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## LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN NIGEL SCHUYLER ENJOYS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCE BY PERFORMING DURING THE 2010 VANCOUVER WINTER OLYMPICS OPENING CEREMONY

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Very few people can say they danced in front of an audience of 60,000 with a worldwide television viewing audience of 67.5 million.

Fancy dancer Nigel Schuyler, a 27-year-old LTBB Tribal Citizen who lives in Dearborn Heights, MI, participated in the Opening Ceremony of the 2010 Winter Olympics held February 12, 2010 in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Schuyler, who is LTBB and Oneida, was one of an estimated 4,500 performers in the opening ceremony.

"It was kind of surreal," Schuyler said of the experience. "It was definitely the biggest crowd I have ever danced in front of. The stadium (BC Place Stadium) was huge, and there were so many cameras, lights and people. It made for a very unique atmosphere. I never thought I would be doing anything like that, so I jumped at the opportunity."

If you watched the opening ceremony on NBC, you could spot Schuyler in his fancy dancer regalia with eagle bustles containing orange fringe in the background behind

Nelly Furtado when Furtado and Bryan Adams sang the Athlete Tribute Song which was titled, "Bang the Drum." He was one of 16 dancers in the group that surrounded Furtado and Adams.

"There were all kinds of networks there from around the world, and I was told by people that you could see me a lot better on the Canadian station because of the angle their cameras were shooting from," Schuyler said. "I saw the tape from the U.S. station, but I haven't seen any footage from other stations. I guess I could go on the Internet and check those out. It was weird seeing myself on the tape, but it was pretty cool knowing I was a part of it."

Schuyler, the son of William and Cynthia (Shawanibin) Schuyler and the late Ralph and the late Maryann (Kenoshmeg) Shawanibin, came in during the middle of the song along with 15 other dancers.

"I was all right until right before I went out," Schuyler said. "I got really



nervous because the place was packed. I tried to not pay attention to all the cameras, people and lights and to concentrate on my dancing. The anticipation was the most nerve-racking because once I got out there and started dancing, my nerves were gone."

Schuyler praised the Canadian aboriginal dancers who entered the stadium after the singing of the Canadian national anthem "O Canada" and were a part of the welcome by the aboriginal peoples of Canada.

They formed a welcome circle to prepare for the forthcoming Parade of the Nations and danced traditional welcoming dances as the athletes entered the stadium. Those dancers performed for approximately 90 minutes as representatives from 92 countries entered the stadium. The longest Schuyler has danced at one time was 16 songs during an Ironman special at a pow wow in Richmond, VA, in 2009.

"I was only out there dancing for two minutes, but they were out there a long time," Schuyler said. "They had to do it that long every day in the rehearsals leading up to the opening ceremony. They all did a great job."

Schuyler's friend, Matt Pheasant, knew the opening ceremony's chore-

ographer, Alejandro Ronceria, a choreographer, director and film artist based in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Pheasant had performed in a show choreographed by Ronceria prior to the Olympics and suggested Ronceria contact Schuyler because Ronceria was interested in incorporating more fancy dancers into the opening ceremony. Schuyler has performed in shows with the American Indian Dance Theatre and as a part of Kevin Locke's Native Dance Ensemble.

"The Olympics people gave me a call and asked me to send them my dance resume' and a video of me performing," Schuyler said. "I sent them those, and about 10 minutes later, someone called me back and said the choreographer was interested in having me be a part of the opening ceremony."

"I was in Vancouver for eight days, and it was mostly rehearsals and off time. The Olympics hadn't started yet, so the only thing we could do is check out downtown because we stayed at a hotel 20 minutes outside downtown."

Schuyler has been dancing for approximately 26 years, and his whole "Schuyler" continued on page 13.

## 38TH ANNUAL DANCE FOR MOTHER EARTH POWWOW HOSTED BY NATIVE AMERICAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION OFF U OF M CAMPUS AGAIN AS NATIVE STUDENT CONCERNS LANGUISH



**Editor's note:** The following is a press release from the Native American Student Association (NASA) which hosts the 38th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Powwow.

For the second year in a row, the University of Michigan campus will not hear the sound of powwow drums, singing and jingle dancing. Nor will it host some 6,000 Native dancers, drummers, artisans and other powwow people at the annual

event—one of the largest student-run powwows in the country.

The Native American Student Association (NASA) at the University of Michigan announces its decision to keep the Dance for Mother Earth Powwow from the campus of the University of Michigan. The 38th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Powwow again will be held at Saline Middle School, April 10-11, 2010.

The overwhelming success of last year's powwow in Saline, MI, also showed Native students that moving the event was the right thing to do. Attendance was high, dancers and drum groups filled the powwow circle and powwow fans offered students much moral support.

The reason? Perhaps most visibly, Native students and community members are continuing their protest of the university's ongoing failure to return nearly 1,400 ancestors to tribes from its archaeology collection—and

to meet minimal federal requirements to engage tribes towards that end.

Yet in the midst of the university's high-profile efforts to shore up diversity on campus, the repatriation scandal is just one in a serious cluster of concerns expressed by Native students for generations. Simply put, the U of M campus can be a difficult place for students of color trying to juggle issues with Michigamua (later Order of Angell), mismanagement of the tuition waiver and widespread ignorance about Native needs and cultural concerns. This hampers the working relationship between students and the university in planning the powwow.

Students and Native community members began to feel the Dance for Mother Earth powwow transitioned from a Native community event to a "diversity showcase."

Last year, NASA declined \$50,000 in funding from the Division

of Student Affairs and Multi Ethnic Student Affairs and took the powwow to Saline.

For some students, the most grotesque example of institutional issues is seen with the repatriation situation at U of M. According to federal inventories, the University of Michigan's Museum of Anthropology holds nearly 1,400 individuals in its archaeology "collection." Despite four years of advocacy on the part of many tribal, student and faculty groups, archaeology curators have been steadfast in resisting legal and ethical calls for the reburial of these individuals. Michigan tribes have officially and unofficially notified the museum that by failing to proactively pursue consultation with tribes, the university is in violation of a federal law. The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, passed in 1990, requires museums to conduct tribal consultation and to apply due dili-

gence in obtaining it. Last October — nearly two decades after NAGPRA was passed — U of M got serious about developing appropriate protocols about Native human remains in its "collection."

"The university has made a great stride in the formation of a committee to review the issues surrounding our ancestral remains being kept in its museum," said Alys Alley, co-chair of NASA. "That being said, the American Indian students at the University of Michigan will not be satisfied until all of our ancestors are returned to their rightful graves."

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act was created to be human rights legislation, not science vs. culture. Students are advocating for the human rights of their ancestors, and for the human

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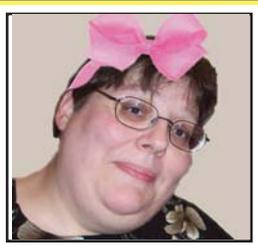
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| <u>April 3</u><br>William Denemy<br>George Nedean  | <u>April 14</u><br>Kevin Barry   | <u>April 25</u><br>Gary Kaestner   |
| <u>April 6</u><br>Ricky Reiter<br>Steven Shenoskey   | <u>April 15</u><br>Sharon Duffey<br>Karl Kilborn<br>Jacqueline Myers                         | <u>April 26</u><br>James Gasco   |
| <u>April 7</u><br>Larry Cartwright<br>Thomas Nongueskwa<br>James Tepakeyah   | <u>April 17</u><br>Michael Crossett<br>Susan Grech<br>Merle Hansen                           | <u>April 27</u><br>Nellie Harmon   |
| <u>April 8</u><br>Mitchell Baker, Sr.<br>Rose Newman   | <u>April 19</u><br>Frank Ettawageshik<br>Thelma Fisher<br>Mary Niswander                     | <u>April 28</u><br>Christina Chrysler<br>Donald Houghton<br>Alfred Sprague   |
| <u>April 9</u><br>Evangeline Badgero<br>Mary Quick<br>Wayne Stine<br>Sharon Tracey                                       | <u>April 20</u><br>Catherine Laba<br>Linda Steinman  | <u>April 29</u><br>Michael Anthony<br>Carmalene Baker<br>Edna Caron<br>Elsie Carson  |
| <u>April 11</u><br>Robin Barney-Lees<br>Christine Haines   | <u>April 21</u><br>Richard Hays  | <u>April 30</u><br>Gerald Boda<br>Donnie Case<br>Robert Kaestner<br>James Keway<br>Larry Lacroix<br>Judith Smith<br>Pauline Walker<br>Catherine Wright |
|  | <u>April 22</u><br>Wanda Carr<br>Harold Salter   |  |



## 2010 LTBB GOONIGEBIG WINNERS

Men's Divisions

Women's Division

**65 + over**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Bill McIlrath 603'  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Bill Denemy 316' 10"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – James Naganashe 315' 5"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Darlene Rowland 280' 2"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Beth Kiogima 269' 10"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Arlene Naganashe 243' 6"

**Ages 50 – 64**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Brian Carver 601' 5"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Ken Harrington 595'  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – JD Gibson 592'  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Cindy McIlrath-Parker 603' 3"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Regina Brubacker-Carver 472' 2"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Carol Kiogima 318' 8"

**Preschool Ages 1 – 4**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Riley Maldonado 135'  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Shawn Keshick 76' 8"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Francis Schansema 23'  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Bird Gibson 67' 1"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Emily Naganashe 35' 10"

**Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Dominic Schansema 293' 8"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Aiden Carver 283' 3"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jordan Bussey 240' 7"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Evelyn Gibson 271'

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Stanley Dewey 229' 3"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Lily Parker 285' 5"

**6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Alex Dewey 304' 5"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Kelsey Deland-Phillips 274' 7"

**9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Tony McGrath 592' 3"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Michael Keshick 502' 11"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Robert Phillips 595' 4"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Cassandra Gibson 595' 4"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Kristina Deland-Phillips 394' 5"

**Ages 18 – 34**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Shannon Towne 293' 10"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Carolyn Deland-Phillips 497' 10"

**Ages 35 – 49**  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Jay Maldonado 604' 11"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Todd Parker 603' 10"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Robert Phillips 595' 4"  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Roxanne Deland-Phillips 502' 3"  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Theresa Keshick 500' 7"  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Allie Maldonado 295' 6"

**50/50 Raffle Winner**  
 Lisa Naganashe won \$168.50.

Miigwech to Frank Ettawageshik and Ray Kiogima for beautiful prayers, all the volunteers and staff who helped with this year's Goonigebig games. Chi-miigwech to the MacIlrath, Parker, Deland-Phillips, Reyes and Maldonado families for all your help and support. It is the generosity from people like you that make the world a better place. I would also like to once again say a special miigwech to the LTBB Elders Association for its monetary support of this event. Chi-miigwech to all for your support.

CONGRATULATIONS, BAKANAAGEJIK!!

LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH/DIABETES DEPARTMENT



### Your Memories Wanted!



Your memories can help us share a part of the history of our ancestors. The 1859 St. Francis Solanus Indian Mission Church in Petoskey is being recognized on the Federal Register as a historic site.

The Restoration Committee would like to compile your memories that may be used in a book regarding the church's restoration over the years.

Please send your written memories to :

**Michele LaCount**  
**1141 Kalamazoo Ave.**  
**Petoskey, MI 49770**

or e-mail at:

**mlacount@hotmail.com**

or call:

**231-838-9256** to arrange a meeting time.

### LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!



4'x6' Yellow with Tribal Logo  
 \$75 plus \$5 Shipping/Handling

Contact the Tribal Chairman's Office for more information  
 231-242-1401

Make Checks Payable to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

## Annual Tribal Membership Meeting 2010



Saturday, May 1  
 Petoskey Middle School  
 801 Northman Drive  
 Petoskey, MI

Doors Open/Registration at 8:30 am

**Committee Members**  
 Laura Blumberg  
 Michele LaCount  
 Rebecca Atkinson  
 Cathy Portman

Purpose of the meeting is to educate LTBB Tribal Citizens on Article 1, Reserved Rights of Tribal Membership, of the LTBB Tribal Constitution

**General Membership Speaker**  
 Cathy Portman

For more information, please visit  
<http://ltbbcommunity.ning.com>  
 or contact General Membership Speaker  
 Cathy Portman at 231-330-5130



# Health Department

## Greetings from the LTBB Health Department

Submitted by the LTBB Health Department

With the flu season almost behind us, we want to congratulate everyone who got their Seasonal Influenza vaccine and/or their H1N1 vaccine.

This flu season, we held a Seasonal Influenza vaccine clinic for the elders on October 13, 2009 where we administered 52 vaccines. We also held an H1N1 Vaccine Clinic for the elders and LTBB Employees and spouses on January 26, 2010 and two on February 5, 2010 for the Odawa Casino Resort Employees and their immediate families as well as a free



general public H1N1 vaccine clinic at the Odawa Casino Resort O-Zone and administered almost 200 vaccines total for all four H1N1 vaccine clinics.

We would like to thank the

Odawa Casino Resort for its cooperation in our H1N1 vaccine clinics. We received very positive responses from the people who came to get their H1N1 vaccines. They were very pleased we were out protecting our community. We would also like to give a big thank you to our Community Health nurses for administering all those vaccines and everyone else who helped keep our vaccine clinics running smoothly.

Our Annual Health Fair has been scheduled for Friday, April 30, 2010 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., so mark your calendars. We had a very good turnout last year, so we hope to see you there this year!

# Education Department

## Earning Your General Education Diploma (GED) Can Transform Your Life

Submitted by the Education Department

If you had a GED, how would it change your life?

It could make a world of difference in your life; it could mean employment, a better job, a promotion and more opportunities.

Have you thought about enrolling in a GED program?

If you would like to enroll in a GED program and need assistance, there are free classes available that will help you prepare for the GED tests.

