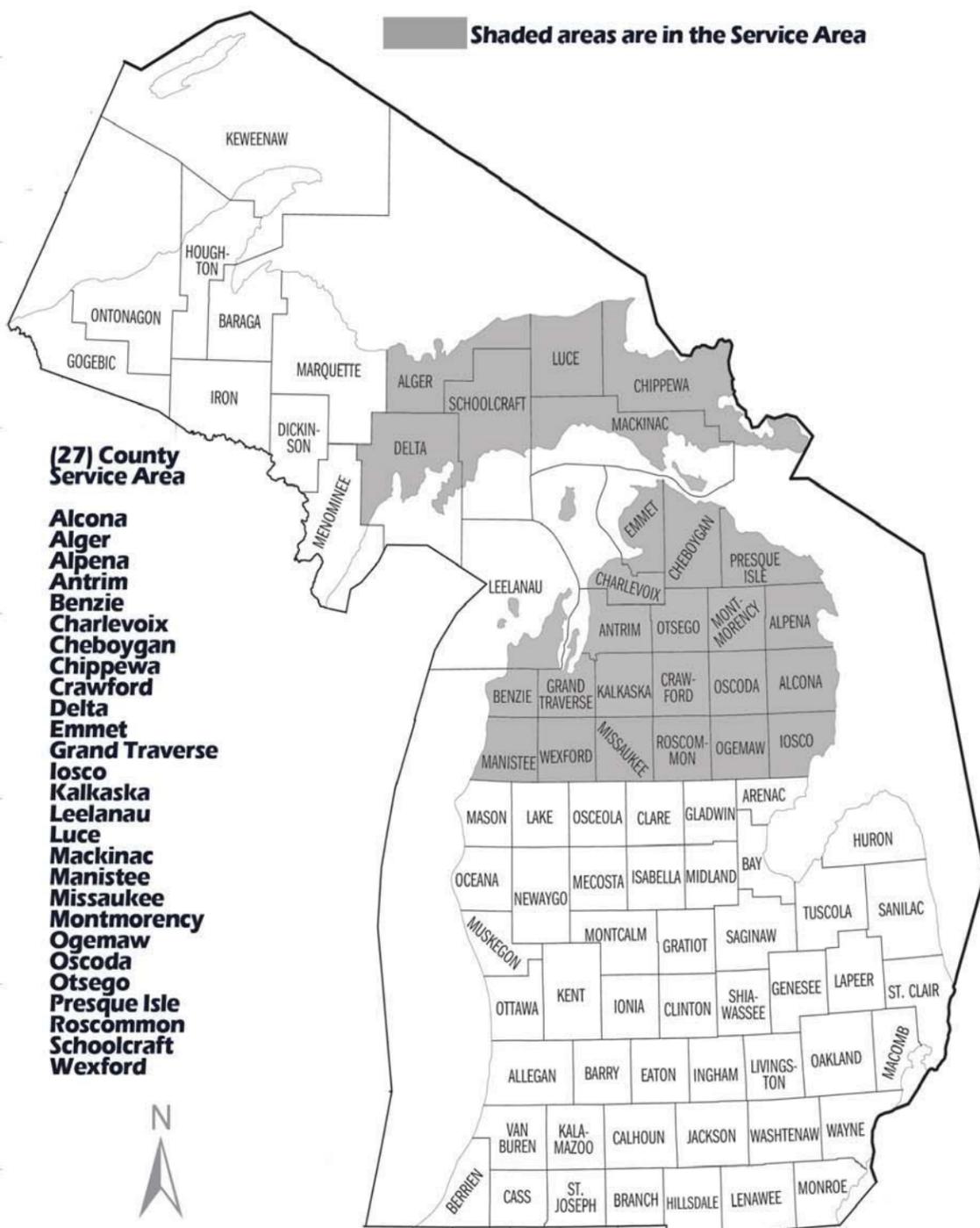
BREAKING NEWS FROM THE LTBB COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The communications department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We also reserve the right to edit any material submitted

for space and content. The deadline for the following month's newsletter is the first Monday of every month by noon. You can fax, e-mail or call your submissions in. Please only call in your submission if it is short. Our phone number is 231-242-1427, our fax number is 231-242-1430 and our e-mail address is newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Service Area



Programs receiving funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and some Indian Health Services (IHS) are limited to serving members within a 27 county service area.



Aanii Tribal Elder,

We need your help. We are looking for Tribal Elders that are receiving care giver services and have help with daily living activities. There are funds available to provide respite for those people and family members that are caring for our elders. There is also money that can be used to provide special equipment that would make the care giver's job easier.

The following requirements must be met to be eligible:

1. Tribal member
2. Live within the 27 county service area (Alger, Delta, Schoolcraft, Luce, Mackinac, Chippewa, Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Charlevoix, Antrim, Otsego, Montmorency, Alpena, Leelanau, Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Manistee, Wexford, Missaukee, Roscommon, Ogemaw, Iosco)
3. at least 60 years old
4. unable to perform 2 of the following activities for daily living:

a. Eating	f. Laundry
b. Toileting	g. House cleaning
c. Dressing	h. Use the telephone
d. Hygiene	i. Use public transportation
e. Food preparation	j. Shopping

If you or someone you know may be eligible, please fill out the bottom portion of this letter and return it in the pre-paid envelope. You may also contact me at 1-888-309-5822 if it is more convenient. We hope that this finds you happy and in good health.

Sincerely,

Michele Keshick, R.N.
Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa
Community Health Manager

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Name of Care Giver(s): _____
Elder's relationship to Care Giver: _____



Legislative Branch

LEGISLATIVE CORNER

By Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader



Photo courtesy of Beatrice A. Law



(L to R) Beatrice A. Law, JoAnne Cook and Frank Ettawageshik.



(From left to right) Civil Court Development Specialist David Keller, Appellate Justice Rita Gasco-Shepard, Associate Judge Jenny Lee Kronk, Chief Judge JoAnne Cook, Probation Officer Bernadecce Kioigima, Court Clerk Linda Harper and Court Administrator Dawn Shenoskey after Cook's swearing in.



Chief Judge JoAnne Cook being sworn in on June 13.

Our new Constitution established three branches of government: Executive, Legislative and Judicial. The Tribal Council (Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Secretary Melvin L. Kioigima, Fred Harrington, Jr., Regina Gasco-Bentley, Mary Roberts, Rita Shananaquet, Alice Yellowbank, Dexter McNamara and Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law) represents the law making branch of the government.

Article VII in the Constitution spells out the duties and responsibilities we as legislators are charged with:

1. Approve or disapprove policies, resolutions and regulations.
2. Establish committees, commissions, and boards and approve appointments as presented by the Executive.
3. Make laws.
4. Appropriate funds, and enact a budget.
5. Approve negotiations with any other governments, businesses or individuals.

These are only a few of the important functions of the Legislative Branch.

The Tribal Council has been very diligent in its duties. Our responsibilities are to the people we represent, you the Tribal Citizens. I will mention a couple of current events. The Budget and Finance Standing Committee (Treasurer Shirley Oldman is the Chairperson, and committee members are Alice Yellowbank and Rita Shananaquet) was formed to ensure we have a balanced budget for 2007. Chief Financial Officer Val Tweedie assisted the committee with this task. The budget was presented to the Tribal Council with the committee's recommendation before it was voted on and approved.

Another significant undertaking was approving the sale of bonds which allow the tribe to build the new casino. The casino is expected to be completed in June 2007. It will offer more jobs to our citizens and benefit the surrounding community.

The passing of the newly amended Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Act will enable present and future students to obtain a post secondary education. Fred Harrington, Jr., authored the statute. The new Citizenship Statute was approved at the May 20 Tribal Council meeting, but it has to be signed by the Executive (Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik) before it becomes law. It recognizes us as Citizens of our Sovereign Nation. It was authored by the Enrollment Commission with help from the Enrollment Office and the Legal Department. I mention these two pieces of legislation because of their importance and to demonstrate when legislation is written and introduced to the legislative body, it becomes property of all Tribal Council members. Tribal Council members debate and decide on the final wording of the document before it becomes law.

On May 7, the Tribal Council approved the nomination from the Executive for the Chief Judge position. As mentioned in the June "Legislative Corner," the Chief Judge is JoAnne Cook who was sworn into office on June 13. (See above photos). We now have a full Judicial Branch. Tribal Council responsibilities include more than meeting twice every month. A lot of work and preparation occurs before each meeting. As a

Tribal Council member, I believe it is necessary to keep up with and attend as many tribal cultural events as possible. We keep in touch with the local tribal community we serve this way. Several Tribal Council members attend language and training classes. These activities are important because we want to help preserve our Indian culture and way of life. By doing these things, it helps us maintain our identity as Indian people and as an Indian nation.

Some Tribal Council members traveled with the Election Board to three "Meet the Citizens" informational meetings in Grand Rapids, Lansing and Escanaba. The purpose was to meet citizens and have discussion on topics they wanted to address. Tribal Council members attend the National Congress of American Indians conferences. The NCAI offices are in Washington, D.C. Three NCAI conferences are held yearly and they address issues that affect all of us as Native people. The 2006 NCAI Mid-Year Conference was June 18-21 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, and its theme was "Not Our Borders: Culture and Commerce in the Era of Homeland Security." This is just one way we interact with other Indian Nations. It is critical for us as Tribal Council members to always improve our knowledge and skills. Issues that affect one tribe affect all tribes.

As representatives of the Tribal Citizens of the Odawa Nation, we welcome your input because Constitution Article I establishes all governing authority rests with the Tribal Membership. If you would like to participate in the process, I suggest visiting the tribe's website at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and clicking on the "Odawa Register" to read about pending and enacted laws. Pending legislation is posted there and the date when it will be discussed in a Tribal Council work session. Proposed legislation is only scheduled for a Tribal Council work session after it has been posted for 25 days. This is an opportunity for input from any citizen who wishes to voice his or her opinion or concern by phone, letter, e-mail or by attending the work session. At the Tribal Council meetings, two public comment times, before lunch and in the afternoon, allow Tribal Citizens to participate in the legislative process. Tribal Citizens can also submit a law in writing. Tribal Citizens can contact the Legislative Office and request to be put on the agenda.

The Legislative Department/Tribal Council Office is located in the LTBB Governmental Complex located at 7500 Odawa Circle in Harbor Springs, MI. You can contact members of the Legislative Department and your Tribal Council members at 231-242-1406 or at tribalcouncil@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

- Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik signed an Economic Development Accord on May 30 at the 2006 Tribal/State Forum with Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm.

The above photo on the top left shows from left to right Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm and Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik at the event in Wilson, MI. It was hosted by the Hannahville Indian Community.

BIINDIGEN TO REMAIN OPEN THROUGH CONSTRUCTION ON US-31

Construction Between M-119 and just north of Shaw Road is May through August.

There will be brief periods of flag control.

- Through traffic will be detoured
- Use the "back way" Hiawatha-Barney

Gasoline will be available as usual.



Tribal Contractors Wanted For New Casino Construction



Call Tom Ollman at Clark Construction 231-487-0338

Women's Talking Circle and Pot Luck

Tuesday, July 11
7 p.m.-9 p.m. -ish
located at the LTBB
Governmental Building
(bring a dish to pass)



Grandmother
Moon
Ceremony to
follow Talking
Circle & Pot Luck.

For more information call Jannan J. Cornstalk at 231-439-9896 or jannancornstalk@yahoo.com

(Supported by the Peacekeeping Advisory Committee)

MNOZHIAADAA

(LET'S BE IN GOOD HEALTH)

THE LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS OFFERING TWO NEW DIABETES EDUCATION CLASSES.

MONDAY, JULY 17

WHAT IS DIABETES?
WHERE DOES IT COME FROM?
WHAT IS HAPPENING INSIDE OUR BODIES?
WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT IT?

MONDAY, AUGUST 21

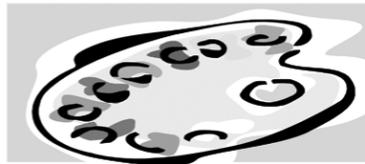
MNOBIMAADZIWIN BALANCE
FOOD CHOICES
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

BOTH CLASSES WILL BE AT THE
LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH
DEPARTMENT FROM
5:30 P.M.-8:30 P.M.

TO SIGN UP OR FOR INFORMATION,
CALL 231-242-1601

ATTENTION NATIVE AMERICAN ARTISTS

THE CROOKED TREE
ARTS COUNCIL OF
PETOSKEY IS PREPARING
FOR ITS ANNUAL NATIVE
AMERICAN ART EXHIBIT.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF THE EXHIBIT, PLEASE CONTACT THE LTBB ARCHIVES AND RECORDS DEPARTMENT AT 231-242-1450.

Executive Branch

FROM THE DESK OF TRIBAL CHAIRMAN FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK

This was the report from the Executive Branch of the Waganakising Odawak for the First Annual Tribal Community Meeting held under the new constitution on May 13.

A few of this past year's accomplishments include the beginning of our new government on September 11, 2005, when the newly elected officers took their oaths under the new constitution; the nomination and appointment of our Judiciary; and the funding and commencement of construction on our new casino project that is well on its way to a projected opening in June 2007. Substantial time is spent each month on overseeing the planning and construction of this casino project, on treaty rights protection, intergovernmental relations, and administrative oversight for programs and commission activities.

