

Odawa Trails

JANUARY 2010

MUNDO GIZIS (SPIRIT MOON)

DUE TO A \$2 MILLION FEDERAL STIMULUS GRANT, LTBB BREAKS GROUND ON THE 80-ACRE MURRAY ROAD SITE IN HAYES TOWNSHIP, MI, SOONER THAN ANTICIPATED

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Thanks to a \$2 million federal stimulus grant, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians broke ground on the Murray Road site in Hayes Township, MI, earlier than expected.

Originally scheduled to break ground in spring 2010, LTBB held a groundbreaking ceremony at the 80-acre site on November 20, 2009. Initially, the site will have six multi-family dwellings containing 30, two and three bedroom townhouse rental units. The three bedroom units will be approximately 1,300 square feet, and the two bedroom units will be approximately 930 square feet. The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs provided funding for infrastructure improvements, including underground utilities, natural gas and on-site waste treatment.

"As a tribe, we're pleased to be able to provide this opportunity to create employment and new housing options for our members," Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington said. "The government's investment in the project has helped to make these units affordable for families that have lim-

ited choices for housing, and we hope to add more units in the future."

The buildings will be constructed to meet the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver standards. According to the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) website, LEED is an internationally recognized green building certification system, providing third-party verification that a building or community was designed and built using strategies aimed at improving performance across all the metrics that matter most: Energy savings, water efficiency, CO₂ emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts.

Elaine Keiser Architect, Inc.



(Left to Right) Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Tribal Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Councilor Marvin Mullholland, Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Councilor Belinda Bardwell and Tribal Councilor Rita Shananaquet ceremonially turned the first shovels of dirt at the Murray Road site.

completed the building design and BCI Construction and Eagle Construction will construct the buildings.

"This is a unique project," Keiser said. "I don't think there is anything else like it in this area. The buildings will have a brand new heating and cooling system. The energy costs to operate the buildings are going to be low."

Harrington said the tentative schedule for completion of the buildings is summer 2010 so families can move in before the next school year

starts in fall 2010, and road construction is scheduled to start in spring 2010. The total cost of the project is expected to be between \$2.5 and \$3 million.

Prior to the groundbreaking ceremony, Tony Davis smudged everyone in attendance. Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. welcomed everyone and introduced Deleta Smith and Andrea Otto, who sang a

welcoming song.

"I pray for good things to come for the people who live in these homes," Smith said.

Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima then gave an invocation in the language, and the colors were posted by veterans Richard Wemigwase (LTBB Community Eagle Staff), Tony Davis (LTBB Veteran's Eagle Staff) and Margaret Gasco (LTBB tribal flag). Wemigwase and Gasco served in the U.S. Army and Davis in the U.S. Navy. Harrington, Owners Represent-

tative Bryan Gillett and Keiser all spoke prior to Davis blessing the ground.

"Everyone who helped put this together is a warrior because this will strengthen our tribe and our families," Davis said before he blessed the ground.

Members of both the Executive Branch (Harrington and Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara) and the Legislative Branch (Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Tribal Councilor Marvin Mullholland and Tribal Councilor Rita Shananaquet) then ceremonially turned the first shovels of dirt. Smith and Otto sang a traveling song to close the groundbreaking ceremony.

Editor's note: Please see page 10 for blueprints of the townhouses and a photo of the color guard from the groundbreaking ceremony.

All photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

LTBB YEAR IN REVIEW 2009 AS SELECTED BY ODAWA TRAILS STAFF

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Editor's note: This is the first section of the "LTBB Year in Review 2009 as Selected by Odawa Trails Staff." The second section of the article will appear in the February 2010 issue of Odawa Trails.

Before we embark on 2010, I thought it would be interesting to reflect on 2009's significant events.

All of the following significant events were reported in the January 2009 to June 2009 issues of *Odawa Trails*.

LTBB Health Department Hosts First Annual Men's Health Day

On November 5, 2008, the

Health Department held its first annual Men's Health Day at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI. Men from the LTBB Tribal Community were able to receive their annual physicals along with some pampering. The Health Department offered free services such as haircuts by Vicki Lynn and massages from Andrea Otto by appointment. The Community Health Department's Outreach Representatives provided basic foot care, and the Community Health Department provided a healthy lunch for participants.

Information about this event appeared in the January 2009 newsletter.

Creation of the LTBB PEACE Program

The PEACE Program is a grant-funded program through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency



2008 Michigan United Tribal Youth Basketball League Tournament Champions
LTBB Hawks Girls 14-18 Team

Photo by Theresa Keshick

Prevention. PEACE stands for "Positive Enrichment and Cultural Education" and incorporates cultural awareness and education by creating a

strong relationship among parents, community members, teachers and other educational organizations. The program focuses on reducing the con-

tributing factors to juvenile delinquency through both traditional and contemporary teaching methods and through interactions with schools and the tribal community. Kristy Dayson, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, is the PEACE Coordinator.

Information about the creation of the program appeared in the January 2009 newsletter.

LTBB Hawks Basketball Team Enjoys Near Perfect Season

Although the LTBB Hawks basketball season ended in late 2008, information about the season appeared in the February 2009 newsletter.

The LTBB Hawks girls 14-18 basketball team captured first place in the Michigan United Tribal Youth Basketball League (MUTYBL) regular season with a 5-1 record, won all three tournaments (the tournaments "YIR" continued on page 17.

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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

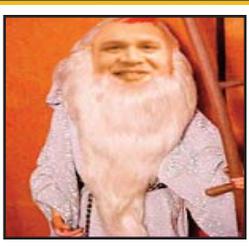
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The deadline for the February issue of *Odawa Trails* is December 28, 2009.

You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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10 inches	1 col. x 10 in. \$40	\$34.00 \$32.00 \$30.00	2 col. x 10 in. \$80	\$68.00 \$64.00 \$60.00	3 col. x 10 in. \$120	\$102.00 \$96.00 \$90.00	4 col. x 10 in. \$160	\$124.00 \$116.80 \$109.50	5 col. x 10 in. \$200	\$155.55 \$146.40 \$137.25
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Departments & Programs

GREETINGS FROM THE ELDERS PROGRAM

By Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Elders Program Coordinator

Aanii Kikaajik!

Welcome Mnindo Giizis, Spirit Moon. Welcome January! How quickly the old year passed!

Ole Man Winter hit us with a foot of snow in December 2009, and we've been shoveling ever since! A snow storm followed very quickly after that!

I haven't written an article in a while, but I have been super busy.

Many elders enjoyed receiving fresh vegetables and fruit from the Berg Farm. That has always been a special treat.

Our deadline for applications for the Food and Utility Program came to an end in September 2009. It was a very successful program, and we had 744 elders receive rebates.

This year, the letter to all elders will go out around March 1, 2009. Remember all receipts must be from 2010, so start saving!

In September 2009, I helped work the Traditional Pow Wow held on the Osborne Road property in Readmond Township, MI. We had four drums and fed more than 500 people. Many of the elders attended and danced there.

In October 2009, I attended a Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) meeting hosted by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and held near Traverse City, MI.

In December 2009, we had a wonderful Christmas Elders Luncheon hosted by Odawa Casino and Resort in Petoskey, MI. As usual, the food was outstanding. We also had our "Evening of Fun" dance for the

Christmas holiday at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We had a special surprise meal as the food was provided by Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, and great music was provided by the Countryside Band.

We are looking forward to a wonderful new year in 2010. I think our goal is to have a happy and de-stressed new year. Have a good laugh with someone or read a good book on humor. Have a fantastic New Year and I hope it is filled with joy.

Just a gentle reminder, the Burial Request Program regulations have been delegated to the LTBB Human Services Department. Human Services staff will verify any items submitted are allowable under the Burial Program Statute WOS 2006-017. If you have any questions, please call Kristi Houghton at 231-242-1632.

I trust this newsletter finds you well and enjoying winter sports.

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to call us at 231-242-1423 or 231-242-1422.



January Elder Birthdays

January 1

Janice Beckhorn
John Deckrow, Sr.
Leslie Flint

January 2

Margaret Ortner

January 3

Patricia Kaat

January 4

Leon Bailey, Jr.
Nancy Honeysette
Verna Jeanotte

January 5

David Adams
Monica Baker
Jay Harrington
Betty Hoffman
Lawrence Petoskey
John Shonibin, Jr.

January 6

Marie Bowers

January 7

Jane Martell

January 8

Rosemary Knapp
Christine Thomas

January 9

Roger Martell
Rosalie Parsons
Virginia Von Der Lippe

January 10

Steven Melancon, Jr. 10

January 11

Clara Roussain

January 12

Nivia Paul
Frances St. Andrew

January 14

Sophie Conlin
Penelope Griffin

January 15

Lorraine Jung
Curtis Willis
Kaye Zitka

January 16

Patricia Alsip
Andrea Cagle
Judy Field

January 17

William Boda
Marie Carter
Carole Prior

January 18

Mary Rittase

January 19

Rosanna Givens

January 20

Michael Bugaj
Clifford Cutler

January 21

Gary Compo
Christine Merrill

January 22

Robert Kiogima
Andrew Lasley
Jeanette Mathews

January 23

John Chisholm, Sr.
Denise Frye
Marilyn McDonald

January 23

Carolyn Taglauer

January 24

Richard Gould

January 25

Patrick Anthony
Deborah De Leon
Glenna Kimball

January 26

Ronald Mulholland

January 27

Edward Burch
Diane Curtiss
Dee Dee Gasco
Jesse King
Theodore Sky-Eagle, Sr.

January 28

Melinda Engstrom
Richard Petoskey
Kathryn Siler
Richard Wilburn

January 29

Catherine Schwiderson
Rita Shananaquet

January 30

Donna Shlechter
Mary Steffes

January 31

Shirley Dunkley
Ruth Eagleman
Jennie Heeres
Ann McClellan

Correction: In the December issue, two elders' birthdays were omitted mistakenly: Christine Sevener, December 27 and Michael Chisholm, December 27. We regret the error.

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3 Aapiji Very	4 Bangii Little bit	5 Bebangii Little by little	6 Gimaa giishik King's Day	7 Biidoon Bring it	8 Bjiinak Just now	9 Gegaa Almost
10 Gzii'aan Wipe it	11 Gziibiignaagnen Wash the dishes.	12 Maampii here	13 Megwaa meanwhile	14 Miigwazhigwa Very soon	15 Minikwen Drink it.	16 Ndebsinii I am full.
17 Nengaach Slowly	18 Nigiwedoan Take it home.	19 Niibiishaa- booken Make tea.	20 Ninmoo Hand it to. . .	21 Ninmooshin Hand it to me.	22 Sham Feed him or her.	23 Wiiba Soon, Early
24 Wiikaa Late	25 Wiisinidaa Let's all eat.	26 Wiisinin! Eat!	27 Zaam Too much	28 Z a a s g o k - waadan Fry it.	29 Ziiganan Pour it.	31 Zhinda here
31 Zischigen Set the table.						

ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE IMMERSION WINTER 2010

6-CREDIT MIDWEEK IMMERSION CLASS
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TENTATIVE DATES:
JANUARY 15-17
FEBRUARY 12-14
MARCH 12-14
APRIL 9-11
MAY 7-9

FRIDAYS 1 - 8 PM
SATURDAYS 8 AM-8 PM
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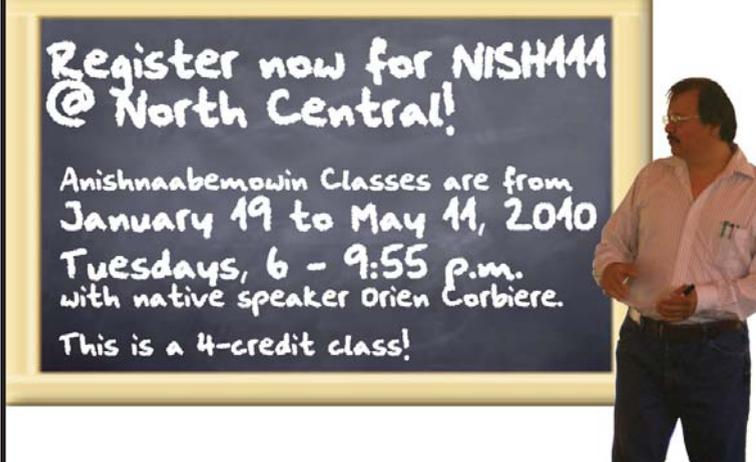
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Register now for NISHAM @ North Central!

Anishnaabemowin Classes are from **January 19 to May 11, 2010**
Tuesdays, 6 - 9:55 p.m.
 with native speaker **Orien Corbiere**.
This is a 4-credit class!



WAGANAKISING ODAWA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (WOCTEP) UPDATE

Submitted by the WOCTEP Program

The Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP), which operates within the LTBB Education Department under a U.S. Department of Education grant, recently wrapped up an intense, two-week period of early registration for select college certificate programs.

WOCTEP staff met with and assisted registration for **59 students** who registered for a combined total of **more than 180 courses** during early registration! As part of our partnership agreement with North Central Michigan College (NCMC), students who enroll in one of six certificate programs are eligible for early registration prior to the general open registration period.

Additional benefits to WOCTEP students include one-on-one advising with a WOCTEP advisor, assistance in tracking program requirements, medical programs application deadline reminders, resume' writing assistance and guidance in work place networking.

Our certificate programs include **Entrepreneurship Essentials, Graphic Arts and New Media** under the advisement of Amber Holt who can be reached at 231-242-1493 and **Phlebotomy Technician, Medical Assistant and Certified Nurse Aide** under the advisement of Heidi Bosma who can be reached at 231-242-1484.

Avoid the headache!

Upcoming Higher Education Deadlines:
February 15, 2010
 Michelle Chingwa Scholarship
 Winter/Spring 2010 documentation



December 31, 2009

Merit Scholarship application for Summer 2009 grades
 For applications or more information, please call Melissa Colby at 231-242-1492.

Anishinaabe Language Classes

Winter Semester 2010

- Monday & Wednesday Class
3:30 - 6:20 p.m., 6 credits, through Bay Mills Community College (BMCC), held in Petoskey, MI, at Mskikigamik, LTBB Health Park
- Tuesday Evening Class
6 - 9:50 p.m., 4 credits, at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI
- Language Immersion Weekend Class
Five Weekends, January 11-13, October 2-4, October 23-25, November 13-15 & December 11-13
Fridays 1 - 8 p.m., Saturdays 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. & Sundays 8 a.m. - Noon, held in Petoskey, MI, at Mskikigamik, LTBB Health Park

For More Information
 Contact Carla McFall, 231-242-1454 or 1-866-652-5822 cmcfall@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
 or Donald Trudeau, 231-242-1459 dtrudeau@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department

Scholarships Available
 Dual Enrollment Opportunities for High School Students
 Immersion Techniques Benefit All Learners from Beginners to Advanced



GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program has implemented a new application process. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is March 31, 2010. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.