Who can take the GED?

The GED test provides students with an opportunity to earn a high school equivalency diploma based on age and last date of school attendance. Please call the Education Department at 231-242-1482 for more information.

How many tests do I have to pass to earn a GED?

In order to pass the GED test, a student must pass a series of five tests in the following subjects:

- Language Arts, Reading
- Social Studies
- Science
- Mathematics

Test questions range in difficulty from easy to hard. The questions cover a wide variety of subjects. All of the questions on four of the parts are multiple choice questions with five possible answers. Part two of the Writing Skills test does require you to write an essay.

When can I enroll in GED classes?

NOW!! The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Education Department has begun the 2010 Winter Semester of its GED class. The semester began February 23, 2010 and will run through June 8, 2010. Students have the choice of attending the GED class, which is a structured class session with an instructor, or the GED study hall, which is for independent learning with teacher assistance provided. Individual tutoring sessions are also available weekly by calling Mike Breen, GED Instructor, at 231-347-6105.

For more information, please call Dorothy Perry at 231-242-1482.

**GED PREP CLASSES**

**Tuesdays**  
GED Class 1 - 4 p.m.  
GED Study Hall 4 - 7 p.m.  
911 Spring St., Petoskey, MI

**Wednesdays**  
GED Class 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
911 Spring St., Petoskey, MI

**Thursdays**  
GED Study Hall 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
LTBB Gov't. Complex  
Harbor Springs, MI

**For more information, please call the Education Office at 231-242-1480.**

What are the GED tests like?

# Planning, Zoning, & Building Department

## NAME OUR NEW HOUSING SUBDIVISION!

Tap into your creative side and help come up with a name for our new housing village at Murray Road.

LTBB is building new housing for LTBB Citizens in Bay Shore, MI, just a few miles west of Petoskey, MI, in Hayes Township in Charlevoix County.

1. Nothing is too unusual.
2. Unlimited attempts. So don't be shy.
3. Entries must be submitted by May 14, 2010.



4. Submit entries to Planning Department  
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
or send an e-mail to [planning@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:planning@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) or fax to 231-242-1585 or fill out the suggestion slips at the Community Meeting on May 1, 2010 at the Petoskey Middle School.

5. Selection will be announced in the July issue of the Odawa Trails.

Suggestions taken in English or Anishinaabemowin. The Language Department will be on hand at the Community Meeting to answer questions about choices in Anishinaabemowin.

Note: Roads at this site are Ninaatig Way (Maple), Wiigwaas Drive (Birch), & Kiizhik Drive (Cedar)

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
**LTBB Health Fair**  
will be held on Friday, April 30th from 10am-4pm  
at the Mina Mskiki Gumik Health Department  
1250 Lears Road, Petoskey, MI (behind the old casino)

**Everyone is welcome!**

There is something for everyone....Men, women, veterans, kids

Health Assessments  
Child ID Kits  
Kids Bounce House  
Veterans' Resources  
Resource Information  
Vt Bowling Challenge

**Participating Organizations:**

- LTBB Departments: Health Department and Clinic, Community Health, Substance Abuse/Mental Health, Law Enforcement, Safety, Education, WOCTEP, Head Start and Early Head Start
- Aleda E. Lutz Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Saginaw, MI
- NMRH Sleep Center and Weight Loss Center
- MSU Extension
- Vital Care
- Michigan Department of Human Services
- Hospice of Little Traverse Bay
- Much, much more

Enter our drawing for your chance to win one of two Dell Desktop Computers

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

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

June 26, 2010

**LTBB Natural Resource Commission**  
Annual Hunting / Fishing Meeting  
Soaring Eagle Casino Resort—Mt. Pleasant, MI

Please come and join us for an afternoon at the **Soaring Eagle Casino Resort, Mt. Pleasant, MI.**

Hear what the Natural Resource Commission/ Department has accomplished in the last year and plans for the future. We would like to hear tribal citizens' opinions and suggestions. Meeting will be from 1 p.m. — 5 p.m. Lunch will be served and door prizes will be given away throughout the meeting.

**June 26, 2010**  
Soaring Eagle Casino Resort  
Mt. Pleasant, MI

LTBB NRD  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
231-242-1670  
Or e-mail—[dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)



# Health Department

## 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 Clinic for LTBB Tribal Patients

**Weekend Urgent Care Alternative**

**Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center**

116 W. Mitchell Street  
Petoskey, MI 49770  
231-348-2828

This clinic 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 this provider, 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.

**Notice:** Up North Medical Center, also known as Boyne Country Urgent Care, located on M-119 in Harbor Springs, MI, is no longer open after hours or on weekends, so LTBB is no longer using it as an urgent care facility. After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at Quick Care Walk-In

Medical Center or Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey.



## 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 | Appointment Date | Expiration Date | Serial Number |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Theresa C. Keshick                 | Active         | 2/18/09          | 2/18/15         | 01-09         |
| Rebecca R. Atkinson                | Active         | 2/23/09          | 2/23/15         | 02-09         |
| Lisa Flynn                         | Active         | 2/23/09          | 2/23/15         | 03-09         |
| Beatrice A. Law                    | Active         | 5/11/09          | 5/11/15         | 04-09         |

## ATTENTION SKILLED LABORERS

EAGLE BCI CONSTRUCTION WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU. FOR INFORMATION ON WORK AT THE MURRAY ROAD HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, PLEASE CONTACT DANIEL AT SMA AT THE MAIN OFFICE AT 616-677-6025 OR BY FAX AT 616-677-6035



## Save on your next computer with Dell

Tribal Citizens and Employees can save money on their next computer purchase when shopping with Dell. It's easy, just log on to [www.dell.com/EPP](http://www.dell.com/EPP) or call 1-877-289-9437 and enter Member ID#: CS25031222 to take advantage of the discount.

If you have any questions, please call Purchasing Technician Mandy Ragland at 231-242-1439.



## Housing Department Programs

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

**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

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE  
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.



**Barrier Free Units Available  
Equal Housing Opportunity  
TDD: 800-649-3777**

**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 contacting 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



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

## 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.

Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department

Odawa Cultural Workshop Held for Harbor Springs Middle School and High School Students



Submitted by the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department

On January 13, 2010, the middle school and high school students of Harbor Springs, MI, joined together for a half-day workshop on Odawa

culture. Kristy Dayson, then the PEACE Coordinator of the LTBB Education Department and now the Youth Services Coordinator of the LTBB Youth Services Department, organized the presentation in conjunction with Cheryl Halfacer, Title VII Coordina-

tor for Indian Education at Harbor Springs schools. LTBB Anishinaabe language teachers, Isabelle Osawamick and Don Trudeau, assisted.

Tyler Laughlin opened the event by leading a prayer in Anishinaabemowin. Ms. Halfacer presented on the programs and upcoming school opportunities to explore Native American beliefs, values and customs.

The workshop was hands-on as the students learned about the four sacred plants, their native names taught by Nicole Laughlin and then got to make mshkiki-pshkimdenhs (a medicine pouch) for themselves. They cut leather, sewed their bags with sinew and decorated them.

Once the bags were finished, the students had to ask for the medicines

to place in their bags – in Anishinaabemowin: Sema (tobacco), Kizhik (cedar), Mshkodewashk (sage) and Wiingash (sweetgrass). It developed into a language lesson taught by the high school Anishinaabe language students. It was a fun experi-

ence, and the students are looking forward to their next cultural get-together.

*The photos appear courtesy of Cheryl Halfacer, Title VII Coordinator for Indian Education at Harbor Springs schools.*



Baakwang (During Easter)

By Isabelle Osawamick, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Instructor

Mii maanda pii kina gwaya paanbwaachiwed. Ezhi ngodwewaangizijik onbwaachidiwok. Ewiikaanendijik miinwaa eshiimendijik onbwaachidook. Maamwi wiisniwok. Aapiji gichinendamwok gashwok nijaansiwaan miinwaa binbwaachwenid. Genii gwa waasa nbimdaabaanik wii'onbwaachiwe'aaanh. Nmisenh daa Mnido Mniseng. Ndaanis miinwaa noshenhik daawak Windsor. Baatiinwok nwiitaawsak gwaji bkaan endaaajik.

Kaa wiika dajaakesno waazhaa'aanh miinwaa kaa wiika dajaakesii waanbwaachak.

Kaawii geyabi ngashi nmaadizisii. Niizhwaaso dabaagiswaan gwa ngiimidaabaanik owaa-mak ngashi. Endaa'aad epiichi yaanhaanh, baatiina gaabizhaad. Niibiishaaboo minkwena'aa miinwaa pkwezhighaanhsan damwaa'an epiichi nbwaachwewaad. Maapij gwa ne'aansokewok. Ensana ngiimnot-waak. Kina gwa enchiyaang ngiichibaapaapi. Kaa gwaya giigetnaamtasii. Giibaamzhitagwaziwok eta. Ngiichipiitendaan gaazhi-mnwendaaziyaang.

Aanin bimaadizijik onamaawok namegamigong maanda pii. Aanin bimaadizijik mnaajitonaa'aa Anishinaabe maadziwin. Niiwin nikeyiing jiibaatoongewak gwanda namegamigong enmaa'ajik. Niiwin nikeyiing ge'e nwa Anishinaabe ezhi maadziik zhipenmowok. Gego sagwa zhi'e tedik niiwin nikeyiing enjinaabid bimaadizid. Debinak gwa kina gwaya mwendaagwazid, miiwi ezhi nishiing. Kaawii kina gwaya naasaab zhiyaasii maampii akiing.

**English translation**  
This is the time when everybody goes visiting. Families visit each other. Brothers and sisters go visit each

other. They eat together. The mothers are very happy to have their children visit them again. I, too, also travel far to go visiting. My older sister lives in Manitoulin Island. My daughter and grandchildren live in Windsor. There are many cousins that live elsewhere. I never run out of places to visit, and I never run out of people to visit.

My mother is not alive anymore. I used to ride seven hours to go see her. When I was at her house, there were many that came. They drank tea and ate cookies as they visited each other. They eventually told legends. I really enjoyed listening to them. We

all laughed periodically. Nobody took personally what was said. They only kidded around. I cherish the good time we had.

Some people go to church at this time. Some people celebrate the Anishinaabe way of life. Those that pray in church cross themselves in the four directions. Those that follow the Anishinaabe way of life also depend on the four directions. There must be something there why people look to the four directions.

As long as everybody has a good time, that is good. Not everybody has the same feeling (disposition) here on earth.

| Vowel | Sounds Like |
|-------|-------------|
| a     | bus         |
| aa    | father      |
| e     | bed         |
| i     | sit         |
| ii    | see         |
| o     | note        |
| oo    | book        |



Ziisbaakdake Giizis, Sugar Bush Moon, April 2010

| NAME<br>GIZHIGAT  | SHKWAANAME<br>GIZHIGAT            | NIIZH-<br>GIZHIGAT               | NSO-<br>GIZHIGAT                | NIUWO-<br>GIZHIGAT                 | NAANO-<br>GIZHIGAT                                     | NWEBI-<br>GIZHIGAT                                  |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
|   |                                   |                                  |                                 | 1<br>Mnookmi<br>Spring             | 2<br>Waaboozonh<br>Rabbit                              | 3<br>Miishkonhs<br>Grass                            |
| 4<br>Baakwang<br>Easter                                 | 5<br>Waawan<br>Egg                | 6<br>Waawanoon<br>Eggs           | 7<br>Kookibinaagan<br>Basket    | 8<br>Tisige<br>She/He is coloring. | 9<br>Binoojiinhs<br>Baby                               | 10<br>Binoojiinhsak<br>Babies                       |
| 11<br>Binoojiinh<br>Child                               | 12<br>Binoojiinhak<br>Children    | 13<br>Kwezenhs<br>Girl           | 14<br>Kwezenhsak<br>Girls       | 15<br>Gwiizenhs<br>Boy             | 16<br>Gwiizenhsak<br>Boys                              | 17<br>Shkiniigi<br>Young Person<br>Teen, Adolescent |
| 18<br>Shkiniigik<br>Young People, Teens,<br>Adolescents | 19<br>Shkiniikwe<br>Young Woman   | 20<br>Shkiniikwek<br>Young Women | 21<br>Shkinwe<br>Young Man      | 22<br>Shkinwek<br>Young Men        | 23<br>Shkiniigish<br>Young Person<br>(usu. pejorative) | 24<br>Shkiniigishak<br>Youth<br>(usu. pejorative)   |
| 25<br>Kwe - Woman<br>Kwewok or Kwek<br>Women            | 26<br>Nini - Man<br>Niniwok - Men | 27<br>Dimoyenh<br>Elder Woman    | 28<br>Dimoyenhak<br>Elder Women | 29<br>Kiweziinh<br>Elder Man       | 30<br>Kiweziinhak<br>Elder Men                         |   |



## Department of Commerce

### 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](http://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.**

### Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians CBC Vacancies

| Commission                          | Term           | Vacancies |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board | 1,2,3 yr. term | 3         |
| Zoning Board of Appeals             | 1,2,3 yr. term | 3         |
| Natural Resources                   | 4 yr. term     | 1         |
| Trust Fund Board                    | 4 yr. term     | 2         |
| Gaming Board of Directors           | Indefinite     | 2         |

The following information is provided for LTBB Tribal Citizens 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 e-mail: [chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto: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.



## Enrollment Department

### Address Verification Forms Due November 30, 2010

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before November 30, 2010. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or

custodial issues, please contact the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

Minors who turn 18 by November 30, 2010 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form must be returned by November 30, 2010.

Address verification forms can be downloaded at [www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov/Departments/Enrollment/enrollment.htm](http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov/Departments/Enrollment/enrollment.htm) or you may call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521 to have a form mailed to you.