The Executive duties as outlined in the Constitution begin with ambassadorial functions. The Vice Chairman, Bill Denemy, Sr., and I represent the Tribe in its dealings with other governments: Tribal, federal, state, and local. We attend many meetings in Washington D.C., and in Michigan's capitol of Lansing. In March, I presented testimony at the U.S. Senate Committee on Environmental and Public Works regarding preserving and protecting the Great Lakes. Later this month, I am scheduled to give testimony at the Michigan Senate Gaming Oversight Committee. We also attend several meetings each year of the National Congress of American Indians, the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes, the United Tribes of Michigan as well as organizations such as the National Indian Gaming Association, Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority and the Great Lakes Regional Collaboration. Recently, I have been appointed to serve on the Tribal Advisory Board for the Bemidji Area Indian Health Service as one of two Tribal Leader representatives from Michigan.

The second listed duty is to execute and administer the laws and resolutions for the Tribe. We oversee the legal department and its work on negotiating the

protection of our sovereignty through various lawsuits such as the ongoing U.S. vs. MI hunting and fishing rights case, and the TOMAC and Club Keno lawsuits involving gaming issues. We also monitor and administer our Tribal relationships with other police agencies and the U.S. Department of Justice. Additionally, the Executive must consider the laws and Tribal Resolutions adopted by the Tribal Council, and decide whether or not to sign them, signifying concurrence, or to veto the action of the Tribal Council. Thus far, there has been no veto of a Tribal Council action. If the Executive does exercise a veto, the Tribal Council can override the veto by a super majority vote of seven of the nine Tribal Council members.

The third responsibility under the Constitution is to make nominations for the appointed positions in our government. We have nominated and achieved appointments for the positions of Chief Judge, Associate Judge, three Appellate Justices and Tribal Prosecutor. Additionally, we have made nominations for commission seats.

The Constitution goes on to instruct the Executive to make recommendations to the Tribal Council on matters of interest or things that benefit the Tribe. Two of the recent recommendations have been a law to create Educational Goals and Standards to help guide us in the establishment of educational programs and a Victims Rights Statute to formalize crime victims' rights in our judicial system.

We also are to oversee all Tribal Executive departments, boards, commissions, and committees created by the Tribal Council. As part of this work, Bill Denemy, Sr. and I oversee the Tribal Administrator, Albert Colby, Jr., and Chief Financial Officer, Valerie Tweedie, as we all work together on a myriad of day-to-day activities for all of the Tribal programs and enterprises. We attend many of the monthly commission meetings to assist and consult on current and long-term activities and projects. One such project is the recently completed study we had done by

Northwood University on our non-gaming businesses. This resulted in the permanent closing of the Kings Inn in Mackinaw City this past month and the nearly completed preparation of a three-year plan for restructuring Bell's Fishery and Blindigen. This plan will accomplish profitability for these enterprises.

Each month, the Executive is to forward to Tribal Council a written report detailing activities on the Executive oversight responsibilities. This report more often than not has been twice a month instead of monthly, and it runs anywhere from 20 to more than 150 pages. We report on our activities and we send items to the Tribal Council for action such as grant support resolutions, approval of negotiations with Federal or State agencies, resolutions approving legal positions, and appropriation requests.

The seventh duty listed in the Constitution for the Executive is to prepare and submit a proposed budget for the next fiscal year. Pursuant to the Budget Formulation Statute, we submitted the draft 2007 Fiscal Year budget to the Tribal Council on December 15, 2005. After consideration by the Tribal Council and many committee meetings and hearings, the Tribal Council revised and adopted the budget and we held a signing ceremony in the Tribal Administration Building at the Elders' Luncheon on April 11, 2006.

This has been only a brief overview of the Executive activities during this past year. One thing that Bill Denemy, Sr. and I would like to do is to acknowledge the dedicated work and long hours spent by our staff, Executive Assistant Rebecca Fisher and Administrative Assistant Ellie Payton. Without them, we would not be able to accomplish the many responsibilities of the Executive Office.

If you have requests for further information or comments, please contact the Office of the Executive, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. You may also call us at 231-242-1401 or e-mail us at chairman@lbtbodawa-nsn.gov.

FREE Household Hazardous Waste Drop off Day!!



The average residential home can generate as much as 100 pounds of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) in the basement, garage, and storage closets. HHW is that portion of a household product, which is no longer useable and can be harmful to the environment or to human health if not properly disposed. The best solution to the problem is to avoid buying toxic products. If you must buy toxic chemicals, try to buy just the amount needed to complete the job, or research some possible alternatives for using hazardous or toxic chemicals.

There are just three chemicals that cannot be dropped off:

- No modern latex paints.
- No explosives and ammunition.

Some common examples of Household Hazardous Waste are:

- Pesticides, including weed killers;
- Cleaners and polishes;
- Finger nail polish;
- Aerosols;
- Automotive fluids;
- Oil paints, other finishes, and their thinners;
- Photographic chemicals;
- Flammables;
- Adhesives, sealers, and tar

Both Rachel Schwarz and Regina Gasco are volunteering for spring and fall sessions of the Emmet County Department of Public Works Household Hazardous Waste Days. All interested Emmet County Residents need to schedule a 15 minute appointment. **The event starts Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM and ends at 1:00 PM on April 22, June 10, and September 30.**

Please call Emmet County Department of Public Works at 231.348.0660 to schedule your appointment today! (Mention the 2006 Household Chemical Drop off Days).

All HHW Drop off Days are FREE for all Emmet County Residents. For more information about Waste Exchange and the disposal of HHW, please contact us at (231) 242-1574 or Emmet County Department of Public Works at (231) 348-0640

More information is also available at our website: <http://www.lbtbodawa-nsn.gov/environmental/EFrameset.htm>

Tribal Citizens

If you move, please contact the tribal enrollment office and we will send you an address verification form.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address verification form.

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

Once a minor turns 18, you must contact the enrollment office and complete an address verification form or we will mark you as undeliverable.

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

Towards the end of the year, we will notify you for purposes of the per capita payment.

Adult verification form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Keshik at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.



Come and Join a Winning Team!

Do you have an interest in a casino profession?
Have you thought about a job at **Victories Casino & Hotel?**
Are you interested in our future employment opportunities?

Human Resources is accepting applications and creating a database of all interested Tribal Members who have a desire to become a part of the

Victories Casino & Hotel team.

If you have access to the Internet, check out **Victories Casino & Hotel's** website at www.victories-casino.com for all current jobs or call **1-877-4-GAMING**

and ask for Mary Roberts, Employment Manager.



On June 13 at the LTBB Governmental Complex in Harbor Springs, MI, Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik signed a memorandum of understanding with the United States Department of Agriculture's Forest Service. On hand for the signing were Natural Resources Director Doug Craven (on the left in the front row), Ettawageshik (center in the front row signing), District Ranger Jim A. Thompson (on the right in the front row), and Deputy Forest Supervisor Jerry Bird (in the back row).

Advertise in the "Odawa Trails"

If you are interested in advertising in upcoming "Odawa Trails" newsletters, please call the LTBB Communications Department

231-242-1427

Language Department

PANE PROGRAM ARRIVES IN LTBB COMMUNITY!



Here are some of the teachers and learners taken at the June 2nd Pane Program weekend immersion. LTBB has a group of about 15 who travel to Brimley, MI, to attend. We're looking forward to having it available in the northern Michigan area and increasing the participation of LTBB community members.

Beginning Fall Semester 2006, the Anishinaabemowin Pane Language Immersion Program will be offered right here. The Pane Program and this course are accredited through the Bay Mills Community College (tribal college). It is a weekend immersion course. Five weekends are scheduled throughout the semester. This is an eight-credit college course registered students must attend for their grade. Financial aid will likely be available to cover the cost. All materials and some meals are included in the course. Elders who choose not to register are welcome, as honorary students, to attend as much or as little as they would like. Others who are considering the course are invited to attend as a guest. Complete your registration and financial aid forms now to begin the fall class on August 25th.

This weekend immersion course is designed to create a very relaxed and nurturing environment. The language learners are not required to participate by any means other than attending and listening. If they choose to, they may answer a question but they are never called on to answer and they are free to do so in the language or in English. This immersion method teaches to all levels of learners. Enh, all levels - from the very very beginner to a fluent speaker! All language learners are sure to ben-

efit. Please call the LTBB Anishinaabemowin Language Program for further information at 1-888-309-5822 or (231)242-1454.

Miigwech to the following students for sharing their thoughts:

Michele Keshick

"I am honored to be a part of the revitalization of our language, culture and spirituality. All three components are intertwined, interdependent and inseparable. In unity, we will heal and people will thrive. The Creator gifted us with our language; within our language, he gave voice to all of creation. It is beautiful, and it is healing. Listening to our language spoken is a spiritual experience between the Creator, the speakers and those who are listening and learning. At first, you will not understand the words that are spoken but you will feel what they feel as you connect spirit to spirit. You will understand on a spiritual level. You need only to trust the Creator, and as a baby learns to speak, so will you. The Pane Program has brought an awesome opportunity to our community. I would encourage each and every one of you to begin the journey to recapture all that is rightfully ours. It is imperative that everyone that is able learns the language so we can pass it on. It is a sad reality that few in our community are fluent. We cannot let our language walk on."

Regina Kiogima

"I have the best time learning our language. It's stress-free, you are amongst all friends, and lots of laughing (which is the best medicine). Most important - let's not let this precious part of who we are as Anishinaabe disappear - please join us, miigwech."

Matt Davis

"I have waited a very long time to learn our language, Anishinaabemowin. I am learning many more lessons including our language. It is relaxing and very comforting. All the good Anishinaabe humor and unity. I hope to soon be conversing with our Elders, as well as enjoying all the beautiful teachings and all the company of fellow Anishinaabe. Laughter is good medicine, and there's lots of it here. Come join in the sharing of the Creator's gift to us, Anishinaabe, our language, Anishinaabemowin. Ahaaw, miigwech."

Crystal Greensky

"I thoroughly enjoy every minute I am able to hear our beautiful language spoken, and I look forward to every immersion weekend I attend. Some people may feel that it is an inconvenience to have to travel to Brimley, MI, to attend the immersions, but for me, it is a way to get out of town and spend a weekend in the woods listening to our beautiful language, Anishinaabemowin, a special gift from Gzhemnidoo. There is no pressure. The only thing you have to do is sit and listen to Anishinaabemowin. The instructors have beautiful spirits and their animation and eloquent speech make you understand the words they speak to you. Our spirits already know this language, now it is up to us to make our minds understand. We need to do our part today to ensure that Anishinaabemowin is passed on to the next seven generations."

Mary Gasco

"To go along with the fellowship and good food, there are the good feelings of hearing our language, Anishinaabemowin. I can feel the ties to our Elders and those that have passed hearing these words. I encourage all to join in a worthwhile event, miigwech."

Anishinaabemowin Language Program

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Please contact us for more information, comments, questions, or suggestions. Miigwech



Michael (Miishin) Smith
"Aanii, for me, I value every moment spent immersed in our language. To hear it so eloquently and fluently spoken is music to my ears and medicine for my soul. What gives me my motivation to participate in these classes are my thoughts about all the many generations before us who did not have the freedoms we presently enjoy. Freedoms such as the ability to learn our language without fear, unlike the generations before us who were not allowed to speak it, to know of it or even hear it. It makes me sad to know that as being our history. To have our language stripped from us as treatment to break the pride of a proud people. Yet I am thankful that we now have this awesome opportunity to bring it back to our people. But, we need the participation, the interest and the will of our people to bring it back, to make it a successful endeavor, to keep it alive for the generations to come as our ancestors before us tried to do for us. It is my hope, my wish, my prayer that we do our part in every way possible to bring back to our people our beautiful language. To speak it as fluently and as commonly as we presently speak the dominant language. Hopefully to become, or go back to being the preferred everyday spoken household language of choice by our people once again. You can do your part, join a class, be proud to learn your language, make history — be history. Kchi-Miigwech."

Anne Stander

"The humor in the skits helps you understand the situa-

tion. The program gives you great ear-training: first you mostly hear a blur of musical sounds, then you begin to pick out phrases and words, and little by little you begin to understand individual words."

Gwen Gasco

"Every Language Immersion II attend, I enjoy every minute of it. The Language Instructors are very gifted in being able to speak the language and being able to get us to understand through acting and repetition. They encourage and inspire you to want to learn. All the students encourage one another and the camaraderie is helpful. There is no stress or pressure to perform or recite. You just have to relax and listen, and let the language soak into you. Our language is beautiful and we should do everything we can as a community to save and revitalize it."

Carla McFall

"Aanii, I always look forward to the monthly immersion weekends. The teachers are awesome. They are very gifted. It's amazing to watch how talented, skillful, sensitive, creative and funny they are, and none of it is rehearsed. There are times when I'm so tired I don't feel up to attending a language class, but I push myself to get there. Then I'm glad I did, because when I leave class, I always feel uplifted. It's like getting a boost of energy - physically, emotionally, spiritually, and mentally. I recommend attending at least once as a guest to check it out and see what it's like. Kawaabmin."

