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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN NICOLE LAUGHLIN LEADS HARBOR SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL GOLF TEAM TO SECOND CONSECUTIVE STATE FINALS APPEARANCE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Growing up, LTBB Tribal Citizen Nicole Laughlin tagged along with her uncle, Patrick V. Naganashe, and her grandfather, Tom Naganashe, when they played golf.

It was during those outings where her love of the sport first took root.

Laughlin, a 15-year-old Harbor Springs, MI, resident, was Harbor Springs High School's No. 1 golfer and led the Rams to a second consecutive Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Division 4 Girls Golf Finals in 2010 after a third place finish at regionals.

"It's a tough game, but I enjoy how relaxing it is," said Laughlin, who started playing golf when



she was seven years old. "I don't worry about anything else when I'm on the golf course. Most people think golf is

stressful, but I don't.

"I think it's because it reminds me of all the good times I've had golfing with my family."

Laughlin, a sophomore, received Team MVP honors for the 2010 season and earned her first varsity letter in the sport. Her average for nine holes was in the mid-40s, and her average for 18 holes was in the low 90s. She shot 216 at the state finals, the best individual score for Harbor Springs High School as it finished in 15th place.

"My putting is all right, but my drives are my strength," said Laughlin, the daughter of the late Richard Laughlin and Melissa Laughlin and the grand-

daughter of Tom and Diane Naganashe. "My mom and my grandma always tell me to play the course, not people. I try to focus on my game and



not worry about how other people are playing."

Golf has only been a varsity sport

at Harbor Springs High School for two years, but the team has qualified for the Division 4 state finals both years (2009 and 2010). Prior to that,

it was a club sport. The team's home golf course is the Moor at Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs, and its coaching staff includes Head Coach Brian O'Neill, who is Boyne's Director of Golf Instruction, and Assistant Coaches Joe Brightner and Keith Fitzpatrick. "Golf Team" continued on page 14.

ODAWA INDIANS TO STATE: NO MORE ECONOMIC INCENTIVE PAYMENT

By Andrew Keller, 7&4 News Team

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New Developments in Dispute over New Casino in Vanderbilt, MI

The Bay Mills Indian Tribe opened it up last week to a wave of complaints from other area tribes.

Monday afternoon, 7&4's Andrew Keller, was the first to learn that those complaints have turned to action by one tribe.

With the opening of the new Vanderbilt casino, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is telling the state to forget about the 6% economic incentive payment it gives the state, which means the state will lose millions.

Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington says LTBB came to the decision because the tribe has a compact with the state,

and Harrington says this new casino is in violation of it.

Harrington says within the agreement, the Odawas are given a competitive gaming area, and the new casino breaks the compact.

So with a broken agreement, it means no more money for the state.

"There was a lot of careful thought put into this over the weekend, and we hope this will be enough," Harrington said. "The state will have an understanding that what they're doing is wrong, and they'll close this thing down. We have asked the NIGC (National Indian Gaming Commission) to close it."

Harrington also says he worries that what Bay Mills has done could be a cancer to Indian gaming across the nation.

No decision on the fate of the casino has been made to this point.

Bay Mills claims it's done everything by the books.

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FROM THE DESK OF THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN KEN HARRINGTON

The Bay Mills Indian Community abruptly opened a casino in Vanderbilt, MI, on November 3, 2010.

Chairman Jeff Parker from the Bay Mills Indian Community announced on August 25, 2010, the Bay Mills Indian Community had purchased 43 acres of land in Vanderbilt, and the land would be used for elk hunting.

At a recent Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) meeting and an Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan meeting, Chairman Parker reiterated his previous statement and claimed his tribe had been elk hunting in the Vanderbilt area since 2007 and had purchased the land for elk hunting. LTBB Elk Hunters could also use the property for elk hunting.

The Bay Mills Indian Community and reservation is located in Brimley, MI, in the Upper Peninsula. For more than 10 years now, Bay Mills has attempted to open an off reservation Indian gaming casino in Port Huron, MI, in the Lower Peninsula and have been unsuccessful. I believe most of the other tribes and busi-

nesses, including LTBB figured the Bay Mills Indian Community would attempt to open a casino. We expected to see some applications for trust land and applications sent to the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC), but this never happened. The tribe and local contractors secretly renovated the



building, moved in 38 Class 3 slot machines and Bay Mills announced the casino was open for business on November 3, 2010.

I immediately set up a meeting with Chairman Parker and discussed his "legal theory." While the argument seemed weak at best, Bay Mills has convinced state officials to keep the doors open through further negotiations. Washington, D.C. sources confirm our beliefs this is an illegal

casino operation. As Chairman for LTBB, I can appreciate Chairman Parker's efforts to enhance his tribe's assets, but this is in direct conflict to the best interests of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. This invasion we believe is illegal along with four other tribes, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi, the Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians, the Attorney General, the Governor and many lawyers and lobbyists. While this is a small operation now, because of the location, this could be detrimental to our tribe if it can remain open and expand. LTBB will pursue litigation to stop this illegal operation.

The Murray Road Housing Project is scheduled for completion on December 26, 2010. The 10-unit complex is fully occupied as our Housing Department has been working hard to fill the units. This is an affordable housing project. According to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) grant, the funding source for the project, the tribe's guidelines for occupancy are income based, so tribal citizens most in need of homes are first to be eligible. The Planning Department is "Executive" continued on page 14.



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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

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

The deadline for the January 2011 issue of *Odawa Trails* is November 29, 2010. You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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grant from the U.S. Department
of Transportation (DOT) and Federal
Transportation Administration (FTA).

Elders Program

Greetings from the LTBB Elders Program

Submitted by Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Elders Program Coordinator

Questions or comments? 231-242-1423 or 231-242-1422

Aanii Kikaajik!

Welcome in the Mnido Giziisoonhs moon. We have bid farewell to the autumn season, and are on our way to the celebration of the Little Spirit Moon. A time when our spirits should soar and people rejoice, the time to reflect on our present and what we will bring to our future.

In our future, the LTBB Elders Program remains committed to utilizing resources available and providing a permanent accessible tribal support system for all 937 LTBB Tribal Elders.

The Food and Utility Reimbursement program was a huge success this year, and we reimbursed approximately 800 elders. This program has been targeted for 2011 as well, and you will receive your application around March or April 2011. You can start saving your receipts in January 2011 as ALL food receipts and utility bills must be from the year 2011!

In October 2010, we held a costume Halloween dinner-dance for both the elders and the youth. The Language students also joined us and shared their delicious dinner with us. There were four prizes each for the best costumes for both elders and youth. Door prizes were also given out. Mary Trudeau, Glenna Kimball, Audrey Atkinson and Christine Chrysler won in the elder division.

The LTBB Head Start students continue to join us on the last Thursday's luncheon of the month, and sing songs in the language. Their songs and laughter are much loved by the elders.

In early November 2010, I attended a conference titled "Long Term Care in Indian Country (New Opportunities and New Ideas)" in Washington, D.C. Some of the highlights of the many breakout sessions were discussing the Future of Long Term Care and the Aging Network, Advancing

Independence through Long Term Care, Federal Resources to Support the Development of Tribal Long Term Care and many tribal perspectives on Facility-Based Care and Age in Place Care. Many changes will be occurring since the Health Reform Law was passed on March 23, 2010.

Also, changes to the Medicare and Medicaid system will be taking place in 2011. It would serve you well to call and get a telephone number to discuss these changes with someone in your home state. There is also a program that will help pay for your prescriptions and premiums – call 1-800-803-7174 to speak with a counselor.

As a reminder, the burial request program regulations have been delegated to the Human Services Department. Burial assistance funds are limited to \$8,000 per deceased tribal citizen. LTBB Human Services staff will verify any items submitted are al-

lowable under the Burial Program Statute WOS 2006-017 before processing a burial funds request. If you have any questions regarding this, please call Fiona Banfield at 231-242-1626.

In bidding farewell to 2010 and the last few years, there have been many good things done and many accomplishments made in the LTBB Elders Program. Have we done a lot? Yes. Do we have a long way to go? Yes.

In the spirit of the season, I would like to part with the words of Agnes Pharo – she is speaking of the season, Christmas, which is upon us, but I think it pertains as well to the vision of our elder program: "What is the spirit of the season? ... It is tenderness for the past, courage for the present, hope for the future. It is a fervent wish that every cup may overflow with blessings rich and eternal, and that every path may lead to peace."

Human Services Department

TRIBAL SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTORS COALITION OF MICHIGAN

Submitted by the Human Services Department

Eight of the 12 federally recognized tribes of Michigan began to finalize the creation of the Tribal Social Services Directors Coalition of Michigan. The tribes included the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, the Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi Indians.

This coalition was organized to more adequately address Indian Child Welfare issues with the State of Michigan. The coalition has been meeting for approximately a year to organize and formulate a united structure from

which to discuss issues with the State of Michigan. The Indian Child Welfare Act was passed as federal law in 1978. However, Michigan still works at educating its workers and accurately and appropriately implementing the act in the state. This coalition was formed to approach Indian Child Welfare issues with the state in a united fashion. Meetings have been held at various locations across the state with each tribe offering a host site.