### 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](http://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 form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

**Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 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

### LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS GAMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Carol McFall - Chairperson  
Judith Pierzynowski - Vice Chairperson  
Sheran Patton - Treasurer/Secretary



### 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**

**February 7, 2010**

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:12 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: moment of silence

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, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, Gaming Board of Directors: Chairperson Carol McFall, Member Sheran Patton, Member Judy Pierzynowski and Office Manager Cathy Portman, Office of Enterprise Management Chuck Schofield, Casino: Facilities Director Barry Laughlin, Marketing Director Phil Gonzales, Slot Director Frank Kirsch, Hospitality Director Mike Bodjiak, Director of Finance Scott Cannady, HRIS Analyst Mandy Oliver

Guests: Nancy Kiogima, Christine Shomin, Ellie Barber, Harvey Gibson, Tootsie Keshick Miller, Sarah VanDeCar, Rose Smalley, Christine Rohn, Bea Law, Bill Denemy, John Liebgott, Denise Petoskey, Paul Eames, Linda Gasco, Fred Kiogima, Judy Field, Frank Etawageshik, Dolly Keway, Amelia Compeaux, William McMillan

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt the agenda for February 7, 2009 with changes.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of January 24, 2010 as presented.

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

Motion carried.

There were no phone polls to approve.

Tribal Elder Comments: Ellie Barber requested funds to be disbursed to assist Tribal Citizens with dental and health care. Rose Smalley spoke regarding the association between the Tribal Chairman and the Gaming Board of Directors. Rose also requested Tribal Council to work together with each other. Judy Field mentioned her attendance at a Gaming Board of Directors meeting. Judy also spoke regarding Tribal Council and Tribal Chairman's roles with the casino. Bea Law spoke against the removal of (2) two Gaming Board of Directors. Judy Field asked for clarification regarding the reinstatement of government employee cost of living and cost cutting measures for government employees with regard to insurance coverage. Ellie Barber thanked Tribal Council and the Administration for doing their jobs. Harvey Gibson spoke in support of Ellie Barber's concerns regarding dental and health care.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal report for February 7, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written report for February 7, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt Tribal Resolution Re-establishment of a Line of Credit for Bell's Fishery.

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

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima to recommend Tribal Council appropriate \$10,000 for emergency assistance to the Cheyenne River Sioux of South Dakota with funds coming from the General Funds Prior Period Funds line item.

Elder Comment: Bea Law requested Tribal Council not support the North Dakota Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe ice storm emer-

gency assistance request.

Above motion withdrawn and tabled.

11:03 a.m. Recess called.

11:16 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Councilor Chingwa deferred to Frank Etawageshik to provide a verbal report regarding Nimkee Technologies.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution amending Waganakising Odawak Inc., Corporate Charter.

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

Motion Failed as it did not meet the requirement of ¾ votes (7 of 9) of the Tribal Council to change the Corporate Charter.

11:53 Public Comment opened: Judy Field spoke regarding Bell's Fishery. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding his and Dolly Keway's removal from the Gaming Board of Directors as illegal. Fred also spoke regarding the Tribal Council Ethics Committee formation and Bell's Fishery being run by the Tribal government. Roseanne Smalley asked Tribal Council and Tribal Chairman and Vice Chairman to let the casino run its self. Judy Field requested the Tribal Chairman and Tribal Council also be required to obtain gaming licenses.

12:05 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:37 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to rescind the motion of January 24, 2010 that removed Gaming Board of Directors Dollie Keway and Fred Kiogima, which stated "Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to remove Fred Kiogima and Dollie Keway from the Gaming Board of Directors."

Vote: 3 - Yes, 4 - No (Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Mulholland Councilor R. Shananaquet), 2 - Abstained (Councilor Kiogima, Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent

Motion failed.

2:45 p.m. Recess called.

2:57 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

2:58 p.m. Public Comment opened: Paul Eames spoke regarding low casino employee morale and lack of Tribal preference in employment for the past 7-8 years. Bill McMillan spoke in support of Paul Eames public comment. Judy Field spoke in support of Paul Eames and Bill McMillan public comments. Judy also spoke in disappointment regarding the Casino Bingo Bash. Judy further spoke supporting Councilor Kiogima's previous motion regarding removal of the Gaming Board of Director Dollie Keway. Fred Kiogima spoke in opposition regarding the removal of Dollie Keway from the Gaming Board of Directors. Fred also stated Tribal preference in employment should be based on ability. Paul Eames then spoke regarding the Gaming Board of Directors standards and qualifications for the positions they hold. Rose Smalley spoke regarding Tribal Preference in employment for qualified people. Judy Field spoke regarding the Gaming Board of Directors qualifications and their need for an attorney.

3:21 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Ethics Committee Chairperson Otto's verbal report for February 7, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Otto to allow Odawa Casino Resort to waive sovereign immunity for the limited purpose of contracting for high speed credit card processing with Elavon, Inc. so long as the contract does not exceed \$10,000.

Motion Withdrawn

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to allow the Tribal Chairman to sign the Loyalty and Confidentiality Pledge.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 3 - No (Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal and written report for February 7, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Whistle Blower

Protection.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-absent, 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 Chingwa to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Health Department.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, 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 Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Tribal Treasurer's responsibilities.

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.

4:51 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Chingwa to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and ap-

## Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2010

**April 10 Work Session**  
**April 11 Council Meeting**  
**April 24 Work Session**  
**April 25 Council Meeting**

**May 1 Work Session**  
**May 2 Council Meeting**  
**May 15 Work Session**  
**May 16 Council Meeting**

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURTROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

### 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**

proved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

**February 21, 2010**

Closed Session: no

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:11 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Moment of Silence

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: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Office of Enterprise Management Chuck Schofield, Natural Resource Director Doug Craven

Guests: Christina Rohn, William McMillan, John Liebgott, Bill Denemy Sr, Marcia Sutton, Tootsie Keshick, Andrew Stich, Eleanor Barber, Alice Hughes, Bea Law, John Kawegoma, Ken Gablow Sr, Nancy Kiogima, Fred Kiogima

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to adopt the agenda for February 21, 2010 as amended.

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

Motion carried.

9:27 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the minutes of February 07, 2010 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the minutes of February 20, 2010 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated February 10, 2010 to allow Odawa Casino Resort to waive sovereign immunity up to the amount of the contract, not to exceed \$10,000 with Elavon Inc., for the limited purpose of contracting from high speed credit card processing and further agrees to the waiver of Tribal Court jurisdiction, to meet an immediate deadline. The Phone Poll passed 7 - yes, 1 - no (Councilor Chingwa), 1 - abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report for February 21, 2010 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal Treasurer's report for February 21, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to amend the Gaming Board of Directors FY 2010 Budget to include an additional amount of \$15,000 for the National Indian Gaming Association Annual Membership dues.

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

Motion carried

Elder Comments: Bill Denemy spoke regarding the importance of the Tribe being a member of National Indian Gaming Association.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution: Supplemental Funding for Elders Program for Establishing an Elder's Dental Program Fund in the amount of \$15,000 to come from prior period funds.

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 Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Councilor Mulholland verbal and written Investment report for February for February 21, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

10:27 a.m. Recess called.

10:37 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

10:40 a.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to go into closed session for land.

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

Motion carried.

11:17 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to return to open session.

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

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Michele LaCount spoke in support of Bells Fishery.

11:47 a.m. Public Comment closed.

12:12 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:39 p.m. Meeting reconvened, Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for February 21, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for confidential business matters-legal.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Chingwa, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Gasco Bentley), 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent

Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet to remove Sheran Patton, Carol McFall and Judy Pierzynowski from the Gaming Board of Directors in response to their attempt to illegally use fraud to justify giving the former Human Resource Director approximately \$50,000 severance package despite the fact she quit and they do not have the statutory authority to do so.

Motion dies due to lack of support.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Tribal Chairman Harrington verbal and written report for February 21, 2010 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 Treasurer Bott

To approve Enrollment list A - Eligible for Citizenship dated January 21, 2010 for a total of 10.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to place Waganakising Odawak Statute Hotel Room Tax Amendment on the Legislative Calendar.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: Amending Waganakising Odawak Inc., Corporate Charter.

2:45 p.m. Recess called - above motion hold.

2:55 p.m. Meeting reconvened - above motion continues.

Above motion on hold in consideration of Public Comment.

3:05 p.m. Public Comment opened: Eleanor Barber spoke against Petoskey News Review in attendance at the Election Board meetings. John Kawegoma spoke regarding having a Tribal Newspaper that allows freedom of the press. Bea Law spoke in support of Waganakising Odawak Development. Bea Law spoke regarding Eleanor Barber's comment regarding Christina Rohn/Petoskey News Review Attendance.

3:12 p.m. Public Comment ended.

Above motion continues.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to override Executive Vetoed Tribal Resolution #122009-04 Repeals Tribal Resolution #092709-01; Establishment and Authority of the "Legislative/Executive Team".

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto), 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent

Motion Failed as it did not meet the requirement of ¾ votes (7 of 9) of the Tribal Council to change the Corporate Charter.

3:35 p.m. Recess called. Councilor Bardwell and Councilor Mulholland departed the meeting.

3:48 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Contempt of Court.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.

4:42 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date



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|  |  |  |  | Elders Luncheon at noon 1<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>Gaming Regulatory Commission meeting<br>5:30 p.m.<br><br>Election Board meeting<br>6 p.m. | Good Friday 2<br><br>LTBB Governmental<br>Offices Closed<br><br>Indian Child Welfare<br>Commission meeting<br>1 p.m.                  |  |
| Easter Sunday 4  | Elders Open Swim 5<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Housing Commission meeting<br>3:30 p.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.      | Elders Luncheon at noon 6<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>NCMC Nish class<br>6 p.m. - 9:50 p.m.  | Elders Open Swim 7<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.   | Elders Luncheon at noon 8<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  | LTBB Immersion 9  | Appropriations and Finance<br>Committee meeting<br>9 a.m. - noon<br><br>Tribal Council Work Session<br>1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.<br><br>Tribal Council Special meeting<br>4 p.m. - 5 p.m.<br><br>Economic Development Commission meeting<br>9:30 p.m.<br><br>LTBB Immersion |
| Tribal Council meeting<br>Tribal Courtroom<br>LTBB Governmental Center<br>Harbor Springs, MI<br>9 a.m.<br><br>Election Board meeting<br>1 p.m.<br><br>LTBB Immersion | Elders Open Swim 12<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.  | Elders Luncheon at noon 13<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>NCMC Nish class<br>6 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. | Elders Open Swim 14<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Natural Resource Commission meeting<br>6 p.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m. | Elders Luncheon at noon 15<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>Gaming Regulatory Commission<br>meeting<br>5:30 p.m.                                     | Appropriations and<br>Finance Committee<br>meeting if necessary<br>1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.<br><br>Bay Mills Community<br>College Immersion | Election Board<br>meeting<br>1 p.m.<br><br>Bay Mills Community<br>College Immersion  |
| Bay Mills<br>Community<br>College Immersion 18   | Elders Open Swim 19<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Citizenship Commission meeting<br>5:30 p.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m. | Elders Luncheon at noon 20<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>NCMC Nish class<br>6 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. | Elders Open Swim 21<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.  | Elders Luncheon at noon 22<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.   | Appropriations<br>and Finance<br>Committee meeting if<br>necessary<br>1 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  | Tribal Council Work Session<br>Tribal Courtroom<br>LTBB Governmental Center<br>Harbor Springs, MI<br>9 a.m.<br><br>Trust Fund Board meeting<br>9 a.m.  |
| Tribal Council<br>meeting<br>Tribal Courtroom<br>LTBB Governmental<br>Center<br>Harbor Springs, MI<br>9 a.m.   | Elders Open Swim 26<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.  | Elders Luncheon at noon 27<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>NCMC Nish class<br>6 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. | Elders Open Swim 28<br>Odawa Hotel pool<br>Petoskey, MI<br>9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.<br><br>Natural Resource Commission meeting<br>6 p.m.<br><br>Language class<br>Mskikigamik<br>3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m. | Elders Luncheon at noon 29<br><br>Tae Kwon Do classes<br>Beginner 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.<br>Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.<br><br>Gaming Regulatory Commission<br>meeting<br>5:30 p.m.                                     | Election Board<br>Work Session<br>4 p.m.  |  |

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## Check Out These New Arrivals at the LTBB Cultural Library

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Spring officially began on March 20, 2010, but it will be a while before we experience any warm weather here in northern Michigan.

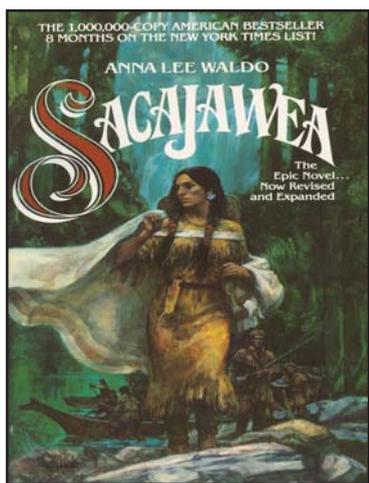
It is the perfect time to check out some new arrivals to the LTBB Cultural Library located in the LTBB Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the following new arrivals for three weeks.

### *Sacajawea* by Anna Lee Waldo

Author Anna Lee Waldo's interest in Sacajawea began as a child when she collected spear points on the shores of Whitefish Lake in Montana and listened to the stories of Blackfeet and Crow grandmothers.