Lines From our Membership



BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Bernadece Kiogima**. Hope you have a great day! From the Tribal Court staff.

Happy birthday to our special girl! Sending you a special happy fifth birthday wish. Love always, Mom, Dad, Caden, Kokum, Papa, Auntie Heather, Uncle Nigel, Auntie Shay, Nelly and Maya!!

Happy 40th birthday to my son, **Gerald Lee Field**, on January 27th! Thank you for all the precious memories you have given me over the years ... with many more to come!!! All my love, Mom.

Happy birthday to my OLDER sister **Vicki Olson**, she will be celebrating her big day on January 25th. I'm sure the celebrating will begin long before the actual day, so have a blast!!! Love ya, your younger sis, Marci :)

Happy 29th birthday to **Denny Shananaquet** on January 6! You're still a playah! Peace and frybread grease, Ken.

Happy birthday to **Great Grandma Petoskey** on January 8. Love, Collin.

Happy birthday to **Cheyenne Worthington** on January 15th. With love, from Mom & Dad.

Happy birthday to our nephew, **Duane Dove**, on January 12. Fish on! Love, Aunt Michele and Uncle Greg.

Happy birthday to **Maangaashkaa Lesky!** It's hard to believe that you are already a year old! Gzhaagan! Mom, Dad, Shanna, Justine, Jenna and Kiana.

Happy 27th birthday to **Big Air** on January 2nd. Love, Mom, Dad and Nee.

MnoDibishkaak nwiikaane'ak **Robert Yellowbank Jr. & Carter McFall**. Gzaagigo!

Happy birthday to **Bernadece Kiogima** on January 22. Love, Mel, Sara, Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Joy, McKenzie and Cameron.

Happy birthday on January 1st to my brother, **Paul Joseph Harmon**, of Grand Rapids. Love, your Northern Michigan family.

Happy birthday to **Tony Davis** on January 26. From the Tribal Court staff.

Happy birthday wishes going out to my little sis, **Priscilla Leist**, and her son, **Shai**, on their special days. Have a good one!! Love ya's! Judy.

Happy birthday to **Justin Reyes Gavin**, he will be turning 24 on the 31st of January. Thank you for mak-

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ing me so proud. I love you son, MOM :)

Happy birthday to **Aaron Wemigwase** on January 2. You are the best Dad and Husband. We love you always and forever, Shanna, Booka Bear, Lil T and Pow-wow the Indian Dog.

Happy birthday to my daddy, **Michael Sutton**, on January 6. Love, Collin.

Happy birthday to the Lady in Red **Vicky Olson** on January 25! From the fat guy in red, Ken.

Wishing our big brother and uncle, **Gerald Field**, a happy birthday! Hope you have a great day ... "Ricky." ha ha We love you, Skippy, Kristy, Stacy and David.

Happy birthday to our awesome Court Administrator, **Bernadece Kiogima**, on January 22! From the Tribal Court staff.

Wishing **Kayla Dreaver** a happy fifth birthday! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.



Big happy birthday to **Derek and Cheryl Boda** on January 8, **Patti Boda** on January 17, **Nicholas Ellis** on January 18, **Norman Shananaquet** on January 24, **Alicia Shenoskey** on January 25, **Jessi Hahn** on January 26, **Steve Berry** on January 30 and **Karen Sue Naganashe** on January 31. Love, Dorothy and Don Boda.

A special birthday wish to our daughter-in-law **Patti Boda** on January 17. We love you!! From Dorothy and Don Boda

Miigwetch

Miigwetch to **everyone** who purchased 50/50 raffle tickets during the weeks of November 29-December 4 and December 6-12 from Pow Wow Committee members. We raised \$253 in the first raffle and raised \$183 in the second raffle. All proceeds go toward the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. From the LTBB Pow Wow Committee.

Congratulations

Congratulations to **Raymond Shenoskey**, a senior at Charlevoix High School, for being on the Honor Roll for the first marking period. Your family is very proud of you. Love, Nokomis Grace Zerbe.

Anniversaries

Happy seventh anniversary to my husband, **Joe Ettawageshik**, on January 31st. Thank you for the laughter,

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friendship and above all, love that you bring into my life. Here's to another great year! Love always, Amy.

Happy anniversary to **Cole and Shannon Hume** on January 6. From Dorothy and Don Boda.

WALKING ON...

Thomas John Laughlin, 84, passed away peacefully on November 5, 2009, surrounded by family and friends. Tom is the son of Ethel and Thomas John Laughlin, Sr. Tom is a brother of James Laughlin, Lawrence Laughlin and Raymond Laughlin and is survived by his brother, Joseph Laughlin, and sister, Marion Luttinen. He is the father of nine children: Brian Laughlin, Barry Laughlin (Barb), Valerie Biro (Jim), Jeff Laughlin, Sharon Miller (Randy), Chris Laughlin, Richard Laughlin (deceased), Cynthia Rivard (Ray) and Linda Thiessen (Abe). His ever-growing family includes 22 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Tom was born October 14, 1925, in Cleveland, Ohio. He served our country proudly in World War II in the 103rd Artillery Company in Italy and Germany. He was well-decorated during his tour of duty. After returning, he married Virginia Janet Kishigo and raised his family in Harbor Springs, MI, and East Detroit, MI. Later in life, he married Lucille Webb and lived in California and Hillman, MI. Tom spent his days in Hillman hunting, fishing, expanding his gun collection, working on cars and researching the tour of duty of his company in World War II, of which he was so proud. While he enjoyed his time in the peaceful surroundings of northern Michigan, he devoted time to following the accomplishments of his children and grandchildren who were located throughout the country. His trips away from home found him traveling to places where his children would come together to share time and celebrate with his loving family. Tom was a strong, charismatic, loving man and the strength and integrity of his children attests to the man he has been and the love he nurtured. His whole family loves him much and misses him terribly but celebrates his life and all that he has been.

Linda A. Dominic, 66
Linda A. Dominic, 66, of Petoskey, MI, went on to be with her Lord late on Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2009. Linda was born on February 9, 1943, in Petoskey, the daughter of Raymond and Juanita (Weaver) Burrows. She grew up in Harbor Springs, MI, and was a graduate of Harbor Springs High School, class of 1961. On June 9, 1962, she married the love of her life, Robert Dominic, in Petoskey and he survives. For many years, the couple made their home in the Alpena, MI, area where they raised their family, eventually returning to Petoskey where they have remained. Linda's focus was always and forever

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on her family. She was a wonderfully loving mom and wife, who was deeply loved in return by her family and many dear friends. Her faith was the cornerstone of her life, and she was always willing to lend a helping hand to anyone in need. Linda looked forward to summers spent with her family at their farmhouse north of Harbor Springs. She enjoyed gardening and was an avid reader. Including Bob, Linda is survived by children, Douglas of Central Lake, MI, Cherie of Albuquerque, NM, Tina of Durango, CO, Simone (Matt Bellmer) of Lexington, KY, and Miguel of Pocatella, ID, and seven grandchildren. Also surviving is her mother, Juanita; and her brothers, Gerald and John; and sisters, Janet Hills, Judy Shelton and Marilyn Burrows. Preceding Linda in death was her daughter, Debra.

Happy New Year!
From the **LTBB Communications Department**

WALKING ON...

Gordon J. Shomin, 80
Gordon J. Shomin, 80, of Traverse City, MI, and formerly of Petoskey, MI, died November 28, 2009. Gordon was born on September 11, 1929 in Cross Village, MI, the son of Edmund and Angeline (Shagnaby) Shomin. Gordon served in the military during the Korean War from 1948-1952. He was a member of the Holy Cross Church in Cross Village and a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Gordon worked for General Motors in Flint, MI, for many years and was a machinist in Grand Rapids, MI, for many years. Later in life, he enjoyed making Native crafts. Gordon is survived by his children, Suzanne (Gerry) Leaux, Pauline (Glen) Boivin, Elizabeth Harrison, Nancy Shomin, Brian Molina, Michael (Susan) Shomin; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson; siblings, Janet Bricker, Mabel, Mildred and Paul Shomin. Gordon was preceded in death by his parents, children, Patricia Hogan and Barbara Shomin, and siblings, Enos, Ed, Bennett, Albert, Frank, Richard, Irene and Marie.



BRINGING HONOR THROUGH EDUCATION
2010 NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ARTIST COMPETITION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION • OFFICE OF INDIAN EDUCATION

Open to American Indian and Alaska Native students
Artist competition: Preschool (ages 4-5) and Grades K-12 • Writing competition: Grades 6-12
For more information, please visit <http://kids.indianeducation.org/sac> or call toll free 1-866-259-0060

POSTMARK DATE: JANUARY 29, 2010

U.S. Department of Education Office of Indian Education

Waganakising ESHKINIIGIJIK Youth Council

Mission:
We, as the Waganakising Eshkiniigijik Youth Council, hereby vow to engage youth in constructive social activities to ensure healthy lifestyles, promote leadership and instill a cultural awareness creating a prosperous society and a positive environment for future generations.

Every Monday
5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
LTBB White House
(snack will be provided)

For more information, please call **Kristy Dayson** at 231-838-8830 or e-mail at kdayson@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.



TRIBAL YOUTH ASSIST ELDERS IN CONTINUING THE WREATH MAKING TRADITION



By Joe Lucier, Youth Services Coordinator

Hello LTBB Community. I hope everyone had a blessed holiday season this year.

I would like to take a moment of your time to report on a special event we had this fall. Harriet Kishigo-Booth came to me with a request for the youth to help with the making of crepe' paper wreaths for the graves again this year. Harriet and other elders in the community are very passionate about this important tradition which takes place every year in October. We were glad to be able to help her family on this year's project.

The younger and the older youth groups both helped make wreaths this year. Harriet carefully

ically for the warriors.

On the day Harriet's family went to place the wreaths, Harriet told of her past visits to the cemeteries and some of her fondest memories. Ellie Payton, one of Harriet's daughters, shared one of the stories with me. Ellie said her mother revealed the wreaths had not always been made how they are now. She further explained in the past, they used various other materials to make the wreaths. One year, they tried to use some cedar to change things up a

ular hoops the following year.

Harriet asked me to emphasize the importance of this tradition in our community. She and the other elders would love to see this custom passed down to the younger generations, so it will be sustained throughout the generations to come. Our hope is next year we will gain even more support during this honored time in October.

Harriet would also like to extend a hearty thanks to all who helped this year. She acknowledges it



little. The wreaths turned out very nice, and they were happy to be able to honor their relatives with this new type of wreath. However, when they came back later, they were sad but amused to see the deer found the cedar wreaths delicious, and they had chewed them up and spread the flowers all over the gravesites. In conclusion, they went back to using the reg-

would not have been possible without your help.

Finally, I would like to say Chii Megwetch to Harriet and all the other elders for keeping our traditions alive and for being passionate about the LTBB Culture.

Thanks for your time and have a wonderful month!

Courtesy photos.



instructed the youth on the process of making the flowers and placing them on cloth wrapped wooden hoops and the significance of the upcoming placements. In addition to the LTBB Youth Groups, another group of youth and adults were able to help at the family workshops. Among them included Cassie Gibson; Amber, Yarrow and Claus Nowell; Dustin Grundy; Ellie Payton; Luke Kittell; and Julie Steffel-Walker.

Over several evenings, the team produced and placed approximately 40 wreaths at various locations. They took wreaths to Holy Childhood, Lakeview Cemetery, St. Ignatius Church cemetery in Good Hart, MI, a Cross Village, MI, location, the Osborne Road property in Readmond Township, MI, and an unmarked Bay Shore, MI, location. There were different types of wreaths, big and small, and some red, white and blue wreaths made specif-

Youth Group Activities & Advocacy

The Eshkiniigijik:

- Are Native and non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 13-18 years old.
- Eshkiniigijik meet on a weekly basis, Thursdays after school till 7 p.m.
- Youth are informed weekly of different meeting places and special events via phone, text, and e-mail. However, it is usually at the LTBB White House.

The Binoojinhak:

- Are Native and non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 8-12 years old.
- Meet on a weekly basis, Tuesdays after school till 7 p.m.
- Parents are informed weekly of different meeting places and special events via phone, text, and e-mail, but, we usually meet at the LTBB White House.

YOUTH ADVOCACY GROUP

Parents and community members interested in sharing ideas and helping LTBB Staff develop programs are invited to attend Youth Advocacy Group meetings on the first day of every month from 5:30 - 7 p.m. at the LTBB White House Youth Center.

VOLUNTEERS/MENTORS

Starting in June, volunteers and mentors are needed to help with Youth Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Any help will be much appreciated. To help out with Youth Services programming, please contact Joe Lucier, LTBB Youth Services Coordinator.

Youth Services Coordinator, Joe Lucier
231-242-1593, office: 231-838-5473, cell
jlucier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Send us your questions and/or pictures by e-mail!

Submit questions or pictures/images to: EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or mail to:
Ask Haapaasaandip
Attn: Environmental Services
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

DAY CARE ASSISTANCE

Applications for the 2009-2010 Day Care Assistance Program are now available.

If you live in Emmet, Charlevoix, or Cheboygan County and would like more information, please stop in at Human Services, 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, MI, or call 231-242-1620 for an application. You may also call 1-866-652-5822 and ask for Human Services.

This is an income based program.

LTBB IS HOSTING A HOMEWORK LAB BEFORE YOUTH GROUP ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS STARTING DECEMBER 1ST.

**When: youth 8-12-Tuesdays
Youth 13-18-Thursdays**

Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm

Where: The White House

School bus transportation may be provided with signed permission slips from your parents.

For more information and sign-up please contact Jeannie Norris at (231) 838-4886 or Dorothy Perry, LTBB Education Department at (231) 242-1482. You may also contact your title VII worker for more information

Middle School

Homework Lab

High School

Where: Little Traverse Bay Bands Government Complex
When: Wednesdays ***** Starting December 2, 2009

*** 3:30 pm — 5:00 pm ***

Drop off: Harbor Springs Public School bus or parent drop off
Pick up: Parent pick up at 5:00 pm at Government Complex

FOR MORE INFORMATION & SIGN-UP

Please call Cheryl Halfacer, Harbor Springs Title VII @ 231-526-4835
or
Dorothy Perry, K-12 Student Services LTBB Education Dept. @ 231-242-1482

Spaghetti dinner and Silent Auction Pow Wow Fundraiser

January 15, 2010
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area

The silent auction to begin at 4 p.m.
Spaghetti dinner to begin at 6 p.m.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under.