The coalition recently presented a proposal to the Casey Family Foundation, a non-profit child welfare foundation, to assist with expenses surrounding travel as well as with the creation of by-laws and organizational structure. Casey Family Foundation agreed to fund the proposal. As a result, the coalition met with a leading attorney in the nation to create and implement coalition by-laws. It is

hoped this coalition will pave the way for successful negotiations surrounding child welfare and tribal child welfare consultation, the implementation and changes necessary in policies to impact Native American children (as well as other necessary agreements) and access to additional streams of funding.

LTBB Human Services Director Denneen Smith has been diligently working to assist in the development and implementation of the coalition.

"For many, many years, the tribes have been meeting with state human services directors with very little impact," Smith said.

"As a result, we decided to unite as a coalition to address some of the common child welfare issues impacting our communities. I look forward to being able to seriously discuss these issues with key stakeholders to impact change in our state."

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We're Better Together!

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Social Services Program is in need of **Foster Parents!!!**

Our Native Children need Native Foster Families to care for them, ensuring that they embrace our culture and are given a chance to grow in our community.

If you have the time and desire to be a **Foster Parent** for our youth, please contact Lisa Ronk, Tribal Social Worker, at 231-242-1622

Childcare Assistance Available!

We invite the tribal community to contact us for more details! If you are interested, please contact the Human Services Department at **231-242-1620**

HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR FACILITY MEMBER OF NJC

Submitted by the Human Services Department

LTBB Human Services Director Denneen Smith recently became a faculty member of the National Judicial College (NJC), an internationally recognized college for training judges and other court personnel.

NJC is celebrating 48 years of excellence in 2011. NJC offers an average of 90 courses annually with more than 2,000 judges enrolling from all 50 states, U.S. territories and more than 150 countries. Since it opened in 1963, the NJC has awarded more than 84,000 professional judicial education certificates.

Smith presented to tribal and state judges from across the country at the Grand Traverse Resort & Spa on October 13, 2010. The presentation focused on the collaborative interagency programs her department has developed and



implemented within the tribe and the State of Michigan dealing with Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) cases.

The photo of Denneen Smith appears courtesy of the Human Services Department.

Notes from W.O.C.T.E.P.



Recent Phlebotomy class where cross-training took place between NCMC EMS students and Phlebotomy students at the LTBB Health Park

Submitted by the WOCTEP Program

Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP), operating within the Gijigowi Bib Skaa Bii Me Department of LTBB (formerly the Education, Language and Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation

Department), offers short training programs in partnership with *North Central Michigan College* (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI. Since our partnership began in 2008, WOCTEP and NCMC have worked together to offer skill-focused, career-based certificate programs. Our certificate programs enhance both personal and professional development and lead to increased employability skills. At only 16-34 credits, depending on the program, they provide students with the opportunity to be successful in their

chosen career field.

WOCTEP is a licensed COMPASS Test Administrator; any person who would like to become a college student may take this test at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. High school graduates, GED graduates and dual enrolled high school students can enroll for college credit. Classes for these certificates are offered at the LTBB Governmental Center, the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI, and the NCMC campus in Petoskey. WOCTEP staff can assist students with registration of classes for the following certificate programs:

Business/Technology Programs

TEXTILES
GRAPHIC ARTS
NEW MEDIA
ENTREPRENEURSHIP
ESSENTIALS

Medical Programs
MEDICAL ASSISTANT



Recent Audio/Video class at the LTBB Governmental Building which is part of the New Media program

PHLEBOTOMY
CERTIFIED NURSE AIDE
Participants in these programs benefit from one-on-one advising, regular communication, resume writing assistance, culturally rich learning experience and need-based financial assistance including stipend, mileage and childcare assistance. Students

and accounting calculators (Entrepreneurship), DVD-R and memory cards (New Media) or stethoscopes and scrubs (C.N.A.).

To learn more about these certificate programs, please call 231-242-1494.

The photos appear courtesy of the WOCTEP Program.

The LTBB Cultural Library is just a click away!

Visit the library from home! Our catalog is online and easy to use.

- Go to www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov
 - Select "Cultural Library Online" directly from the left menu on our LTBB homepage
 - Browse over 1,900 books, movies, CDs, DVDs etc.
 - You can search by title, author, subject or keyword
- Don't remember the title or author? You'll find cover images to help you find the information you need.



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 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 Szocinski at 231-242-1439



2010 HUNTING SEASON

MY FIRST BEAR HUNT

Submitted by William McMillan, LTBB Tribal Citizen

On October 9, 2010, some of my friends introduced me to hound hunting in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan for bear. This was my first bear hunt, and I was blessed to have such finely trained dogs to work with. We started our hunt at 8 a.m. At 11 a.m., the lead dog was on the trail of a bear. At approximately 5 p.m., we were able to dump (release all the dogs), and the bear was treed. I took the shot, and he was mine. The bear was 6-foot, 4-inches tall and weighed 300 pounds dressed out. I then knelt down, said a prayer and thanked him for his bounty. It was the most euphoric feeling I have ever experienced in my life. I'm extremely grateful I was able to experience this adventure.

All photos appear courtesy of the Natural Resource Department.



Congratulations to Alex Boulton, the grandson of Grace Zerbe and the son of Pauline and Matt Boulton, for catching an approximately 12-pound salmon while fishing with his uncle, Jeremy Zerbe.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Michael Shepard from Lake Odessa, MI, harvested an elk on September 1, 2010.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Francis Burch of Oceana County, MI, harvested an 11-point buck on September 9, 2010 with a 6mm target rifle at 218 yards. The deer weighed 203 pounds dressed.



Congratulations Connor. You make us proud. Love, Mom and Dad.



LTBB Instructions for Completing 2010 LTBB Natural Resource Harvest Tag Information

The LTBB Natural Resource Department (NRD) Issued harvest tag is a two part tag -

- 1) Top portion of the tag is to be returned to the LTBB NRD reporting harvest information to be used for the departmental Annual Hunting / Fishing Report. These tags are due after the closing date of the Season for which the tag was issued.
- 2) Bottom portion of the tag is to be attached to the animal harvested after the information has been completely filled out.

Tribal Hunters please use this as a reminder to completely fill out your harvest tag information:

- 1 - Method of Harvest (top portion of tag to be returned to the LTBB Natural Resource Department)
 - o Select by circling or using knife to punch either one of the methods used to harvest
 - Bow / Crossbow
 - Firearm
 - Muzzleloader
- 2 - Date of Harvest - or - Month of harvest
 - o Select by circling or using knife to punch the month harvested
 - Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan
 - Or Write in the Month of harvest (on the revised tags)
- 3 - Day of harvest
 - o Select by circling or using knife to punch the day you harvested the animal
 - Dates 1 - 31
- 4 - Sex
 - o Select by circling or using knife to punch the sex of the animal harvested
 - M - Male
 - F - Female
- 5 - Points
 - o Select by circling or using a knife to punch the number of points on either side as specified
 - Left Side - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or + for more than 6 points
 - Right Side - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or + for more than 6 points
- 6 - County Harvested
 - o Write in the County you harvested the animal in, (for example: Emmet, Cheboygan)

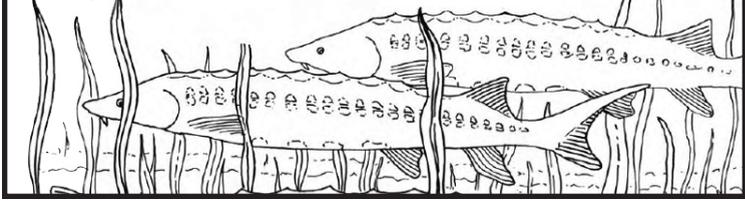
This information MUST be filled out on the tag completely on both portions of the tags - the top portion is to be returned to the Natural Resource Department with all of the information completely filled out; the bottom portion of the tag is to be attached to the harvested animal at the time of harvest in the field with all of the information completely filled out.

Attention: All Hunters - Harvest tags are due back to the LTBB NRD Office at the end of each Season Closing date - Turkey, Deer, Bear, and Elk.

The information gathered may be used by the NRD for future hunting / fishing programs.

HARVEST REPORT - Return to Natural Resource Dept.		2010
Name: <i>LTBB Hunter Name</i>	Hunter ID: <i>H 1234</i>	Antler/Antlerless
1-Method of Harvest: <i>Bow/Crossbow</i> Firearm Muzzleloader	4-Sex: <i>M</i> F Points: <i>5</i>	
2-Date Harvested: <i>Sept, Oct, Nov, Dec, Jan</i>	Left: <i>1 2 3 4 5 6+</i>	
Antler/Antlerless # <i>12969-1</i>	24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	Right: <i>1 2 3 4 5 6+</i>
(Do not affix to animal. Separate filled out report to NRD upon harvest.)		
Little Traverse Bay Bands Harvest Tag		2010
Name: <i>LTBB Hunter Name</i>		Antler/Antlerless
Harvested Animal Information:		
Deer	5-Points: Left: <i>1 2 3 4 5 6+</i> County Harvested: <i>6</i>	
Antler/Antlerless # <i>12969-1</i>	4-Sex: <i>M</i> F Right: <i>1 2 3 4 5 6+</i>	
Harvest Date: <i>2</i> Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan <i>3</i> 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31		
- AFFIX BOTTOM PORTION TO ANIMAL -		

LTBB Tribal Citizens who are interested in harvesting sturgeon in Black Lake for the 2011 season must complete and submit an application to the LTBB Natural Resource Department. Applications accepted through January 1, 2011. If you are interested, please contact the LTBB Natural Resource Department for more information at 231-242-1670 or e-mail dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.