The following product description of the book appears on the Amazon.com website: "Clad in a doeskin, alone and unafraid, she stood straight and proud before the onrushing forces of America's destiny: Sacajawea,



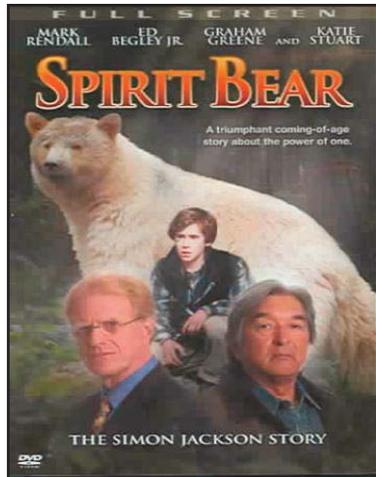
child of a Shoshoni chief, lone woman on Lewis and Clark's historic trek - beautiful spear of a dying nation.

She knew many men, walked many miles. From the whispering prairies, across the Great Divide to the crystal capped Rockies and on to the emerald promise of the Pacific Northwest, her story over flows with emotion and action ripped from the bursting fabric of a raw new land.

Ten years in the writing, Sacajawea unfolds an immense canvas of people and events, and captures the eternal longings of a woman who always yearned for one great passion - and always it lay beyond the next mountain."

### "Spirit Bear"

Starring Graham Greene and Mark Rendall as

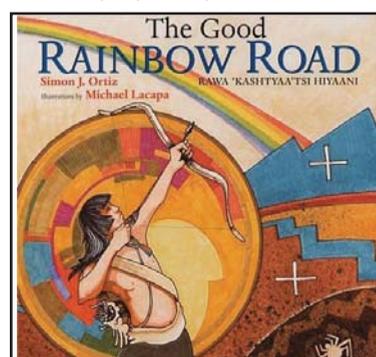


Simon Jackson, "Spirit Bear" tells the story of Simon Jackson who is attacked in the wilderness and is rescued by a rare white Kermode bear. The Canadian film won a 2006 Directors Guild of Canada award for Outstanding Family Television Movie/Mini-Series.

The following product description of the film written by Echo Bridge Home Entertainment appears on the Internet Movie Database website: "Simon Jackson is an awkward 15-year-old who lives on a planet light years away from the 'in' crowd until a life changing moment. Attacked in the British Columbia wilderness, Simon is rescued by a rare white Kermode bear. When he learns these magnificent creatures are endangered, that only 400 are in existence in a small area of northern British Columbia, Simon turns from shy, stuttering daydreamer to political activist. Mustering his courage, he takes on the powerful forest industry and the provincial government, eventually rallying everyone from Prince William to the Backstreet Boys. Simon ultimately secures the protection of 2,500 square miles of Princess Royal Island, one of the largest land protection battles ever won, and is named one of *Time Magazine's* 'Heroes for the Planet.'"

### *The Good Rainbow Road* by Simon Ortiz

Intended for children ages 9-12, *The Good Rainbow Road* is told in three languages, English, Spanish and

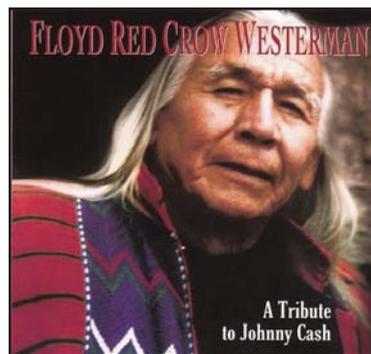


Keres, the language of the Acoma Pueblo and six other Pueblo communities in New Mexico.

The following *School Library Journal* editorial review appears on the Amazon.com website: "An original story presented in three languages gives voice to contemporary Native storytelling while presenting universally recognized themes. The people of Haapaahnitse are suffering from drought and feeling hopeless. An old woman reminds them, 'We have forgotten we must ask for help.' Two brothers, First One and Next One, are chosen to go to the west to seek help from the spirits of rain and snow. The journey through the mountains is dangerous, and at its end, they are faced with a chasm of lava. First One leaps across, but Next One is frozen with fear. A blind woman approaches him, and he warns her of the danger ahead. In thanks, she helps him to make a rainbow road across. The English text is lyrical and dramatic, and sits in first place on top or to the left of the text in Keres on the page. The text in Spanish is relegated to the end of the volume. Done in what appears to be marker, in rich and bold colors of the southwestern desert, their varied layouts suggest movement, yet serve as anchors for the long spreads. This excellent volume, published in collaboration with Oyate, will stand out in any collection."

### "Floyd Red Crow Westerman: A Tribute to Johnny Cash"

Musician, actor and activist Floyd Red Crow Westerman, Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota, appeared in

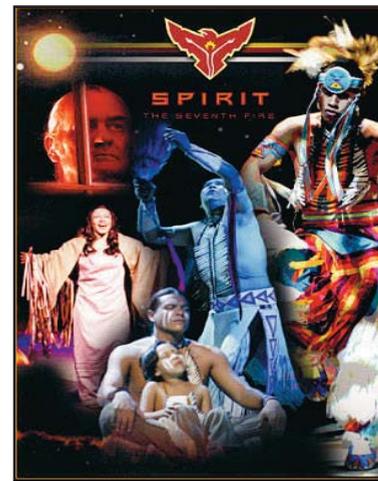


more than 50 films and television productions before his death on December 13, 2007. He walked on due to complications from leukemia. Westerman became one of the most recognizable Native Americans of the 20th century.

The following product description of the CD appears on the Amazon.com website: "This CD features Johnny Cash songs performed by world renown Native American actor,

singer, songwriter and advocate Floyd Red Crow Westerman, who is best remembered for his role as elder/leader Ten Bear in 'Dances With Wolves.' His work and dedication have helped spread the American Indian Movement's message throughout the world. He has performed with countless musicians, including Willie Nelson, Kris Kristofferson, Jackson Brown, Bonnie Raitt, Joni Mitchell, John Trudell and Don Henley in large benefit concerts for Indian self-determination, human rights and environmental protection. He toured the world with Sting to publicize the plight of the Rainforest and has been an ambassador of good will representing the International Indian Treaty Council. Floyd writes: 'Johnny Cash was very proud of his Cherokee heritage, and was a great supporter of American Indian issues. I had the great honor to meet and be on the same bill with Johnny Cash. It was a night to remember.'"

### "Spirit: The Seventh Fire"



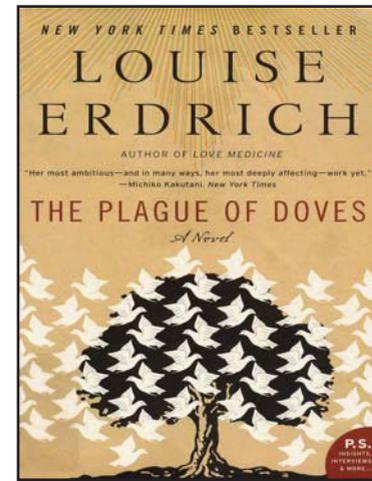
The following product description of the DVD appears on the Amazon.com website: "Live concert, epic film, Native American dance, Spirit - The Seventh Fire tells the story of Everyman. Caught up in the daily distractions of life, Everyman is thrown from his cubicle to begin a journey that renews within him the mystery, beauty and spirit of his ancestors. Everyman takes you with him on this amazing journey. The beauty of the dance, music and film brings audiences of all ages to tears and to their feet."

### *The Plague of Doves* by Louise Erdrich

Louise Erdrich is a Native American author of novels, poetry and children's books. Her father was German-American while her mother was French and Anishinaabe (Ojibwa). Her grandfather Patrick Gourneau served as a Tribal Chair-

man for the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians. Erdrich grew up in Wahpeton, ND, where her parents taught at the Bureau of Indian Affairs school. *The Plague of Doves* is her 13th novel and was named a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize in Fiction in April 2009.

The following product description of the book appears on the Amazon.com website: "Erdrich's 13th novel, a multigenerational tour de force of sin, redemption, murder and vengeance, finds its roots in the 1911 slaughter of a farming family near Pluto, N.D. The family's infant daughter is spared, and a posse forms, incorrectly blames three Indians and lynches them. One, Mooshum Milk, miraculously survives. Over the next century, descendants of both the hanged men and the lynch mob develop relationships that become deeply entangled, and their disparate stories are held together via principal narrator Evelina, Mooshum Milk's granddaughter, who comes of age on an Indian reservation near Pluto in the 1960s and '70s and forms two fateful adolescent crushes: One on bad-boy schoolmate Corwin Peace and one on a nun. Though Evelina doesn't know it, both are descendants of lynch mob members. The plot splinters as Evelina enrolls in college and finds work at a mental asylum; Corwin spirals into a life of crime; and a long-lost violin (its back story is another beautiful piece of the mosaic) takes on massive significance. Erdrich plays individual narratives off one another, dropping apparently insignificant clues that build to head-slapping revelations as fates intertwine and the person responsible for the 1911 killing is identified."



Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

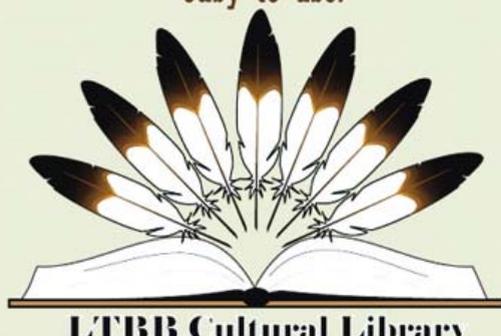
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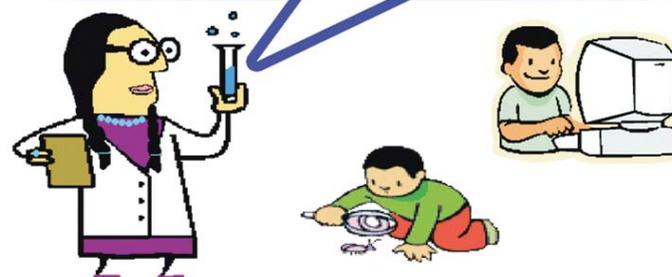
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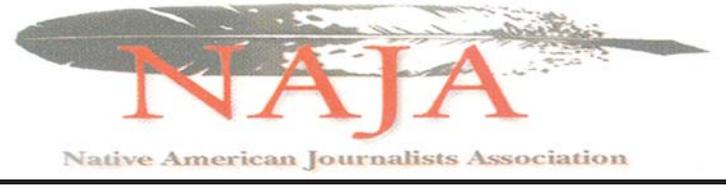
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- Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
  - All entries must be the original size.
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  - Limit one submission per child.
  - Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
  - **Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.**
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category.

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# On the Pow Wow Trail



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Saline, MI  
Contact Information: powwow\_committee@yahoo.com or www.umich.edu/~powwow/

**April 10-11**  
12th Annual GVSU Spring Pow Wow  
GVSU campus  
Allendale, MI  
Contact Information: Dee Sherwood Bosworth at 616-331-5034, gvsu\_nasa@gvsu.edu or http://events.gvsu.edu/ViewCalendar.asp

**June 25-27**  
Bay Mills Indian Community 19th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Competition Pow Wow  
Brimley, MI  
Contact Information: Angie Johnson at 906-248-8527, Allyn Cameron at 906-248-8118 or ajcameron@baymills.org

## Minnesota

**April 9**  
St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow

The American Indian Magnet  
St. Paul, MN  
Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

**April 10**  
Leech Lake Tribal College Pow Wow  
Cass Lake High School gym  
Cass Lake, MN  
Contact Information: Ratana Lussier or flower.kingbird@lltc.edu or flower.kingbird@lltc.edu

**April 30-May 1**  
Bemidji State University 37th Annual Traditional Pow Wow  
John Glas Fieldhouse  
Bemidji State University  
Bemidji, MN  
Contact Information: James King at 218-755-2001 or James.King@St.bemidjistate.edu

**May 14**  
St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow  
The American Indian Magnet  
St. Paul, MN  
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**June 18-20**  
Hinkley Grand Celebration Contest Pow Wow

Grand Casino Pow Wow Grounds  
Hinkley, MN  
Contact Information: Vicki Kroschel at 320-384-4930, vkroschel@grandcasinomn.com or http://www.grandcasinomn.com/

**July 24-25**  
Keepers Gathering and Traditional Pow Wow  
Moore Park  
Pipestone, MN  
Contact Information: Rona or Bud Johnson at 507-825-3734, 605-595-5229 or pipe@iw.net

## Wisconsin

**April 10**  
University of Wisconsin-Madison Spring Pow Wow  
Nicholas-Johnson Pavilion, Kohl Center  
Madison, WI  
Contact Information: Josie Lee at 608-387-0282 or jglee4@wisc.edu

**April 10-12**  
La Crosse Three Rivers Traditional Pow Wow  
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**April 10th & 11th**  
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April 17, 2010  
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Sponsored by LTBB Head Start & Early Head Start/ITC of MI

Grand Entry: 1 p.m.  
Giveaway: 3:30 p.m.  
Feast: 4 p.m.

Host Drum: Spirit Lake  
MC: Joe Medicine  
Arena Director: Doug Craven

For more information, contact Mickey Kilpatrick at 231-539-8325  
LTBB/ITC will not be responsible for accidents, lost or stolen items, including children & spouses!  
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JUNE 25, 26, 27 2010

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The Honoring Our Veterans Pow Wow is a Drug and Alcohol free event. The Pow Wow Committee and the Bay Mills Indian Community are not responsible for lost or stolen items. No additional financial assistance is available.

Singers, Dancers, and Vendors must show proof of tribal affiliation at registration, or upon request of the Pow Wow Committee. All Dancing and Singing competitions are Northern/Southern combined. Dancer Registration: \$10, Singer Registration: \$10 for each registered singer; Vendor Registration: \$85. Native dancers, singers, and vendors only!