KINOOMAAGEWAANHSAN ANISHINAABEMOWIN

Kaatnii, aaniish na enaangzhiyin?



Mshkikeniniikwe ndonaangzhi.

Giin dash?



Zhibiigeniniikwe ndonaangzhi.

Tonia Gasco, Mzinbiiged

Mshkikeniniikwe=doctor, nurse, traditional healer (female)
Zhibiigeniniikwe = office worker (person who writes) (female)
Giin dash? = What about you?

Anishinaabemowin Community Language Classes

WEDNESDAY Evenings ONLY
during JULY and AUGUST
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Mshkikigamik (LTBB Health Building)
1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey
(just north of Victories Casino)

For more information, contact the Language Program at
231-242-1454, 242-1456, 1-888-309-5822

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Anishinaabemdaa!

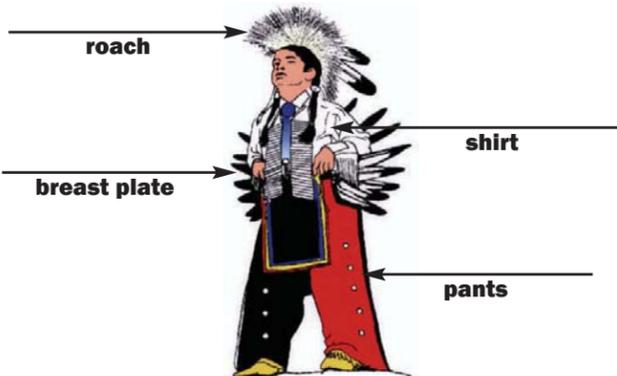
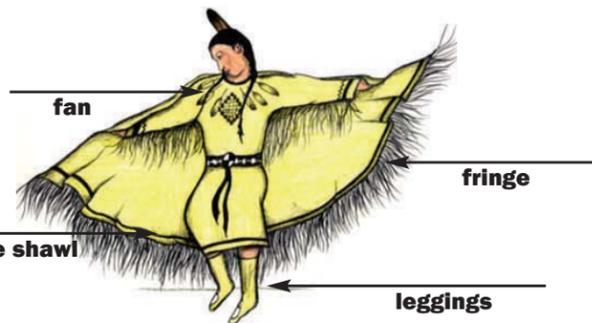
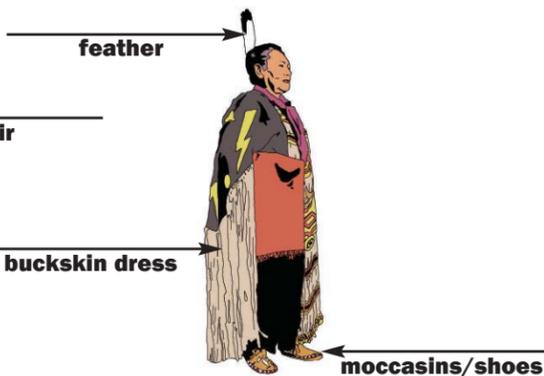
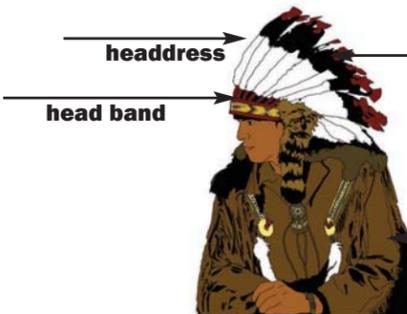
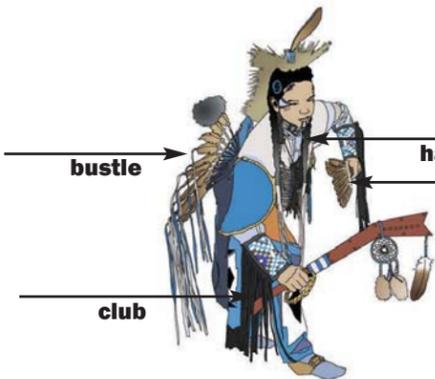
Let's Speak the Anishinaabe Language!

JINGTAMOK

USE SOME OF THE WORDS TO THE LEFT TO HELP YOU FILL IN THE WORD BLANKS.

- aanzaan / pizwin (breech cloth, apron)
- bgamaagan (club)
- bwiins (fan)
- chipzowin (belt)
- dewe'igan (drum)
- dewe'iganaatig (drumstick)
- giishkijiyaaan (vest)
- gshkinkepzowin (arm band / cuff)
- kaadechigan / daas (legging)
- kaadechiganan / daasan (leggings)
- kaaknaagan (breast plate)
- kaadengan (braid)
- kaadenganan (braids)
- migizi-bodaajigan (eagle whistle)
- miigwan (feather)
- miigwanak (feathers)
- miigwana-segaachigan (bustle)
- miigwana-wiikwaan (headdress)
- miikanot (pants)
- miinjis-takobijigans (hair tie)
- miinjisin (hair)
- mjigodenh (dress)
- mkizin (moccasin, shoe)
- mkizinan (moccasins, shoes)
- mooshwen (shawl)
- mshkaanzigan (roach)
- niimi-waaboowaan (dance blanket, shawl)
- naabkawaagan (necklace, choker, scarf)
- napjigan (harness)
- niisiiwezshigan (fringe)
- pabigweyaan (shirt)
- powaagan (pipe)
- pshkwegina (buckskin/leather)
- pshkwegina-miikanot (buckskin pants)
- pshkwegina-mchigodenh (buckskin dress)
- segaachi-bnaakwan (barrette)
- sema-pshkimat (tobacco bag)
- tataagan (bell)
- tataaganan (bells)
- waabowaan (blanket)
- waagaakdaatig (axe)
- weweboo'aan (fancy dance shawl)
- wiikwendipezowin (headband)
- zenbaa (ribbon)
- zhinawaa'oojigan (jingle dress)

- Aanskonyen! [Get changed (clothes).]
- Baabiishin. (Wait for me.)
- Biiskonyen! (get dressed)
- Giiwedaa. (Let's go home.)
- kaaden'ge (braiding hair)
- Naadamoshin. (Help me.)
- Ngamtoshin. (Sing to me.)
- Nbwaachishin. (Visit with me.)
- Ndakenmishin. (Check me out.)
- niimi-gwiwinan (dance clothing, regalia)
- Waaninaagwazi. [She (or He) is cute.]
- Wewiiptaan! (hurry!)
- Wiidabamshin. (Sit with me.)
- Wiidopmishin. (Eat with me.)
- Wijigaamshin. (Dance with me.)
- Wijiwshin. (Come with me.)
- Zhiitaan. (Get ready!)
- Zhinoomoshin. (Show me.)



Vowel	Sounds like:
a	bus
aa	father
e	bed
i	sit
ii	see
o	phone
oo	book
nh	nasal sound

Taga Bizhaan, Anishinaabemdaa!
Kikaajik Wiiji-Nibwaachwedaa

Wenesh Pii: Ensa ShkwaanameGiizhigak
 Ngodabaganek pii Nsodabaganek

Aaniipiish: Naagaanziigamik
 Wiikwedonhsing
 Maawnjidiyng Aachkiniganing

Wenesh: Kina Anishinaabemowin Minwendamowaat

Gabwaachwemi -- Gabizindawaadami
Gawiisinimi, (aabidek sig) !

Kwedwewinan? Biiwaapkoonhsing BiizhiGiigidoon.
 231-242-1454 / 1-888-309-5822

Mondays
 1 - 3 p.m.
 Admin/Govt Building
 Harbor Springs
 Meeting Room (312)
 All Language Lovers

Every Tuesday evening, you can hear the sound of drums, singing and laughter coming from Room 230 in the Technology Building at North Central Michigan College. Is it a jiantamok? No, it's the Anishinaabemowin class! And it is offered every fall and winter semester as a four credit language class. Don't be zegizi (scared) by the term college credit. Instructor and LTBB Odawa Tribal Councilor Fred Harrington always keeps class fun and un-intimidating while motivating and helping students to learn Anishinaabemowin. Whether we are singing songs, serious or silly, translating stories or making up our own, there is always an abundance of good old Indian humor.

You can earn a total of 16 college credits studying Anishinaabemowin over a two-year period (four semesters). Year one consists of Introductory Anishinaabemowin I & II followed by Intermediate Anishinaabemowin I & II. All classes are conducted in Anishinaabemowin with a minimum of English. These courses are taught in a seminar style with learners engaged in language activities such as reading, writing, listening, and speaking during each class session.

All four courses are held during the same time slot, every Tuesday from 6 p.m. until 9:50 p.m. in the Technology Building at NCMC, Room 230. It is a great advantage for beginning language learners to be in the same classroom with advanced students. Students listen and learn

Anishinaabemowin Class at NCMC

Fall Semester begins September 5th, 2006
Sign Up Now!

Everyone is Welcome! Come and learn Anishinaabemowin and earn college credit. Space is limited so act now!

What: Elementary Anishinaabemowin I & II and Intermediate Anishinaabemowin I & II

When: September 5th, 2006 - December 22nd, 2006; Every Tuesday, 6 - 9:50 p.m.

Where: North Central Michigan College, Technology Building, RM 230

Course Instructor: Fred Harrington
 For additional information, call 231-348-6666

Anishinaabemowin through each other. This is an excellent opportunity to learn our beautiful language in an open environment and earn college credit. The class picture says it all, these are fun and entertaining courses and that's more than can be said for most college classes!

15th Annual

Odawa Homecoming Jingtamok

(POW WOW)

Harbor Springs, Michigan

August 12 & 13, 2006

General Admission:
FREE

Grand Entry Times:
Saturday, August 12th - 1pm & 7pm
Sunday, August 13th - 12 noon

- Head Staff -

Host Drum:
Kingbird Singers,
Red Lake, MN

MC:
TBA

Head Veteran:
Walker Stonefish,
Wapole Island, Ontario

Arena Director:
Steven Oldman Sr.,
Wind River, Wyoming

Head Dance Judges:
TBA

Head Dancers:
TBA each session

Drum Contest:

1st Place - \$3,000 First 6 non-placing
2nd Place - \$2,000 registered drums will
3rd Place - \$1,500 receive honorarium.
4th Place - \$1,000

Golden Age 50 & Up

1st - \$550 2nd - \$400 3rd - \$300

Adults 18-49

1st - \$550 2nd - \$400 3rd - \$300 4th - \$200

Teens 13-17

1st - \$250 2nd - \$200 3rd - \$150

Juniors 6-12

1st - \$150 2nd - \$100 3rd - \$75

Registration:

Friday, August 12th, 2006 5pm - 8pm
Saturday, August 13th, 2006 10am - 12:30pm
Registration fee \$5 per dancer/singer
Tiny Tots do not need to register.

15th Annual Miss Odawa Princess Contest

For more information or an application contact: Ellie Payton at 231-242-0851.
Finals to take place on Saturday after second Grand Entry.



Vendor Info:
Marci Reyes
Ph: 231-838-4172
Fax: 231-242-1666

More Information:

Regina Gasco
Ph: 231-242-1574
Or
Tina Sutton
Ph: 231-242-1423



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

Absolutely no politics, drugs, alcohol, weapons, or pets allowed at this event.
Not responsible for loss of property or accidents.