All proceeds to benefit the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow.



Department of
Commerce



Enrollment
Department

How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is officially changing your address with the Enrollment Department. All RTMs are verified through Enrollment. Enrollment in turn sends the Department of Commerce (DOC) notification of your status. Please note on your Address Verification Form (AVF) the township you reside in. This alerts the Enrollment Department for RTM status. When you change your address with the Michigan Secretary of State's office, you will be asked if you would like to register to vote; by doing so, it will note the township you reside in. Otherwise, ask one of the Enrollment Department staff when filling out your AVF.

Your RTM status does not become effective until the first day of the following month in which you moved.

Example: I changed my address with the Enrollment Department on May 3. My RTM status did not go into effect until June 1.

It is VERY important you notify Enrollment immediately when you move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA).

It is your responsibility to notify Enrollment of any changes in address or name; the DOC cannot backtrack or backdate documents in order to qualify for RTM status.

Being an RTM exempts you from paying state sales tax on large tangible items such as vehicles, boats, snowmobiles and off the road vehicles. It also applies to affixation to your primary place of residence. There is a form that needs to be filled out to request a Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE). The request for this form (Request for TCE) can be

found on the LTBB website www.ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara and Chairman Ken Harrington (in the absence of DOC).

Please note: All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to

purchase a vehicle or do any remodeling to your residence, please wait until after your RTM status is effective (after the first day of the following month in which you moved); otherwise, the State of Michigan will deny your claim for a refund.

Being an RTM also exempts you from sales/use tax on utilities such as phone, Internet, satellite, gas, electric, propane and cellular service. Please fill out the **Residency Form for Tax Agreement** and return it to the address noted on the bottom of the form.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price)
2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (31 cents per gallon unleaded and 27 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. *Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes)
(To purchase tobacco products, you MUST be 18 years of age or older!)

* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.

*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Members' sole consumption ONLY!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THEIR CARDS OUT TO ANYONE.



Executive
Branch

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Commission, Boards and Committees

Current Vacancies:

Commission	Term	Vacancies
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Natural Resources	4 yr. term	1
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	2
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2 & 3 yr. term	3

Notice: The Executive office is always taking letters of interest and resumes for the Gaming Board of Directors. If you are interested, please submit to the address below.

The following information is provided for Tribal Members who are seeking nominations for an appointment to an LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Those interested, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume to:

Tribal Chairman
LTBB of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49770
FAX (231) 242-1411
Or Email: chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

The Executive Office notifies applicants when letter and resume are received. The Chairman's nominations are forwarded to Tribal Council. Thereafter, the Legislative Office handles all interview scheduling and correspondence.

Compensation: Commissioners will be compensated according to LTBB Statute and current LTBB Government Policy.

LTBB Tribal Directories

The Enrollment Office has LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

Qualifications:

- Must include a copy of your

tribal identification card

- A \$5 money order or check payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians

Mail to:

LTBB of Odawa Indians
Attn: Enrollment Office
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

Moving?

If you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an address verification form.

Forms are also available at www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov. click on Offices/Government Center/Enrollment Department and click on the appropriate form. The adult form must be printed on legal size paper and the minor form on letter size paper. We will continue to add forms there in the future.

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.

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

Adult verification forms must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokce at 231-242-1521

or

Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.

LTBB ID CARDS

The Enrollment Office has new picture identification cards. YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARD UNLESS:

- Your tribal identification card has expired
- Your tribal identification card has no magnetic strip
- Your tribal identification card has a post office box and not a physical address

If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders.

Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521

Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

Tribal Notary Information

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

Tribal Notary Commission	Full Name	Current Status	Appt. Date	Exp. Date	Serial No.
	Theresa C Keshick	Active	2/18/2009	2/18/15	01-09
	Rebecca R Atkinson	Active	2/23/2009	2/23/15	02-09
	Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	2/23/15	03-09
	Beatrice A Law	Active	5/11/2009	5/11/15	04-09

Updated 6/05/2009

Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

231-242-1520



Education
Department

GED Study Hall and GED Class Schedule

The Winter 2010 semester is scheduled to begin the week of February 22, 2010 through June 8, 2010. During the winter semester, there will be an opportunity to attend both GED Study Hall and GED Class sessions in the morning or the afternoon. Also, student scheduled tutoring sessions will be available. Throughout the break, we invite students to utilize the LTBB Education Department Computer Lab for independent study and to prepare for further GED testing. Please call ahead (Kim Hessel at 231-242-1494) for the scheduled open lab hours.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the GED Program, please call 231-242-1482.

Tax Agreement Reminder
When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must change your address in writing at the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes



The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

November 8, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:36 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: John Bott
Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Absent: Councilor Gerald V. Chingwa

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, General Counsel James Bransky, Gaming Board of Directors: Chairperson Carol McFall, Office Manager Cathy Portman, Director Dollie Keway, Director Fred Kiogima, Secretary/Treasurer Sheran Patton and Director Judy Pierzynowski, Casino: Hospitality Manager Mike Bodjiak, Table Games Director Susan Foster, Marketing Director Phil Gonzales, Slot Director Frank Kirsch, Human Resources: Administration Manager Gerri Mesack and Coordinator Katie Bauer

Guests: John Kawegoma, Bea Law, Judy Field, Sharon Sierzputowski, Marcia Sutton, Christina Rohn, John Liebgott, Collin Sutton, Linda Gasco

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt the agenda for November 8, 2009 as amended.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to add to the agenda for November 8, 2009 approval of the Special Minutes of November 7, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of October 25, 2009 as corrected.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the Special Meeting minutes of November 7, 2009.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet), 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

9:56 a.m. Councilor Chingwa arrived.

Tribal Elder Comments: Harvey

Gibson spoke regarding the cancellation of Elders luncheons, John Kawegoma spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman's news articles, and the Tribal bond issues. Judy Field spoke regarding Tribal Council wages, travel and the campaign comments from Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Bardwell and Councilor R. Shananaquet. Judy also spoke regarding the Elder's lunch, Nimkee Technologies, Inc., the budget hearing process, and the non-gaming enterprises. John Kawegoma further spoke regarding a Constitutional convention. Judy Field further spoke regarding the Petoskey News Review reporter not attending Tribal meetings.

10:50 a.m. Recess called.

11:12 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report for November 8, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept the resignation of Marty VanDeCar from the Election Board, and to declare that seat vacant.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, and Councilor Aaron Otto to the Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government Ethics Committee.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

11:49 a.m. Public Comment opened: Harvey Gibson spoke regarding Elder's lunches, John Kawegoma spoke regarding BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) lease approvals.

11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasurer Bott's Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee meetings verbal and written reports for November 8, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution: Funding for Children's Winter Solstice Party and Monetary Gift. Funding in the amount of \$17,000 is to come from prior period funds.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-no, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-no, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve the Appropriations and Finance Committee to

research ANA grants for technical infrastructure.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

12:30 p.m. Lunch recess called until 2:00 p.m.

2:01 p.m. Meeting Reconvened.

3:13 p.m. Public Comment: Michele LaCount spoke regarding the Casino Abeli program and a Governmental mentoring program.

3:16 p.m. Public comment closed.

3:16 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for confidential financial matters-Casino.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

3:17 p.m. Recess called.

3:38 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:39 p.m. Closed session began.

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2010

January 9 Work Session
January 10 Council Meeting
January 23 Work Session
January 24 Council Meeting

February 6 Work Session
February 7 Council Meeting
February 20 Work Session
February 21 Council Meeting

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Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader
Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary
John Bott, Treasurer
Aaron Wayne Otto, Councilor
Belinda Bardwell, Councilor
Gerald Chingwa, Councilor
Marvin Mulholland, Councilor
Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor
Rita Shananaquet, Councilor

4:14 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to return to open session.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

4:15 p.m. Recess called.

4:27 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt Tribal Resolution Approval to submit: State of Michigan, Department of Human Services, Bureau of Juvenile Justice Community Programming and Support Services, Child Care Fund Unit: Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Child Care Fund Annual Tribal Plan.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve Enrollment list A - Eligible for Citizenship dated October 19, 2009 for a total of 16.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B - Declination (Ineligible) dated October 19, 2009 for a total of 3.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Enrollment C - List Voluntary Relinquishment dated October 20, 2009 for a total of 1.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Chairman Harrington's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal report from Committee Chairperson Kiogima for November 8, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for November 8, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to place on the Legislative Calendar the Whistle Blower Protection, Health Department and Treasurer's Responsibilities Draft Statutes.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to appoint Lily Anderson to the Education Appeals

Board for a 4-year term expiring on September 21, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to appoint John Keshick and Daugherty Johnson III to the Natural Resource Commission for a 4-year term ending September 21, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to appoint Debbie De Leon for a 2-year term ending September 21, 2011; Bill A. Denemy for a 3-year term and Heidi Bosma for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2012 to the Child Welfare Commission.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to appoint Emily Proctor for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2012 to the Child Welfare Commission.

Vote: 2 - Yes, 7 - No (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Chingwa, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto, Secretary Gasco Bentley, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion failed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to appoint Marilyn Shananaquet Hume for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2012 to the Gaming Regulatory Commission.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

5:25 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adjourn.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Attention LTBB Contractors

If you would like to be considered for future LTBB projects, please contact Purchasing Technician/Contracts Mandy Ragland at 231-242-1439 (phone) or mragland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov (e-mail).



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Odawa Trails Letters to Santa Contest Winners

Hi Santa,
I want a race car set and a driver's license.
Adrian Gross, age 5

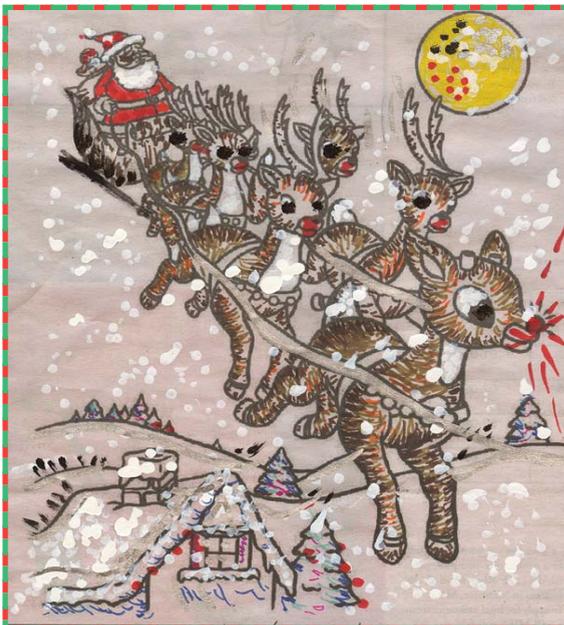
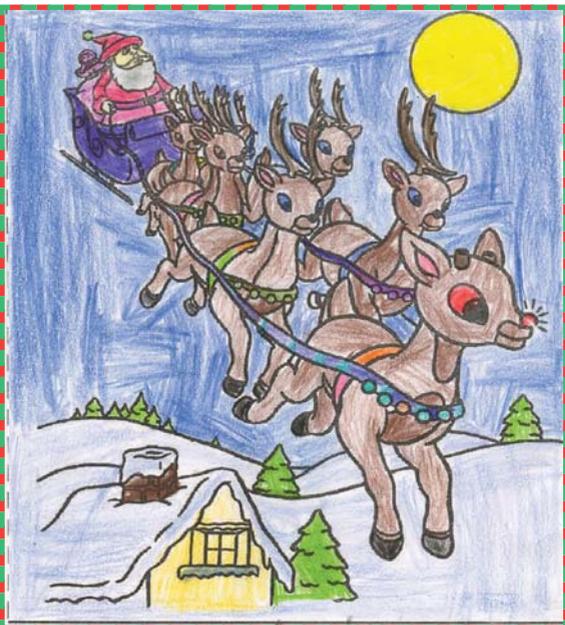
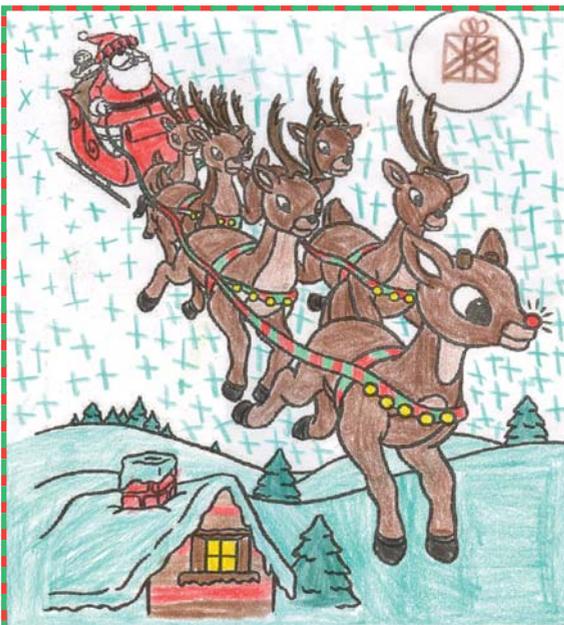
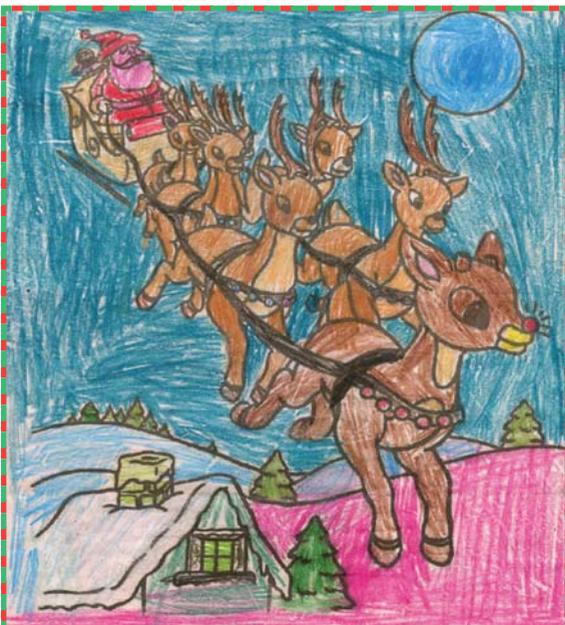
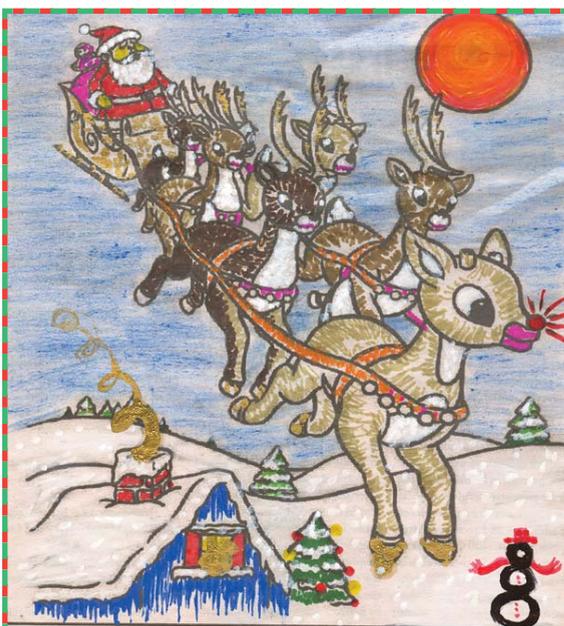
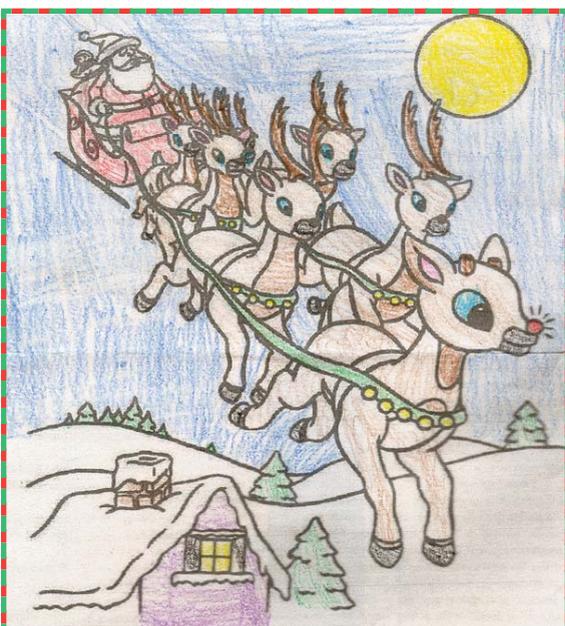
Dear Santa,
I want toys for Christmas. I hope you come visit me. I have been good.
Love, Collin Sutton, age 3