Contact Information: Angie Johnson (906)248-8527; Allyn Cameron (906)248-8118, or ajcameron@baymills.org

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## Legislative Corner

We would like to continue our discussion about questions we have received from tribal citizens regarding our LTBB Tribal Constitution.

In particular, people are interested in the “separation of powers” and “checks and balances” within our constitution, and mainly, what are the roles of the Executive vs. Tribal Council and how do they interact.

Executive and Tribal Council Roles:

Prior to the new constitution adopted in February 2005, we did not have separation of powers nor checks and balances. We had a one-unit government with a Tribal Court. (I will address the Tribal Courts’ role at a later time). This one unit of government was Tribal Council. The Tribal Chair was part of the Tribal Council and only voted to break a tie vote. The role of Tribal Council was to set the goals and direction of the tribe, to make all of the decisions involving the tribe and to see the decisions were carried out by the Tribal Administrator. This system did not allow for checks and balances nor did it provide for separation of powers.

During the drafting of the constitution, some tribal citizens were concerned all of the decisions and power rested with just one unit of government, Tribal Council. In order to create checks and balances within the new constitution, the constitution provided for an Executive branch (Tribal Chair and Vice Chair) and separated it from Tribal Council.

Another change with the new constitution is the number of Tribal Council members. The old Tribal Council had seven members, including the Chair; the new constitution provides for nine Tribal Council members separate from the Chair and Vice Chair.

It is still the role of Tribal Council to set the goals of the tribe and to make most of the decisions of the tribe, but some of the decisions now require the Tribal Chair to be in agreement. These shared areas are identified within the constitution by requiring Tribal Council to formulate its decision in either a resolution or a statute that can be signed or vetoed by the Tribal Chair.

This creates checks and balances between Tribal Council and the Executive. If the Chair agrees with the Tribal Council, then it takes five Tribal Council members and the Chair to pass the resolution or statute. If the Chair disagrees with Tribal Council and doesn’t sign off on a resolution or statute (veto), then it takes a vote of seven Tribal Council members to override the Chair’s decision (veto). This new system provides for separate decisions of Tribal Council and the Chair and for the balance of power between Tribal Council and the Chair.

Not all of the decisions of Tribal Council require the agreement by the Chair. Tribal Council has some powers it holds exclusively; i.e. approving land use plans, approving leases, acquisition of land, etc.

There are also exclusive powers of the Tribal Chair not shared with Tribal Council. One in particular is to “execute and administer the laws and resolutions” of the tribe. The Tribal Chair is now responsible to see all of the laws and resolutions of the tribe are carried out. This used to be a role of Tribal Council under the old constitution, but now is a function of the Executive.

In summary, since the new constitution, Tribal Council is responsible for the decision making of the tribe, which may be shared with the Executive, and the Executive branch is responsible for implementation of these decisions. The Executive has oversight over the governmental operations and through this oversight, the Chair is responsible to see tribal citizens receive adequate services in an efficient and effective manner.

This is just a brief overview of the constitution. If you have additional questions, please feel free to contact the Tribal Council office at 1-866-927-0077 or attend a Tribal Council meeting. The calendar of meetings is in the *Odawa Trails* newsletters as well as our website at <http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov>.

*Miiqwetch,*

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



## Programs Available Through the LTBB Human Services Department

### Burial Assistance

Burial Assistance is available for Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians tribal citizens who have walked on regardless of where they reside.

### Daycare Assistance

Daycare assistance provides financial assistance for daycare. Applicants must reside in Emmet, Charlevoix or Cheboygan counties in Michigan and be a parent of or child of any federally recognized tribe or a member of a Michigan historic tribe.

### Community Service Block Grant

Funds are available for very basic needs such as housing, energy assistance, employment uniform requirements and medical and dental transportation. Applicants should be an enrolled member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and live in the state of Michigan.

### Food Distribution

USDA Commodities are distributed once per month. Applicants must reside in the 27-county service area and be a member of a federally recognized tribe. Expedited services are available.

### LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program)

This program is offered in cooperation with the Intertribal Council of Michigan.

“Schuyler” continued from cover.

family dances. His older sisters, Marie Schuyler-Dreaver and Heather Schuyler, dance jingle and fancy respectively, and his younger sister, Shay, dances jingle. His nieces, Maya Schuyler and Kayla Dreaver, dance jingle and fancy respectively, and his nephew, Caden Dreaver, dances fancy. Several relatives on his father’s side are also dancers.

“My parents put bustles on me when I was one,” Schuyler said. “I can’t imagine myself not dancing. My whole family is very supportive of my dancing. Sometimes, it gets rough because politics and stuff can get you down, but you have to remember why you’re dancing and remember there are a lot of people supporting you.

“There were a couple of times when I thought about giving it up, but I didn’t because of my family’s support.”

“Off Campus” continued from cover.

rights of those in the campus community. U of M must uphold the same legal and ethical standards for all people, and all research.

“It was a sacrifice to switch the powwow location last year,” said Andrea Hebner, co-chair of the 2010 Powwow. “We turned down \$50,000 in university funding and, no, it was not as financially successful as powwows we’ve had in Crisler Arena. To

Assistance is available for Direct Assistance and Emergency Assistance once per fiscal year. Applicants must reside in the state of Michigan and be an enrolled member of one of the seven tribes that participate.

### Social Services Program

#### Foster Care

The Social Services Program oversees foster care for children under the jurisdiction of the LTBB Tribal Court. If you are interested in becoming a foster parent, we encourage you to contact our office.

#### Prevention

Our Social Workers work hard to help families by linking them to services and resources. If you or some-

one you know is in need or wondering if you qualify, please contact our office.

### Protective Services for Children & Adults

Our tribal Social Workers develop and implement case services plans to minimize and eliminate risk of harm to all vulnerable tribal people. They work with state workers to assist in monitoring state cases, and in the area of protective services, has jurisdiction on Indian land.

The LTBB Human Services Department is located at 915 Emmet Street in Petoskey, MI, and it can be reached at 231-242-1620.



## 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.



Schuyler said he learned to dance fancy by observing others, especially his cousin, Jimmy Klein, Jr.

“For me, it is not easy (dancing fancy),” Schuyler said. “It comes from years and years of doing it.

“It is hard to be original because you can’t go too far outside the boundaries. I dance my idols’ moves and change them a little to make them my own. I like short, fast songs. I like the physical challenge of fancy dance. Drums try to trick us all the time, so it is a challenge to stay on beat for all the different songs.”

Schuyler learned how to make bustles from his father, and he makes bustles for other people. He learned how to do beadwork from watching his mother and his sister, Marie. He’s had the same beadwork on his regalia since 2007, but he tries to update some part of his regalia every few

months. In addition to dancing, he has served as a Head Male Dance Judge at pow wows. His sister, Marie, has served as a Head Female Dance Judge at pow wows since 2005. He attended ironworking school in Chicago, IL, in 2006 and earned a certificate in ironworking.

“I could earn a living in the ironworking field if I wanted to, but I am doing pretty good dancing right now,” Schuyler said. “I am trying to keep it (dancing) going for as long as possible. I want to dance for as long as I can.”

Toward that end, Schuyler practices dancing at least three times a week and works out four times a week.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

worried about being ill-equipped to teach their students about American Indians. Our powwow is the perfect opportunity for those teachers to give their students a first-hand experience with American Indian culture, rather than settling for Happy Meal figurines in a glass container. We hope next year we’ll be able to dance for our ancestors on campus.”

## Medical Transportation

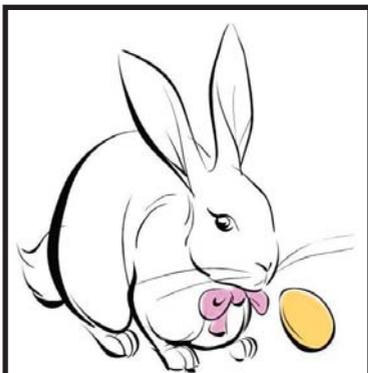
Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport.

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 at 231-242-1601



# Lines From our Membership

# Happy Easter

## BIRTHDAYS

MnoDibishkaan niingonis Archie Kiogima IV. Waasa endaad, Lansing. Gmeznigo miinwaa Gzaagigo! Zigozis Carla. *Happy birthday to my nephew who lives far away in Lansing. We miss you and we love you. Auntie.*

Happy birthday on April 10 to my buddy, **Michael Smith**, across the hall. Have a good day. Dexter.

Happy birthday **Beek-Bean (Josie Laughlin)**. I can't believe you are 13 this year. What a fine young lady you've become. You make me proud every day to be your mother. Love ya, Mama.

Happy birthday to **my girl**, you're the best friend, lover and special mother. Hugs, kisses and best wishes. Love, Guido.

Happy 40th b-day on April 23rd to **Jer Bear**, just one of our handsome sons. Wish I lived closer. Lots of love and hugs, Ma, Dad, Laura and Chriser.

Happy birthday to **Aunt Mary Lou**, who is a very special aunt, on April 24. Have a very special day. I don't know if Uncle Smoke is older than those Good Hart hills, but I know who runs them the most with that Daabaan. Love, Dexter, Debbie, Derek and Shane.

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to **Wassey**, who turns two on April 5, **Annie Bananie**, who turns nine on April 18, and their beautiful mother, **Shanna Wemigwase**, who celebrates her birthday on April 29!! We love you all, Mom, Matthew, Justine, Jenna, Kiana and Maangaashkaa.

Happy birthday to my lovely daughter and little sis, **Krystina Peariso**, on April 3. Have a wonderful day.

A young happy birthday to my second oldest son, **Christopher Walker**. I hope this day is another good one of many. We love and miss you and your family. Have a happy birthday on April 7. Love, Mom.

It's amazing how this toothless little boy grew up to wear so many different hats and to have so many different nicknames. Happy 46th birthday to the **Mayor/Sonny Boy/Kwame/Big Tasty** on April 18. Gotcha. From your loving family.

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Happy birthday to **Uncle Smoke** on April 15. Have a very special day. You are a very special uncle. I don't know who is older, you or those Good Hart hills. Dexter, Debbie, Shane, Derek, Billy, Gunnar, Viola, Mary Lou and Johnny.

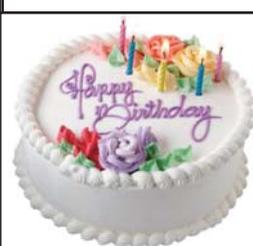
Happy birthday to **Me!!** Happy birthday to Me!! Happy birthday to Me on the 5th of April. Happy birthday to Me!!

Happy 30th birthday **Lisa "Weezer" Young!** Hope you have a fantastic day with the kiddies and hubby. Wow! Time flies so fast! All my love, Mom.

Happy 53rd birthday on the 10th **Sadi Synn!** From the whole family in Michigan.

I would like to send birthday wishes to **Tina** on April 10th, **Maggie** on April 19th, and last, but not least, **Tammy (the Bean)** on April 14th. Sending belated birthday wishes to **Jeff**, who celebrated on March 7th, and **Marlene**, who celebrated on March 31st. Hope you all have a good one and "Gazaagin" to you all. Pane gazaagin, Gdo'Gashi.

Happy birthday to my good bud, **Michele**, across the hall on April 23. Have the Ax Man take you to dinner. Have a fun day. Dexter.



Happy birthday to a wonderful daughter and cousin, **Brittany Bentley**, on April 12. We love you, Mom, Dad, Matt and Katie.

Wishing a happy 13th birthday to my wonderful daughter, **Alicia Alvarado**. From your Mom.

Happy birthday on April 1 to my good buddy and cuz **John Kenoshmeg**. Hope there are many more. Dexter.

Happy birthday to our son, **Shane**, who we love very much and are very proud of, on April 7. Have a very special day. Keep that casino in Battle Creek straight. Love, Dad, Mom, Derek, Billy, Gunnar and Grandma.

MnoDibishkaa nwijkiwenh, **Angie Woodin**. Chi-minwendaagwazin pii gdo-kichitwaa-giizhigat. Gmeznimin, Carla. *Happy birthday to my buddy, Angie Woodin. Have a wonderful time on your special day. I miss you (and working together back in the day).*

Happy birthday on the 10th **Mike Smith!**

Happy birthday to my sister, **Pauline**, whose birthday is on April 30th. I hope you have a happy day, and I am coming to your party. Love you, Yvonne.

## BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Sandi Long Beach Wemigwase** on April 26. Your Mom and sisters love and miss you.

Happy birthday to **Aunt Evelyn**, who is a very special aunt, on April 2. Best wishes and hope you have many more. Love, Dexter, (Skid), Debbie, Derek and Shane.

Wishing the **General** happy birthday on April 24. You have always been someone who wasn't afraid to stand up and do what was right no matter what the circumstances may be, but even more so in the last few months. You look out for the best interests of all and not just for a select few. If there were more people like you in the world, it would be a lot better place. Love, the Brassy Lady, the Old Man, Sonny Boy, General Junior and Kathy.

MnoDibishkaan gwijkiwenhim, **Isabelle Osawamick**. Gmshkoz miinwaa knaajiw kwe gdaaw. Miinwaa aapiji-nitaa-ekinoomaaged. Miigwech. *Happy birthday to our friend. You're a strong and beautiful woman. And, an excellent teacher. Thanks.*



Happy ninth birthday to **Anamekwan Wemigwase** on April 18th! Not so sure we can call you baby bear anymore because you have grown into a beautiful young lady! We are so proud of you and couldn't have gotten any luckier when you chose us. We love you, Mommy, Daddy and Bebe Wassey.

Happy second birthday to **Waaseyaban Wemigwase** "Bebe of our hearts" on April 5th! Because we are yours and you are ours. Love, Mommy, Daddy and Big Sissy Anna.