Native News

On the Pow Wow Trail

Compiled by Tina Sutton



<p>Michigan</p> <p>July 21-23 Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Traditional Pow Wow Ojibwa Campgrounds Baraga, MI Contact Information: Pauline Spruce at 906-353-6623</p> <p>July 28-30 Third In Celebration of the Seven Generations Marquette, MI Contact Information: 906-226-0906</p> <p>August 4-6 22nd Annual Saginaw Chippewa Pow Wow Mt. Pleasant, MI Contact Information: Melissa Montaya at 828-736-6996</p> <p>August 12-13 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 15th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Pow Wow grounds Harbor Springs, MI Contact Information: Tina Sutton 231-242-1423 or Regina Gasco 231-242-1574</p> <p>August 19-20 Fifth Annual New Day Sobriety Pow Wow Ojibwa Campgrounds Baraga, MI Contact Information: Paul Halverson at 906-524-4411</p> <p>Wisconsin</p> <p>July 7-9 24th Bear River Traditional Pow Wow Bear River Pow Wow grounds Lac du Flambeau, WI Contact Information: Bob Elm or Teresa Mitchell at 715-588-3333</p> <p>July 13-16 33rd Annual Honor the Earth Traditional Pow Wow HTE Pow Wow grounds Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924</p> <p>July 28-30</p>	<p>Seventh Annual Nations of Warriors Traditional Pow Wow Lake Park Antigo, WI Contact Information: Vern and Ellen Martin at 715-634-0595</p> <p>August 4-6 40th Annual Menominee Nation Contest Pow Wow Woodland Bowl Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-799-5997 715-799-4849 Rose Wayka 715-799-4356</p> <p>August 11-13 30th Annual Mohican Veterans Traditional Pow Wow Many Trails Park Bowler, WI Contact Information: 715-796-4111 www.mohican.com</p> <p>August 19-20 14th Annual Mno Keno Ma Ge Wen Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow grounds Carter, WI Contact Information: 715-478-7374 715-478-7376 715-478-7377</p> <p>August 25-27 32nd Annual St. Croix Wild Rice Fest Traditional Pow Wow Hole in the Wall Casino Danbury, WI Contact Information: 715-656-4406</p> <p>Minnesota</p> <p>July 7-9 Dakota Wacipi Contest Pow Wow Pow Wow grounds Prairie Island, MN Contact Information: 1-800-554-5473, ext. 3023 or www.prairieisland.org</p> <p>July 21-23 Traditional Wacipi National Monument Pipestone, MN Contact Information: 507-562-1009</p> <p>July 29 Chaska Cikla Traditional Pow Wow Chaska, MN</p>	<p>Contact Information: Wally Ripplinger at stoneripp@yahoo.com</p> <p>August 4-6 28th Annual Honoring Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow Mash Ka Wisen Treatment Center Sawyer, MN Contact Information: 218-879-6731</p> <p>August 4-6 13th Annual Dakota Wacipi Traditional Pow Wow Upper Sioux State Park Granite Falls, MN Contact Information: 320-564-2360 www.uppersiouxcommunity.gov</p> <p>August 11-13 Grand Portage Rendezvous Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow grounds Grand Portage, MN Contact Information: 218-475-2239 218-475-2277 www.grandportage.com</p> <p>August 11-13 Red Lake Nation Fair Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow grounds Red Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-679-3341</p> <p>August 12-13 Seventh Annual Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Traditional Pow Wow St. Peter's Church grounds Mendota, MN Contact Information: 651-452-4141 www.mendotadakota.org kangi4259@aol.com</p> <p>August 12-13 Pine Point Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds Ponsford, MN Contact Information: 218-573-2154 maswan@wcta.net</p> <p>August 25-27 Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Contest Wacipi Pow Wow grounds Prior Lake, MN Contact Information: 952-445-8900 www.shakopeedakota.org</p>
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WAGANAKISING ODAWA MARTIAL ARTS CLUB UPDATE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



Members of the Waganakising Odawa Martial Arts Club from the Native Way II gym with their tournament trophies. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.

On April 29, members of the Waganakising Odawa Martial Arts Club competed in the Tae Kwon Do Institute of America Annual Tournament in Whitmore Lake, MI. Competitors came from clubs throughout Michigan. The LTBB Club was the smallest in numbers, but was the largest in spirit and fared well at the competition.

The tournament consisted of two categories: Forms and sparring.

Forms are prescribed choreographed movements of kicks and punches. Judges score forms on the correct and orderly execution of each movement. Examples are starting and ending the form on the same spot, and executing powerful and precise techniques by tensing and relaxing muscles at the proper moment. Judges also take into account balance, rhythm, and synchronization of a competitor's entire body movement.

Sparring is a martial arts term for fighting. Matches are won by scoring four points or being ahead after two minutes. Straight punches or kicks to the body equal one point. Kicks to the head equal one point. No hand techniques to the head are allowed.

Kacie Gokee finished first in sparring and won a medal in forms, **Mikayla Miller** finished second in sparring and won a medal in forms, **Brittany Bentley** won medals in both forms and sparring, **Alexis Carrow** finished third in both forms and sparring, **Sean Miller** won medals in both forms and sparring, **Eric Keller** finished first in sparring and third in forms, **Kathy McGraw** finished first in both forms and sparring, **Bill Denemy, Jr.** finished first in sparring and third in forms, **Alex Fisher** finished third in sparring and won a medal in forms, and **Taylor**

Fisher finished second in forms and won a medal in sparring. Congratulations to all who competed there.

The LTBB Tae Kwon Do Club practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Native Way II gym under the direction of second degree black belt Mister Terry Samuels. The beginner class is 5:45-6:30 p.m., and the advanced class is 6:30-7:30 p.m. New members are always welcomed, so come join the club and kick start your way to a healthier lifestyle!

On May 13, testing was conducted at the Native Way II gym for club members.

Congratulations to the following individuals on their promotions:

- Bill Denemy, Jr.:** Brown belt.
- Regina Brubacker:** Red belt.
- Kathy McGraw:** Red belt.
- Taylor Fisher:** Red belt.
- Alex Fisher:** Red belt.
- Jared Willis:** Red belt.
- Derek Willis:** Red belt.
- Sean Miller:** Blue belt.
- Chris Lynn, Jr.:** Blue belt.
- Mikayla Miller:** Blue belt.
- Eric Keller:** Purple belt.
- Brittany Bentley:** Purple belt.
- Margaret Gasco:** Yellow belt.
- Megan Keller:** Yellow belt.
- Craig Boulton:** Yellow belt.
- Alexis Carrow:** Yellow belt.

Taylor Fisher and **Alex Fisher** planned on participating in the North American Indigenous Games this month in Tae Kwon Do. More information about their competition there will be included in upcoming updates.

Bill Denemy, Jr., Regina Brubacker and **Kathy McGraw** contributed to this article.

Pictured in the photo above from left to right in the front row are Kathy McGraw, Mikayla Miller, Kacie Gokee and Alexis Carrow, Master Marti Lynn is in the middle row, and from left to right in the back row are Sean Miller, Eric Keller, Brittany Bentley and Bill Denemy, Jr.

CALLING ALL DANCERS
THE LTBB POW WOW COMMITTEE IS
SEEKING DANCERS TO RIDE ON A FOURTH
OF JULY PARADE FLOAT. IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING, CONTACT
TINA SUTTON AT 231-242-1423.

GREENSKY HILL CHURCH CAMP
GREENSKY HILL CHURCH IN CHARLEVOIX, MI, IS HOLDING A
CAMP MEETING ON JULY 7, 8 AND 9. ON JULY 7 AND 8, IT STARTS
AT 7 P.M. ON JULY 9, IT STARTS AT 11 A.M. FOR MORE
INFORMATION, CALL 231-582-9441 OR 231-547-2028.

19TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN INDIAN FAMILY OLYMPICS

It's that time of year again. LTBB is requesting your participation in the 19th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics on July 21 in Mt. Pleasant, MI. The Diabetes and Steps Program are providing the funding for the registration fees and lodging on July 20.

The following information is a message from the coordinators of the 2006 Michigan Indian Family Olympics.

The registration process has changed this year. Registration will

be completed at the event through a "controlled system," and it will be conducted in the vehicle prior to parking. If you are coming in an individual vehicle, please hold on to your registration forms until the day of the event. If you are coming in a bus with your team, please give your registration form to your event coordinator. This will be essential for a smooth operation of registration on the day of the event. Miigwech.

The LTBB Health staff will be

available during the registration process to assure your registration fees are paid. We are still requiring that you send us your name, address, age, and t-shirt size for our records and for lodging purposes.

The registration deadline is July 14 at noon. You can mail your information to the LTBB Community Health Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740, call it in to 231-242-1619 or fax it to 231-

242-1601.

Registration forms are available online at www.sagchip.org/fitness/mifo/index.htm, you can get them at the LTBB Community Health Department located at 1080 Hager Drive in Petoskey, MI, and they are also available Below.

The LTBB Health Department will have canopies set up where we will provide a light breakfast and water on July 21. Distribution of team t-shirts is from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. We request LTBB team mem-

bers participate in the opening ceremonies at 9:30 a.m.

Please call the LTBB Community Health Department at 231-242-1601 on Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. with any questions or for more information.

Please join us in a day of fun. *Miigwech, LTBB Community Health/Diabetes Department*

19th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics

Event Times

ATTENTION: PLEASE READ

These are approximate times. Athletes need to be ready and in the designated area by this time. They need to listen to the announcer for the first and second calls so they will not miss the race. No race will be re-run unless otherwise announced by the Family Olympics Committee. Coordinators from each Tribal community and parents are responsible for their athletes. The exact times of the races and field events will depend on the number of heats per races or participants per field event.

LIMIT 4 EVENTS PER PARTICIPANT—This will be strictly enforced

These times are approximate—they may run later than scheduled.

7:00 AM		Registration starts at 7:00 AM	
9:30 AM		OPENING CEREMONIES	
10:00 AM	Softball Throw (5-6,7-9, 10-12)	400M Walk	Baby Crawl
	Softball Throw (From 13 & Up)	(41- 54, 55 & Up)	Tot Trot 10M (1-2)
10:15 AM		400M Run	20M (3-4)
		(13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-40, 41-54, 55-Up)	Bean Bag Toss
10:45 AM	Jump Rope	1600M Run	(4 & Under)
	(5-6, 7-9, 10-12)	(13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-40, 41-54, 55-Up)	
11:00 AM			Running Long Jump
			(13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-40, 41-54, 55-Up)
11:30 AM		50M Run	
		(5-6, 7-9, 10-12, 41-54, 55 & Up)	
		400M Pre/Post Natal Walk	
11:45 AM	LUNCH STARTS		LUNCH STARTS
1:00 PM	Football Throw (5-6,7-9, 10-12)	800M Walk	
	Football Throw (From 13 & Up)	(41-54, 55 & Up)	
1:30 PM		100M Run (7-9, 10-12)	
		(13-15,16-18, 19-30, 31-40, 41-54, 55-Up)	
2:00 PM			Standing Board Jump
2:15 PM		800M Run	(5-6,7-9, 10-12)
		(13-15,16-18, 19-30, 31-40, 41-54, 55-Up)	
3:00 PM		Team Relays	
3:15 PM		Team Tug-O-War	
4:00 PM		CLOSING CEREMONIES	

MIFO PARTICIPANT NUMBER (EVENT DAY USE ONLY) #

19th ANNUAL MICHIGAN INDIAN FAMILY OLYMPICS

Friday, July 21, 2006-Central Michigan University—Bennett Track

Registration Form

Registration Fee: \$5.00 per person for ages 5-54

This event is open to all Native Americans who reside in the state of Michigan
*This is an Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Free Event

FIRST NAME (PLEASE WRITE IN UPPER CASE LETTERING)

LAST NAME

ADDRESS CITY ZIP

AGE GROUP (PLEASE "X" EXAMPLE: (1-2))

Baby (1-2) (3-4) (5-6) (7-9) (10-12)
(13-15) (16-18) (19-24) (25-40) (41-54) (55 & Up)

TRIBE/ORGANIZATION (PLEASE "X" EXAMPLE: AIS)

AIS (American Indian Services) BMIC (Bay Mills Indian Community) DU/NAIA (Det./Urban/Native American Indian Assoc.)
CH (Chickhane) GLT (Gun Lake Tribe) GR (Grand River)
GTB (Grand Traverse Bay Band) HIC (Hannahville Indian Community) HP (Huron Potawatomi)
IHFS (Indian Health and Family Services) KBIC (Keweenaw Bay Indian Comm.) LRB (Little River Band)
LTTB (Little Traverse Bay Band) MSCG (Muscogee) PP (Pokagon Potawatomi)
SCIT (Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe) SSM (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe) WI (Walpole Island) OTHER

Please accept my entry in the 2006 Michigan Indian Family Olympics. I hereby state that I have conditioned myself properly for the activities I will participate in. I waive any right that I have against the Family Olympics officials, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, and all the participating groups for damages or injuries occurred by my participation in the 2006 Michigan Indian Family Olympics.

SIGNATURE:

(Must be signed by a parent or guardian if participant is under 18 years old) (Date)

NOTICE!!!

The registration process will be completed at the event this year through a "controlled system" and will be conducted in the vehicles prior to parking. If you are coming in an individual vehicle, please hold on to your registration forms until the day of the event. If you are coming in a bus with your team, please give your registration form to your event coordinator. This will be essential for a smooth operation of registration on the day of the event!!! Miigwech!!
PLEASE DO NOT SEND REGISTRATION FORMS OR MONEY!!!

For questions, please contact Jaden Harman, MIFO Event Coordinator @ (989) 775-4694

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS ELDERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Association Scholarship

Scholarship Application

Aanii Student,

The following items detail the requirements and guidelines for applying for the LTBB Elders Association scholarship.

Administration

General administration of the LTBB Elders Association Scholarship is under the direction of the LTBB Elder Association. The Association will screen all applications and then conduct a random lottery to select the two recipients. Scholarship recipients will be notified following the first Thursday of September each year. All applications must be sent to the LTBB Education Department. The address is:
LTBB Education Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI. 49740

Applications will be forwarded to the LTBB Elders Association on August 2nd. **ALL applications received after August 1st will be returned.**

Awards/Allocation

The standard LTBB scholarship award for each student will be a one time payment made directly to the student of \$500.

Qualifications

1. Applicant must be an enrolled member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior or returning college student enrolled as a full-time student.
3. **High School students:** Applicant must have a high school grade point average (g.p.a.) of 3.0 or higher. Applicant must attach to this application form the current official high school transcripts.
Current college students: Applicant must have a cumulative g.p.a. of 3.0 or higher. Applicant must attach to this application form the current official college transcripts.
Contact schools early in order to receive your transcripts in time to mail with this application. High school transcripts are not necessary if you have completed at least one semester of college and are presently attending college.
4. Completed application with all required attachments must be in to the LTBB Education Department office by August 1st prior to the fall semester of intended enrollment.