Attention LTBB Tribal Citizens

Tag Return - Please note your 2010 hunting tags are due to the LTBB Natural Resource Department after January 2, 2011.

License Renewal/New Licenses - The department will issue 2011 hunting/fishing licenses after January 2, 2011. Your license can be applied for through the mail if you are out of the area. Mail to the LTBB Natural Resource Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49770, e-mail to dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call 231-242-4670.



Hunting is allowed on the listed tribal properties according to the following provisions:

Open to all hunting	
Waawaashkesh (deer) Wild Area	80 acres
Murray Road (Old NRD Office)	80 acres
St. Martins Island	47.8 acres
Osborne Road East	40 acres
Drier Road	80 acres
Susan Creek (with permit)	55 acres
Bow Hunting Only	
Housing (Heynig Road)	40 acres
Closed to all hunting except Migratory Bird (Waterfowl)	
Nine Mile Point	Lot
Closed to all Hunting	
LTBB Governmental Center	97.6 acres
Beaver Island Dock	Lot
Bio-Station (Aldrich)	Lot
Odawa Casino Resort	100 acres
Osborne Road West (Pow Wow Grounds)	40 acres
Old Victories Casino (US 131 South)	5.6 acres
Casino Office (911 Spring St.)	Lot
Odawa Hotel	Lot
915 Emmet Street	Lot
1345 US 31 North	Lot

For maps of these areas or for more information, please call the Natural Resource Department at 231-242-1670.

Anishinaabemowin Language Immersion Classes

6-Credit Weekday Class

Mondays & Wednesdays

3:30 - 6:20 pm

January 10 - May 6

Location:
Mskikigamik
LTBB Health Bldg
Petoskey, MI

Spring Semester 2011

Immersion Techniques Benefit All Learners from Beginners to Advanced

Scholarships Available

Dual Enrollment Opportunities for High School Students

OPEN CLASSES
You're Invited! Come Check It Out.

Offered at LTBB Satellite Site by Nishnaabemowin Pane Immersion Program. NPIP of Bay Mills Community College (BMCC)

8-Credit Weekend Class

5 Weekends Per Semester

Jan 14, 15, 16;
Feb 4, 5, 6;
Feb 25, 26, 27;
Mar 18, 19, 20
Apr 15, 16, 17.

Fridays 1pm-8pm
Saturdays 8am-8pm
Sundays 8am-noon

Location: LTBB
Community Center
Harbor Springs, MI

For more information, contact LTBB
Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department, 231-242-1480, 1-866-652-5822
Carla McFall, 231-242-1454, cmcfall@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department

Formerly Archives & Records, Language, and Education Departments

Open House

December 9, 2010

9AM – 6:30 PM

Offices have moved !

So come check us out, let us show you around and meet the staff!

North Central Michigan College NCMC, Petoskey, MI Anishinaabe Language Class Winter Semester 2011

4-Credit Anishinaabemowin Class

Tuesdays, 6 pm - 8:50 pm

January 17 through May 13, 2011

Register online beginning November 1st for NISH 111, NISH 112, NISH 211 or NISH 212

For more information, contact Carla McFall, Instructor, 517-862-3633 or cmcfall@ncmich.edu

Scholarships Available

Dual Enrollment Opportunities for High School Students

ASK BAAPAASAANDIP

What are Clouds Made of?

Send your questions or pictures to: What is a Rainbow?

EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

or mail them to:

Ask Baapaasaandip
Attn: Environmental Services
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI
49740

Why are Bubbles round?

What causes the Tides?

BOOK-IT!

WE WANT YOUR BOOK REVIEWS!

IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3...

1. CHOOSE A LIBRARY BOOK
2. READ IT!
3. FILL OUT A SHORT REVIEW FORM AT THE LIBRARY

BOOK REVIEWS WILL APPEAR EACH MONTH IN THE ODAWA TRAILS NEWSLETTER. PRIZES ARE AWARDED EACH MONTH ON THE REVIEWS TURNED IN! ALL AGES ARE ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!



CONTACT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY AT 231-242-1480 FOR MORE INFORMATION!

December 2011

Mnido Giizisonhs

Little Spirit Moon

Name-Giizhigat	Shkwaaname-Giizhigat	Niizho-Giizhigat	Nso-Giizhigat	Niiwo-Giizhigat	Naano-Giizhigat	Nwebi-Giizhigat
			1 Ishkakimikwe Mother Earth	2 Aki Earth, Land, Soil	3 Noodin Wind	4 Shkwade Fire
5 Nibiish Water	6 Zaagigan Lake	7 Ziibi River	8 Wiikwedonh Bay	9 Tikibi A Natural Spring	10 Jiigbiik Beach, Shore	11 Goon Snow
12 Mkwam Ice	13 Zhiiwta-agnagaak Frost	14 Mtig Tree	15 Mtigwaaki Woods, Forest	16 Niibiish Leaf	17 Miishkonhs Grass	18 Ktigaan Field, Garden, Farm
19 Asin Stone	20 Gidaaki Up the Hill	21 Niisaaki Down the Hill	22 Waaskone Flower	23 Gwajjing Outdoors	24 Giizhik Sky, Day	25 Giizis Sun
26 Dibikgiizis Moon	27 Nango Star	28 Aankwad Cloud	29 Gidaaki Up the Hill	30 Ngwaagan Rainbow	31 Waasnode Northern Lights	

Department of Commerce

Tax Agreement Information

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind the tribal membership about a few items pertaining to the Tax Agreement.

First of all, I cannot express enough how important it is to keep your address updated.

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is to officially change your address with the Enrollment Department. This must be done in writing and as soon as possible.

The DOC cannot and will not change the estimated beginning date (EBD) (which is always the first in any given month) of a member's tax exempt status (see example below).

It is YOUR responsibility to update your address on file with the Enrollment Department. This date will affect how many months you will be able to file the Annual Resident Tribal Member Sales Tax Credit (Tribal Form 4013). It is to your benefit to be able to file for the maximum number of months for this credit.

In addition, being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt.

There is a form that needs to be filled out called a "Request for TCE" (Tribal Certificate of Exemption), which is available in my office. Once this form is completely filled out, I will then issue the RTM the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption (Tribal Form 3998).

If you plan on purchasing any of these items, please contact me FIRST, and I will be happy to get you the form via e-mail or fax. I am also able to fax the TCEs to the dealership you are doing business with.

Being an RTM will also allow

you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, electricity, satellite and cellular service. If you have not filled out a Utility Provider Survey, please contact the DOC, and I will be happy to get one to you.

Also, another important thing to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA), your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month.

Example: I move to Petoskey, MI, (inside the TAA) on September 5, 2010. My RTM (EBD) status begins October 1, 2010. All updates are sent to the State of Michigan as close to the end of the month as possible.

The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the State of Michigan's website at:

http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1748_23287---,00.html

If you have any other questions pertaining to the Tax Agreement, I can be reached at my office at 231-242-1584 or via e-mail at tkeshick@lbbodawa-nsn.gov.

• **Business Registration Certificate (DBA) Filed**

During the month of October 2010, the following tribal citizen filed a DBA through the Department of Commerce: Livebetes located in Petoskey, MI, filed by Fred Harrington, Jr.

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 (currently 6% of retail price) via Form 4013
2. Use Tax (currently 6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Michigan Business Tax (currently 4.95%)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (currently 33 cents per gallon unleaded and 29 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. *Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)

* 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.

The current limit on tobacco purchases is two cartons per week per tribal citizen age 18 and over. The same applies to all other tobacco products (OTP) packaged in similar fashion.

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 con-

cerning 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.lbbodawa-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.

ENROLLMENT OFFICE FEE SCHEDULE

If you have any questions regarding the service and fee schedule, please contact the LTBB Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, Linda Gokee, Administrative Assistant, or 231-242-1520, Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer.

Fees:	Tribal Citizens
Replacement Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to elders.	\$5
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2009. Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file \$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	\$1 each
Marriage License Application	\$15
Certified Copies: \$10	
Photo Copies: \$5	
Tribal Notary Application	\$10
If approved Surety Bond: \$125	

Services:

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

8-27-10

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.

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



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	2/18/2009	February 18, 2015	01-09
Rebecca R. Atkinson	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/2009	May 11, 2015	04-09

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

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

- (1) Name
 - (2) Date of Birth
 - (3) Branch of Service
- This information will enable us to apply for veteran grants.
Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

Moving?

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

Forms are also available at www.lbbodawa-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.