Happy 64th birthday to **Marie Newman** who celebrates on April 8. Too bad it was colder there in Florida than it was in Michigan. Must have been all your dancing! Don't worry, for Christmas next year, Santa will bring you pickled bologna if you're good. Have a great day. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy 59th birthday to our cousin, **John Kenoshmeg, Sr.** who celebrates on April 1. We wish that the #1 Tigers fan will be rewarded with an awesome season. You are still the best shuttle bus driver in our opinion! Have a great day. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy 32nd birthday to **Nosey** on April 3. Hope you have a great day and many more to come! From the Wicked Witch, Mommy Dearest and the rest of your suite mates.

## Congratulations



On February 19, 2010, the Maldonado family had the proud honor of finalizing its adoption of **Riley Miigwan Maldonado**. Riley came into their world one and a half years ago and made Allie and Jay a family. Now that Riley is forever their son, their lives are filled with more joy than they ever imagined. Each day with Riley is an adventure where he teaches them something new about themselves. Their lives are richer and happier than ever because Riley is a part of it.

Congratulations to my son, **Attila Svucs Wabanimee**, for finishing in first place in the brown belt division in tae kwon do at the Great Lakes All-Star Martial Arts Tournament in Grand Rapids, MI. From your mother, Cindy.

## Anniversaries

Wishing happy anniversary to **Luke and Sommer Shananaquet** on April 3 and **Jim and Arlene Naganashe** on April 4. From Dorothy and Don Boda.

Jeff, Patti and Doug wish their **Mom and Dad** a happy 37th anniversary.

## BIRTHDAYS

Wishing a big happy birthday to **Marilyn Hume** (April 2), **Jess Boda** (April 4), **John Naganashe** (April 11), **Lily Bott** (April 11), **Matt Miller** (April 11), **Josie Laughlin** (April 11), **Shannon Hume** (April 12), **Jean Boda** (April 23), **Vivian Pelcher** (April 24), **Karen Shananaquet** (April 26) and **Beth Shananaquet** (April 29). From Dorothy and Don Boda.

On your birthday, Dear sister, I have only one question: "Are you Indian or are you 'Indian Indian'?" Heehee. Mno-dibishkaan, **Shanna!** Winnay.

Mno-Dbishkaan, Mukwa-ode!!!! G'zaagin, **Mr. (Mitch) Laughlin!** Love, your favorite cousin/teacher, Winnay.

## Miigwetch

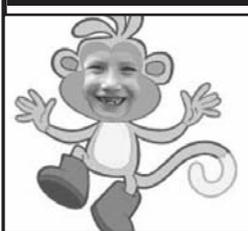
Miigwetch to everyone who attended our Spaghetti Dinner/Silent Auction fundraiser on March 6, 2010 and our Spaghetti Luncheon fundraiser on March 12, 2010. Because of your generosity, we raised \$640 to go toward the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. The LTBB Pow Wow Committee.

## Walking On ...

Editor's note: The incorrect obituary for Shirley Mae Wheeler appeared in the March 2010 issue of *Odawa Trails*. The LTBB Communications Department regrets the error. The following is the correct obituary for Shirley Mae Wheeler.

**Shirley Mae Wheeler, 75**, of Sycamore Healthcare Center, formerly of 1252 Hampshire Street, Quincy, IL, died on Saturday, December 26, 2009 in the home. She was born on October 28, 1934 in Petoskey, MI, a daughter of Charles and Halcyone (Wyant) Kiogima. She married Paul Wheeler on January 25, 1971 in Chicago, IL. He preceded her in death on May 18, 1998. Shirley loved sewing, working in her garden and watching and feeding the animals. She was a pack rat, she kept anything and everything. Survivors include children, Delores Kiogima of Double Springs, AL; Katherine Denise Martin and her husband, Steven, of Jasper, AL; Margaret Ann Rodriguez and her husband, Eulogio, of Grand Rapids, MI; Mary Catherine Kiogima of Muskegon, MI; Cynthia Marie Ring of Muskegon, MI; brother, Charles Kiogima and his wife, Elaine, of Muskegon, MI; James Kiogima of Eureka, CA; Jerome Edward of Pontiac, MI; sisters, Elisabeth Rose Kiogima of Petoskey, MI; Marian Ann Sedlak and her husband, Wayne, of Roscommon, MI; grandchildren, Jennifer, Mary and Heather of Double Springs, AL; Tammy Baldwin and her husband, Leonard, of Jasper, AL; Jimmy Hosford and his wife, Crystal, of Double Springs, AL; Jessica Armock and her husband, Robert, of Grand Rapids, MI; Misty Tapia and her husband, Salvador Tapia; Amanda Morton and her husband, Robert, of Muskegon, MI; Joshua Dunn, Jason Ring and April Ring. Shirley was preceded in death by her parents and husband, one son, Kenneth George Kiogima, one great-grandson, Ivan Tapia, two brothers, Robert Joseph Kiogima and John Thomas Kiogima, two sisters, Carolyn Marie and Charlene Marie Kiogima, and a sister-in-law, Wanda Mae Kiogima.

## BIRTHDAYS



Happy birthday to my girl, Boots!!!! I feel so lucky to have you around to make me laugh and to make me sooo proud!! Miigwech for always being such a fun, curious and adventurous sidekick, **Anamekwan!** I love you! "Peace Out." Aunt Winnay.



Happy birthday "Tay-bun!" We have to make sure that your mom and dad remember to celebrate the fact that it took under two years for you, smart girl, to master "The Wemigwase!" I am sooo very proud to be your auntie, **Waasayabun!** Love you, Aunt Winnay.

# Native News

## Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Hosts First Annual Mid-Winter Celebration

Submitted by **Lisa McComb**, Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. (NSLF) held its First Annual Mid-Winter Celebration on February 20, 2010 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

"Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.'s first fundraiser was a huge success due to the overwhelming support of our community," Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.'s Development Committee Chair Alan Proctor said. "Miigwetch to all who gave their time and assistance."

More than 200 people attended the fun-filled, activity-packed event to participate in bidding on more than 50 sought after, one of a kind, hand-crafted items donated by local businesses and artisans in both silent and live auction formats.

Master of Ceremonies Scott MacKenzie donated his time to assist in highlighting the various aspects of the event as well as the numerous desirable auction items.

Throughout the event, attendees enjoyed snowshoeing the trails outside the governmental center led by volunteer, Alison Berry of the Little Traverse Conservancy, whose group generously donated snowshoes for all participants, with help from volunteer Regina Brubaker-Carver.



Children of all ages enjoyed creating medicine bags, bracelets and jewelry under the direction of Meredith Henry, NSLF Development Committee member and event volunteer, who assisted children as they enjoyed Native storytelling and cultural crafts.

Attendees enjoyed homemade Indian tacos, fry bread, chili and whitefish pate' thanks to the generosity of Bev Wemigwase and Dave Harrington who gave of their time and talents in food preparation as well as Tannery Creek Market, Bell's Fishery and Buffalo Wild Wings, who all donated products and ingredients for the food.

The event featured local musicians as attendees were treated to the

talents of the Spirit Lake drum, who opened and closed the event, as well as local aspiring teenage high school band "Orange Magic" and gifted flutist Aaron Wayne Otto.

Proceeds from the event went toward Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) business lender incorporated under the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians whose mission is to provide training, business incubation and access to capital which fosters economic development for the Michigan counties of Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet, Grand Traverse and Kalkaska counties.

For more information, please visit [www.northernshoresloanfund.org](http://www.northernshoresloanfund.org).

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. would like to thank the following volunteers who assisted before, during and after this event to make it a success: **NSLF Board of Directors** Alan Proctor, Pat Dyer-Deckrow, Laura Blumberg and Sue Goddard; **NSLF Development Committee** members Alan Proctor, Chuck Schofield, Meredith Henry, Jackie Pilette, Theresa Will and Lisa McComb; Joan Schofield, Rochelle Etawageshik, Carol LaCroix, Jim Will, Max Engelman, Brian Braddock and several willing family and friends.

*The photo appears courtesy of Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.*

## Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. to Host its Annual Day of Recognition

Submitted by **Lisa McComb**, Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. (NSLF) will hold its Annual Day of Recognition on April 10, 2010 at the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Governmental Center Commons Area from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

This annual event replaces the original Founder's Day event held in 2009, however, it continues to hold true to its purpose of ensuring each year those who give of their time are recognized for their generous efforts in assisting this 501(c)(3) non-profit microenterprise loan fund meet its



mission of providing business development, training and loan funding to northern Michigan entrepreneurs.

As a non-profit corporation, Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. is reliant on numerous volunteers who give of their time and expertise to continue to grow the organization and to assist so many struggling entrepreneurs throughout Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet,

Grand Traverse and Kalkaska counties.

"Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. would not be as successful as it has been in such a short time of operation without the generosity of our volunteers who assist in whatever capacity they can," NSLF Executive Director Lisa McComb said.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.'s Board of Directors Laura Blumberg, Chair; Alan Proctor, Vice Chair; Patricia Dyer-Deckrow, Treasurer; and Sue Goddard, Member; extend an open invitation to join them in recognizing these important individuals on April 10, 2010 at an informal reception open to the public.

*Courtesy graphic.*

## Emmet County MSU Extension Tribal Mentorship Program

Submitted by the **Emmet County MSU Extension Office**

The Emmet County MSU Extension Tribal Mentorship Program in conjunction with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is recruiting both tribal and non-tribal adults to be positive role models and mentors for youth in a new program under the 4-H Mentor Michigan Initiative.

The Tribal Mentorship Program asks for a one-year commitment from mentors and mentees. The paired matches are expected to meet for four hours each month. Meeting times are agreed upon by the mentee, parent/guardian of mentee and mentor. During the year, paired matches will also need to attend at least six monthly group activities sponsored by the Tribal Mentorship Program. These group activities will be fun, educational and also count toward the four hours expected monthly meeting time. After the first 12 months, mentors and mentees may decide to continue their match, choose to be re-matched with someone new or they can leave the program.

The steps to becoming a mentor are simple and begin with completing an application packet. Staff will com-

plete a background check, reference check and call you to set up a personal interview. If accepted, the final steps are to attend general mentor training and to be matched with your mentee!

If you have any questions or comments about this program, becoming a mentor or how to get your child involved as a mentee, contact Kassie McClellan at 231-439-8978 or by e-mail [kmcclell@msu.edu](mailto:kmcclell@msu.edu).



This program is part of the Emmet County MSU Extension 4-H Youth Program, 3434 Harbor-Petoskey Road, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.

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## "Why I Love Birding" by Anna Wemigwase



"I love about birding is that I can meet new people and be friends with them. One of the other things I like a lot is learning about different species of birds and knowing things about the different birds. Then, you can tell other people and they will pass it on to more people. Birding is like a new opening in my life with birds, learning about all of their different sounds with all of their pretty colors flying in the air sometimes like lightning they are so fast. I love the colors when I see a bird. I think of a rainbow because that's what bird colors remind me of. I also think of art because art is colorful and beautiful and I love art just like I love birding.

Now I am going to tell you about my logo for birding. On the logo, I have an eagle. I put the eagle on the logo because he is the chief of birds. The way you say eagle in my Odawa language is "migizi." It is said like "mi (as in "mit") - ge (as in "get") - zay." The rest of the logo picture has the lake and trees that show our home in northern Michigan on Little Traverse Bay.

I want to say miigwech to Mary (M. Trout, Junior Birders of Northern Michigan Volunteer) and Allison (Falldin, Junior Birders of Northern Michigan Coordinator) for helping me do birding! Miigwech means thank you."

*Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

**Editor's note:** The Michigan Audubon Magazine asked the See-North's Junior Birders of Northern Michigan program to submit an article for publication in the Kid's Corner section of its March magazine, and the following article written by LTBB Tribal Citizen Anna Wemigwase appeared in the magazine. Wemigwase, the 8-year-old daughter of Aaron and Shanna Wemigwase and the granddaughter of Robert and Beverly Wemigwase, Sr. and Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, participates in the See-North's Junior Birders of Northern Michigan program and designed its logo. 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.