Scholarship Application Form

Information must be typed or written legibly.

Deadline - Completed Application with all attachments must be received in the LTBB Education Department Office by August 1st

Important: Be sure to enclose transcripts. Mail to LTBB Education Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI. 49740

Name

D.O.B. / / Social Security # - - Tribal ID#

PERMANENT ADDRESS:

Street
City, State, Zip
Phone Number

Check if same as above

SCHOOL ADDRESS: (Where you live while attending school)

Street
City, State, Zip
Phone Number
E-Mail Address

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED:

Date of Graduation:

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY:

Public Private Tribal

Name
Street
City, State, Zip

I WILL BE A:

Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate

I declare that the information given by me on this form is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that if granted assistance I will use it only for educational expenses.

Signature of student Date

UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH THE NEW LTBB EMPLOYEES SERVING OUR TRIBAL COMMUNITY



Jenny Robinson

Aanii. My name is Jenny Robinson. I have been working with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians as a Dental Assistant at the Dental Clinic since November. I enjoy the work I do here, and I'm very proud of the dental clinic. I have been a dental assistant for five years. I graduated from Northwestern Michigan College Dental Assisting Program. I also completed a basic clinical periodontics class for dental assistants at Hastings Indian Medical Center in Tahlequah, OK. My grandmother was the late Anna-Marie Lyons, and my parents are Sandy Robinson and the late Sandra (Lyons) Robinson. I have a five-year-old son named Michael. I enjoy spending time with my friends and family, scrap booking and camping. I look forward to meeting all the tribal members and their families. Miigwech.



Tammy Bowers

Tammy Bowers has been working as the Contract Health Receptionist since May. She grew up in Gaylord and graduated from Gaylord St. Mary's. Her brother Roger Willis is a LTBB Conservation Officer, and her sister Terri Thomasma is an Accounting Clerk. Her husband of 11 years, Spencer Bowers, is in the United States Army based out of Fort Drum, NY, and he is currently deployed to Afghanistan. Her parents are the late John R. Willis, Jr. and Dorothy (Edgar) Willis. Her grandfather is John R. Willis, Sr. She worked for the last 11 years as a government service worker, most recently working as a Legal Clerk for the U.S. Army Judge Advocate General Corps. She enjoys spending time with her family and talking to her husband. She has enjoyed "reconnecting with family and friends" after traveling around for several years with her military husband. She said, "I love my job because I have great people to work with, and I enjoy meeting new people."



Rebecca Fisher

Rebecca Fisher, who grew up in Harbor Springs, has been the Executive Assistant since November. Her parents are Jim and Cloenda (Scott) Fisher. Her grandparents are Louie and Thelma (Harrington) Fisher, and Richard and Greta Scott. Her sister Meredith Henry works in the Environmental Services Department as a Water Quality Assistant/Wetland Technician. She was the first high school graduate from Concord Academy of Petoskey, and she earned a Bachelor's degree in Museum Studies from the Institute of American Indian Art in Santa Fe, NM. She previously worked as a public relations intern for the Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington D.C., and she worked as an assistant to the deputy director there for almost two years. She said, "She was excited to move back to the area (she had lived outside the area for 10 years), so she could be around her family again, and to watch her niece Sophia Henry grow up." She enjoys watching "Grey's Anatomy," legally downloading music, scrap booking, hula hooping, watching old vintage movies and ballroom dancing.



Nate Stead

Nate Stead is a LTBB Tribal Police Recruit and he was scheduled to attend Kirtland Community College Police Academy this month. He graduated from Alanson High School. He earned a Bachelor's degree in business management from Central Michigan University. He said he wanted to become a police officer because, "It allowed him to help people." His parents are Larry and Laurie Stead. His grandparents are Francis and Anna Mae Stead. His cousin Ryan Roberts is a tribal police officer. His aunt Mary Roberts is the Employment Manager for Victories Casino and Hotel, and a Tribal Council member. His aunt Shirley Oldman is the Tribal Council Treasurer. He enjoys hunting, fishing and playing sports.



Lois VanTol

Lois VanTol, who grew up in Harbor Springs and graduated from Harbor Springs High School, has been the Medical Records Technician at the health clinic since February. She previously worked at Burns Clinic Medical Center in Petoskey for 22 years in Medical Records and Purchasing. Her mother is Peggy Young, her son is Rod VanTol, her daughter-in-law is Pam VanTol, and her grandchildren are Zoey and Quinn VanTol. She enjoys outdoor activities, particularly working in her flower beds, walking and camping.



Jeff Livingston

Jeff Livingston, who is from Traverse City, has been a LTBB Tribal Police Officer since April. He graduated from Traverse City High School. He earned his Associate and Bachelor's degrees from Northwood University. He graduated from Northwestern Michigan College Police Academy. He previously worked as a tribal police officer for the Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. He has been married to his wife Chrys for 14 years. He enjoys playing hockey and golf, and working around the house.

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because she said, 'It was important for me to write the language and to document it.' I never pictured myself as an author, but I wanted to write it down for future generations. I see it as a calling. I've enjoyed speaking the Odawa language all my life, and I want others to have the same opportunity I've had."

Kiogima heard his parents, Augustine and Kathryn (King) Kiogima, speak it at home, but his grandmother, Mary Ann Kiogima, insisted he speak the Odawa language in her home when he went to live with her at age 13.

"My grandmother told me, 'No one here speaks English, so you better learn how to speak Odawa,'" Kiogima said. "I wasn't knowledgeable about the language at first, but I picked it up pretty quickly by necessity. After a while, I automatically knew what it meant when I heard someone speaking it. Back then (Kiogima grew up in the 1930s), everyone spoke the language fluently. Now, only four or five people that I know of speak it fluently."

Because of that, McFall said some people might see Kiogima's book as a link to the past.

"To me, our language is still living," McFall said. "What we want to do is to revitalize it. This book helps us do that. We've ordered copies of his book to utilize in our program."

When Kiogima attended Holy Childhood School in Harbor Springs growing up, the nuns there told all the Indian students

to only speak English there and not their own language.

"Some of the kids there spoke pretty good Ojibwe (which is similar to Odawa), so I could understand quite a bit of what they were saying," Kiogima said. "You had to speak your own language in private because you'd get in trouble if you were caught speaking it."

Kiogima is quick to point out he writes, speaks and teaches only Odawa.

"Odawa and Ojibwe are similar, but there are slight differences," Kiogima said. "I can understand someone who speaks in Ojibwe for the most part, but there are some things I don't understand. I always tell people who want to learn from me that I teach Odawa."

Kiogima said the Odawa language has always been around, and it's the responsibility of the Odawa people to learn and speak it.

"It needs to start at home with the parents speaking and teaching it to their children," Kiogima said. "It's fine to have classes and schools for it, but it needs to start at home with the parents and it needs to trickle down to the younger generations."

You can buy Kiogima's book locally at *Between the Covers* in Harbor Springs and at *McLean & Eakin Booksellers* in Petoskey. You can contact *Xlibris Corporation* at 1-888-795-4274 or visit *Xlibris' website* at www2.xlibris.com to order a copy.

Tribal Directories
 The enrollment office has tribal directories for sale to LTBB Members for \$5 each.
 Make checks payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians.

LTBB ATTORNEY MATT LESKY JOINS THE STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN



Allie Maldonado (on the left), Matt Lesky (center) and Judge Charles W. Johnson (on the right) at the swearing in. Photo courtesy of Matt Lesky.

On May 18, LTBB Attorney Matt Lesky was sworn in as a member of the State Bar of Michigan by Judge Charles W. Johnson of the 57th Circuit Court in Petoskey. LTBB Attorney Allie Maldonado made the motion to accept Mr. Lesky as a member of the State Bar. Mr. Lesky is licensed to practice law in the State of Michigan.

COME JOIN THE FUN AT THE FLEA MARKET

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Elders Association is sponsoring a flea market on July 22 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the LTBB Pow Wow grounds in Harbor Springs, MI. Those wishing to sell items there can pick up registration forms from Administrative Receptionist Tammy Gasco at the LTBB Governmental Complex in Harbor Springs or you can get

one from Harriet Kishigo-Booth.

Cost is \$20 per table. Four tables maximum per person. Set-up starts at 6 p.m. on July 21, and security will be provided. People selling items must set up and take down their own tables, awnings and canopies; provide their own change and strong box; and clean up their area after the event. The Elders

Association expects to have a variety of booths selling various items, food and refreshments. Volunteers are welcome.

For more information, contact Tammy Gasco at 231-242-1400 or Harriet Kishigo-Booth at 231-838-6547.

Harriet Kishigo-Booth contributed to this article.

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Charlene Kristie Biro (left) works for Northrop Grumman, a global defense company based in California. Photo courtesy of Charlene Kristie Biro.

transferring to a four-year college eventually to earn a Bachelor's degree in graphic arts. "They did everything they could to prepare me for college. It was always a given that I would attend college."

"I started college at Macomb Community College, but I put college on hold when I got married and started having my children. I tried to go back to college when I had three children, but it was too difficult. I'm able to take more classes now that my children are all getting older. I am determined to finish what I started and earn my college degree."

Kristie plans to attend California State University or California Institute of Technology to pursue a Master's degree in either mechanical engineering or engineering management. She is also thinking about going to law school and focusing on Native American law. Michigan State has an Indigenous Law certificate program.

"I am leaning toward engineering management," Kristie said. "Coming from a big family and being an older sister, I have always played the leader role. I think engineering management would come easily. I am undecided on law school because I want to do so many other things. However, I think I'm a strong enough person to make a positive impact in Native communities by practicing law. So many things still need to be done."

"I would like to represent our

people in one way or another. I want to do things to make sure our tribal community stays strong. I want us as a tribe to focus on diversifying our businesses and not concentrate on only one main business (gaming). There is less risk of loss with many different businesses than with just one. To ensure our long-term success as a growing tribal community, it is important that we recognize this and act upon it."

While at Michigan State, Kristie was a member of NAISO (North American Indigenous Student Organization) where she represented NAISO on ASMSU's (Associated Students of Michigan State University, MSU's student government) Academic Assembly for one year. She was the president of the Michigan State chapter of AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society) for three years, and was the AISES Region 6 representative for two years where she represented all the AISES chapters of the northeastern part of the United States. She also served as a planner/counselor for the Michigan Indian Leadership Program.

"I want to be a lifelong member of AISES, and be on the Board of Directors someday," said Kristie, who serves as a mentor through AISES.

The Michigan Indian Leadership Program is a summer program at Michigan State where Native American students in grades eight through 12 are

exposed to the higher education opportunities, and participate in cultural activities.

"We (she and her siblings) were very fortunate to have parents who encouraged us to go to college because we grew up in a city where not everyone graduated from high school much less went to college," said Kristie, who grew up in Harper Woods, MI. "I believe very strongly in the Michigan Indian Leadership Program because I want tribal youth to be aware of the educational opportunities out there and to take advantage of them."

"Our tuition is paid for (In Michigan, there is a tuition waiver that pays for full tuition at state-funded Michigan universities for students who are at least 25% Native American and who are Michigan residents). It's important our Native community educates itself."

AISES is a national organization that begins in high school, proceeds through college and into the professional world. The organization is a support and professional development system for Native Americans and Alaskan Natives who are pursuing science and technical related fields. The organization has a National Conference (NAISF) for high school students which includes a science fair and college recruitment. There is also a National Conference for college students, undergraduate and graduate, where a job/internship fair is held as well as professional workshops.

"There are many internship possibilities that AISES offers as well as scholarships for college," Kristie said. "This is how I received my internship with Northrop Grumman two years ago that eventually led to my hiring in September of last year."

The professional AISES members also serve as mentors to the college and high school members.

"Without AISES, I wouldn't be where I am today," Kristie said. "The support they have provided me has been amazing. I think that every Native who hopes to pursue a science or technical related field should join this organization."

Cynthia started studying sci-

ence, specifically microbiology and natural science, but she eventually decided to major in American Culture with an emphasis on Native American Studies. She is in the process of applying to a doctoral program.

"American Culture is a small department at Michigan, so it is very intimate and personal," said Cynthia, who had a 4.0 grade point average for the 2006 spring semester and has a 3.9 overall GPA in her major. "Our faculty is great. (The late) Vine Deloria, Jr's son (Philip J. Deloria) is on our faculty. Everyone should read his (Philip J. Deloria) book 'Playing Indian'. I was so star struck when he first came into one of my classes."

Cynthia wants to dispel the misconceptions people have about Native Americans. She is working on a 30-page paper dispelling the misconceptions people have about Pocahontas, and how an American identity is formed by appropriating this Native woman.

"I'm not sure exactly what I want to do in the future, but I have a feeling I would like to teach and educate future generations of children on the Native American culture at the collegiate level, and I would like to write books that educate people on our culture," Cynthia said. "I think it is my calling to step up and be a teacher. I want to do something about the ignorance."

"One of my professors (Michael Witgen) approached me about going to graduate school. I had not thought about doing it, but once I thought about it, it made sense. I would like to thank him. I owe him so much. He has changed my life."