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

Adult verification form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda 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

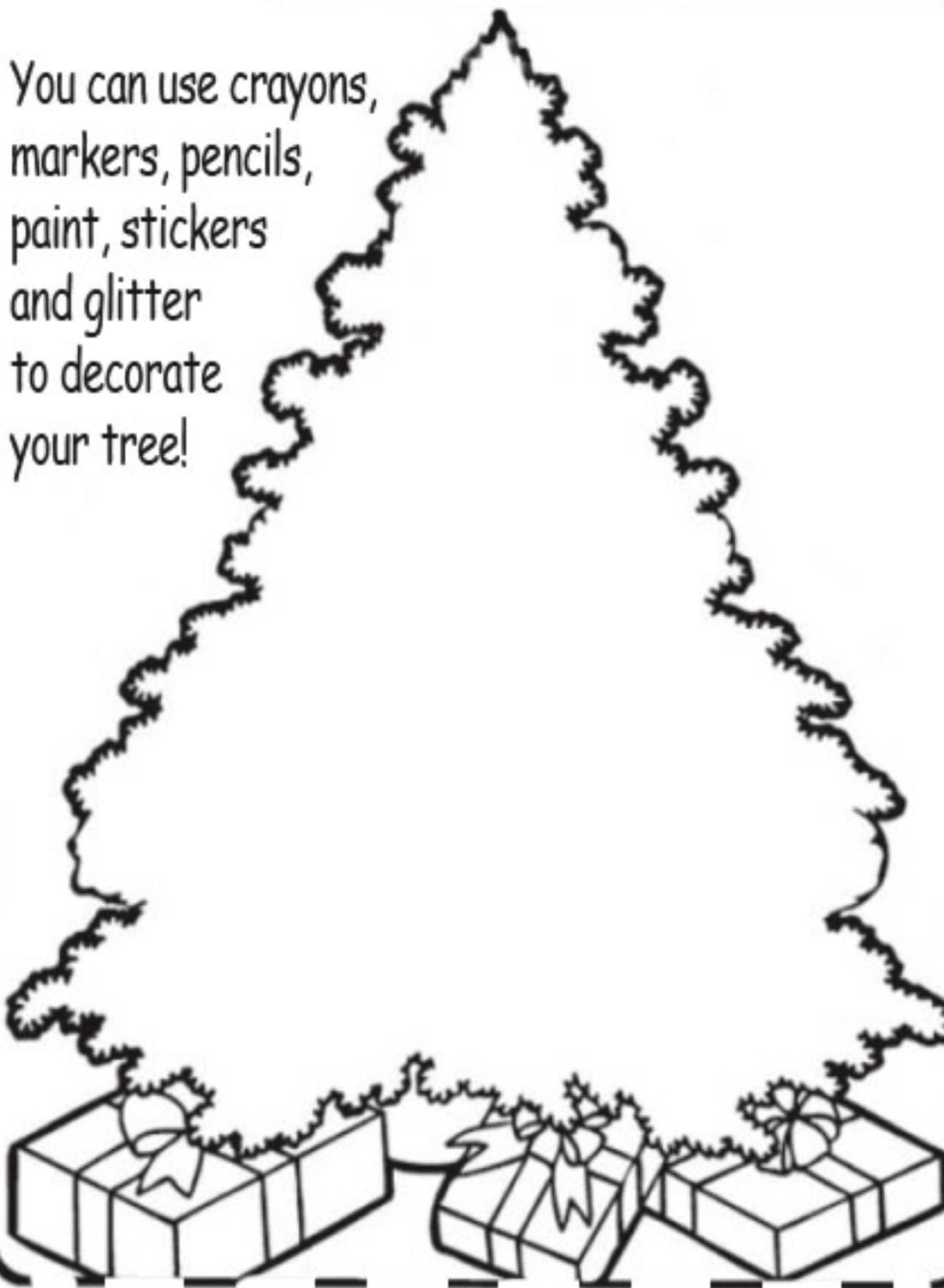
If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders.
Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521
Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

Communications Department

Child's Name: _____ Age: _____

Phone Number: _____

You can use crayons,
markers, pencils,
paint, stickers
and glitter
to decorate
your tree!



**KIDS! DECORATE THE CHRISTMAS TREE
AND/OR SEND SANTA A LETTER AND YOU
COULD WIN A \$20 WALMART GIFT CARD**

TREE DECORATING CONTEST RULES

- Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.
 - Limit one submission per child.
 - All entries must be the original size.
 - Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
 - Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
 - All mailed entries must be postmarked by December 6, 2010. No exceptions!
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category.



Letters to Santa Contest Rules

- All letters must be handwritten by the child.
- All mailed entries must be postmarked by December 6, 2010. No exceptions!
- Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
- Limit one submission per child.
- Open to LTBB Community Citizens ages 10 and younger.
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with the top three letters to be published in the January issue of Odawa Trails.
- Please provide a phone number where you can be contacted if you are selected as one of the winners.

Mailing Address:

Letters to Santa/Tree Decorating Contest
Attn: LTBB Communications Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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Advertising in the *Odawa Trails*
gets your ad seen for \$10.20/month.*
Call the LTBB Communications Dept. at:

231-242-1427

*Price per month for 3 month block.

Legislative Corner

Aanii Waganakising Odawak. The LTBB governmental branches are fiscally responsible to report the tribe's financial position to the tribal community. Since LTBB receives federal funding, and for the simple reason, we all want an honest operating government, an annual financial audit is performed by an independent auditor. The importance of these annual audits is very critical to the overall financial success of LTBB and to the fiduciary responsibility the membership has entrusted upon us. Failure to provide these audits, among other things, can also result in the tribe being placed on a "high-risk" status and face rescission of its federal program funding by the U.S. Department of the Interior.

This year, LTBB hired the Rehmann firm, formerly Rehmann-Robson, to take an independent overview of our 2009 accounting schedules and reconciliations by governmental activity, business-

type activity and aggregate remaining funds. The auditor's work also eases our ability to meet the September filing deadline of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

I am proud to announce on behalf of Tribal Council and the Legislative branch that the 2009 audit is complete and filed on time. Rehmann performed tests on the financial statements for compliance of certain provisions of law, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and the result of those tests are disclosed in its final statement.

Tribal financial statements and audits have always been guarded with the utmost confidentiality. Disclosing the financial affairs of a tribal government to the non-tribal public could have disastrous implications in terms of outside scrutiny and backlash. To ensure this confidentiality, the annual audit will only be available to the tribal membership by contacting the Execu-

tive branch and requesting a copy.

One important item that seems to need explaining each and every year is the financial information provided at the annual Community Meeting. The information handed out at the meeting is only the past year's draft financial statements, the same statements provided to the auditors. I fear there is a misconception in the community that those statements provided are being considered the final audit. At that time, there is insufficient time to close out the prior year and have an audit performed in time for the Community Meeting, but we are working hard to attain that goal.

Where the money is and where it is going is a long-standing concern within the tribal membership, and as Treasurer, I have made sorting it out and reporting it a top priority.

Miigwech, John Bott, LTBB Tribal Council Treasurer.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS



For the Murray Road Housing project in Hayes Township. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540

Equal Housing Opportunity
TDD: 800-649-3777



Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc.

Annual Meeting
November 23rd, 2010
5 pm - 7:30 pm Room 312
LTBB Governmental Center
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Health Department



DO YOU NEED HELP WITH HEALTHCARE? CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU!

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.

HELP US HELP YOU: IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES

Did you know one emergency room visit can produce multiple bills?

For example, I went to the emergency room for a sprained ankle. From that one ER visit, there could be a laboratory bill, a x-ray bill, an emergency room doctor's bill and the hospital bill just to name a few.

Not all bills are handled at the originating facility, so we need your help to ensure all your bills are paid in a timely manner. All tribal citizens should be aware of the procedure you must follow for Contract Health Services once payment has been approved by the Manage Care team.

It is important to note if we do not get the bill and the billing code, we cannot pay the bill.

Procedure

1. Call the number on any statement you receive in the mail and inform the provider to bill the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. LTBB is the payer of last re-

sort, so please verify any private insurance you may have and have the provider bill them first.

2. Bring any statement in to Contract Health Services.

3. Physically watch the Contract Health Services worker call the number on the statement.

4. Verify the name of the person the Contract Health worker spoke with and make sure it is written on your statement.

5. Request a copy of statement with date stamp and initials of person who assisted you.

This may seem redundant, but if we work together, the process will run smoothly.

When utilizing the ER, notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health Services.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Contract Health Services at 231-242-1600.

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



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.

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ATTENTION LTBB CONTRACTORS

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

Attention Healthy Start Participants

IF YOU HAVE BORROWED A BREAST PUMP AND ARE NO LONGER USING IT, PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE LTBB HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR OTHERS TO USE. REMINDER: THE TUBING AND BOTTLES ARE YOURS TO KEEP. RETURN THE CASE AND PUMP ONLY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

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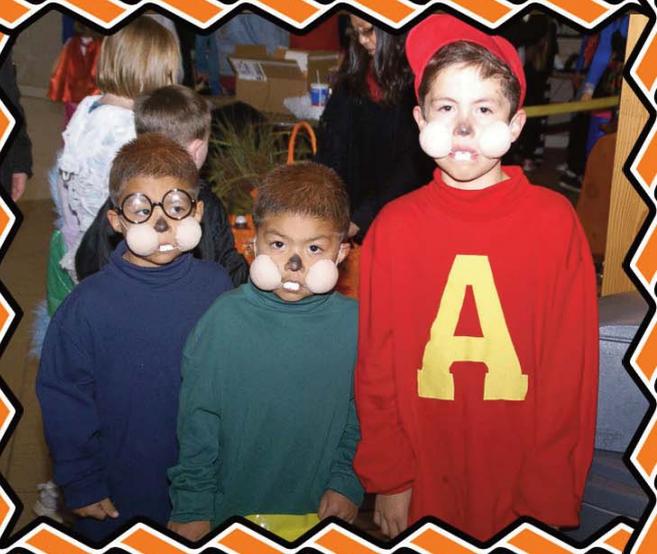
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**3RD PLACE
LTBB COSTUME WINNER**



On the Pow Wow Trail



Michigan

December 3-5
 19th Annual Fall Festival
 Mt. Clemens, MI
 Contact Information: Leslie Kennedy at 586-756-1350 or leslie_kennedy@semii1975.org