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good girl this year. Could I please get a pair of ice skates, and any kind of other presents? Have a safe journey tonight.
Love, Emma Gasco, age 7

Odawa Trails Coloring Contest Winners

Ages 3 - 7

Ages 8-12



Top: Cheyenne Shananaquet, 7
Center: Morgan Harrington, 6
Bottom: Hali Williams, 6

Top: Miigwans Smith, 11
Center: Jordan Williams, 8
Bottom: Archie Kiogima IV, 12

Murray Road Site Groundbreaking Ceremony



FRONT ELEVATION
SCALE 1/4" = 1'-0"



FIRST FLOOR PLAN
SCALE 1/4" = 1'-0"



SECOND FLOOR PLAN
SCALE 1/4" = 1'-0"



A color guard of Richard Wemigwase (U.S. Army), Margaret Gasco (U.S. Army) and Tony Davis (U.S. Navy) participated in the groundbreaking ceremony at the Murray Road site.

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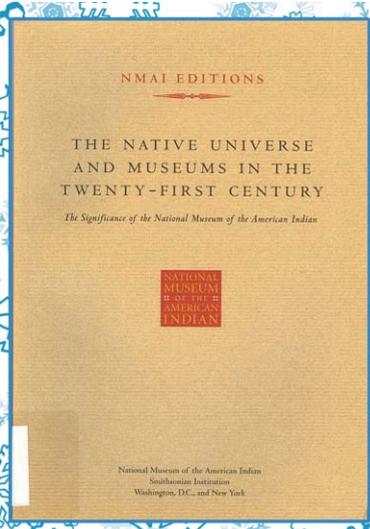
By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Library of Congress donated 17 art books associated with the Smithsonian Institute's National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) to the LTBB Cultural Library, located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

I will profile eight of those books in this article, and profile the other nine in the February newsletter.

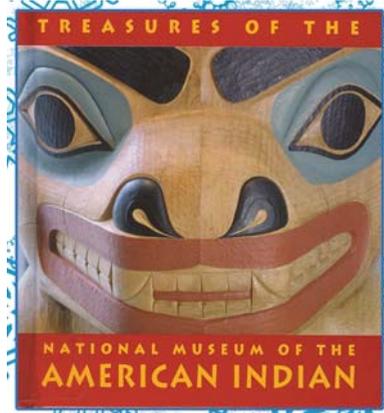
LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the following art books for two weeks.

Spirit of a Native Place: Building the National Museum of the American Indian



The following product description appears on the museum's website: "The Native Universe and Museums in the Twenty-First Century: The Significance of the National Museum of the American Indian consists of eight essays presented at the museum's Opening International Symposium in September 2004, held to commemorate the opening of its doors on the National Mall in Washington, D.C. Written by leading museum professionals from Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States, the essays explore the opening of the museum from a global perspective. Topics include the representation and interpretation of indigenous peoples in museums; the role and place of contemporary artists in NMAI's work; and the responsibility of institutions such as NMAI to support and foster contemporary Native cultures and arts."

Treasures of the National Museum of the American Indian



This book is part of Abbeville Press' popular Tiny Folio miniature books series and offers a visual sample of the NMAI collections and several essays on Native art and culture. Each of the book's contributing authors played a significant role in the development of the NMAI.

The following product description appears on the museum's website: "Treasures of the National Museum of the American Indian features a sweeping look of the most significant collection of art by Native Americans anywhere in the world. This miniature volume illustrates the vast breadth of the museum's collec-

tions from pre-Columbian ceramics to contemporary Indian paintings. These objects make vividly clear the diversity and vigorous creativity of Native cultures from the Arctic to the southern tip of South America."

James Luna: Emendatio

James Luna, a member of the La Jolla Band of Mission Luiseño Indians, is a Professor/Counselor at the Palomar College Counseling Center. He began his art career as a painter, but he branched out into performances and installation, which he has explored for more than three decades.

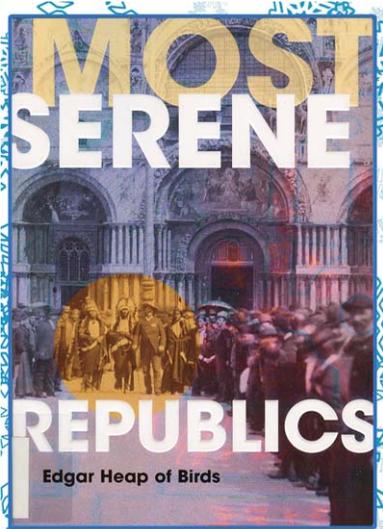
In 2005, the National Museum of the American Indian sponsored him to participate in the Venice Biennale. The piece he created, Emendatio, included three installations,



Spinning Woman, Apparitions: Past and Present, and The Chapel for Pablo Tac as well a personal performance in Venice, Renewal, dedicated to Pablo Tac (1822-1841), a Luiseño Indian author and scholar, who went to study in Rome, where he died.

The following product description appears on the museum's website: "James Luna (Luiseño) is one of the most compelling and provocative performance and installation artists today. His critically acclaimed work, created over the past three decades, has been widely exhibited and extensively reviewed in art and performance journals."

Most Serene Republics: Edgar Heap of Birds



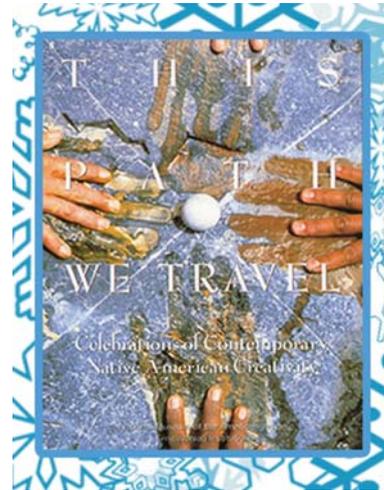
Edgar Heap of Birds (Cheyenne/Arapaho) is known for his public art installations, which create a dialogue between place, history and a sometimes unsuspecting audience. Most Serene Republics refers to his interest in the creation of republics or nation states through acts of aggression, displacement or replacement of populations and cultures.

The following product description appears on the museum's website: "Edgar Heap of Birds is the creator of some of the earliest and most memorable Native American conceptual art. Drawing on language and history, his public art installations, paintings, prints and drawings explore the often-contested relationship between non-Indian historical accounts and Native memory."

This Path We Travel: Celebrations of Contemporary Native American Creativity

This book, featuring 15 Native artists representing a range of cultural backgrounds and artistic media, was published in conjunction with the exhibition of the same name.

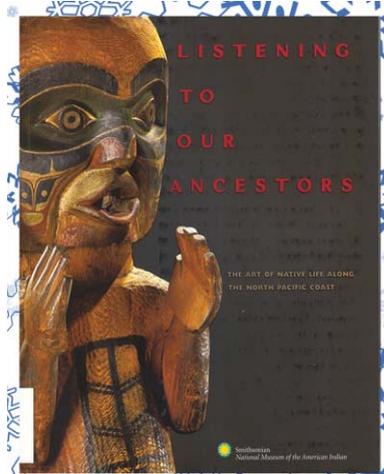
The following product description appears on the museum's website: "The artists of This Path We Travel came from diverse Native cultures to create a unified composition of Native thought, belief, and expression—one that brings together their



individual viewpoints and experiences into a single multifaceted vision. Participants agreed that the project, although radically new in form, would be 'grounded in the traditions of Native people and based upon an older Native model of cooperation and sharing."

Listening to Our Ancestors: The Art of Native Life Along the North Pacific Coast

This collection of community self-portraits features writers from 11 Northwest Coast Nations, the Coast Salish, Makah, Nuuchahnulth, Kwakwaka'wakw, Heiltsuk, Nuxalk, Tsimshian, Nisga'a, Gitksan, Haida



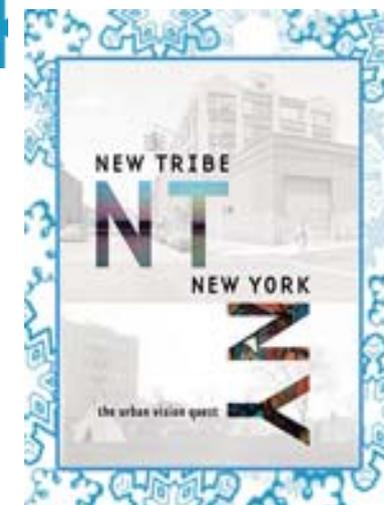
and Tlingit. They describe the meaning of cultural traditions in their lives today.

The following product description appears on the museum's website: "Illustrated with striking new images of important pieces from the museum's collections, Listening to Our Ancestors invites readers to appreciate Northwest Coast art as its Native inheritors do – for the spirit with which it is endowed."

New Tribe, New York: The Urban Vision Quest

This book grew out of an exhibition series featuring New York-based Native artists Lorenzo Clayton (Navajo), Mario Martinez (Pasqua Yaqui), Alan Michelson (Mohawk) and Spiderwoman Theater (Kuna/Rappahannock) at the NMAI's George Gustav Heye Center in lower Manhattan.

The following product description appears on the museum's website: "New Tribe: New York's importance lies in the way in which it roots out an entrenched stereotype—that indigenous identities exist only in the past and Native art exists solely in traditional forms—replacing it with the lively and diverse realities of contemporary Native American urban experience and artistic expression."



Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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On the Pow Wow Trail

Michigan

December 31
New Year's Eve Sobriety Pow Wow
Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Contact Information: 906-635-6050

December 31
Third Annual New Year's Jiingtamok
Manistee, MI
Contact Information: Julie Wolfe at
231-690-3463

February 13-14
27th Annual Pow Wow of Love
Jenison Fieldhouse
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI
Contact Information: Ashley Ryerse
at 517-432-7153, ryerseas@msu.edu
or www.msu.edu/~naiso/pow-
wow/index.html

March 13-14
GLICA 33rd Annual Mid-Winter
Pow Wow
Flint, MI
Contact Information: Jack Shumaker
at 810-630-1727

Minnesota

December 31-January 2
Celebration of Sobriety Traditional
Pow Wow
Minneapolis, MN

Contact Information: 612-724-3129
burg.edu or www.augsburg.edu/aissp

January 8
St. Paul Public Schools Indian
Education Traditional Pow Wow
St. Paul, MN
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www.indianeducation.org or www.in-
dianeducation.spps.org

February 12
St. Paul Public Schools Indian
Education Traditional Pow Wow
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Contact Information: 651-293-5191,
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March 12
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Education Traditional Pow Wow
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www.indianeducation.org

March 20
Augsburg College Second

Traditional Pow Wow
Si Melby Gymnasium
Augsburg College
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: Jennifer Simon
at 612-330-1144, simonj@aug-

Wisconsin

December 31
First People Many Nations
Traditional Pow Wow
Milwaukee, WI
Contact Information: Susanna La-
belle-Boyd at 414-744-5664, JK-
MAURER@ulmalumni.com or
www.fpmn.org

December 31
Menominee New Year's Eve
Traditional Pow Wow
Neopit, WI
Contact Information: 715-756-2354

December 31
LCO New Year's Traditional
Pow Wow
Hayward, WI
Contact Information: 715-634-8924
or www.lcoschools.bia.edu

December 31
Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow
Oneida, WI
Contact Information: 920-496-
7897, 1-800-236-2214 or lpow-
less@oneidanation.org



Odawa Casino Resort Holiday Hours

Christmas Eve

Waas-no-de' Buffet: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for lunch and 5 p.m. – 10 p.m. for dinner.

Copper Café: Open 24 hours.

Sage Restaurant: Closed.

Ozone Nightclub: Closed.

Rendezvous Lounge: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., 9 p.m. to midnight for soda service

Quill Box Gift Shop: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shop: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Christmas Day

Waas-no-de' Buffet: 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. for dinner

Copper Café: Open 24 hours.

Sage Restaurant: Closed.

Ozone Nightclub: Closed.

Rendezvous Lounge: 10 a.m. to midnight, soda service only, no alcoholic beverages served

Quill Box Gift Shop: Noon to 9 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shop: Noon to 9 p.m.

New Year's Eve

Waas-no-de' Buffet: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for lunch, 5 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. for dinner and 12:30 a.m. to 3 a.m. for breakfast buffet.

Copper Café: Open 24 hours.