Cynthia is a member of the Native American Student Association at Michigan, she is a member of AISES and she is active in the Native American Programming Task Force. The mission of the Native American Programming Task Force is to identify and define who we are as Native American Social Workers and provide ongoing support, education and advocacy that will enhance our ability to improve ourselves and our communities. She has also been a counselor for

the Michigan Indian Leadership Program at Michigan State.

"Before I came to Michigan, I knew the basic Native American history, but you look at it in a more in-depth process here when you're in this program," Cynthia said. "You don't just focus on the Great Lakes area either. You learn about all the Native cultures."

"It changed my outlook on things."

Through one of her classes at Michigan, Cynthia is in Camp Davis, WY, until July 14.

"We go to study the history, landscape and literature there," Cynthia said of the class that has Philip J. Deloria as one of its professors.

Valerie volunteers with the National Congress of the American Indians and National Indian Gaming Association, and she is the Michigan state director for Indians List. She was also on what is now known as the LTBB Gaming Board of Directors for two years.

Cynthia and Kristie said their mother and father are both strong role models.

"My mother is a very strong Indian woman, and a lot of my personality comes from her," Cynthia said. "My parents are probably the strongest people I know. I get my work ethic from both of them. My parents have sacrificed a lot for me and my brothers and sisters. They make sure we succeed and go where we want to go. They say it is just a part of being a parent, but they do so much for all of us. We appreciate everything they do."

Valerie, who attended the 2006 NCAI Mid-Year Session in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, with Cynthia from June 18-21, gives all the credit to her daughters. Cynthia also plans on attending NCAI's 63rd Annual Convention in Sacramento, CA, from October 1-6.

"Everything they've done and will do in the future is their success, not ours," Valerie said. "We (she and her husband) gave them the background and resources to be successful, but their accomplishments are because of their hard work."

"They are very self-motivated."

CULTURAL EVENTS AT THE ANDREW J. BLACKBIRD MUSEUM

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Andrew J. Blackbird Museum in Harbor Springs, MI, announces its "Evenings at the Longhouse." The opening ceremony is July 11. Drums and regalia are encouraged. On July 18, Yvonne Walker-Keshick talks about genealogy. On July 25, Warren Petoskey plays the guitar and tells stories. On August 1, Dan Chigwa talks about beadwork. On August 15, Carla McFall talks about the Odawa Language. On August 22, Aaron Otto plays the flute. On August 29, Frank Ettawageshik tells stories. The closing of the longhouse is September 12 where there will be a corn soup cook-off.

The Andrew J. Blackbird Museum is sponsoring the Third

Annual North American Indian Art Fair on July 22 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Jean Jardine Park on Zoll Street in Harbor Springs, MI. This event is intended to honor and perpetuate Native American heritage, culture, and history. Vendor participation is open only to members of the Native American community, and only Native American crafts will be allowed. Storytellers and historians are encouraged to participate. Each participant will receive a 25-square foot space for \$25. Participants must bring their own canopies, tables, strong boxes and change.

Museum board members will be at the location at 8 a.m. for set-up. You can pre-register by sending a check made out to

the "City of Harbor Springs" with "Blackbird Museum - Art Fair" on the memo line to Art Fair Chairperson Robert Shagonaby at 802 North Washington Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49740, or you may register and pay on the day of the event. If you pre-register by July 14, the fee is \$20. In case of bad weather, the rain site is Walstrom Marine storage building No. 1 located on Hoyt Street in Harbor Springs. Native Americans throughout the state and several media outlets have been invited to attend. For more information, call 231-526-2705.

Robert Shagonaby and Joyce Shagonaby contributed to this article.

INDIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS DIRECTORY AVAILABLE ONLINE

The Indian Arts and Crafts Board (IACB), an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, recently announced the posting of its updated Source Directory of American Indian and Alaska Native Owned and Operated Arts and Crafts Businesses available at www.iacb.doi.gov. It is organized by state. It includes federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native artists and craftspeople; cooperatives; tribal arts and crafts enterprises; businesses privately owned and operated by federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native artists, designers, and craftspeople; and businesses privately owned and operated by American Indian and Alaska Native merchants who retail and/or wholesale authentic Indian and Alaska Native arts and crafts.

It is updated monthly as new applications for business listings are received and approved. This service is available only to individuals who are enrolled members of federally recognized Indian tribes or Alaska Native groups. Besides completing an application, applicants are required to provide a copy of tribal enrollment documentation from his or her federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native group. The listing is free.

To receive an application to be listed in the directory, contact IACB at 1-888-278-3253 or write to Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St., NW, MS 2058-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Specify if the application is for an individual or a group such as a tribal enterprise or cooperative.

Traditional Healer

Jake Pine

is available for appointments on

Thursday, July 13 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

and

Friday, July 14 from 9 a.m.-noon.

Sweat Lodge may be available, call for details.

All appointments at LTBB
Community Health Department
1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey MI.
(located behind Victories Casino)

For more details or to schedule an appointment,
call 231-242-1601

LTBB TRIBAL MEMBERS' ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS



Claus Nowell (on the right) with his arm raised in victory. Photo courtesy of Ellie Payton.

Congratulations to **Claus Nowell**, a fourth-grader at Shay Elementary School in Harbor Springs, for having a great wrestling season. Nowell is the son of Ellie Payton and Rick

Nowell, and the grandson of Harriet Kishigo-Booth. He recently completed his second season of wrestling and he had a 15-4 record. He tied for the team lead with most pins, and he had his team's second-fastest pin at eight seconds. His coach was Quinton Negley.

Congratulations to **Darron Munson**, a Charlevoix High School junior, for having a great track and field season.

Love Aunt Rita and Uncle Marty.

Munson competed in his second Division III state track and field state finals on June 3 where he helped the 3,200-meter relay team finish third. At the Michigan Interscholastic Track Coaches Association Division III team state final on May 27, he helped Charlevoix finish third. He was fourth in the long jump and fifth in the 400-

meter run there.

Munson helped the Rayders win a Division III regional title on May 21. At the regional, he finished second in the 200-meter dash and 400-meter run, and he helped the 400-meter and 1,600-meter relay teams finish first there.

Congratulations to **Andi Gasco**, a freshman at Petoskey High School, for being named First Team All-Conference pitcher and PHS' Most Valuable Player. She won the team's best hitter award with a .410 batting average. She helped PHS win Big North Conference and Division II district titles. Andi set PHS single season records in strikeouts (326), earned run average (0.74), home runs (five), innings pitched (207), and victories (23). She had a team-leading 33 runs batted in. Her pitching record was 23-8 with two saves.

When you are pregnant

Drinking Can Hurt Your Baby

When you are pregnant, your baby grows inside you. Everything you eat and drink while you are pregnant affects your baby. If you drink **alcohol**, it can hurt your baby's growth. Your baby may have physical and behavioral problems that can last for the rest of his or her life. Children born with the most serious problems caused by alcohol have **fetal alcohol syndrome**.



Children with fetal alcohol syndrome may:

- Be born small
- Have problems eating and sleeping
- Have problems seeing and hearing
- Have trouble following directions and learning how to do simple things
- Have trouble paying attention and learning in school
- Need special teachers and schools
- Have trouble getting along with others and controlling their behavior
- Need medical care all their lives

Here are some questions you may have about alcohol and drinking while you are pregnant.

1. **Can I drink alcohol if I am pregnant?** No. Do not drink alcohol when you are pregnant. Why? Because when you drink alcohol, so does your baby. Think about it. Everything you drink, your baby also drinks.
2. **Is any kind of alcohol safe to drink during pregnancy?** No. Drinking any kind of alcohol when you are pregnant can hurt your baby. Alcohol drinks are beer, wine, wine coolers, liquor, and mixed drinks. A glass of wine, a can of beer, and a mixed drink all have about the same amount of alcohol.
3. **What if I drank during my last pregnancy and my baby was fine?** Every pregnancy is different. Drinking alcohol may hurt one baby more than another. You could have one child that is born healthy, and another child that is born with problems.
4. **Will these problems go away?** No. These problems will last for a child's whole life. People with severe problems may not be able to take care of themselves as adults. They may never be able to work.
5. **What if I am pregnant and have been drinking?** If you drank alcohol before you knew you were pregnant, stop drinking now. You will feel better and your baby will have a good chance to be born healthy. If you want to get pregnant, do not drink alcohol. You may not know you are pregnant right away. Alcohol can hurt a baby even when you are only 1 or 2 months pregnant.
6. **How can I stop drinking?** There are many ways to help yourself stop drinking. You do not have to drink when other people drink. If someone gives you a drink, it is OK to say no. Stay away from people or places that make you drink. Do not keep alcohol at home.

There Is Hope

If you cannot stop drinking, GET HELP. You may have a disease called **alcoholism**. There are programs that can help you stop drinking. Please call our Substance Abuse Department. 242-1640 or 242-1642

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP LEADER SESSION

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

The Membership portion of the May 13 Community Meeting was led by General Membership Leader Ken Harrington. He opened the session by praying in both Odawa and English. He spoke of the good job being done by the Executive Branch, the Tribal Council and their staffs in the transition of the government under the new Constitution. He congratulated them on all of their efforts.

During the ensuing discussion, he stressed the importance of preserving our culture and continuing our fight for sovereignty, he stressed education and the gaming class offered at Northern Central Michigan College for future career-minded members at the new casino, and he stressed the importance of education for workers at the new casino since it is the tribe's largest economic development project. He asked for other concerns and issues for discussion from the membership.

Here is what was discussed there by tribal members in attendance:

1. Concerns about the "Odawa Trails" newsletter

- A. Late notification of events and activities.
- B. More explanation of the traditional concepts.
- C. Public comment section.
- D. Who to contact to submit articles for the newsletter.

I introduced myself as the new Communications Coordinator (I started on May 1) and said I was the contact person to have items placed in the newsletter. I said I was in the process of redesigning "Odawa Trails" to make it more informational with features written about tribal events and tribal members, and I was working to

get it out in a more timely manner (The majority of the tribal members living in the northern Michigan area received their June newsletter in the mail on June 1). I also said we did not have a public comment or editorial section because we produce a newsletter, not a newspaper.

2. Youth Activities

- A. Need for support of our youth by the tribal community when they participate in activities.
- B. Support of the Headstart Program by the tribe.
- C. The need for a youth center.
- D. The need for a youth program that teaches our cultural traditions.

3. Tribal Preference

- A. How it works and when is it used to hire employees.
- B. Notify people who apply for employment in writing as to why he or she did not qualify for the position they applied for and why he or she wasn't offered the job.
- C. Clark Construction is trying to follow tribal preference in the building of the new casino.
- D. Persistence will pay off in regards to the new casino. Eventually, it will give the tribe the revenue it needs to increase funding for current programs and it will fund new programs.
- E. When did we take on the western ways of doing business?

4. Uses for the old casino building once the new casino is built

- A. Storage space.

- B. Day care facility for employees and tribal members.
 - C. Youth Center.
 - D. Reception and community social gathering facility.
 - E. Assisted living facility for tribal members.
 - F. Class II gaming facility.
- ### 5. Education
- A. Technical education needs to be a priority for all tribal members.
 - B. Tuition Waiver is not a free education; it is a payment for land.
 - C. Need for support of children in middle school and high school so they will not drop out before earning a high school diploma, and to urge them to go to college.
 - D. Importance of attending colleges and technical schools.
 - E. Importance of establishing training programs.
- ### 6. Additional concerns and issues

- A. Help in keeping the Native Way gym clean and in shape. It was suggested showers be added.
- B. Need for short-term and long-term health care facility for all tribal members.
- C. Importance of having a backup plan to generate revenue for the tribe if the new casino doesn't generate the profits it is expected to.

Ken Harrington contributed to this article, and Election Board member Carol Quinones provided notes from the LTBB Community Meeting.

A Special Invitation to American Indian & Alaska Native Women

"Two years ago I had 7 sisters...today I have 6. The women of my family know more about having breast cancer than any of us ever thought we would. And, we want to share the word about the Sister Study with as many Native American women as we can."

Quotes from Eunice Oxendine (L), a Sister Study participant, pictured here with her sister, Darce (R), a breast cancer survivor. The photo shows their sister Grace who died from breast cancer in 2004.

American Indian & Alaska Native Women are needed to join a landmark study to discover the causes of breast cancer. The Sister Study will enroll fifty thousand women whose sister had breast cancer. The study is conducted by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

Sisters share many things — early experiences, environment, and genes. By joining the Sister Study, you can help researchers learn how environment and genes may affect the chances of getting breast cancer.

"I have been amazed that someone is looking at environmental dangers and hereditary factors that we have always wondered about in relation to cancer. As a Native American woman, I am so happy to participate in a study that has begun to ask about these factors."

American Indian & Alaska Native sisters have powerful information to share with the Sister Study. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among American Indian & Alaska Native women. In recent years, their rate of death due to the disease has risen in certain areas of the U.S., and the 5-year survival rate is lower than for white women. Yet scientists have very little information on cancer histories in American Indian & Alaska Native communities.

You are eligible for the study if —

- Your sister (living or deceased), related to you by blood, had breast cancer
- You are between the ages of 35 and 74
- You have never had breast cancer yourself
- You live in the U.S.