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

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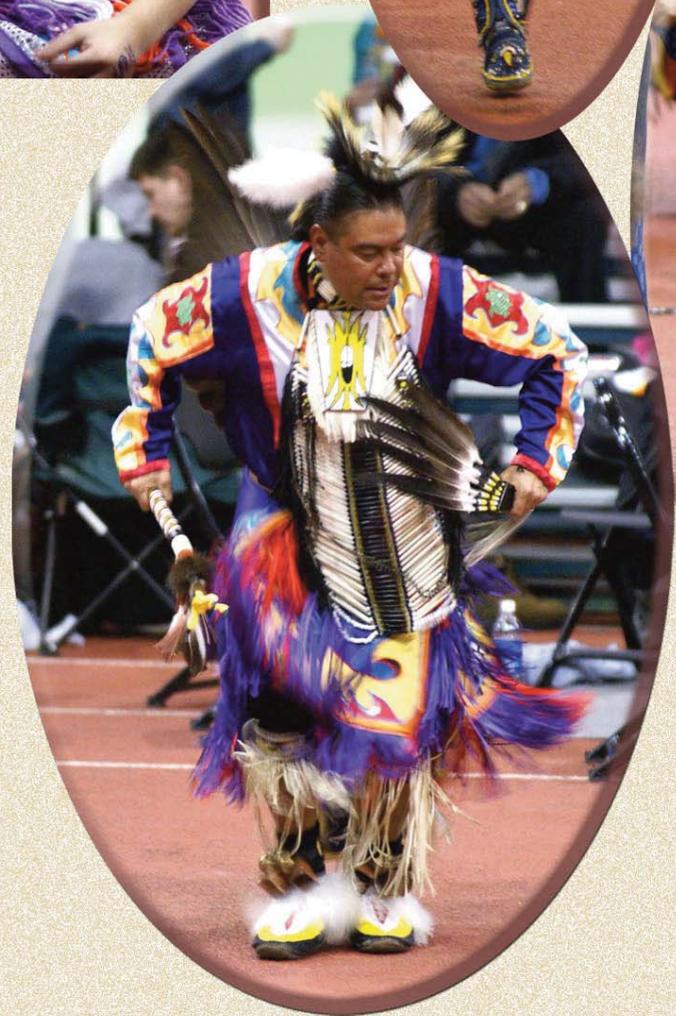
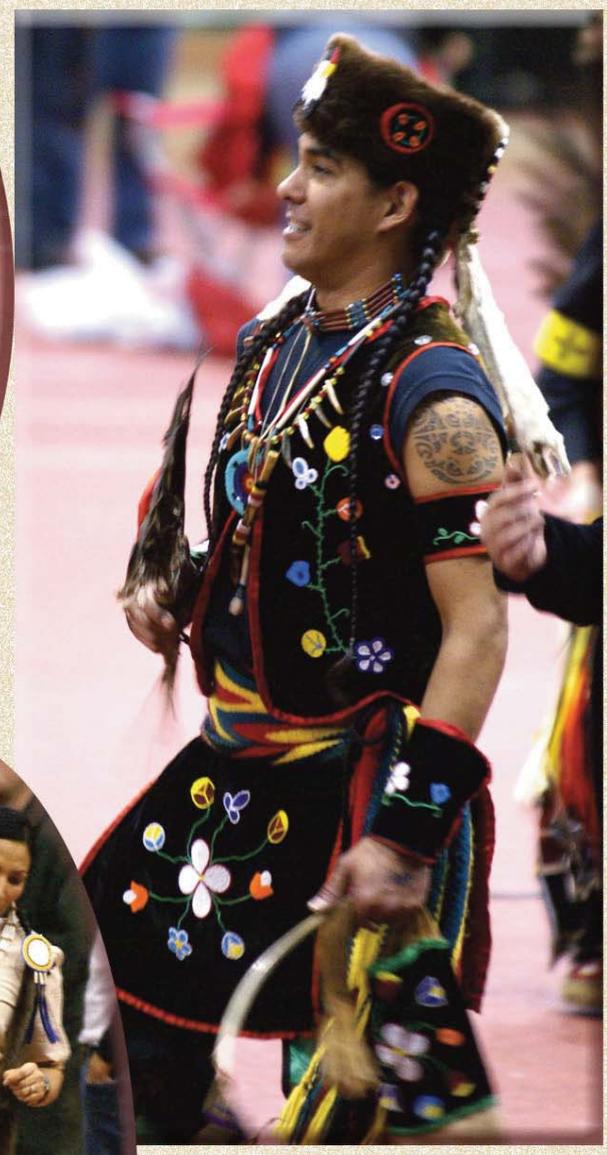
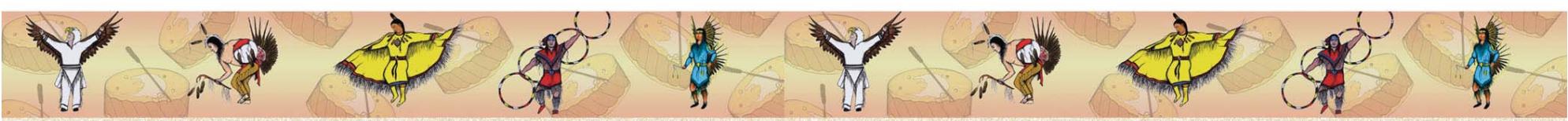
If so, you are invited to complete a short survey conducted by an NMU Native American\* graduate student. All responses will remain anonymous & confidential

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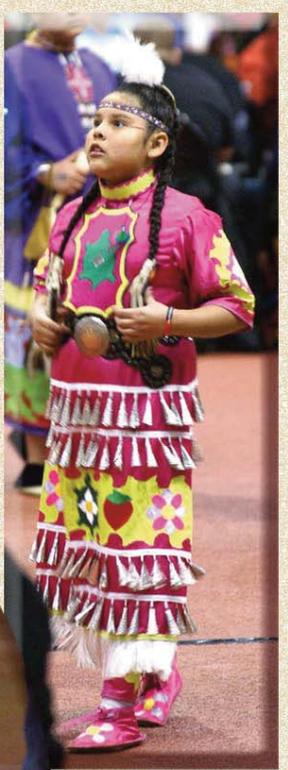
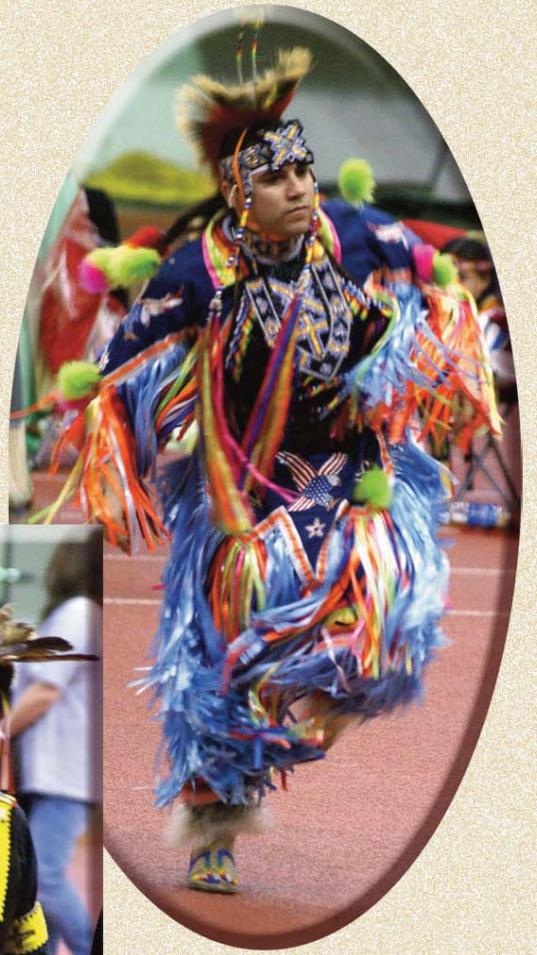
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# Pow Wow of Love



## Easter Brunch at the Sage Restaurant Located Inside Odawa Casino Resort

\$30  
*Amuse*  
**Fruits and Sweet Breads**  
The freshest fruits available, House made Sweet breads, Honey butter  
*Starters*  
**Shrimp Tempura Skewers**  
Wasabi Lime Mustard, Grilled Pineapple & Chilled Soba Noodle Slaw  
**Caesar Salad**  
Spanish White Anchovy, Parmesan Cheese, Focaccia Croutons, Caesar Dressing  
**Parmesan Risotto Croquette**  
Asparagus, English Pea & Roasted Mushroom Ragout  
**Onion & Morel Soup Gratin**  
Rye Crouton, Gruyère & Cheddar Cheese

*Main*  
**Apple Cinnamon Stuffed French toast**  
House made Brioche, Grilled Dearborn Breakfast Sausage, Powdered Sugar & Maple Syrup  
**Eggs Benedict**  
Toasted English Muffin, Canadian Bacon or Smoked Salmon, Poached eggs, Chive Hollandaise  
Home fries  
**Crab & Cheddar Frittata**  
Sweated leeks, Roasted Tomatoes & Spinach, Tarragon, Crème Fraiche, Home fries  
**Any Style Eggs**  
Two Eggs made to your liking, Home fries & your choice of Apple Wood Bacon or Sausage

English muffin  
**Grilled Beef Tenderloin Chimichurri**  
Chimichurri Sauce, Arugula, Shaved Fennel, Avocado, Roasted Corn & Tomato Lime Salsa  
*Dessert*  
**Strawberry Shortcake**  
Orange Poppy Seed Biscuit, Grand Marnier Marinated Strawberries, Coconut Chantilly Cream & Almond Pralines  
**White Chocolate "Tiramisu"**  
Orange Infused Mascarpone Mousse, Espresso Soaked Sponge Cake  
Mocha Mousse Insert & Espresso Crème Anglaise  
Candied Orange Zest

## LTBB Revenue Sharing Check Presentation

*Editor's note: The following is an Odawa Casino Resort press release dated March 3, 2010.*

Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, is pleased to announce a two percent revenue sharing check for \$593,946.24 has been presented to the Emmet County Local Revenue Sharing Board.

The revenue sharing amount is based on two percent of the casino's electronic gaming proceeds for the second half of 2009. The total revenue sharing amount for 2009 was \$1.13 million. The funding is used to support the education and public safety of Emmet County.

Assistant Controller for Emmet

County, Marty Krupa said, "Over the years, these revenue sharing dollars have become an important source of funding for education and public safety. These are dollars that stay in Emmet County and help support many jobs within Emmet County."

*Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

*Pictured from left to right are Gaming Board of Directors Treasurer/Secretary Sheran Patton, Gaming Board of Directors Vice Chairperson Judith Pierzynowski, Emmet County Assistant Controller Marty Krupa and Odawa Casino Resort Director of Property Operations Barry Laughlin.*



## Easter Brunch at the Waas-no-de' Buffet Located Inside Odawa Casino Resort

Full Salad Bar  
Clam Chowder, Chicken Noodle and Cream of Broccoli Soup  
Chilled Peel & Eat Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce  
Roast Prime rib of Beef Au Jus  
Hickory Smoked Ham with Rum raisin sauce  
Cajun Fried Shrimp  
Batter Fried Pollock  
Potato Encrusted Great Lakes Whitefish  
Odawa Fried Chicken  
Roast Loin of Pork Sauce

Robert  
Asparagus with Hollandaise  
Broccoli Au gratin  
Red Skin Mashed Potatoes  
Maple Glazed Sweet Potatoes  
Baked Egg and Cheddar Cheese  
Casserole  
Eggs Benedict  
Grilled Italian Sausage with Peppers  
Assorted Pizzas  
Stuffed Pasta Shells  
New England Style Crab Cakes  
Pork Fried Rice

Vegetable Stir Fry  
Egg rolls  
Fresh Potato Pancakes  
Assorted Cakes, Pies and Mousses along with Sugar Free Desserts  
Bread Pudding  
Fruit Cobbler  
Along with more of your Waas no de' favorites  
Adults \$17.95  
Under 12 \$7.95  
Under 5 complimentary  
Served noon to 10 p.m.

## Third Quarter Superstar Banquet Honors Odawa Casino Resort Team Members

Submitted by Odawa Casino Resort

On February 24, 2010, Odawa Casino Resort hosted the Third Quarter Superstar Banquet at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

The banquet honored Odawa Casino Resort team members who "exemplify the 10 Key Attributes of the Picture Perfect Service Program." The team members were nominated by their peers and the Directors agreed.

The following team members were honored: Lewis Adams – Hotel Manager – Hospitality, Patti Boda – Table Games Pit Manager – Table Games, Polly Curico – Baker/Pastry – Hospitality, Shannon Dreyer – Cage Mainbank I – Finance, Keith

Ellison – Security Officer I – Property Operations, Monica Janes – Retail Clerk – Hospitality, Teena Kolinske – Hotel Housekeeping Supervisor – Hospitality, Joyce Kummer – Administrative Assistant II – Executive, Gerald Leach – Slot Shift Manager – Slots, Alan McGraw – Maintenance I – Property Operations, Cynthia Morgan – Cage Cashier – Finance, Dorothy Perrault – Property Operations Coordinator – Property Operations, Jason Piper – Table Games Dealer – Table Games, Carlton Salmon – Line Cook – Hospitality, Sherry Schrage – Slot Attendant – Slots, Douglas Schrock – Nightclub Manager – Hospitality, Paul Sessions – Steward – Hospitality, Lorenda Sevenski – Buffet Server – Hospitality, Janine Shearer

– Cage Cashier – Finance, Rebecca Shenoskey – Housekeeper – Property Operations, Virgil Sineway – Deep Cleaner – Property Operations, Irene Sklark – Housekeeper – Property Operations, Vickie Thompson – Table Games Dealer – Table Games and Jeff Winterhoff – Line Cook – Hospitality.

Odawa Casino Resort honored the following team members for five years of service, and each team member received a personalized jacket for his/her dedication and commitment: Chuck Portman – Property Operations, Jon Shawa – Finance, Charis Wilburn – Marketing, Simon Kenwabikise – Property Operations, Deb Shawa – Human Resources and Margo Kalilimoku – Marketing.



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This publication tells the history of the people who have inhabited the land between Little Traverse Bay and the Straits of Mackinaw since the 1670s. The survival of this Odawa culture has depended upon the passing of history, customs, beliefs, and traditions from old to young.

Available from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Archives, Records, and Cultural Preservation Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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### Judicial Postings

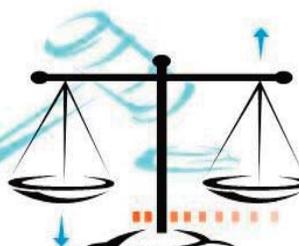
The Executive Office is accepting resumes and suggestions for nominations for the appointed positions of:

- Justice of the Appellate Court, 6-year term
- Tribal Court Chief Judge, 4-year term

For Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility and Terms, see Article IX of the LTBB Constitution.

Refer to WOS 2008-14 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for compensation.

Please contact chairman@ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov or by phone at 231-242-1401 for any questions.



**Are You the Parent of a Child Aged 1 to 8 Years Old?**

**Could You Use An Extra \$20 A Week for Groceries?**

If you answered yes to both questions, please join us for a program that will teach you small changes to improve the health of you and your family. A Happy Odawa Family Kitchen program runs for 8 weeks per session, one, 2-hour class per week and participants will receive a \$20 gift card to Glens Market at each class. Children are welcome to attend with you.