December 18
 Second Annual Heritage of Healing Pow Wow
 Ann Arbor, MI
 Contact Information: Shoshana Phillips at 734-550-7094 or HeritageofHealing@yahoo.com

December 31
 Sobriety Pow Wow
 Sault Ste. Marie, MI
 Contact Information: Elaine Clement or Cecil Pavlat at 906-635-6050

Minnesota

November 25-27
 Third Annual Thanksgiving

Traditional Pow Wow
 Minneapolis, MN
 Contact Information: 612-824-3118, 612-799-2698 or zoogipoequay@msn.com

January 14
 St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
 St. Paul, MN
 Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

February 11
 St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
 St. Paul, MN
 Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

February 12
 Cherish the Children Traditional Pow Wow

St. Paul, MN
 Contact Information: Travis DeCory at 651-227-4184, travis.decory@aindahung.com or www.aindahung.com

March 11
 St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
 St. Paul, MN
 Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

April 8
 St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
 St. Paul, MN
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YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES



THE ESHKINIIGIJIK:
 Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 13-18 yrs. old
 Eshkiniigijik meet on a weekly basis, Thursdays after school until 7 PM
 Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Youth are informed of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail.
 Bus transportation is provided by Petoskey and Harbor Springs Schools

THE BINOQJINHAK:

Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 8-12 yrs. old
 Binoqjiinhak meet on a weekly basis, Tuesdays after school until 7 PM
 Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Parents are informed of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail.
 Bus transportation is provided by Petoskey and Harbor Springs Schools



WASANAKISINS ESHKINIIGIJIK UNITY COUNCIL
 MEETS MONDAY NIGHTS FROM 5:30-7:30 PM AT THE LTBB WHITE HOUSE. INCLUDES LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES, FUNDRAISERS AND VARIOUS OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS. PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH TO BECOME ACTIVE LEADERS IN THE COMMUNITY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON YOUTH SERVICES PLEASE CONTACT
Kristy Dayson
 Youth Coordinator
 231-838-8830



HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Date: December 4th, 2010
 Time: 10 am to 5 pm
 Place: Tribal Administration

Tree Decorating Contest!
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Tuesday, December 7, 2010
 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
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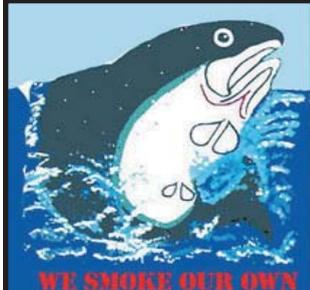
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 800-757-5997

ATTENTION TRIBAL CITIZENS!

Any tribal citizen interested in forming a Constitutional Committee please contact Yvonne McShane at ymshkigwaasange@yahoo.com

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
October 10, 2010

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:09 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Moment of Silence

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

Absent: Councilor Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Casino: General Manager David Wolf, Director of Finance Roger Borton

Public: Bea Law, Carol McFall, Ellie Barber, Alice Hughes, Richard Wemigwase, Rose Smalley, Sarah VanDeCar, Alice Yellowbank, Frank Bernard, Angel Bernard, Marcia Sutton, Denise Petoskey, Christine Peavey, Ellie Barber, Alice Hughes, Andrew Stich

Invited Guests: Christina Rohn from the Petoskey News Review

9:12 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adopt the agenda for October 10, 2010 with additions.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of September 19, 2010 as corrected.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Chingwa) Motion carried.

9:19 a.m. Councilor Chingwa arrived.

Elder Comments: Bea Law spoke regarding her trip to the National Indian Conference on Aging (NICOA). Bea also spoke regarding the Compensation Statutes. Rose Smalley spoke regarding Election Board complaint she submitted to Tribal Council. Rose also spoke regarding raises in the posted Compensation Statute. Richard Wemigwase spoke on behalf of the Tribal Elder's Association requesting Tribal Council not lower the proposed age change for the Casino.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept the Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet's verbal and written report for October 10, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee report for October 10, 2010 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Councilor Kiogima's verbal Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson report for October 10, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Councilor Chingwa's verbal Legal and Legislative Committee Chairperson report for October 10, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept the verbal report of the Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government Ethics Committee as presented by Councilor Otto Committee Chairperson for October 10, 2010.

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

10:44 a.m. Recess called.

11:04 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Treasurer Bott's Tribal Council member verbal and written report for October 10, 2010.

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

Elders Comments: Ellie Barber spoke regarding the budget and posted compensation legislation.

11:12 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to go into closed session for Confidential Business Matters-Casino.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

12:51 p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to return to open session.

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

12:51 p.m. Public Comment: no comments.

12:51 p.m. Public Comment closed.

12:58 p.m. Lunch Recess called until 2:00 p.m.

2:11 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

2:20 p.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for October 10, 2010.

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

3:03 p.m. Public Comment Opened: Christine Peavey spoke regarding training for Law Enforcement.

3:06 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Gaming Regulatory.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to acknowledge receipt of the Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington's report for October 10, 2010.

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

3:40 p.m. Recess called.

3:55 p.m. Meeting Reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development FY 2010 Indian Community Development Block Grant Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Facilities Museum Project.

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-no, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-no Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated October 4, 2010 for a total of 4.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B - Declination (Ineligible) dated October 4, 2010 for a total of 6.

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

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution: Supplemental Funding for Judiciary Branch in the Amount of \$33,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2010 to come from Prior Period Funds.

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 carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Providing for Priority Funding Allocation for 2012 Fiscal Year.

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 Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve Wilmington Trust as Trustee and the following confidential documents as submitted to Tribal Council by the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick on October 10, 2010: Letter of Agreement with DF King & Co., Inc.; Dealer Management Agreement; Offering Circular and Consent Solicitation Statement, and Exchange Agreement along with Exhibits and shall be signed in accordance with Tribal Resolution 062710-01.

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

4:30 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adjourn.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2010

December 4 Work Session
December 5 Council Meeting
December 18 Work Session
December 19 Council Meeting

2011

January 8 Work Session
January 9 Council Meeting
January 22 Work Session
January 23 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
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 Gerald Chingwa, Councilor
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 Rita Shananaquet, Councilor

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Court Room
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
October 24, 2010

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:05 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

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

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, General Counsel James Bransky Tribal Attorney, Office of Enterprise Management Director Chuck Schoefield, Casino: General Manager David Wolf, Director of Human Resource Melissa Richards, Director of Finance Roger Borton, Facility Operations Manager Barry Laughlin, Human Resource Coordinator Katie Bauer, Director of Marketing Phil Gonzales, Director of Table Games Susan Foster, Director of Hospitality Mike Bodjiak, Director of Slots Frank Kirsch, Gaming Board of Directors: Chairperson Carol McFall, Secretary/Treasurer Sheran Patton, Vice-Chairperson Judy Pierzynowski and Executive Office Manager Cathy Portman Bradley

Public: Marcia Sutton, Collin Sutton, Linda Gasco, Denise Petoskey, Richard Wemigwase, Patrick Wemigwase, Nancy Kiogima, Mel Kiogima, Bernadece Kiogima, John Gasco, Diane Naganashe, Pat Naganashe, Heidi Bosma, Rochelle Etrawageshik, Bill Den-

emy Sr., Bill Denemy Jr., Judy Field, Bea Law, Sarah VanDeCar, Rose Smalley

Invited Guests: Christina Rohn from Petoskey News Review

9:11 a.m. Councilor Chingwa arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt the agenda for October 24, 2010 as presented.

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

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of October 10, 2010 with corrections.

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

Elder Comments: Judy Field requested updates regarding the Office of the Auditor General draft Statute; the balance of the Tribal budget; the Tribal Prosecutor draft Compensation Statute; the Judicial draft Compensation Statute; the Tribal Council draft Compensation Statute, and the Wage Compensation Study. Rose Smalley requested the Chief Financial Officer credentials with regard to the Executive's selection of this position. Rose also spoke regarding the Tribal Executive's ability with concern to the Tribal Youth.

9:35 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived.

Elder Comments: Sarah VanDeCar spoke regarding the Tribal Administrator's treatment of the Tribal governmental employees. Judy Field requested Tribal Council have their closed sessions at the end of the Tribal Council meeting. Bea Law also spoke regarding the Tribal Executive's representation of the Tribe and the management of the Tribal governmental staff; and the Executive veto of the Tribal Elder's travel allowance resolution. Bill Denemy Sr spoke regarding Tribal members smudging the building to keep out evil spirits and asked Tribal Council to be creative in addressing their issues. Nancy Kiogima spoke regarding Tribal culture and traditions and the treatment of those employees who practice and pass on their knowledge to the next generations. Rochelle Etrawageshik was asked to read a statement but passed it on the Bea Law to read it who then withdrew. Heidi Bosma was given consideration by the Elder's to speak regarding the Education Departmental procedures.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet's verbal and written report for October 24, 2010.

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

10:08 a.m. Recess called.

10:21 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

10:24 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to go into closed session for confidential business matters casino.

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

10:59 a.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to return to open session.

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

11:02 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to go into closed session for confidential business matters casino.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:52 a.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to return to open session.

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

11:53 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to override the Executive Veto Tribal Resolution: #091210-02 Authorizing a Donation of \$6,900.00 to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elder's Association.

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

12:11 p.m. Lunch recess called until 1:30 p.m.

1:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:03 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:04 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana-

quet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Treasurer Bott's Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Legal and Legislative Committee Chairperson Chingwa's verbal report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to request from the Executive an updated Employee Handbook to be presented by January 31, 2010 to Tribal Council for approval.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to request from the Executive all petitions and applications for the position of Chief Judge, in accordance with WOS 2006-003.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve the Nomination for Judges, Justices and Prosecutor Policy and Procedures.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to request from the Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government Ethics Committee as presented by Councilor Otto Committee Chairperson for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the verbal report of the Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government Ethics Committee as presented by Councilor Otto Committee Chairperson for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Tribal Council member Treasurer Bott's verbal and written report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to post to the Legislative Calendar Tribal Elections and Election Board Draft Statute and Bullying Prohibition Draft Statute as sponsored by Tribal Council member Treasurer Bott.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Councilor Bardwell's verbal and written Tribal Council member Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Meeting and United Tribes of Michigan Meeting travel reports for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Councilor Bardwell's verbal and written Tribal Council member Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Meeting and United Tribes of Michigan Meeting travel reports for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Councilor Mulholland's verbal Tribal Council member report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve the following confidential documents as submitted to Tribal Council by the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick on October 24, 2010 with waiver of sovereign immunity clauses contained therein: Security Agreement; Depository Agreement; Indenture; Revised Indenture; Deposit Account Control Agreement; Letter of Transmittal; and Exchange Agree-

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"Minutes" continued from page 14.

ment along with Exhibits; Offering Circular and Consent Solicitation Statement; Tribal Certificate; and shall be signed in accordance with Tribal Resolution 062710-01, as applicable.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 1 - No (Councilor R. Shananaquet), 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

4:51 p.m. Recess called.

4:56 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for October 24, 2010.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Bott, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

4:57 p.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto, Treasurer Bott arrived.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Tribal Chairman report for October 24, 2010.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding

from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Under Section 103 of the Clean Air Act, FY 2011 Region 5 Tribal Air Grants, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Clean Air Program.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion: Funding from the Kresge Foundation Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Wah-Was-Noos-Da-Ke Playground Project.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve the Regulations of the Gaming Regulatory Commission REG-WOS 2005-06 101910-009 as submitted.

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

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to table the nomination for Chief Judge until Tribal Council receives all petitions and applications for the position.

Vote: 8 → Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Kiogima), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to table the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Reservation Natural Resource Rules and Regulations REG-WOS 2008-012 102010-001 to the next Tribal Council agenda.

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

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to pass the Constitutionally Mandated Compensation for Tribal Council.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to pass the Constitutionally Mandated Compensation for the Election Board.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-no, Councilor Otto-yes, Treas-

urer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to pass the Constitutionally Mandated Compensation for Tribal Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

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 Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to pass the Constitutionally Mandated Compensation for Tribal Prosecutor.

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-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to pass Constitutionally Mandated Compensation for Judges and Justices.

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-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to set an Enrollment Hearing for Tribal Citizen Allen for Sunday December 5, 2010 at 3:15 p.m.

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

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to acknowledge receipt of proposed legislation #102010-01 Amendment to Repeal and Replace Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-024 from Tribal Citizen Bea Law.

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

6:08 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adjourn.

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

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected,

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

Enjoy Christmas Dinner at the Waas-no-de' Buffet Inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI

Saturday, December 25, 2010

\$17.95 Adults

\$7.95 Children ages 6-12

Children 1-5 Complimentary

Cold Station

Full Salad Bar

Seasoned Boiled Shrimp with

Cocktail Sauce

Soup Station

Turkey Noodle with Fresh Vegetables

Cheddar Broccoli Soup

New England Clam Chowder

Entrées

Carving Station

Herb Roasted Prime Rib of

Beef, Au jus

Carved Bone in Ham with Rum

Raisin Sauce

Roasted Tom Turkey with Pan

Gravy

Fresh Cranberry Relish

Southern Fried Chicken

Chicken Roulades stuffed with hickory smoked ham and fresh asparagus

Garlic Mashed Redskin Potatoes

Apple Sage Dressing

Southern Style Sausage and

Cornbread Dressing

Classic Green Bean Casserole

Candied Yams

Fresh Cauliflower Au Gratin

Brussel Sprouts with Bacon and

Shallots

Featured Entrées

Potato Pancakes

Homemade Applesauce

Yankee Pot Roast

Shrimp Newburg

Grilled Whitefish

Pierogis

Braised Cabbage

Fresh Polish Sausage with Sauer-

kraut

Glazed Turnips

Includes selections from our Italian Station and Seafood Station

Array of Freshly Baked Rolls and

Breads

Christmas Desserts

Cream Puffs with Hot Fudge

Assorted Holiday Cookies

Pumpkin, Pecan and Apple Pie

Baked Apples

Fruit Cobblers

Bread Pudding with vanilla

sauce

Cheesecake

Sugar free desserts

Fresh Strawberry Shortcake

Holiday Candies



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"Golf Team" continued from page 1.

"This past season was a lot of fun because we were like a family and we all got along well with one another," said Laughlin, her team's No. 2 golfer as a freshman in 2009. "Our coaches do a phenomenal job. They turned a rag-tag golf team into a pretty good golf team. We receive tremendous support from our families and coaches and everyone at school. It's a fun sport, and we're hoping to recruit more players for the team next year (there were nine players on the team in both 2009 and 2010). It's fun being a part of building up the program."

Laughlin said she is working to improve her fairway shots and putting.

"Putting is 50% of the game," Laughlin said. "You can't just drive the ball well and expect to be a good golfer. Putting takes a lot of hard work and concentration to master. You need to have the perfect angle and speed."

Laughlin made her first hole in one on the ninth hole on April 4, 2010 at Hidden River Golf and Casting Club in Brutus, MI, while playing with her grandfather, Tom Naganashe, and two of her cousins.

"Hidden River has always been my favorite course, so it was exciting to do it there," Laughlin said.

In the future, Laughlin plans to attend Michigan State University to study turf management and golf course design.

"I would play golf in college if I received a scholarship, but if not, it will always be a hobby of mine," Laughlin said. "My goal for next season is to lower my score by 10 strokes. Academically, I want to maintain a 3.0 GPA the next two years and do well on the ACT."

In addition to golf, Laughlin is a post player in basketball and played on the Harbor Springs High School junior varsity team. She played on LTBB Hawks basketball teams when she was younger. She has been a fancy shawl dancer for approximately 10 years and is a member of both the LTBB Youth Group and LTBB Youth Council.

Her younger sister, Josie, 13, is an eighth-grader at Harbor Springs Middle School and plays basketball for both her school and the LTBB Hawks. She has been a traditional dancer for approximately 10 years and was the runner-up in the Miss Odawa Nation 2010-2011 contest this past August. She is also a member of both the LTBB Youth Group and LTBB Youth Council.

Laughlin wanted to thank her family and her coaches for all their support and encouragement.

The golf photos appear courtesy of Melissa Laughlin, and the photo of Nicole Laughlin and Josie Laughlin from the 17th Annual Children's Pow Wow is by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

"Executive" continued from page 1.

working hard to get site plan approval for wind power at Murray Road. The units are all electric and set up for renewable energy such as wind power. We are scheduling an open house in early January 2011. During the grand opening, we will have the Leadership in Energy and Environ-



mental Design (LEED) certification award presented to the tribe. This energy efficient project is the first in Emmet, Charlevoix or Cheboygan counties. Kevin Fitzgibbons from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will be onsite for the grand opening, and our project is slated to be a national model for Indian country across the nation.

In other housing-related news, we have completed the first custom built home in the Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development in Harbor Springs, MI, with an at-



tached garage. This home was completed in November 2010 and is ready for occupancy. This project was funded through ARRA funds. Interested applicants should con-

tact our Housing Department at 231-242-1540.

The Firekeepers Lodge is scheduled to be completed



on November 30, 2010. We worked hard to install a cement sidewalk to ensure the lodge is accessible for wheelchairs. The lodge will have eight granite benches installed in the colors of the four directions and will be used for

LTBB Citizens who need a space to have a fire for gatherings and ceremonies.

Our Planning Department is very busy

working on Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) roads projects. This year, we repaired and built five roads in Emmet and Charlevoix counties. The value of these roads were approximately \$2.5 million and were paid for by funds we received from the ARRA and the BIA.

(Vice Chairman) Dexter (McNamara) and I would like to extend to all our tribal citizens and families a happy holidays. We are enjoying Ghost Supper season. The Winter Solstice party is around the corner. As a reminder, please make sure the Enrollment Department has your correct address for your annual per capita distribution.



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Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi

Important Information for College Students Applying for Financial Assistance



Submitted by the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) applications for the 2011-2012 school year will be available at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> beginning January 1, 2011.

Remember all students must file a FAFSA in order to be eligible for the Michelle Chingwa Educational Assistance Scholarship. Any students

needing help filing the FAFSA are encouraged to contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or aswiss@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov for assistance.

Below are some tips for filing the FAFSA.

Apply early!

• Priority consideration for state aid is given to students who apply by March 1, 2011. Most colleges prioritize grant and scholarship awards based on this date as well.

Get your FAFSA pin before

electronic filing.

• Students and parents will need separate pins for electronic filing.

• Apply for your pin at <http://www.pin.ed.gov>.

Gather the information needed for filing the FAFSA

• Social Security numbers for both student and parent.