Sage Restaurant: 5 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Ozone Nightclub: 9 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Rendezvous Lounge: 10 a.m. to 4 a.m.

Quill Box Gift Shop: 9 a.m. to midnight.

Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shop: 9 a.m. to midnight.

New Year's Day

Waas-no-de' Buffet: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for brunch and 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. for dinner

Copper Café: Open 24 hours.

Sage Restaurant: 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Ozone Nightclub: 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Rendezvous Lounge: 10 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Quill Box Gift Shop: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shop: 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Waas-no-de' Buffet Christmas Menu

Cold Station

Full Salad Bar

Seasoned Boiled Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce

Soup Station

Chicken Noodle with Fresh Vegetables

Roasted Corn Soup

Cream of Broccoli

Entrées

Carving Station

Herb Roasted Prime Rib of Beef, Au jus

Carved Bone in Ham with Rum Raisin

Roasted Tom Turkey with Pan Gravy

Southern Fried Chicken

Grilled Salmon with Pesto Cream

Garlic Mashed Redskin Potatoes

Apple and Sausage Dressing

Wild Rice with Pecans

Green Beans Almandine

Candied Sweet Potatoes

Cauliflower Au Gratin

Pineapple Glazed Carrots

Featured Entrées

Potato Pancakes

Homemade Applesauce

Yankee Pot Roast

Shrimp Newburg

Grilled Whitefish

Pierogis

Braised Cabbage

Fresh Polish Sausage with Sauerkraut

Butternut Squash

Includes selections from our

Italian Station and Seafood Station

Array of Freshly Baked Rolls and Breads

Holiday Desserts

Pumpkin, Pecan and Apple Pie

Baked Apples

Fruit Cobblers

Bread Pudding with Vanilla Sauce

Cheesecake

Sugar-free Desserts

Fresh Strawberry Shortcake

\$17.95 for Adults

\$7.95 for Children ages 6-12

Children 1-5 Complimentary

Waas-no-de' Buffet Hours

11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

3rd Annual
New Year's Jiingtamok
a celebration of sobriety

Thursday, December 31, 2009
Aki Maadiziwin Community Center
(2953 Shaw-BeQuo-ung Manistee, Mi)
Grand Entry @ 7pm
All Dancers and Drums Welcome!
Host Drum: Medicine Lodge Singers Co-host Drum: Elk Trail
MC: Don Underwood Arena Director: Daniel LaBlance Bissell
Head Dancers: Debra Davis and Frank Sprague
Jr Head Dancers: Hannah Sandel and Bishop Davis
Head Veteran: TBA

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Tribal Council Meeting Minutes



**The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740**

November 22, 2009

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:38a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Julie Shananaquet

Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara

Judicial Branch Present: Chief Judge Gasco

Guests: Marcia Sutton, Christina Rohn, Frank Ettawageshik, Alan Proctor, Harvey Gibson, Emily Proctor, Fred Kiogima

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt the agenda for November 22, 2009 with additions.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

9:42 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of November 8, 2009 with corrections.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Elders Comments: Frank Ettawageshik spoke regarding a climate change workshop he attended.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to acknowledge the verbal and written Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Nimkee Technologies, LLC, report for November 22, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

10:46 a.m. Recess called.

11:00 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to acknowledge the Bureau of Indian Affairs Tribal Court Assessment presented by Chief Judge Gasco.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report for November 22, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

11:45 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Tribal Treasurer Bott's verbal report for November 22, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal and written report for November 22, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Elder Comments: Harvey Gibson spoke regarding Indian town property.

12:06 p.m. Lunch recess called until 1:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Councilor Kiogima absent.

1:33 p.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

stained, 0 - Absent

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal and written report for November 22, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List - A Eligible for Citizenship dated November 10, 2009 for a total of 11.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 1 - Abstained (Councilor Otto), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment list - B Declination Ineligible dated November 10, 2009 for a total of 1.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt Tribal Resolution Execution of Trust Deed for "Mill Street" Parcel.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-no, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-no, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to appoint Ray Kiogima to the Housing Commission for a 4-year term ending September 21, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Lawrence Stead to the Housing Commission for a 4-year term ending September 21, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

stained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to appoint Steven Schmidt to the Trust Fund Board for a 4-year term expiring September 21, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to appoint Carol Jeffers to the Trust Fund Board for a 4-year term ending September 21, 2013.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 5 - No (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Bardwell, Treasurer Bott, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Donald Lasley to the Economic Development Commission for 3-year term ending September 21, 2012.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Alan Proctor to the Economic Development Commission for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2012.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

3:07 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:07 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to appoint Alice Hughes, Carol Quinones, and Jon Shawa to the Election Board for a 4-year term ending September 21, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Emily Proctor to the Child Welfare Commission for a 3-year term ending September 21, 2012.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to post to the Legislative Calendar the Government Structure Statute and Probate Code for Small Estate Statute.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Kiogima), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

3:15 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary
Date

Attention all Resident Tribal Members (RTMs):

If you are planning to purchase a vehicle, ORV or plan on doing any home improvements to your principal place of residence, YOU NEED TO CONTACT ME FIRST before making the actual purchase(s). **You must fill out the "Request for TCE" form** located on the LTBB website or by con-

tacting my office. I will then issue you a "Tribal Certificate of Exemption" for such purchases. The tribe no longer uses the Refund Method, as indicated in the monthly newsletter, as of January 1, 2008. If you've already made a purchase, there is no recourse!!! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

-Theresa Keshick

Legislative Corner

One of the duties of Tribal Council is to pass legislation. Legislation is introduced by one or more Tribal Council members that "sponsor" the legislation. It must be posted on the Legislative Calendar for public comment for a period of 25 days prior to passage.

Over the past few months, Tribal Council has posted several pieces of legislation:

- Probate Code for Small Estates Statute
- Governmental Structure Statute
- Whistle Blower Protections Statute
- Health Department Statute
- Treasurer's Responsibilities Statute
- Department of Education and

Cultural Learning Statute

- Civil Traffic Statute
- Tribal Burial Grounds Statute
- Contempt Statute

Once legislation is posted, Tribal Council will review and if necessary make changes to the posted statutes during a work session. Work sessions are an informal discussion where council members share thoughts and concerns about particular pieces of legislation or other work products. These work sessions are open to tribal citizens. So if you have a particular interest in any of the posted legislation, please join the Tribal Council at one of its work sessions and provide your thoughts and concerns. The agendas for the work sessions are posted so

you know what pieces of legislation or work products are going to be discussed on that date.

Also, if you are unable to attend a work session, you may submit your written comment to Tribal Council by mail or by e-mail. The e-mail addresses of the Tribal Council members can be found at the LTBB website at <http://www.ltbbodawansn.gov>.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact the Tribal Council office at 1-866-927-0077 or attend a Tribal Council meeting.

*Miigwetch,
Submitted by Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader, and Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney*

2010 Tribal Council Work Session and Meeting Schedule

Work Sessions

January 9 and 23
February 6 and 20
March 6 and 20
April 10 and 24
May 1 and 15
June 5 and 26
July 10 and 24
August 7 and 21
September 11 and 25
October 9 and 23
November 6 and 20
December 4 and 18

Meetings

January 10 and 24
February 7 and 21
March 7 and 21
April 11 and 25
May 2 and 16
June 6 and 27
July 11 and 25
August 8 and 22
September 12 and 26
October 10 and 24
November 7 and 21
December 5 and 19

Tribal Council Work Sessions and Meetings are 9 a.m. in the Tribal Courtroom at the LTBB Governmental Center.



Important Facts You Should Know About Indian Health Service Contract Health Service

I.H.S. - CHS coverage is not automatic. You must be registered with CHS. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non- I.H.S. facility such as urgent care or the emergency room, you must notify the CHS office at 231-242-1600 within 72 hours of that visit. If you fail to do so, you will be held responsible for the bill.

Eligibility Criteria:

- You must reside in the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).
- Be an enrolled member or descendent of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians or be able to prove social or economic ties to the community.
- A Native American claiming eligibility for CHS has the responsibility to furnish the tribal program with documentation to substantiate the claim.
- You must have an active and complete file with Contract Health before a reference number can be given.

Remember!!!!

Indian Health Service Contract Health is not an entitlement program - not everyone is eligible. Know your status before obtaining services.

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical

care that is not available in the Tribal Clinic. A referral is not an implication the care will be paid by CHS. A patient must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities and use all alternate resources available.

If a referral is denied for CHS payment, the patient may elect to obtain medical services at his or her own expense. In most cases, an approved referral is limited to one medical appointment. Please call Contract Health Services at 231-242-1600 prior to any follow-up appointments for approval to make sure your coverage is still in effect.

Alternate Resources:

Contract Health Service is the payer of last resort. When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Assistance, Workman's compensation, private insurance or any other coverage, it is considered the primary carrier.

Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

The system has highest priority to approve conditions related to life saving or potential death threatening situations, then we approve by severity of condition.

The amount of funding we receive for CHS services is limited. When we run out of money toward the end of the year, then we have to be very strict on referral approvals and may only have the funds to pay for emergency conditions.

After Hours Clinics for LTBB Tribal Patients

Weekend Urgent Care Alternatives

Boyne Country Urgent Care
1937 M-119
Petoskey, MI 49770
231-348-9200

Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center
116 W. Mitchell Street
Petoskey, MI 49770
231-348-2828

These clinics can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

When using one of these providers, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.



Greetings and Happy New Year from the LTBB Health Department

Submitted by the Health Department

The flu season is still here, but luckily, it seems to have reached its peak in our tribal community. However, we continue to remind everyone to wash your hands and stay home if you are sick. It is also not too late to get your seasonal flu shot as the flu season can last up until March. Just call the Health Clinic at 231-242-1700 and schedule a nurse visit to get your flu shot.

The renovations are over, and the dust has finally settled with all the moving here at the Health Park Building in Petoskey, MI. None of our services have changed, but we have new places for some of our pro-

grams. If you haven't noticed, Community Health is now located in the upstairs of the Health Park Building. Substance Abuse and Mental Health is now located in the back of the Health Park Building, and its entrance is the covered ramp in the back of the building. Also, our Contract Health Receptionist is now closer to the Health Clinic. We are all settled in nicely, and happy to be together. We are willing to do whatever it takes to make things easier for our tribal community and being located in one building certainly helps.

We hope everyone is recovered from the holidays, and we are looking forward to serving you in the coming year.



Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department Relocates to LTBB Health Park

Submitted by the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department

As of November 30, 2009, the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department relocated to the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI.

The entrance to our department is in the back corner of the building with the covered doorway. Clients should park in the back parking lot.

With the relocation, the Waganakising Anishaabek Alcoholics Anonymous meeting which previously met at the Greenwood Road location in Petoskey, now meets at the LTBB Governmental Center at 7500 Odawa Circle in Harbor Springs, MI. The time and day remain the same: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

There is also a new Alcoholics Anonymous meeting on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at 5435 Waldorf Street in Cross Village, MI.

Until a new location can be secured, there are no LTBB Walk-In Grief & Loss Support meetings. For grief needs through the holidays and the month of January, please call 231-242-1640 to schedule a private appointment.

Happy Holidays!



Medical Transportation

Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport.

For LTBB household members residing in the LTBB service delivery area.

For medical appointments/purposes only.

Transport must be arranged 72 hours in advance.

Contact Community Outreach at the LTBB Health Department

231-242-1601

Housing Department Programs

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1510.

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. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

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 refinance 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 Ste. Marie, MI; this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

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

Tribal Housing Rental Program: This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. Please submit a letter of interest and your application will be put on our waiting list for when LTBB rentals become available.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Housing Department

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

231-242-1540

Fax: 231-242-1550



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Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department is accepting applications for our Elder Housing Development located in Harbor Springs, MI. The Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of twelve, two (2) bedroom units nestled in a peaceful, country setting north of Harbor Springs, MI. Applicants must meet the following guidelines:

- MUST BE A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE
- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
- MUST BE INCOME QUALIFIED - RENT BASED ON INCOME

Please note that Tribal identification and ALL household income/asset information must accompany your application.

Please contact the Housing Department for more information at 231-242-1540.



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Native News

MEET THE NEW EMPLOYEES SERVING OUR LTBB TRIBAL COMMUNITY



Heather Boening, back row center, recently joined the Tribal Court staff.

Heather Boening

Heather Boening, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, started as the Probation Officer/Community Justice Officer in the LTBB Tribal Court on November 2, 2009.

From October 2007 to November 2009, Boening worked in the Regulatory Department as an Administrative Assistant and Background Investigator. After graduating from Petoskey High School, she earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Michigan State University.

"Your ability to help people and to help mold juveniles who are going down the wrong path," Boening said when asked what she enjoys the most about her job.

"It's extremely rewarding when you can make a positive difference in people's lives."

Boening, who grew up in Petoskey, MI, has a husband, Mack,

and they have a 1-1/2 year-old chocolate Labrador retriever named Diesel.

Her parents are Bruce and Dona Kahgee.

In her free time, she enjoys reading, hunting and other outdoor activities.

SPRING Grant Prevention Outreach Workers

The SPRING Grant began in July 2009 and will run through July 2013, and its purpose is to reduce substance abuse and its related problems within the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians service area.

The SPRING Grant is under the umbrella of the LTBB Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department, and SPRING Grant employees are housed in the LTBB Health Building in Petoskey.

Tosha Bennington

Tosha Bennington, a LTBB



Tribal Citizen, started as a SPRING Grant Prevention Outreach Worker on November 9, 2009.

Prior to accepting her current position, Bennington worked as an Administrative Assistant in the LTBB Human Resources Department, taught Word Processing in the WOBTT Program and worked as a LTBB temporary employee. She will graduate next year from Spring Arbor University with a Bachelor's degree in Social Work.

"Because of all the support and assistance I received from the tribal community," Bennington said when asked why she was interested in her current position. "I want to help others like I was helped."

Bennington, who grew up in Petoskey and graduated from Petoskey High School, has a husband, Raymond, and three children, Kertine, 17, Corey, 15 and Brent, 14.

Her parents are Gary and Dawn Otto.

In her free time, she enjoys outdoor activities.

Yvonne Goudreau

Yvonne Goudreau, a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, started as a SPRING Grant Prevention Outreach Worker on November 9, 2009.

She previously worked as a Substance Abuse Counselor and a Pre-

vention Worker for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, a Teacher's Aide and a Substitute Teacher for Special Education children. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Human Services from Lake Superior State University.



"I've always enjoyed working in the Human Services field," Goudreau said. "I'm excited about my new position."

Goudreau, who grew up in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, has two children, Rachael, 19, and Luke, 17.