For more information, please contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or LTBB Head Start at 231-539-8325.

## Native News Briefs



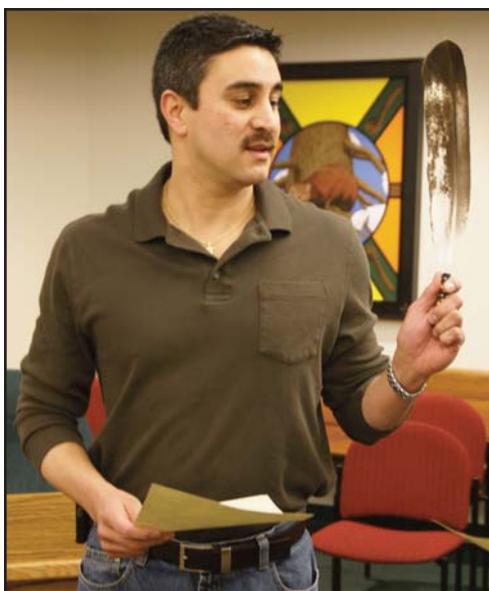
### Get Your Tickets for the Guess Who Performance at Odawa Casino Resort

Tickets are now available for the Guess Who. The band will be performing at Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, on May 22, 2010 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40 and \$35. Optimum Rewards members receive \$5 off their ticket prices plus \$10 in free slot play after the show. Tickets may be purchased at the Quill Box located inside Odawa Casino Resort or by visiting <http://www.starticketsplus.com/event.php?event=1413>.

*Courtesy photo.*

### LTBB Tribal Citizen Sworn In as a Natural Resource Commissioner

On February 25, 2010, LTBB Associate Judge Jenny Lee Kronk swore in LTBB Tribal Citizen Daugherty Johnson III as a member of the Natural Resource Commission. Johnson III started serving his four-year



term as a Natural Resource Commissioner on September 21, 2009, and it concludes on September 21, 2013.

*Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

### Traffic Lights Operational Near Odawa Casino Resort

On February 16, 2010, the traffic lights located at the intersections of Anderson Road and Lears Road and Cemetery Road and Lears Road in Petoskey became operational. The traffic lights control the flow of traffic entering and leaving Odawa Casino Resort. Federal economic stimulus money from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) paid for the installation of the traffic lights at Anderson and Lears and Cemetery and Lears.

### Mackinac Bands Present Tribal Constitution

On February 12, 2010, the *Cheboygan Tribune* reported the Mackinac Bands of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians presented a new tribal constitution to Brandon Fewins, Regional Manager for U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow, at the Cheboygan Area Library in Cheboygan, MI, on February 11, 2010.

Fewins agreed to take the new constitution to the Bureau of Indian Affairs on behalf of Stabenow. The Mackinac Bands are already recognized through the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, but seek reaffirmation as a distinct tribe and recognition of sovereignty. As many as 18,000 members of the Mackinac

Bands were used to establish recognition of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians under federal law.

### Tribal Chair of the Huron Potawatomi Walks On

Laura Wesley Spurr, Tribal Chair of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi (NHBP), walked on February 19, 2010 at the Rancho Springs Medical Center in Murrieta, CA.

Spurr was in California to make a presentation on the construction and design of the Firekeepers Casino in Battle Creek, MI. Shortly after completing her presentation, she suffered a massive heart attack.

Spurr, who was active in the areas of environmental, education and health, was the Chair of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi tribe's Journey to Wellness and advocated at the regional and national levels for all tribes to ensure equitable funding and fair funding levels based on health disparities.

### U.S. Attorney Issues Statement Regarding Investigation into Walleye Haul from Little Bay De Noc

*Editor's note: The following is a U.S. Department of Justice press release dated March 5, 2010.*

U.S. Attorney Donald A. Davis announced today that, because the U.S. District Court lacks jurisdiction, the U.S. Attorney's Office will not prosecute several members of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians who are suspected of illegally catching and commercially selling walleye from Little Bay de Noc.

The suspected illegal fishing on Little Bay de Noc took place in waters ceded to Native American tribes in the Treaty of 1836. In 2000, the United States, the State of Michigan and five separate Native American tribes in Michigan entered into a "consent decree" that established an agreement between all the parties regarding allocation, management, and regulation of fishing in 1836 Treaty waters. Under the terms of this consent decree, the tribes have exclusive jurisdiction to enforce fishing rules against tribal members who fish in 1836 Treaty waters.

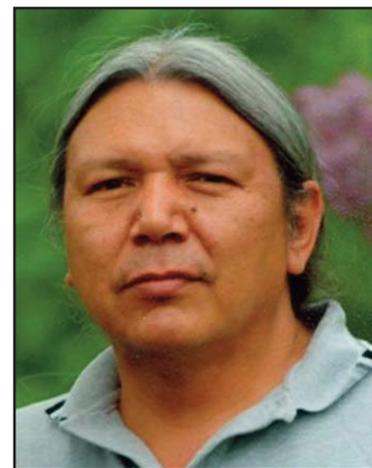
The investigation into the activities of others who may have been in-

olved is ongoing.

### Documentary Film about Black Ash Basketry Premieres in Grand Rapids, MI

On March 2, 2010, the Great Lakes Lifeways Institute hosted a private premiere of the documentary film "Black Ash Basketry: A Story of Cultural Resilience" with a reception following it at Celebration Cinemas North in Grand Rapids, MI. The film explores the Anishinabe tradition of Black Ash Basketry in Western Michigan.

LTBB Tribal Citizen David Shananaquet is the narrator of the film.



The film is a collaborative project of the Great Lakes Lifeways Institute, the Grand Rapids Community College and the Goodwillie Environmental School.

The following product description of the film appears on the Great Lakes Lifeways Institute website: "Two years in the making, this film will take you on an incredible emotional journey across culture and through time following an age old tradition, now threatened with disappearing forever. Through the voices of local Native elders and basket makers, we discover a story of family, the con-



nectedness of life, the value of traditions, hope for the future and a spirit of resilience in the face of change.

Please visit <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ygpJwpzTDEk> to view a trailer.

To order a DVD of this film for \$30, please visit [www.lifewaysinstitute.org](http://www.lifewaysinstitute.org). All proceeds support the preservation of traditional arts.

*Courtesy photo and graphic.*

### Important 2010 Census Information

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) encourages tribal citizens to participate in the United States Census 2010.

The information gathered is critical when justifying the tribal need when applying for federal funding. Provisions in the U.S. Constitution mandate the federal government conduct a census every 10 years, and the federal government is directed with counting the population of the United States. All responses are used for statistical purposes only and all are strictly confidential.

The LTBB Tribal Council approved Tribal Resolution #0122410-08 Request for Tribal Name Proclamation on the 2010 Census, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Proclamation that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Be Denoted as "LTBB" on the 2010 Census.

On the U.S. Census 2010 forms, block number nine (#9) is critical to all Native Americans.

All LTBB Tribal Citizens should mark the box provided for American Indian or Alaskan Native; then print the letters "LTBB" in the boxes provided for the name of enrolled or principal tribe located beneath the American Indian or Alaskan Native box.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians will have a census worker onsite in the Tribal Administration suite (located on the second floor of the LTBB Governmental Center) from Tuesday to Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to assist LTBB Tribal Citizens with completing their census documents.

## Executive Branch

### From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington

The Tribal Chairman and Vice Chairman have an open door policy. We are available for our tribal citizens on short notice for comments, concerns, complaints and compliments.

The Community Meeting will be held May 1, 2010 at Petoskey Middle School in Petoskey, MI. Cathy Portman was elected to preside over the meeting this year. The Executive Departments and Programs will be in attendance to answer tribal membership questions.

As an honorarium for the tribal citizens who are Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Chairman is in the process of forming a Task Force to work on a memorial for our Veterans of Foreign Wars. The veterans are honored in a display in downtown Petoskey. The Little

River Band of Ottawa Indians honors its veterans with a permanent display of names in front of the walkway of its hotel. Our veterans deserve the honor of permanent recognition. If you are a tribal citizen and a veteran or a family member of a veteran interested in participating in this project, please contact our office at 231-242-1401.

The Murray Road housing project is progressing well. The second story construction is underway on the 10 living units. The road construction will start this spring. The Housing Department is creating leases for the living units. Interested tribal citizens should contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540.

The Asian Carp threat to the Great Lakes is a major issue and con-

cern. I was invited by Senator Jason Allen as a guest speaker to testify on behalf of our tribe at the Senate Subcommittee in Lansing, MI. LTBB's stance is to close the manmade doorways from the inland waterways permanently. The speech is now on file in Lansing along with a resolution from the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA).

Congressman Dave Camp's bill HR4472 the "Asian Carp Act" closes all routes and prevents Asian Carp today. While at NCAI in Washington, D.C., I visited Senator Debbie Stabenow and Congressman Dave Camp's office on the Asian Carp issue, reiterating the tribe's concerns and stance of "close the doors." The tribe will be updated regularly by Lansing and Washington, D.C. when testimo-

nial hearings will take place in the future, so the tribe can continue to help prevent the invasion of the Asian Carp.

Recently, the Chairman established an Executive Order to have the Gaming Board of Directors (GBOD) finances moved to the tribal government.

In the past, the payables were processed at the casino. The account processing was moved to the governmental Accounting Department to ensure compliance and that proper checks and balances are in place.

The Tribal Chairman is not responsible for the Gaming Board of Directors' computers and phones being seized by tribal police. After the accounts were moved to the government side, financial issues arose, and it be-

came apparent the budget was \$20,000 over and overpayment of stipends became evident.

A tribal citizen filed an Ethics complaint on the GBOD, tribal police investigated, a warrant was issued, the tribal police acted on the warrant and seized the GBOD's phones and computers.

We currently have several Commissions, Boards and Committees openings. If you are interested in serving the tribal community by serving on a Commission, Board or Committee, please contact our office at 231-242-1401 or visit [www.lttbbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.lttbbodawa-nsn.gov) and select Position Vacancies for a list of open positions.



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## Odawa Casino Resort Gives Back to the Community

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On February 6, 2010, Odawa Casino Resort hosted a dinner for the Wertz Warriors in Ovation Hall located inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI after they concluded their 900-mile, seven day, Snowmobile Endurance Ride earlier that day.

The 29th Annual Snowmobile Endurance Ride started on January 31, 2010 in Mt. Clemens, MI, and concluded in Petoskey on the aforementioned date. Along the way, the Wertz Warriors raised funds and awareness for Special Olympics Michigan (SOMI). They have raised more than \$7,917,000 since 1982 to help fund the State Winter Games, which were held February 2-5, 2010 in Traverse City, MI.

In 2009, the Wertz Warriors and Special Olympics Michigan lost a friend and supporter in former Detroit Tigers pitcher Mark "The Bird" Fidrych. In celebration of his life, the 2010 State Winter Games were dedicated to him and a special video tribute was played during the Opening Ceremonies. To honor Fidrych at the dinner, a video tribute was shown and his wife, Ann, attended the dinner.

The Wertz Warriors is one man's dream transformed into reality. Vic Wertz, former Detroit Tiger great, had a dream to underwrite the costs of the Special Olympics Michigan State Winter Games. He enlisted many of his friends to assist him in this endeavor. Wertz and his newly founded Warriors considered a variety of ways to generate the money before completing their

first Endurance Ride in 1982.

The Wertz Warriors are always looking for new members. If interested, please contact the Wertz Warriors at [wertzwarriors@msn.com](mailto:wertzwarriors@msn.com) or 586-954-9770.

For more information on the Wertz Warriors, please visit [www.wertzwarriors.org](http://www.wertzwarriors.org).

Nine Odawa Casino Resort team members along with five family members of team members volunteered their time at the Great Lakes Burn Camp Luncheon held on February 13, 2010 at Challenge Mountain in Walloon Lake, MI.

The luncheon, catered and served by Odawa Casino Resort employees, fed the children in attendance at the Great Lakes Burn Camp. The Great Lakes Burn Camp based in Jackson, MI, is a special place for kids 7-17 to meet, heal, grow and support other burn survivors. Kids share their stories and bond with other kids in a comfortable, relaxed environment. Unconditional love and acceptance is only a part of what each camper receives at the camp. Campers from all over Michigan and northern Indiana come together to enjoy skiing, snowmobiling, sledding, tobogganing, ice skating, snow cat riding and other outdoor activities at Challenge Mountain.

The Odawa Casino Resort volunteers received Great Lakes Burn Camp long-sleeved t-shirts from camp organizers and were free to ski, snowboard and slide at Challenge Mountain.

For more information on the Great Lakes Burn Camp, please visit [www.greatlakesburncamp.com](http://www.greatlakesburncamp.com).

Challenge Mountain began as the dream of Darla Evans whose daughter, Christi, was confined to a wheelchair due to numerous birth defects. Evans took her daughter to the National Sports Center for Disabled in Winter Park, CO, where her daughter learned how to ski using adaptive equipment. The experience gave her daughter self-confidence and self-esteem. Hal O'Leary, founder and recreation program director of the Winter Park facility, refused to accept payment from Evans. He instead elicited a promise from Evans that she would go back to Michigan and work to begin a similar program.

When she returned to Michigan, Evans approached northern Michigan area ski resorts with the idea of allowing her to recruit volunteers to help the physically challenged and mentally impaired learn to ski on their hills. Everett Kircher, founder of Boyne USA, let Evans try her ideas at Boyne Mountain in Boyne Falls, MI.

In 1984, Challenge Mountain became a non-profit organization, and Boyne USA gave the organization the old Walloon Hills Ski Area that included 160 acres of land and an existing ski lodge.

For more information on Challenge Mountain, please visit [www.challengegmtn.org](http://www.challengegmtn.org).

*Courtesy graphic.*