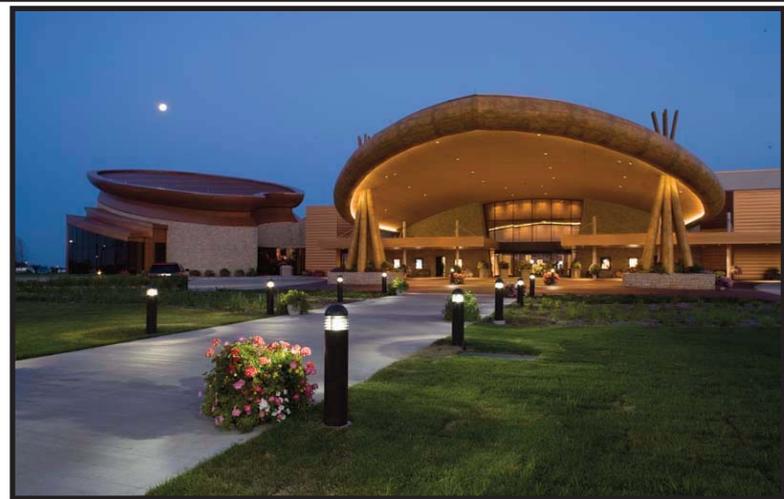
• Student's driver's license number.

• Statements on savings, investments and business and farm assets for students and parents.

• Completed tax returns (preferred) or estimated figures to be corrected later.

Visit the State of Michigan Student Financial Aid website at <http://studentaid.ed.gov> for more information and useful tips.

Courtesy graphic.



Odawa Casino Resort Holiday Hours

Thanksgiving Buffet

Waas-no-de' Buffet

10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sage Restaurant

Open for Thanksgiving (November 25) from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Christmas Eve

Waas-no-de' Buffet

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Lunch

5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Dinner

Copper Café

24 Hours

Sage Restaurant: Closed

Ozone: Closed

Rendezvous Lounge

10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Soda service until midnight

Quill Box

8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go

8 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Christmas Day

Waas-no-de' Buffet

11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Dinner

Copper Café

24 Hours

Sage Restaurant: Closed

Ozone: Closed

Rendezvous Lounge

Closed for alcoholic beverages, Soda service until midnight

Quill Box

12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go

12 p.m. to 9 p.m.

New Year's Eve

Waas-no-de' Buffet

10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Lunch

5 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Dinner

12:30 a.m. to 3 a.m. Breakfast Buffet

Copper Café

24 hours

Sage Restaurant

5 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Ozone

9 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Rendezvous Lounge

10 a.m. to 4 a.m.

Quill Box

9 a.m. to midnight

Gourmet 2 Go

9 a.m. to midnight

New Year's Day

Waas-no-de' Buffet

9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Brunch

5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Dinner

Copper Café

24 hours

Sage Restaurant

5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Ozone

7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Rendezvous Lounge

10 a.m. to 2 a.m.

Quill Box

8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Gourmet 2 Go

10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

There are three kinds of people: those who let it happen, those who make it happen, and those who wonder what happened.

GED...MAKE IT HAPPEN!

WE ARE NOW WORKING IN CONJUNCTION WITH MICHIGAN WORKS! PLEASE CONTACT SIMON AT MICHIGAN WORKS! TO SCHEDULE TUTORING TIMES AT 231-348-5524

If you need GED study guides or material please contact Amanda or Dorothy in the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Academic Services at 231-242-1480

Avoid the headache!

UPCOMING DEADLINES FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP

Winter/Spring

(January - May)

February 15th



Summer

(May - August)

June 15th

For more information contact the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Academic Services at 231-242-1480

Elders and Youth Halloween Dance



Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Certificate Redemption Update

Submitted by the Trust Fund Board

the age of 18.

It has been more than a decade since the original Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement certificates were issued.

2. Sign your certificates with a notary: The tribal citizen redeeming his or her certificates must have a notarized signature.

All adults have been paid or they have deferred payment to a later date, however, tribal children who were enrolled before December 16, 1997 but had not yet turned 18 are still in the process of redeeming their certificates.

3. Copy two pieces of identification: One piece of identification (e.g. Driver's license) must have a picture, and the second piece needs at least your signature.

The following steps are intended to aid in this process. Redeeming certificates from the Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 105-143, are as follows:

4. Mail your signed certificates, the mailing address you would like your check sent to and two pieces of identification to the following address

Note: The address on the certificates is not correct:

LTBB Trust Fund Board
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

1. Determine your eligibility: Tribal citizens who were enrolled, but had not reached the age of 18 on December 16, 1997 are eligible to redeem their certificates upon reaching

If you have lost your certificates or need further assistance, call Trust Fund Board Member Steve Schmidt at 734-717-4406.

Lines From our Membership

Birthdays

Happy birthday to the **greatest Mom** on earth. Love, Chula and Toby Wemigwase.



Happy 8th birthday to our first born, **Mkooohns Marcus Gasco**, whose special day is December 27th!! No matter how old you are, you will always be our Little Bear!! We love you Beary much!! Gzaaguhn Mom, Dad and Little Brother.

Happy birthday on December 29 to **Dawn Price** way down in Tennessee. Love ya, Aunt Mary.

Happy birthday to **Valissa Naganashe** on December 9. From your loving husband, Patrick.

Happy birthday to **Shirley Eaves** on December 16. Your family wishes you a wonderful day.

Happy birthday to my daughter, **Yvonne Fuerte**, on December 7. Love, Mom.

Mnadibishkaa **Alice May Yellowbank**, Happy birthday! Aapiji gzaagin, Aapiji Chi Niibna Gzaagigo Pane, Pane, Pane.

Happy birthday to **Jen Wagar** on December 20th from "Mama Willis," Rick, Tarbaby, Odie and Sassy. We all love you dearly.

Happy 27th birthday to **Jenifer Elaine** on December 20th. We love you, Phillip James and Peyton James.



Happy 69th birthday to "Old Man" **Wayne** on December 30. If you're lucky, maybe you can stay awake past 8 to watch all of your favorite westerns. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to the cutest grandson, **Andrew Burks**, on December 26. Love, Grandma Mary.

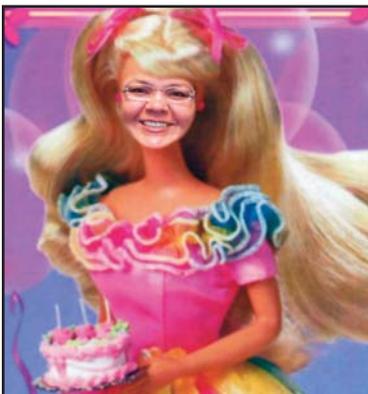
Birthdays

Happy birthday on December 7 to our handsome grandson, **Gunnar**, who will be turning 11. Wishing you a very special day and loads of fun. Love, Grandpa Dexter, Grandma Deb, Uncle Derek and Uncle Shane. We love you very much.

Happy birthday to **Courtney Schneider!** Congratulations on your 18th year. Love, Grandma and Grandpa.

Winnay, happy birthday! You make us so proud to be your parents! We love you more every day! Stay tough girlie. Dad and Mom, Neewin, Homey and Chi Gus.

A mother is someone with whom you may not see eye to eye, but is someone who will always walk with you arm in arm. (And, then twist that arm if you don't take her to bingo ... just kidding mom!) - Happy birthday to **Suzanne Portman** on December 3rd. We love you very much! Love, Michele and Greg.



Happy birthday to **Princess** on December 7. You have enriched so many lives through sharing our culture and traditions with others. Keep up the good work! General Junior.

Happy birthday on December 27 to **Alexandria Price**. From your favorite aunt. Love, Aunt Mary.

Happy 10th birthday **Big D!!!** At last, double digits! We love you, Mom & Dad!

Happy birthday to the #1 Dad and Grandpa, **Archie L. Kiogima Jr.**, who celebrates on December 8th!! I owe you a homemade deep dish apple pie in honor of your day-o-birth!! You truly are the best!! Gzaaguhn Gina, Jimmy, Mkooohns & Wedaase Gasco.

Happy birthday to my Nokomis, **Alice Yellowbank**, who celebrates on December 12th!! Cheers to a beautiful, young, inspiring piece of my life who motivates me to be a better mom and daughter ... Gzaaguhn Gina-ahns <3

Happy birthday to my sis - **Yvonne Fuerte!** Hope your birthday (December 7th) is as wonderful as you are! Love ya, Theresa, Michael & Jordan.

Happy birthday to **Jazmine Anthony!** We send you lots of love, Grandma and Grandpa.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to **Marie Schuyler-Dreaver** (December 31) and **Kayla Dreaver** (December 29). Wishing you both all the best on your special day and in the new year! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.



Happy birthday **Kayla "Paddaface" Dreaver**. With love, from your family, Mom, Dad, Caden, Kokum, Papa, Maya, Heather, Joe, Auntie Shay and Uncle Nigel.

A friend is a brother who was once a bother who shares childhood memories and his dreams. Happy birthday on December 29th to **Don Portman**. We love you and all that mushy stuff. Michele and Greg.

Happy birthday Grandma **Nana (Suzanne Portman)** on December 3rd! We love you! Liz, Ric and Avery.

Happy birthday **Breanna Willis**. We love you! Aunt TT, Uncle Pete, Big D, Grandma Dorothy and the rest of the family!