In her free time, she enjoys spending time with friends and family and outdoor activities such as cross country skiing, hiking, canoeing and berry picking.

Lindsay Shomin

Lindsay Shomin, a LTBB Tribal

Citizen, started as a SPRING Grant Prevention Outreach Worker on November 9, 2009.

Prior to accepting her current position, Shomin worked as the Court Clerk I in the LTBB Tribal Court.

She grew up in Petoskey, gradu-



ated from Petoskey High School and attended Ferris State University.

Her fiancé is John Hebert. She has a sister, Nikki Leist, a niece, Avery, and two nephews, Parker and Ben.

She is the daughter of the late Dean Shomin, who was a LTBB Tribal Citizen, and Marilyn and Keith Danforth.

In her free time, she enjoys outdoor activities, gardening and reading.

Articles and photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

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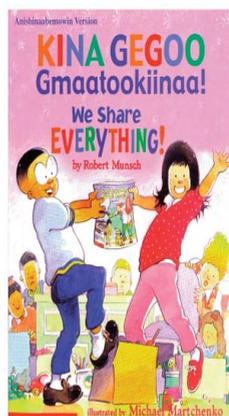
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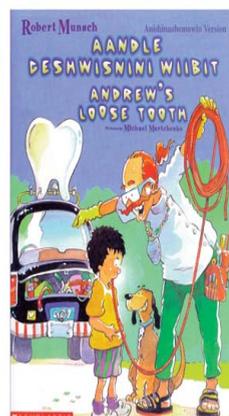
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Note: These books are written by well-known children's author Robert Munsch and produced by Scholastic Canada, CanCopy. They are available to purchase for \$10 each from Sault College Native Studies Program, online at <http://www.saultc.on.ca/Academics/NativeEducation/LanguageResources.asp>.

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Metro Parent's 17th Annual Native American Festival and Mini Pow Wow



By Curtis Drogmiller, LTBB Tribal Citizen

Metro Parent has done it again, given us a fun-filled day of excitement at its 17th Annual Native American Festival and Mini Pow Wow. The event was held on Saturday, November 7, 2009, and Sunday, November 8, 2009 at the Southfield Pavilion in Southfield, MI.

From traditional Native American food to traditional dance, our day was exciting. The air was not only filled with the wonderful aromas of fry bread and corn soup and many other Native American delicacies, but it was also filled with many wonderful people of all races. Everyone came

to the event wanting to embrace the day with the knowledge and the lifestyles of the Native American, past and present.

We could not help but notice the overwhelmingly large tipi at one of the main entrances for everyone to enter or simply have a picture taken with this monstrous tipi. We, too, took advantage of this photo opportunity.

We immediately walked the outer circle of the event to stop and



explore the many wonderful craft booths set up filled with many original Native American handmade items for sale.

We also took a moment to stop at a table filled with many educational items to view and hold such as braided sweet grass to quill boxes. We stopped for a photo next to the oversized moccasins on display.

We suddenly heard the heartbeat of Mother Earth as we now knew it was time for the dancers' entrance. Native American singing and drumming commenced as we watched and enjoyed the Native American dancing.

The announcement was made that from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians would be performing a dance with several other dancers. We proudly looked and watched, and at the completion of his



dance, we asked for a picture. We were proud!

We watched the many dances throughout the day and met many

of the dancers who graciously let us take pictures with them. We still stood proud knowing that one of our tribal citizens had performed for this crowd of people.

We took a quick break from the excitement and picked up our take home Native American craft project, a dream catcher.

It was then story time, and the announcement was made that storyteller Tony Miron, a LTBB Tribal Community Member, would be in our inner circle for all the children to gather. We spent an hour with Miron and listened to his wonderful storytelling. The children, made up of different ethnic backgrounds and many scouts, listened carefully to the stories

told. We once again stood proud as we spent a little time with Mr. Miron and learned that he has ties to LTBB. Mr. Miron and his family made us feel welcome as we learned of their roots and family and learned that they themselves live in Petoskey, MI.

Metro Parent had brought together for its event Native Americans representing the people of the Three Fires - Ottawa, Ojibwe and Potawatomi.



This was one family event filled with wonderful memories for everyone to remember.

Photos by Curtis Drogmiller.

Petoskey and Charlevoix Public Schools Title VII Program Update

Submitted by Meredith Henry, Title VII Indian Education Coordinator for the Petoskey and Charlevoix Schools

We would like to say excellent job to the A& B students in the Petoskey & Charlevoix Title VII program.

Keep up the awesome work!
First Marking Period A& B Students

Petoskey Middle School

Sanja Baker
Sara Bedrick
Miranda Chartier
Kyle Flynn
Mikayla Miller
Marissa Mroczkowski
Gabriel McCann
Elizabeth Dufek
Athena Fettig
Yarrow Nowell
Ryan Sweeney
Drake Wiltse
Kiana Wood
Petoskey High School
Brett Campbell
Cassie Gibson
Rosemarie Goodman
Sara Sloan
Sean Miller
Traven Michaels
Carlyne Searles
Marissa Chartier
Andrea Reese
Tahir Dickson
John Harrington
Isabella Olsen

Charlevoix Middle School

Shaelyn Bosley
Kaltelynn Mousseau
John Kagabintang
Olivia Storm
Nicole Swadling
Nathen Kalush
Charlevoix High School
Raymond Shenosky

We would also like to acknowledge Charlevoix Middle School Star of the Month **Danielle Schmidt** nominated by Mrs. Wasilewski. "For being so helpful in RISE to the teacher and other students. She is also polite, thorough, gets her work done, and seeks out ways to be helpful. "Can I do this?" seems to be her motto."

Great work Danielle, way to be a role model for other students!

Title VII Student **Anna Daily** was the only Title VII student to read at this year's C. S. Lewis prompt reading from the Petoskey elementary schools held on November 23, 2009 at the Petoskey Middle School auditorium. Her classmates from Mrs. Daniels' fifth grade Lincoln Elementary School classroom chose her for a public reading of her poem. We have included it below. Way to go Anna!

Winter Ends

By Anna Daily

Lincoln Elementary School

The cold snow pressed against my cheek.

I can feel a slight warmth on my

skin.

The sun is slowly rising.

The snow is slowly being melted by the blazing sun.

The animals scurry out of their dens from hibernation to enjoy the woods around them.

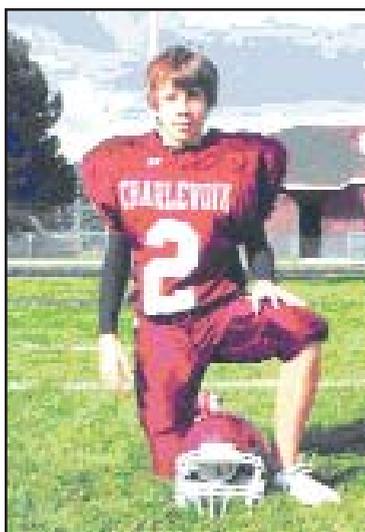
You can hear the birds chirp like an echo all around the animals.

You can hear the sound of kids playing hide-and-go-seek in the woods, playing in the roses, and hollering to let everyone know that spring is finally here.

As winter is finally ending.

Congratulations to **Jamal Kelly** for earning his varsity letter in football for Charlevoix High School in ninth grade. He also earned MVP for offense in JV.

Courtesy photo.



Love Lines Sought



We will include Love Lines in the February issue of Odawa Trails to celebrate Valentine's Day. Please e-mail your Love Lines submission by January 4 to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. They must be no longer than 15 words, no photos will be included, and they must be signed. No secret admirers or unsigned Love Lines will be published.



Learn About Preserving Venison!!

How to make Venison



TRIBAL YOUTH GROUP PARTICIPANTS & PARENTS:

Come learn how to make venison jerky! The LTBB Horticulture Small Scale Agriculture (HSSA) group, the Youth Services Department and MSU Extension are putting on a jerky making workshop! The cost is free, and all supplies and venison will be provided. Please notify Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier or Theresa Keshick in DOC if you would like to participate, so we can gauge how much venison to supply.

When: Tuesday, Jan. 19 & Thursday, Jan. 21

Where: Youth Services Bldg. & the White House at 1345 U.S. 31 North, Petoskey, MI

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling 231-242-1584 by January 12, 2010 to make arrangements. Requests received after that date will be fulfilled when possible.

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HOMETOWN WIRELESS GROUP WILL GIVE 15% OFF ALL ITEMS TO ANY LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN, LTBB EMPLOYEE, OR FAMILY MEMBER OF AN EMPLOYEE. ALL WE NEED IS YOUR TRIBAL ID OR EMPLOYEE BADGE. WE HAVE 3 LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU:

HARBOR SPRINGS
HARBOR PLAZA
8430 M-119
231-487-9390

ALANSON
7722 US 31 NORTH
(NEXT TO SUBWAY)
231-548-5997

KALKASKA
559 S. CEDAR (131)
800-757-5997



"YIR" continued from cover.

were held in Petoskey, MI, Peshawbestown, MI, and Mt. Pleasant, MI) it entered during the regular season and won the MUTYBL season-ending tournament.

Team members were Gaila Vertz, Carrie Eggleston, Cassandra Gibson, Trisha Heron, Sondra Bennett, Mercedes Schmidt, Marlene Powell, Jasmine McFall, Andrea Reese, Breanna Mulholland-Cepeda, Ashley Dominic, Izzy Olson, Amber Nowell, Yarrow Nowell and Brooke Whitaker.

Regular season coaches were Larry Denemy and Mike Schmidt, and tournament coaches were J.D. Gibson and Joe Lucier.

LTBB Hosts Holiday Bazaar to Benefit NICWA

LTBB hosted a Holiday Bazaar on December 6-7, 2008 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Approximately 30 vendors participated in the event. The proceeds from the silent auction and the food concessions benefited the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA).

LTBB Tribal Citizen Completes Congressional Internship

In the summer of 2008, LTBB Tribal Citizen Cynthia Biro successfully completed the Morris K. Udall Foundation Native American Congressional Internship in Washington, D.C. Biro, the daughter of James and Valerie (Laughlin) Biro, was one of only 12 students selected for the 2008 class of interns.

Raised in Harper Woods, MI,

awarded on table games based on average bet and length of play.

Automatic discounts include a 10% discount at the Quill Box Gift Shop; a 10% discount at the Sage Restaurant, Waas-no-dé Buffet and Copper Café; a 5% discount at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey; and \$5 off special events and other discounts through the mail based on play.

Once a person has earned more than 50,000 points in the past year, he or she becomes a member of the "O" Club and is entitled to these membership benefits: Double points 24/7; birthday and anniversary gifts; hotel upgrade to a suite (based on availability); host personalized assistance with room and restaurant reservations; a 20% discount in the Sage Restaurant, Waas-no-dé Buffet and Copper Café; a 20% discount at the Quill Box Gift Shop; advanced notice of events; two complimentary tickets for all concerts and events (based on availability); instant e-mail notifications; complimentary check cashing; access to "O" lounge; exclusive invitations to special events; access to O zone with complimentary pod; Escalade service; preferred parking and express line service.

Eric Hemenway Selected to Serve on NAGPRA Review Committee

On January 12, 2009, Research & Repatriation Assistant Eric Hemenway received a letter congratulating him on being selected as one of only seven people on the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee.

iff Cross-Deputizes LTBB Law Enforcement Officers

On January 15, 2009, LTBB Chief Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Cobe and nine LTBB Law Enforcement Officers took their oaths of office to become cross-deputized with the Charlevoix County Sheriff's Office. The LTBB Law Enforcement Officers who took their oaths of office from Charlevoix County Sheriff Don Schneider were George Closser, Michael Givens, Jake Guenhardt, Jeffrey Livingston, Roger Marsh, Ryan Roberts, Ryan Shields, Nathaniel Stead and Robert Turbiak. With the retirement of George Lasater as the Charlevoix County Sheriff at the end of 2008, it became necessary for the LTBB Law Enforcement Officers to be sworn in by Schneider.

Matt Lesky Selected as LTBB Tribal Prosecutor

On January 8, 2009, Matt Lesky took the oath of office as the LTBB Tribal Prosecutor, filling the position vacated by William Gregory. Lesky, who previously worked for LTBB as an Attorney, a contractor and a Law Department intern, was appointed to a three-year term.

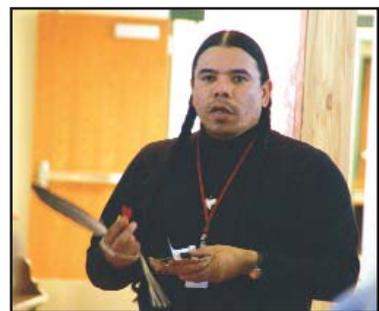
He earned a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Sociology (a concentration in Criminal and Social Justice) from Central Michigan University in 2001 and earned a Certificate in Indigenous Law from the Michigan State University College of Law in 2005. Prior to being named LTBB Tribal Prosecutor, he worked as an Attorney for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians in Manistee, MI, from August 2007 to January 2, 2009.

LTBB Hosts Harbor Springs Public Schools Board of Education Meeting

LTBB hosted the Harbor Springs Public Schools Board of Education's regularly scheduled meeting on February 9, 2009 at the LTBB Governmental Center. The meeting was held in the Tribal Courtroom.

LTBB Establishes Anishinaabek Culture Course at NCMC

When LTBB applied for a Native American Career Technical Education Program (NACTEP) grant from the U.S. Department of Education, it included a cultural component. After receiving the five-year,



LTBB Tribal Citizen Tony Davis, seen here, spoke to NCMC students at the new class. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.

\$2.1 million NACTEP grant, LTBB created the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) and partnered with North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey to offer certificate programs in Entrepreneurship, Nurse Aide, Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy and New Media.

One of the requirements of receiving a WOCTEP certificate is completing Sociology 115, Anishinaabek Culture. The one-credit course is open to all NCMC students and was first offered in the 2009 Winter Semester.

Odawa Casino Resort Redesigns Website

Odawa Casino Resort launched

a redesigned website on February 27, 2009. The site, www.odawacasino.com, was completely rebuilt to reflect the rich earth tones and north woods-based architecture of the building as well as the cultural heritage of LTBB.

Odawa Casino Resort Assists Special Olympics Michigan

Odawa Casino Resort sponsored a dinner in Ovation Hall for the Wertz Warriors as they concluded their 900-mile, seven-day, Snowmobile Endurance Ride on February 7, 2009 in Petoskey. The Wertz Warriors completed the ride to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics Michigan.