"When you look at the picture of me and my sisters, how do you know who will succumb to the cancer statistics? Who will survive cancer... who won't? Although my sisters and I may never see the day breast cancer is eradicated from the Native American population, we can be a part of the road to that end."

Will you join the Sister Study for your daughters, nieces, granddaughters, and future generations?

1-877-4-SISTER (1-877-474-7837)
Deaf / Hard of Hearing: 1-866-TTY-4SIS
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LTBB COMMUNITY MEMBERS COMPETING AT THE 2006 NATIVE AMERICAN INDIGENOUS GAMES

By **Cathy Gibson**, Health Education Administrative Assistant

Six LTBB tribal and two tribal community members will represent Team Michigan in the 2006 Native American Indigenous Games (NAIG) in Denver, CO, from July 1-9. With the assistance of funding from the Little Traverse Bay Bands Donations and Small Grant

funds, 13-year-old **Alex Fisher** and 15-year-old **Taylor Fisher** will compete in tae kwon do forms and fighting divisions. Three of the five youth basketball teams from Michigan will feature tribal members: 14-year-old **Cassandra Gibson**, 16-year-old **Gaila Vertz**, 18-year-old

Jesse Oldman and 18-year-old **Forrest Worthington**. **JD Gibson** is the 15-17-year-old boys basketball coach, and I will assist with chaperoning 60 youth from around the state of Michigan there.

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
May 21, 2006
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle
9:15 a.m. Smudging
9:30 a.m.

Closed Session: no
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at:
9:30 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.
Absent: Treasurer Shirley Oldman

Executive Office Present: Rebecca Fisher-
Executive Assistant

Legal Staff Present: none

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office
Manager,

Commission, Boards and Committees: none

Guests: Doug Emery, Roger Emery

Opening Ceremony: Alice Yellowbank

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt the agenda as amended for May 21, 2006.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve the minutes of May 7, 2006.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Harrington to adopt Tribal Resolution #052106-01 Donation of \$5,000 for the Restoration of the Burt Lake Burial Grounds. Funds to come from the prior year funds line item. The NAGPRA Department will have oversight of this project.
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-abstained, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and sup-

ported by Councilor Roberts to place the Probate Statute on the Legislative Calendar.
Vote: 7- Yes, 1- No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to place the Motor Vehicle and Parking Statute on the Legislative Calendar.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to place to Wetlands Protection and Management Statute on the Legislative Calendar.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Roberts to enact Waganakising Odawak Statute Commission Boards and Committees.
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-abstained, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to Councilor Yellowbank enact Waganakising Odawak Statute Citizenship Statute of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-abstained, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to remove Protection of Tribal Assets from the Legislative Agenda.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to remove Executive Pardons from the Legislative Agenda.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and sup-

ported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to remove Excluding Individuals or Parties from Tribal Lands from the Legislative Agenda.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Procedures Policy.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to accept the Legislative Leader's verbal report for May 21, 2006.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for membership dated April 18, 2006, for a total of 13.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B - Declination Ineligible dated April 18, 2006 for a total of 1.
Vote: 6- Yes, 2- No (Councilor Harrington, Councilor McNamara), 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to repeal section 7 of Appeals and Hearing procedures Gaming Regulatory as approved by Tribal Council on April 18, 2004 and replace it with Gaming Regulations and Procedures of April 20, 2006.
Vote: 7- Yes, 1- No (Councilor McNamara), 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Roberts to table the Enrollment Commission Training for June 29th-30th until the next regular scheduled Tribal Council meeting.
Vote: 8- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Doug Emery, Andrew Stich

12:01 p.m. Public Comment closed

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2006

July 8 Work Session
July 9 Council Meeting
July 22 Work Session
July 23 Council Meeting

August 5 Work Session
August 6 Council Meeting
August 19 Work Session
August 20 Council Meeting

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURT ROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK, TRIBAL CHAIRMAN
WILLIAM DENEMY, VICE CHAIRMAN

LEGISLATIVE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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SHIRLEY OLDMAN, TREASURER
MELVIN L. KIOGIMA, SECRETARY
FRED HARRINGTON, JR., COUNCILOR
REGINA GASCO-BENTLEY, COUNCILOR
MARY ROBERTS, COUNCILOR
RITA SHANANAQUET, COUNCILOR
ALICE YELLOWBANK, COUNCILOR
DEXTER MCNAMARA, COUNCILOR

12:03 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adjourn.
Vote: 8- Yes, 1- No (Councilor McNamara), 0- Abstained, 1- Absent (Treasurer Oldman)
Motion Carried

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:
Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council

COMMISSIONS

THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM TRIBAL MEMBERS WHO WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A NOMINATION TO FILL THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

NUMBER OF TERMS EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 21, 2006

- 3 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
- 2 EDUCATION COMMISSION
- 2 HEALTH COMMISSION
- 3 ENROLLMENT COMMISSION
- 1 HOUSING COMMISSION
- 3 INDIAN CHILD WELFARE COMMISSION
- 1 GAMING REGULATORY COMMISSION
- 1 GAMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

PLEASE REFER TO THE LTBB WEBSITE FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON COMMISSIONS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES.

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SEE: ODAWA REGISTER/TRIBAL CODE TITLE VI CHAPTER 4

IF YOU ARE A TRIBAL MEMBER AND ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A COMMISSION, BOARD OR COMMITTEE, PLEASE SEE THE CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DATES/TIMES/LOCATIONS OF MEETINGS. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO TRIBAL CITIZENS UNLESS SPECIFIED AS A CLOSED MEETING.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR LETTER OF INTEREST ALONG WITH YOUR RESUMÉ TO:
7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI 49740

IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CALL THE CHAIRMAN'S OFFICE AT 231-242-1401.

15th Annual
Odawa Homecoming Jingtamok
HOMECOMING
(POW WOW)

ATTENTION!!

Canopy Set-up Policies

- Canopy set-up is limited to a 10X10 area.
- Canopies will be assigned to a 10X10 area on a first come first serve basis.
- ALL interested participants must check in with a Pow Wow Committee member prior to setting up.
- You are responsible for cleaning up your area before leaving.
- ALL Canopies MUST have at least one participant (dancer/singer).
- Set-up begins at 5 p.m. Friday August 11th (NO EXCEPTIONS!!)

For more information,
please contact:
Regina Gasco 231-242-1574
Or
Tina Sutton 231-242-1423



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9	Economic Development Commission Work Session Governmental Complex Room 312 9:30 a.m. Tribal Council Meeting	10	Housing Commission Meeting Room 312 3:30 p.m. Health Commission Meeting Bear River Health Park 6:30 p.m. Elders swim classes 9:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Victories Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI	11	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Evenings at the Long House opening ceremony, Andrew J. Blackbird Museum, Harbor Springs, MI Women's Talking Circle 7 p.m. LTBB Governmental Complex	12	Anishinaabemowin Community Language Classes 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Natural Resource Commission Meeting 911 Spring Street 5:30 p.m. Elders swim classes 9:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Victories Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI	13	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	14	Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik will swear in Appellate Justice, Wenona Singel in the Tribal Courtroom. Following the swearing in, there will be a Tribal Court open house for all LTBB Members and Staff with an opportu- nity to meet the new and returning mem- bers of the Judiciary. Election Board Meeting Election Board Office 1345 US 131 North	15
16	Enrollment Commission Meeting Room 118 5 p.m. Elders swim classes 9:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Victories Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI LTBB Education Teen Camp 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	17	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Evenings at the Long House Presentations, Andrew J. Blackbird Museum, Harbor Springs, MI	18	Anishinaabemowin Community Language Classes 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Elders swim classes 9:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Victories Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI LTBB Education Teen Camp 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	19	Elders Luncheon at Noon Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 911 Spring St. 5:30 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	20	19th annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics Mt. Pleasant, MI 9:30 a.m. opening ceremonies LTBB Education Teen Camp 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	21	Tribal Council Work Session LTBB Elders Association Flea Market 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. LTBB Pow Wow Grounds Harbor Springs, MI Third Annual North American Indian Art Fair 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Andrew J. Blackbird Museum, Harbor Springs, MI	22
23	Tribal Council Meeting	24	Elders Luncheon at Noon Elders Bingo Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Evenings at the Long House Presentations, Andrew J. Blackbird Museum, Harbor Springs, MI	25	Anishinaabemowin Community Language Classes 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Natural Resources Commission Meeting NRD Building 6p.m. Elders swim classes 9:30 a.m.-10 a.m. Victories Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI	26	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Hunters Safety Class 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.	27	13th Annual Anishnaabe Family Language and Culture Camp July 28-30 Manistee, MI Election Board Meeting Election Board Office, 1345 US 131 North	28	Hunters Safety Class 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Auction at Kings Inn Mackinaw City, MI 9 a.m.	29
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(Account Hierarchy/Business Advantage Discount)

Date Submitted:

Root Account: LTBB Odawa Indians - ACCT # 0170110714

Cycle: 22

Attached Accounts

ACCT#: _____ **Cycle:** _____ **Liable** **X**
Your account number and cycle can be found in the upper right hand corner of your Cellular One billing statement. For example, if the billing date is May 22, 2006, your cycle is 22.

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(lunch & dinner provided)

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1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey

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LINES FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP...

WALKING ON...

Donald Hoig, 75

Donald Hoig, 75, walked on May 11 in Marlette, MI, where he lived since 1971 after previously living in Lafayette, IN. He was born December 19, 1930, in Curtis, MI, to the late Harry and Florence (Anderson) Hoig. He received a Purple Heart for his service in the U.S. Army from 1950 to 1952 during the Korean War. He was a member of the Marlette Veterans of Foreign Wars' Post 4837. He worked for National Homes in Lafayette and for Active Homes in Marlette. He is survived by his wife Marjorie (Ericson) Hoig; daughters Jan (Jeff) Hollister of Kalkaska; Angela (Dave) Hayden of Marlette; and Melody (Harold) Rothrock of Marlette; son Donald Hoig II of Marlette, sister Sherlin Dieball of Port Huron, MI, brother William Hoig of Curtis, MI, nine grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and 28 nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Wanda Wiegand, Joanne Couturier and Roberta Shaw; and son-in-law Chuck Wilkinson. He enjoyed playing softball.

Harvey DeLorme, 69

Harvey DeLorme, 69, of Pellston, walked on May 23 in Petoskey. He was born on March 21, 1937, in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, to Harvey and Frances (Boucher) DeLorme, who both preceded their son in death. Survivors include his wife of 44 years, Betty (Cabinaw) DeLorme; daughters Janelle (Chuck) Smith, Jolene

DeLorme (Don Judson), and Jill Bear (Steve Young); son Chris (Kim) DeLorme; grandchildren Christopher, Shaylee, Cassie and Kevin; siblings Theresa DeLorme of Dafter, Gerald and Theresa DeLorme of Taylor; and many nieces and nephews. He was also preceded in death by his sisters, Donna DeLorme and Barbara Pine.

Michael E. Keshick, 47

Michael E. Keshick, 47, of Escanaba walked on June 5 at the University of Michigan Health Systems in Ann Arbor following a lengthy illness. He was born on September 20, 1958, in Laona, WI. When he was an infant, his family moved to Escanaba where he attended school, and he resided his whole life. He worked construction on Beaver Island, and he was a commercial fisherman. He most recently worked for Michigan Meats in Escanaba. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, and working on cars. He was also learning how to play the guitar. He is survived by his mother, Emily Harrington of Petoskey; father, Edward Shenoskey; sisters, Gayla Keshick of Mt. Pleasant, Lucy Keshick of Marinette, WI, Patty Boudreau of Charlotte, N.C., and Debra Clark (fiancé Joe Young) of Escanaba; his brothers John Clark Jr. of Escanaba, Keith Clark of Escanaba and Anthony Clark of Escanaba; half-brother Philip Shenoskey of Mt. Pleasant, half-sister Miranda Shenoskey of Mt. Pleasant; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in

death by his grandmother Lucy Compo in 1991, his stepfather John Clark, Sr. in 2002, and his half-sister Gillian Shenoskey in 2006.

Brandi J. (Shomin) Juan, 31

Brandi J. (Shomin) Juan, 31, walked on June 10 in Butterworth Hospital in Grand Rapids, MI. She is survived by her husband Francisco; two sons, Max and Mace; her parents Christine Shomin and Ronald Judson, Jr.; grandfather Albert Shomin; godparents, Jeanette and Ollie Pierce; siblings, Billi Jo (David) Russell, Ronald Judson, Jr., Bret Jon Shomin, Culver (Jackie) Judson, Brian and Michael Pierce; five nieces, Kristy, Jordan, Lydia, Tianna and Gabriella; nine nephews, Rocky, Ronald, Shada, Marcus, Dougie, Alex, Andrew, Jacario, Jaliel Alveron; many aunts, uncles and cousins. She was preceded in death by maternal grandmother, Phyllis M. Shomin; paternal grandparents, Elizabeth Gibbs and Harry Jud; her sisters-in-law, Twyla Shomin, Eulalia Juan; a brother, David Pierce; uncles, Sweeny and Lenny; cousins, Sara Jo, Christina, Sandy, Cottney, Nikkita and Gus. Brandi was a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. She enjoyed taking care of her family, going to pow wows and cooking. She was also very active in her children's education, and she collected purses.

Miigwetch

The family of Harvey John DeLorme would like to thank everyone for their prayers and support through this difficult time. Chi Miigwetch to Warren Petoskey for all the comfort and support you gave our family; Mary Gasco, Carol Kiogima and Owen LaVeque for transporting Dad to dialysis and medical appointments; Matt Davis for transporting Dad to Elders luncheons; Victories Casino and Hotel for the beautiful flowers; Kateri Circle of North Emmet: Jane Martell, Millie Shomin, Margaret Carey and Marie Boda; the firekeepers for helping our Father on his journey back home; Deleta Smith and the Elders Program for the wonderful luncheon; Mike Givens for taking care of Mom and taking her to the emergency room; pipe carriers; Tom Teuthorn for the heartfelt words and compassion; the drum; Father John Haskell of St. Isaac's in Sault Ste. Marie; Stone Funeral Home for all their help; and to all the family and friends that surrounded us during this time. Chi Miigwetch, Chi Miigwetch. From the Harvey DeLorme family.

In Memory of Harvey DeLorme

The family of Harvey

DeLorme requested printing "Give Me Peace" by Tecumseh in memory of their father.

So live your life so the fear of death can never enter your heart. Trouble no one about their religion; respect others in their views, and demand that they respect yours. Love your life, perfect your life, beautify all things in your life. Seek to make your life long and service to your people. Prepare a noble death song for the day when you go over the great divide. Always give a word or a sign of salute when meeting or passing a stranger if in a lonely place. Show respect to all people, but grovel to none. When arise in the morning, give thanks for the light, for your life and strength. Give thanks for your food and for the joy of living.

If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies in yourself. Touch not the poisonous firewater that makes wise ones turn to fools and robs them of their visions. When your time comes to die, be not like those whose hearts are filled with fear of death, so that when their time comes they weep and pray for a little more time to live their lives over in a different way. Sing your death song, and die like a hero going home.

Lines From our Membership... (continued)

BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy birthday to **Gwen Gasco** on July 8.
From the Gasco family.

Happy birthday Grandfather **Jerry Chingwa**. We love and miss you.
Your family.

Happy birthday to **Stanley Frederick Petoskey** on July 4.
You're that old!! Have a good one.
From your friends Pauline and Dawn.

Steam Boat is going to let some steam out on July 4. You know who you are.
HA. HA.



Happy birthday to **Cynthia Biro** on July 18.
Love, Mom, Dad and your lovable siblings.

Happy birthday to **Cynthia Rivard** on July 7.
Love, the Biro family.

Happy birthday **Daddy! Makeday Benase (Patrick Wemigwase)**.
Have a fun birthday on July 16.
From your little Wabska Mii Mii Quay and Mommy too.

Happy 60th birthday Nos! (**Papa Richard Wemigwase**).
Have a great birthday on July 23.
Lots of love from Wabska Mii Mii Quay, Daddy and Mommy too.

Happy birthday to **Sputch**.
I love you, Chief

Happy belated birthday to

Auston.
We love you.
Mom, Dad, Stevie and Brandy.

Happy birthday to **Uncle Richard Wemigwase** on July 23. We hope you have a good one!
From the Gasco family.

Happy birthday to my big sister **Tara Brill**. (sorry about last year)
Lots of love, Aaron and Rebeca

MinoDibishkaan Kikaajik! MiinGiizis **Roland Petoskey** (pane minwendaagzid), **Connie Steele** aka Aashkikimanozid (lead foot), miinwa **Richard Wemigwase** (enaajiged)

MinoDibishkaak Ndanwenmaaganak! Nwiitaawisak **Dawn Shenoskey** miinwa **Matt Boulton**, iingonisak **Archie Kiogima III** miinwa **Ryan Chamblee**.

Happy birthday to my big brother **Archie Kiogima III** on July 16. Your family loves you and is proud of you for taking Anishinaabemovwin Immersion.
Love, your little sis and family.

Happy birthday to **Laura Johnson** on July 1. Hope you had a great day.
Love, the Bodas.

Happy birthday to our **Dad and Grandpa Jim Naganashe** on July 2. Hope you had a great day.
Love, your children and grandchildren.

A very happy birthday to **Andi**

Gasco. What a great season of high school softball! Can't wait to see the next few years.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Carly.

Mino Dibishkan Nswi Stooage-ak! **Gwen Gasco** on July 8, Tom Teuthorn on July 14 and Matt Davis on July 31.

Wishing **Ronald Bottoms** a happy birthday.
From, your brothers and sisters, Ewket, Sihenna and the rest of your family.

We would like to wish very happy birthdays to **Gail Niedling** on July 6, **Amanda Craven** on July 8, **Gerald Chingwa** on July 11, **Dorothy Gasco** on July 12, **John Shagonaby** on July 21, **Dave Craven** on July 22 and a super fantastic fifth birthday to our wonderful son **Noodin** on July 23. With all of these July birthdays, this is your gift, so enjoy. HA. HA.
Love, Doug and Sarah Craven.

Belated birthday wishes to **Carolyn Nickles**, who celebrated her big day on June 24, and to her daughter **McKenna**, who celebrated her big day on June 15.
Love, Grandma Beth.

Happy birthday to my Little Bro **Matt Davis** on July 31.
With love from your big brother Tony.

Happy sixth birthday to **Stanley Dewey** on July 11.
Love, Aunt T, Uncle Ron and Cousin Ashley.
Love, Mom, Dad and Christina and Kenny Alex.
Love, Grandma and Grandpa.

Happy 21st birthday to **Eric Naganashe** who reaches a milestone on July 19.
Love, Theresa, Ron and Ashley.
Love, Mom and Dad.

Happy birthday to **Jamie Jackson** on July 22. Hope you have a great one.
Love Aunt Theresa and Uncle Ron.

Happy seventh birthday to **Joy Kiogima** on July 27.
From Dad, Mom, Mshkoadekwe, and McKenzie.

A very happy birthday to **Annette Khalaf** on July 25. Hope you have a wonderful time.
Love, Theresa, Ron and Ashley.
Love, Mom and Dad.

A very happy birthday to **Rob Schneider** on July 27. Thanks for all you've done.
Best wishes, Ronald and Theresa.

Happy ninth birthday to **Kenny Dewey** on July 30.
Love, Aunt T, Uncle Ron and Cousin Ashley.
Love, Mom and Dad, Christina, Alex and Stanley.
Love, Grandma and Grandpa.

Happy belated birthday to **Jon Boda** who celebrated his big day on June 10.
Love, Mom, Dad and Ashley.

Happy belated birthday to **David Michael Woods** who turned 15 on June 3.
Love, Uncle Ron, Aunt

Theresa and Cousin Ashley.

Happy belated birthday to **Christina Dewey** who turned 10 on June 6.
Love Aunt T, Uncle Ron and Cousin Ashley.

Happy belated birthday to **Steven Jackson** who celebrated his big day on June 6.
Love, Aunt Theresa, Uncle Ron and Cousin Ashley.

Happy belated birthday to **Chandler** who turned five on June 19.
Love Uncle Ron, Aunt Theresa and Ashley.

Happy belated birthday to **Kamryn** who turned three on June 21.
Love Uncle Ron, Aunt Theresa and Ashley.

Mino Dibishkan Nswi Stooage-ak! **Gwen Gasco** on July 8, **Tom Teuthorn** on July 14 and **Matt Davis** on July 31.

Happy first birthday to **Parker Willis**, the son of Ryan and Valerie McDowell, on July 10.

Happy birthday to **Michael** on July 16.
From your aunts and uncles in Pellston, MI.



Happy birthday to **Lisa Flynn** on July 22.
Love Mom.



Welcome to the family, Donnevon Peter Thomasma. We are proud to announce the newest member of the Thomasma family. The adoption was final on June 22. We love you Big D. Love, Mom and Dad.

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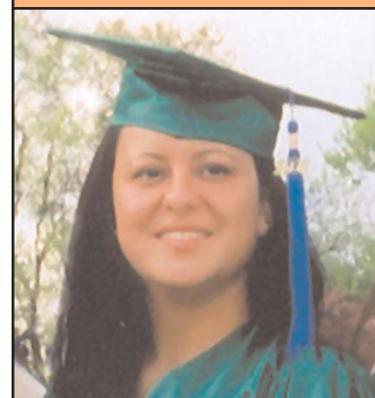
LTBB Regulatory Director Vince Cook thanks Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. for asking him to participate in the Honor Guard for the flags during the May 13 Community Meeting. Cook said, "It was an honor I shall not soon forget. Thanks for the opportunity." Cook, a member of the Tlinket tribe in southeast Alaska, spent 12 years of active duty in the U.S. Marine Corps, and he is in his sixth year in the U.S. Army National Guard.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to **Sunnese Lucerito Granados** on earning your high school diploma. Petoskey High School was blessed to have you. Love you lots.
Your family.

Congratulations to **Amanda Serva** for graduating from Petoskey High School last month.
Love your family.



Congratulations to **Tiffany Ann Willis**, the daughter of Dorothy (Edgar) Willis and the late John

R. Willis, Jr., on her recent graduation from Michigan State University.

YOU DID IT! We are so proud of you, and we know that Pops is smiling down on you.
Love you, the Willis Tribe.

Congratulations to **Tiffany Keller** on your graduation from West Ottawa High School. Here's to a successful four years ahead as a Ferris State Bulldog. We love you.
Mom and Dad.

Congratulations to LTBB Appellate Justice **Rita Gasco-Shepard** for posting the lowest score on the Monday Night Odawa Golf League. On June 5, she shot a 45 playing the back nine red tees at the Little Traverse Bay Golf Club in Harbor Springs, MI, to take medalist honors. The Monday Night Odawa Golf League is in its first year, and it is comprised of 10 two-person teams. Each team must have at least one LTBB Tribal Member or one LTBB Employee on it. Gasco-Shepard is the only lady playing this year in the league, and currently holds the second-lowest handicap of 10. Her team, which includes Human Resources Director **Ken Fegan**, was in second place as of week four.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Sophia Margaret Lappan was born on April 14 at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord. She weighed seven pounds and five ounces, and she was 20 inches long. Her parents are Jim and Tiahia Lappan of Gaylord. Her grandparents are Mike and Vickky Kiogima of Petoskey, and Jim and Barbara Lappan of Gaylord. Her great grandparents are Roy and Bonnie Cool of Boyne City; the late Patricia Cool of Petoskey; the late Archie and Dorothy Kiogima, Sr. of Petoskey; George and Audrey Stevens of Alpena; and the late Arthur "Jim" and Margaret Lappan of Alpena.



McKenzie Louise Kiogima was born on May 31 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. She weighed eight pounds and four ounces, and she was 19 inches long. Her parents are Mel and Bernadece Kiogima of Petoskey. Her grandparents are Mel and Nancy Kiogima of Traverse City, and Frances Compo and Rob Yob of Grand Rapids.



Kierra Ann Pagel was born on May 5 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey. She weighed eight pounds and 10.5 ounces, and she was 20.75 inches long. Her parents are Dorothy Kiogima and Justin Pagel of Petoskey. Her grandparents are Mike and Vickky Kiogima of Petoskey, and Ricky Pagel and Colleen Field of Petoskey. Her great grandparents are Roy and Bonnie Cool of Boyne City; the late Patricia Cool of Petoskey; the late Archie and Dorothy Kiogima, Sr. of Petoskey; Henry and Anne Field of Petoskey, and the late Harold and June Pagel of Petoskey.



ONGOING CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW CASINO

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Communications Department wanted to give the tribal membership an update on the ongoing construction for the new casino to be located on Cemetery Road south of Petoskey, MI. It is scheduled to open in June 2007.

We thought the best way to accomplish this was to show photos at the various stages of construction. Photos are avail-

able for viewing on the LTBB Governmental website at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Click on Pictures once you get to the website. We used some of the courtesy photos located there in this report.

Here are the basics of the project:

The new casino project was announced to the public on June 30, 2005. Many local and state

media outlets wrote stories and produced broadcasts about it. The groundbreaking ceremony was held on September 1, 2005. A \$122 million construction bond issue was completed on February 10, 2006. The earthwork was mostly completed in the fall of 2005, and concrete work began in February 2006.

The initial facility will include

a gaming floor with 1,500 slot machines, 30 table games and six poker tables; an event center that seats up to 1,000 guests theater style or that seats more than 500 guests banquet style; a buffet restaurant and a fine dining restaurant; a coffee shop; a night club/sports bar; a gift shop and an art gallery.

Construction Services are being provided by Clark

Construction, and Leo A. Daly Architects is the design firm.

Miigwech to Executive Assistant Rebecca Fisher, who provided us with information about the new casino project, and to Victories Casino and Hotel Facilities Director Barry Laughlin, who escorted us around the construction site to take our own photos.



The groundbreaking ceremony was September 1, 2005. Courtesy photo.



Courtesy photo taken on April 27, 2006.



Courtesy photo taken on May 4, 2006.



Courtesy photo taken on May 22, 2006.



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