LTBB Tribal Community Citizens Featured in Annual Parenting Section

The Petoskey News-Review published its annual parenting section titled, "Parenting is for a Lifetime: A Special Section of the *Petoskey News-Review*," on February 27, 2009.

Included in the section was a "Parenting Awareness Month Community Activities" scrapbook featuring 36 photographs of community members at events.

Nine of the photographs featured LTBB Community Citizens (Sara Lucier with son, Tavien; Ben Banfield with son, Mason; Gwen Gasco with daughter, Tikibiinh; Theresa Keshick with son, Jordan Bussey; Russell and Kimberly Worthington with their children, Shylee, Hunter and Maya; David M. Harrington with daughter, Morgan; Tom Teuthorn with daughter, Tikibiinh; Virginia and Ron Schanema with sons, Francis, Dominic and Xavier, and nephew, Travin; and Shanna Wemigwase and daughter, Waaseyaban).

Land and Reservation Committee Host Land Training Session for Tribal Youth

On March 20, 2009, 35 LTBB Youth attended a special Land Training Session at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey. With funding support from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation and from grants received through the LTBB Education Department, it was sponsored by Tribal Council's Land and Reservation Committee. It was a condensed version of the two-day Land Training Session held in September 2008 for all LTBB Tribal Citizens.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Assists Its First Area Businesses

Trillium, A Complete Salon, L.L.C. in Petoskey and Tannery Creek Market in Petoskey were the first two area businesses to receive financing from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. in March 2009. Trillium received financing for business inventory needs, and Tannery Creek received financing to purchase new equipment.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. is a non-profit corporation formed for charitable and educational purposes to promote economic and social development for LTBB in the three-county reservation area of Charlevoix, Emmet and Cheboygan counties as a way of encouraging growth in the "homeland."

LTBB Education Department Hosts College Goal Sunday

On February 8, 2009, the LTBB Governmental Center was one of 28 College Goal Sunday sites in Michigan. The LTBB Education Department partnered with the NCMC Financial Aid Department to offer

participants resources, one-on-one help and assistance in filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (F.A.F.S.A.).

Tribal Council Appoints Rita Shananaquet to Fill Vacant Seat

On March 8, 2009, Tribal Council declared a vacant seat on Tribal Council. The vacancy was due to the passing of Shirley Naganashe-Oldman on February 22, 2009. Eleven people applied for the vacant seat, and Rita Shananaquet was selected to fill it. She had previously served on Tribal Council from 1997-2007.

LTBB Receives Federal Stimulus Money to Fund Northern Michigan Projects

Approximately \$2.5 million from federal stimulus money with the majority of it being allocated through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) was used to widen and resurface Anderson Road from U.S. 131 to Lears Road, to widen and reconstruct Lears Road from Anderson Road to U.S. 131, to install traffic lights at where Lears intersects with Anderson and Cemetery roads and to reconstruct a deteriorated section of Cemetery Road from Sheridan Road to Lears. The projects were completed near Odawa Casino Resort. Federal stimulus money allocated through the BIA also funded two road projects outside Harbor Springs where LTBB is located.

On March 30, 2009, Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm announced LTBB was eligible to receive \$80,200 in grants from the State of Michigan to create or further energy efficiency and conservation projects.

Hiawatha Plays Research Project Comes to LTBB

In March 2009, Cory Willmott, an Assistant Anthropology Professor at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and a member of the Great Lakes Research Alliance for the Study of Aboriginal Arts and Cultures (GRASAC), interviewed LTBB Tribal Community Citizens about Hiawatha plays. The LTBB Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department sponsored her visit.

LTBB Tribal Community Citizens Featured in PhotoVoice Exhibit

A PhotoVoice exhibit featuring Michigan's nine American Indian Head Start programs came to LTBB in March 2009. Four of the 25 posters in the exhibit featured LTBB Tribal Community Citizens (Nimkii and Autumn Naganashe; Ryan Roberts and children, Kayleigh and Kenny Roberts; Mike, Patrick and Jim Naganashe; Raymond Martell; Levi Redding; Allie Banfield; Andrea and Simon Otto; and Mary Chingwa).

LTBB Archery Club Established

Mtigiwaab Miiinwa Bgwaak, the LTBB Archery Club, was established in 2009 to introduce and re-introduce archery to tribal citizens and the tribal community.



she graduated from the University of Michigan in April 2007 with a B.A. in American Culture. Her interest in tribal government and public policy began with her active involvement with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) with the NCAI Youth Commission.

Biro completed the 10-week internship, working full-time at the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Indian Education and observed the federal executive and legislative processes first-hand. Special enrichment activities provided her with opportunities to meet with key decision-makers in Washington, D.C.

Information about Biro completing the internship appeared in the February 2009 newsletter.

Odawa Casino Resort Introduces New Optimum Rewards Club

On January 1, 2009, Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey switched to two Players Club cards, the Optimum Rewards card and the "O" card.

People with Optimum Rewards cards earn cash back for slot play and table games. Every \$2 played on slot machines earns one point. Points are

Hemenway is serving a four-year term.

The purpose of the committee is to monitor, review and assist in the implementation of certain requirements of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) of 1990. NAGPRA is a federal law which provides a process for museums and federal agencies to return certain Native American cultural items (human remains, funerary objects, sacred object or objects of cultural patrimony) to lineal descendants and culturally affiliated Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations. It applies only to federally recognized tribes.

Odawa Casino Resort Staff Reduction

On January 19, 2009, Odawa Casino Resort announced a staff reduction that resulted in a reduction of 43 employees and accepted voluntary layoff requests from another 37. The continuation of a harsh recession, fewer customers and rising operating costs were blamed for the decision.

New Charlevoix County Sher-



January 2010 Promotions at Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI

Million Dollar Giveaway, January 1 and 2

We've loaded \$50 in Instant Optimum Rewards on more than 20,000 guest accounts. Every hour from 12 a.m. January 1 through 11:59 p.m., January 2, guests will be randomly selected and win \$50 in Instant Optimum Rewards. To check for the \$50 prize, guests will insert their player's card into any slot machine, spin the reels and check their account to see if they have won \$50 in Instant Optimum Rewards! Guests can win \$50 per hour, totaling up to \$2,400 in Instant Optimum Rewards.

Sled Away Giveaway, January 1 – January 30, players qualify for a 2010 Snowmobile & Covered Trailer. The drawing will be on Saturday, January 30. We will be giving away a 2010 snowmobile and covered trailer plus \$5,000 in cash. Guests will qualify beginning January 1. Guests receive one entry for every 100 base points earned. \$15 in dining, a hotel stay, hand paid jackpots more than \$400, new card signups and table games play also provide guests with entries into the drawing. Guests will be able to qualify up to one hour before the 7 p.m. drawing, so the cutoff time will be 6 p.m. At 7 p.m. on January 30, we will draw six names. Those six guests will choose a model snowmobile in the order their names were called. Five snowmobiles will have \$1,000 cash certificates in them and one snowmobile will have the snowmobile and trailer certificate in it. No cash option for the snowmobile and trailer. Plus, guests playing with their card receive 3X points all day on January 30th.

Elvis' Birthday, Friday, January 8,

Elvis Hot Seat drawings for Elvis CDs... two per hour from 10:00 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Veterans Appreciation Day, First Monday of every month, January 4

Veterans and active duty personnel with Military ID receive a food voucher valid for a free lunch or dinner buffet in the Waas-no-de' Buffet. Veterans active duty personnel go to Optimum Rewards to present their Military ID and Optimum Rewards will give them their food voucher. Food vouchers are valid for that day only.

Finally Fridays Slot Tournament, Last Friday of every month, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m., January 29

All Optimum Rewards and "O" Club members are invited to participate in this free slot tournament.

Designated tournament slot machines will be set for three minutes play. Each participant will play one session.

The top 10 places will be paid in cash or free slot play at the conclusion of the tournament. Winners need not be present at the end of the tournament. Optimum Rewards will have the ability to award winners their share at a later date. Registration will take place at a table located by the Rendezvous Lounge. Registration begins at 6 p.m.

Scores will be recorded by an Odawa Casino Resort Team Member and the guest will initial the recorded score. Ten places will be paid out with the following cash and Instant Optimum Reward (I.O.R.) amounts: First \$1,000 cash, second \$700 cash, third \$500 cash, fourth \$400 cash, fifth \$300 I.O.R., sixth \$200.00 I.O.R., seventh \$200.00 I.O.R., eighth \$200.00 I.O.R., ninth \$200.00 I.O.R. and 10th \$200 I.O.R.

Frozen Chosen Freeze Out Tournament, Saturday, January 2, 2010

First place wins more than

\$4,800* cash, *based on participation

FEE: \$150 (\$125 prize pool, \$15 registration fee & \$10 dealer gratuity)

FORMAT: 120 player max, two sessions played on Saturday, January 2, 2010, first session starts at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 2, 2010 (play down to 20), second session starts a half hour after the first session ends and the second session will play the same number of rounds that the first session played, final session played on Sunday, January 3, 2010 starting at 1 p.m., (Normal Sunday tournaments may be adjusted depending on play), registration ends on Friday, January 1, 2010 at 12 a.m. in the Poker Room, fees will be paid at time of registration in the Poker Room only, player board with session times will be placed in the Poker Room between the hours of 12 a.m.-4 a.m. and 9 a.m. - 12 noon on January 2, 2010. Information on your session is also available from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. and 9 a.m. to noon on January 2 by calling the Poker Room at 1-877-442-6464, extension 8876, random computer draw for sessions will be made between 12 a.m. and 2 a.m. on January 2, 2010, any schedule complications with session please see a Poker Supervisor when you register and all participants must be an Optimum Rewards Players Club Member.

RULES: No-Limit Texas Hold'em, house rules apply, starting chip count is \$10,000 and 30-minute blind level increase.

Snow Bunnies versus Snow Men Freeze Out Tournament, January 30 and January 31

Each participant (120 max, 60 women, 60 men) will receive a dinner for two in the buffet voucher (\$40 value) to match their \$40 entry fee, \$10 in free slot play voucher plus a 20% off purchase coupon valid in Gourmet 2

Go.

FEE: \$40 (\$32 prize pool, \$3 registration fee & \$5 dealer gratuity)

FORMAT: 120 player max (60 women, 60 men), two sessions will be played on Saturday, January 30, 2010, men's session will start at 1 p.m. Saturday, January 30, 2010, women's session will start a half hour after the men's session ends, we will count down the chips for each player and write it down for our final session on Sunday, January 31, 2010, final session will start at 1 p.m. Sunday, January 31, 2010, registration ends on Saturday, January 30, 2010 at 12 p.m. in the Poker Room, on Sunday, we will combine our two sessions (20 players from each), fees will be paid at time of registration in the Poker Room only and all participants must be an Optimum Rewards Players Club member.

RULES: No-Limit Texas Hold'em, house rules apply, starting chip count: \$3,500, 20-minute blind level increase

No-Limit Texas Hold'em Tournament Structure

ROUNDS

SMALL

BLIND

BIG

BLIND

1 25 50

2 50 100

3 100 200

10 BREAK: race-off \$25 chips

Birthday Club

As part of the birthday gift for our guests, they will receive a token for a free pull on the Free Pull Machine along with the \$10 buffet voucher. Guests may come in anytime during the month of their birthday to receive the offer.

Anniversary Club

We now offer two Free Pull tokens (one per spouse) to our guests on their Anniversary month along with a \$10 buffet voucher. The couple must be together to receive the tokens and food voucher.

Table Games

Euchre Tournaments

Every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Poker Room.

FEE: \$30 (\$25 prize pool, \$5 registration)

FORMAT: 40 player max, play starts at 7 p.m., registration in the poker room only, registration starts two weeks in advance and phone registrations in the poker room only between the hours of 4 p.m. and 12 a.m. All participants must be an Optimum Rewards Players Club member

RULES: Euchre, house rules apply

PRIZE POOL PAYOUT STRUCTURE: Four places (based on 40 players)

First 55% 50%

Second 30% 25%

Third 15% 15%

Fourth 10%

Table Games Lessons begin at 11 a.m.

4 200 400

5 400 800

6 800 1600

10 BREAK: race-off \$100 chips

7 1500 3000

8 3000 6000

9 6000 12,000

10 10,000 20,000

11 20,000 40,000

12 30,000 60,000

After every round, the small blind increase by 10,000

Monday – Blackjack, Wednesday – Roulette, Friday – Craps. Each participant receives a diploma, a deck of cards, and a strategy card.

BINGO in Ovation Hall. Every Sunday, Thursday and Friday. Two sessions per day. Afternoon session doors

open at 11 a.m., session and begins at noon. Evening Session doors open at 5 p.m. and session begins at 6 p.m. Guests must be 21 or older to participate. Smoking is permitted in designated sections. Sign up for the BINGO Player Tracking and receive \$5 worth of BINGO spend. One time only offer. Every day afternoon progressive starts at \$1,000. Evening progressive starts at \$2,500

Optimum Rewards – New Card Signups – receive 10X points for their first three visits within 30 days of signing up and a spin on the Free Pull Machine. Guests must go to Optimum Rewards before they begin playing to receive their 10X points.

E-mail Address Campaign – Give us your e-mail address and receive a token for a spin on the Free Pull Machine.

Super Seniors Day will be every Sunday and Wednesday! Guests 50+ receive 3X points, drink specials in the Rendezvous and \$7.95 lunch buffet special.

Copper Café

The Ice Cream Shop at the Copper Café features House of Flavors Ice Cream. Hours are Sunday – Thursday 11 a.m.-midnight; Friday & Saturday 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 a.m.

Sage

The hours will be 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday and 5 p.m. - 10 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday.

Wine tasting every Saturday from 3 p.m. to 4:45p.m. \$10 per person.

The Steak & Lobster feature is offered every Saturday for \$34.

Daily specials menu with a la carte pricing for appetizers, entrees, desserts, and discounted bottles of wine chosen daily.

Gourmet 2 Go

Hours of operation, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. daily.

Rendezvous Lounge

THE EVOLUTION OF OZONE: SNEAK PEEK!

Be one of the first to see The Evolution of Ozone! Enter to win a VIP viewing of the changes in Ozone before it opens to the public for you and nine friends complete with an appetizer reception. To enter, simply stop by the Rendezvous Lounge and mention The Evolution of Ozone to your bartender! Drawing to be held on Saturday, January 16, 2010 at 7 p.m.!

Martini Mondays from 6 p.m.-close

Enjoy one of our FEATURED MARTINIS for just \$5 every Monday in January from 6 p.m. - close!

Happy Hour every Friday from 4 p.m.-7p.m.

Kick off the weekend at Rendezvous with SPECIAL DRINK PRICING to help with the transition! \$2 Domestic Drafts and Well Drinks!

NFL Football

\$2- 22 oz. Domestic "LIGHT" Drafts during FIRST HALF of ALL TELEVISED PLAYOFF GAMES! (Miller Lite, Bud Light)

Kahlua Morning Express!

Try one of Kahlua's flavored liqueurs with coffee for \$3 from 8 a.m. – noon daily! Ask your server for today's flavor options! (Except Sundays)

Confession Sundays in the Rendezvous from 10 p.m. - 2 a.m.

\$2 domestic drafts and well drinks for uniformed service workers!

O Zone Nightclub

Weekly Events

O zone will be closed from January 3 – January 20 for the Evolution of O zone.

SETTLEMENT REACHED IN LONG-RUNNING COBELL LAWSUIT ON DECEMBER 8, 2009

Editor's note: The following is a Department of the Interior press release dated December 8, 2009.

Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar and Attorney General Eric Holder today announced a settlement of the long-running and highly contentious Cobell class-action lawsuit regarding the U.S. government's trust management and accounting of over three hundred thousand individual American Indian trust accounts. Also speaking at the press conference today were Deputy Secretary of the Interior David Hayes and Associate Attorney General Tom Perrelli.

Under the negotiated agreement, litigation will end regarding the Department of the Interior's performance of an historical accounting for trust accounts maintained by the United States on behalf of more than 300,000 individual Indians. A fund totaling \$1.4 billion will be distributed to class members to compensate them for their historical accounting claims, and to resolve potential claims that prior U.S. officials mismanaged the administration of trust assets. In addition, in order to address the continued proliferation of thousands of new trust accounts caused by the "fractionation" of land interests through succeeding generations, the settlement establishes a \$2 billion fund for the voluntary buy-back and consolidation of fractionated land interests. The land consolidation program will provide individual Indians with an opportunity to obtain cash payments for divided land interests and free up the land for the benefit of tribal communities.

By reducing the number of individual trust accounts that the U.S. must maintain, the program will greatly reduce on-going administrative expenses and future accounting-related disputes. In order to provide owners with an additional incentive to sell their fractionated interests, the settlement authorizes the Interior Department to set aside up to 5 percent of the value of the interests into a college and vocational school scholarship fund for American Indian students.

The settlement has been negotiated with the involvement of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. It will not become final until it is formally endorsed by the court. Also, Congress must enact legislation to authorize implementation of the settlement. Because it is a settlement of a litigation matter, the Judgment Fund maintained by the U.S. Departments of Justice and Treasury will fund the settlement.

The class action case, which involves several hundred thousand plaintiffs, was filed by Elouise Cobell in 1996 in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia and has included hundreds of motions, dozens of rulings and appeals, and several trials over the past 13 years. The settlement funds will be administered by the trust department of a bank approved by the district court and distributed to individual Indians by a claims administrator in accordance with court orders and the settlement agreement.

Interior currently manages about 56 million acres of Indian trust land, administering more than 100,000 leases and about \$3.5 billion in trust funds. For fiscal year 2009, funds from leases,

use permits, land sales and income from financial assets, totaling about \$298 million were collected for more than 384,000 open Individual Indian Money accounts and \$566 million was collected for about 2,700 tribal accounts for more than 250 tribes. Since 1996, the U.S. Government has collected over \$10.4 billion from individual and tribal trust assets and disbursed more than \$9.5 billion to individual account holders and tribal governments.

The land consolidation fund addresses a legacy of the General Allotment Act of 1887 (the "Dawes Act"), which divided tribal lands into parcels between 40 and 160 acres in size, allotted them to individual Indians and sold off all remaining unallotted Indian lands. As the original holders died, their intestate heirs received an equal, undivided interest in the lands as tenants in common. In successive generations, smaller undivided interests descended to the next generation.

Today, it is common to have hundreds—even thousands—of Indian owners for one parcel of land. Such highly fractionated ownership makes it extremely difficult to use the land productively or to provide beneficial use for any individual. Absent serious corrective action, an estimated 4 million acres of land will continue to be held in such small ownership interests that very few individual owners will ever derive any meaningful financial benefit from that ownership.

Additional Information is available at the following sites: www.cobellsettlement.com, the Department of the Interior website: www.doi.gov, and the Office of the Special Trustee website: www.ost.doi.gov.

Native News Briefs

LTBB Tribal Citizen Designs Junior Birders Logo

Anna Wemigwase, an 8-year-old



LTBB Tribal Citizen and a third-grader at Shay Elementary School in Harbor Springs, MI, designed the logo for See-North's Junior Birders of Northern Michigan program.

Wemigwase, who participates in the program, is the daughter of Shanna and Aaron Wemigwase and the granddaughter of Beverly and Robert Wemigwase, Sr. and Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky.

The Junior Birders of Northern Michigan started in May 2009 and has monthly field trips to birding spots all over northern Michigan. The focus of each trip is identifying birds by sight, but participants also learn about bird song, habitat, migration, ecology, conservation, migration and the study of birds.

The purpose of the program is to encourage young people to spend time outdoors, to foster an interest in natural history and to help them to explore northern Michigan's diverse landscapes while identifying birds.

The program also connects young birders with adult members who are willing to share their time and knowledge and create a commu-



nity of young birders.

The program encourages family participation. It is geared toward children eight through 14, but welcomes all children who want to participate.

The annual membership fee for the program is \$15 per child and \$10 each additional child in the same family.

For more information on the program, call 231-348-9700 or e-mail Alison Falldin at alison@seenorth.org.

Courtesy photo and logo.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Concludes Successful Freshman Campaign

Tecumseh Adams, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, recently completed his freshman season of cross country at



Central Michigan University (CMU). He finished third at the Jeff Drenth Memorial on September 4, 2009, 53rd at the Louisville Classic on October 3, 2009, 142nd at the Pre-Nationals meet on October 17, 2009 and 30th at the Mid-American Conference Championships on October 31, 2009. Adams, the son of John Adams and Anahid Adams, is currently competing for CMU as a member of the men's indoor track team.

Courtesy photo.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Concludes Successful Volleyball Season

Carly Searles, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, recently completed her junior season of volleyball at Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI. Searles, a setter, earned Class B Honorable Mention All-State, First Team All-Big North Conference and Petoskey



News-Review All-Region Dream Team honors in 2009.

She led her team with 91 services aces, served at 94% and compiled 164 kills, 812 set assists and 363 digs. She helped her team to a 37-8-4 record and a third straight Class B district title.

Searles, the daughter of Sue Gasco and Randy Searles and the granddaughter of Mary (Wemigwase) Gasco and the late Vernon Gasco, is currently playing on the Petoskey High School girls varsity basketball team.

Courtesy photo.

LTBB Social Services Program Sponsors Giving Tree

The LTBB Social Services Program sponsored a Giving Tree for the month of December 2009 and dis-



played it at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs. People brought unwrapped hats, gloves, scarves and mittens and hung them on the tree for needy tribal children.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

See-North Offers Northern Michigan Residents Fun Outdoor Winter Activities

See-North: Northern Michigan's Science & Environmental Education Center offers northern Michigan residents a variety of outdoor activities this winter.

You can enjoy Winter Family Hikes on January 16, 2010 and February 2, 2010 from 10 a.m. to noon. Meet at the See-North's yurt at Boyne Highlands Resort in Harbor Springs. Please dress for the weather, including snowshoes if you have them. See-North will have some extra snowshoes on hand.

You can enjoy Twelfth Night, to



be held January 16, 2010 and January 23, 2010, where families hike a candlelit trail and hear stories of the forest animals where legend says they are given the gift of speech 12 nights after Christmas. The event includes snacks, indoor craft activities and a sleigh ride. Please dress for the weather.

Pre-registration is required for both of these events. To pre-register, call 231-348-9700.

Courtesy graphic.

Embassy of Tribal Nations Opens in Washington, D.C.

On November 3, 2009, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) opened an international Embassy of Tribal Nations located at 1514 P St., N.W. in Washington, D.C. It is located in the Dupont Circle area near Embassy Row where many foreign embassies and diplomatic facilities are located in the nation's capital.

The 17,000 square foot facility is made up of three office buildings and three carriage houses. The 8,500 square foot parking lot has space for 22 vehicles. It currently houses NCAI's offices, the Washington D.C. arm of the Native American Rights Fund and the offices of the Native



American Contractors Association.

NCAI has also reserved a room for tribal leaders who visit Washington D.C. and need a place to work.

NCAI purchased the building thanks to tribal and individual donations through its Embassy of Tribal Nations Capital Campaign. LTBB was one of the tribes that donated to the campaign which began in 2004.

Courtesy graphic.

Hopi Nation Suspends Operation of Tribal Newspaper

The primary newspaper covering Hopi lands, the *Hopi Tutuveni*, was scheduled to close under a budget passed on November 30, 2009 by the Hopi Tribal Council.

The *Hopi Tutuveni*, which had a circulation of 6,000, had been published with one interruption since the 1970s. It planned on publishing through mid-December 2009.

The Hopi Tribal Council approved a 4% larger budget for last year than the current year at \$21.8 million, and the tribe plans to take in \$18.5 million next year.

Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) President Ronnie Washines said in a statement released on December 3, 2009, it was personally and professionally disheartening to hear the voice of the Hopi Nation, the *Hopi Tutuveni*, will be silenced after December 2009.

"NAJA can understand the Hopi tribal government having to cope with budget constraints and the need to balance the necessary services to their people and the financial capability to do so," Washines said. "But, we also feel completely eliminating the tribal newspaper does more harm to a government working to improve its financial situation. A fully functioning government needs a voice that can disseminate updated news and information regarding the factual status of that government at any given time. Newspapers, especially tribal newspapers, are in a position to provide accurate news reports from a unique vantage point and the Hopi tribal members should not be denied their accessibility to such an important news source as the *Tutuveni*."

Executive Branch

From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington

The Executive Office wishes all a safe and happy holiday season.

On a fun note, the Tribal Chairman cooked hot dogs and hamburgers at the tribe's annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 12, 2009 at noon. Tribal families were encouraged to join the fun and bring a dish to pass. Santa was there for more fun and family pictures.

Ghost Supper season was a success as your chairman gained at least five pounds in the month of November.

I also attended and participated in our tribal youth basketball practice held at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI.

The Youth Services Coordinator is putting together an old man's basketball team to play in a one-time Indian tournament. Interested players are recommended to dust off their shoes and sign up for the team along with the chairman.

The new administration has completed some of the 90-day cost saving measures. The Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department has successfully been relocated from a rental property to the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, a tribally-owned building, at significant savings. We have consolidated facilities storage and moved completely out of two rental storage units. Facilities



are building two lofts in an existing onsite building for any storage needs with room for future storage as well.

We here at the government are in the process of evaluating the efficiency of our governmental opera-

tions, including the LTBB Health Park and Enterprise Operations. Our casino has taken this approach: The tribe has taken the responsibility of hiring a firm for a third party evaluation of Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey and preliminary findings show significant room for revenue improvement.

We want to provide governmental services at an optimum efficiency and enhance our enterprises. Internal actions are currently being implemented and researched.

The Odawa Casino Resort bond negotiations for our tribe's \$122 million loan obligation continue. The original deadline for the forbearance

agreement was December 15, 2009. A forbearance agreement is a mutual agreement that keeps us in legal compliance with our majority note holders while we are in default on our loan. The bondholders have requested an extension on the forbearance agreement until the end of January 2010. The tribe has a Legislative/Executive team in place diligently working with the majority bondholders and Oppenheimer (a law firm specifically hired by our tribe to help with our tribe's renegotiations).

We wish Happy New Year to all!

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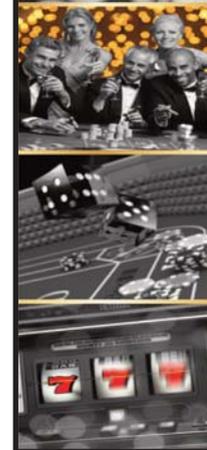
Doors open at 12 p.m.; Eye openers at 4 p.m.; Warm Ups at 4:30 p.m.; Main Session at 5 p.m.

To play the regular games, the packet costs \$20. A "Specials Pack" that consists of all of our "Special" games will be offered. To buy one of all these papers on the floor, it is \$15, which is what it costs you at the door. The enticing part of purchasing the "Specials Packet" at the door is there is a FREE "Bonus Game" which CAN'T be purchased on the floor...it is only available in the specials pack sold at the door. The prize for this bonus game is a free packet each session we run for the month of January 2010. This is a \$395 value. Power Boxes (first-come, first-serve) are \$26, and "Specials Packets" can be purchased and put in them also for \$15 (even ball and bonus game will be given in paper). The Power Boxes can be loaded with as many packets as you wish to purchase.

Holiday Grab Bag, December 26 through December 30, 2009, Odawa Casino Resort

Hot Seat Drawings, two per hour, from 6 p.m.- 10 p.m., 40 items total

Guests playing with their Optimum Rewards or O Club cards will be selected via hot seat drawing to reach into our holiday grab bag and pick a prize. Prizes to include Instant Optimum Rewards in various amounts, gift cards to Dunham's, Tannery Creek Meat Market, Home Depot, Wal-Mart, etc.



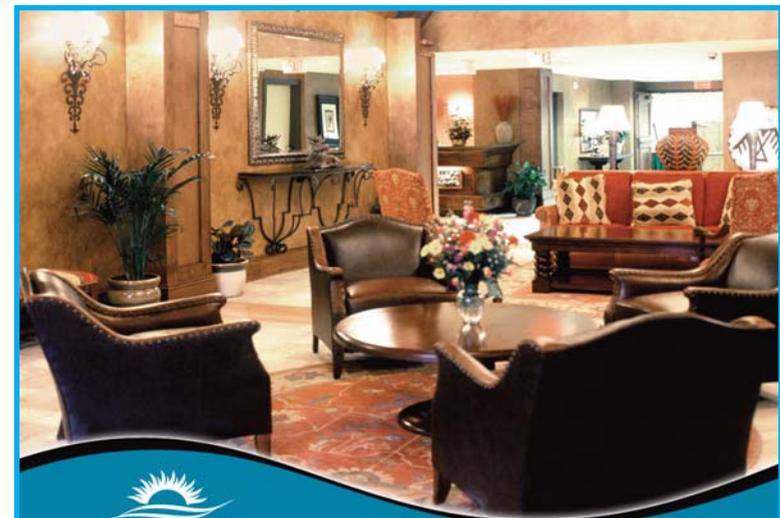
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