MnoDibishkaak! **Archie Kiogima II, Brooke Robinson, Shannon Chamblee, Mkoons Gasco, miinwaa Storm McFall.** Gzaaginin.

Happy birthday on December 30 to **Shirley Adkins**, one of the best little sisters. Love ya, Mary.

Big happy birthday to **Joey Boda, Xavier Schansema, Marccine, David Miller, Sharon Cojo, Joshua Shenoskey, Carole Crampton, Nicholas King, Candice Benny and Donovan Shananaquet**. From Don and Dorothy Boda.



Happy birthday **Marie Schuyler-Dreaver**. With love, from your family, Mom, Dad, Nigel, Shay, Heather, Joe, your loving husband, Harvey, and your kids, Caden and Kayla.

Happy birthday **Auntie Winnay!** We love you, we really love you and the sleepovers and shopping. You make the bestest rice crispy treats, too. Anna, Waasy and Gia Wemigwase.

Birthdays

Happy birthday on December 30 to my Good Hart sidekick, **Dennis King**. Hope you have a great birthday Dennis. Dexter (Skid)



Happy 80th birthday to **Gloria Miles**. Love, your family.

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To my family,
This year has been hard,
Our hearts have been scarred,
There is no way to know,
When the pain will let go,
But if we stand strong,
Love one another all along,
The bond of our family will grow,

And, in our souls, we will know,
That the power of our hearts as one,

Will bring us together stronger than none.

I love you all!
Thank you for everything that you have given me, this year, the years before and the years to come!

Tara Otto-Brill

Happy Anniversary

Happy anniversary to **Paul & Beth Shananaquet**. From Don and Dorothy Boda.

Seasons Greetings

I would like to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season. This is the time of year when we look back at the passing of another year and reflect on the many blessings and disappointments we have had in the previous months. I have had a very good year filled with many different kinds of blessings, and I want to extend to all my family members and friends the message - May happiness smile on your world and in your heart. Best wishes, Fire lady Nellie.

Congratulations



Congratulations to **Nicole Laughlin** for being named Team MVP of the Harbor Springs High School girls varsity golf team. Laughlin, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, helped her team reach a second consecutive Division 4 state meet. Love, Uncle Pat and Valissa.

PER CAPITA CHECKS WILL BE MAILED OUT NO LATER THAN 12-10-10

Love Lines Sought

We will include *Love Lines* in the February issue of the *Odawa Trails* to celebrate Valentine's Day. Please e-mail your *Love Lines* submissions by January 2nd to newsletter@lbbodawa@nsn.gov. They must be no longer than 15 words, no photos will be included, and they must be signed. No secret admirers or unsigned *Love Lines* will be published.

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 31st, 2011. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.

Native News Briefs

Odawa Casino Resort is on Board with Energy Conservation

Editor's note: The following is an Odawa Casino Resort press release dated October 14, 2010.

Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, was recently presented a rebate check in the amount of \$21,501 by Great Lakes Energy as a result of participating in its Energy Optimization Program administered by Franklin Energy.



Odawa Casino Resort created an Energy Reduction Committee in January 2009 to research ways the casino could save money, but more importantly, reduce energy consumption. The recent rebate is the result of the installation of nine Variable Frequency Drives, which efficiently control air handler and pump motors used throughout Odawa Casino Resort. The energy savings per year is approximately \$50,000.

Scott Blecke of Great Lakes Energy, who presented the casino with the rebate check, said, "It is exciting to see a local business like Odawa Casino Resort participating in Great Lakes Energy's Energy Optimization Program as we work together to reduce our energy consumption and utilize our energy more efficiently. These programs are funded through state mandated surcharges added to Michigan utilities' electric bills. Money collected from commercial businesses like Odawa Casino Resort is used specifically to fund the programs for those types of businesses. The purpose of the programs is not only to help our members save energy now, but to also help reduce electricity use statewide in an effort to delay the future need and costs of building new power plants."

Dave Heinz, Chief Electrician and Chairman of the casino's Energy Reduction Committee, stated other projects targeted to reduce energy consumption at the casino will result in additional rebates.

"We are really trying our best to be energy conscious," Heinz said. "Other benefits such as having Team Members utilize the stairs as opposed to the elevators can also be beneficial to one's health."

Pictured from left to right in the photo provided by Odawa Casino Resort is Jeremy Kammer, Franklin Energy, Scott Blecke, Great Lakes Energy Key Accounts Manager/Engineer, Barry Laughlin, Odawa Casino Resort Director of Property Operations, Dave Heinz, Odawa Casino Resort Lead Electrician, and Paul Johns, Clearcut Regional Specialist.

SwingShift and the Stars Dance-Off for Charity Update

LTBB Tribal Citizen Melvin L. Kiogima and Heather Daniels continue to lead the SwingShift and the Stars Dance-Off for Charity event with 95 points after tying for third place in the November 5 competition. Remaining competitions are December 3, 2010 and December 31, 2010 at the Traverse City Opera House in Traverse City, MI. To purchase tickets for the two remaining competitions, please call 231-929-4460 or please visit www.swingshiftandthestars.com.

Bay Mills Indian Community Opens Casino in Vanderbilt, MI, Amidst Controversy

On November 3, 2010, the Bay Mills Indian Community opened Bay Mills Resort Casino in Vanderbilt, MI, but five Michigan tribes, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Gun Lake Tribe of Potawatomi Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi Indians and the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe called it an "illegal gaming activity" in a press release dated November 3, 2010.

According to the press release, the tribes stated, "This attempt to conduct Indian gaming in the absence of trust land is a serious violation of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and long-held federal Indian gaming policy. Bay Mills has also violated the state gaming compacts, most notably Section 9, which clearly requires the consent of all Michigan tribes to pursue gaming on non-reservation lands."

When Bay Mills Resort Casino opened, there were technical difficulties, so the 38 new slot machines in the 1,200-square foot building could not be played. Bay Mills renovated the former Treetops information center on Old 27 North near the southbound I-75 Vanderbilt exit ramp after finalizing the purchase of the 45.6 acres on which it sits in August 2010.

On November 5, 2010, the *Port Huron Times* reported the Bay Mills Indian Community acquired property in Port Huron, MI, for \$100,000 on November 3, 2010. Bay Mills is not saying what its plans are for the site, but the *Port Huron Times* reported, "Bay Mills has a history of courting the city and trying to bring a casino and resort to the area."

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians Break Ground on Second Casino

On November 4, 2010, WNDU Channel 16 in South Bend, IN, reported the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians started work the previous week on the Four Winds North, a satellite gaming facility on a 297-acre site near Hartford, MI. The facility will be approximately 1/6 the size of the Four Winds in New Buffalo, MI. The casino is expected to be completed in late 2011 and is expected to create 250 to 300 new permanent jobs.

Native American Ancestral Remains Repatriation Observance

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in cooperation with the Ziiibiwing Cultural Center and Central Michigan University held "Walking Them Home," a Native American Ancestral Remains Repatriation Observance November 3-5, 2010. CMU's Museum of Cultural and Natural History returned the remains of 144 Saginaw Chippewa tribal ancestors and associated funerary objects to the tribe for proper burial.

At a Repatriation Roundtable Discussion held on November 3, 2010, Dennis Banks, co-founder of the American Indian Movement (AIM), and others who work at the national level to address Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act issues discussed repatriation of Native American remains from the museum.

At the "Walk Them Home" event held on November 4, 2010, the public was invited to join a procession to walk the Native American remains from CMU's campus to the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's Nibokaan Ancestral Cemetery. On November 5, 2010, a "Returning to the Earth" ceremony and a Spirit Feast were held.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Serves as Guest Speaker at Charity Dinner

On October 16, 2010, the Knights of Columbus Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen Council #7444 in Milford, MI, held a charity dinner to benefit St. Jude's Children's Hospital, and LTBB Tribal Citizen Hope Drogmiller served as one of the two guest speakers at the event. Drogmiller, 11, was the second speaker of the evening. She spoke about the importance of charity work and giving back to the community and about her experiences of being a young person whose life was touched by cancer. Her mom, Kathy, is a 10-year breast cancer survivor.



Drogmiller said, "I myself have witnessed children with cancer and have seen the horrible effects this disease has on not only children, but the effects it also has on parents, family and friends."

John Rogers from the Knights of Columbus presented Drogmiller with a check for \$300 for Hope's Heroes Relay team, and she later presented the check to the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life to be applied to the 2011 Relay for Life. Drogmiller was the Novi Relay for Life 2009 team member of the year and formed the Novi Relay for Life's first all-kid relay team consisting of 10 kids to represent her mom's 10 years of survival.

Pictured from left to right in the courtesy photo by Curtis Drogmiller is Knight of Columbus' John Rogers, Hope Drogmiller, Casey the Mascot (Bill Leveque), St. Jude's Children's Hospital Great Lakes' Mairin MacDonald and Marilyn Rogers.

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.

Effective January 1, 2011: Down payment assistance will change to a \$2,500 matching program.

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.

NOTICE:

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2011

Down payment assistance will change to a \$2500 matching program.

For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540

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- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
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LTBB Community Meeting Corner

Community Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2010, 5 p.m.

Present

Chairperson, Cathy Bradley, Absent

Secretary, Beatrice A. Law

Chair Designee, Debra Janney, Present

Citizens in Attendance

Virgina Lewis, Laura Blumberg, Beatrice A. Law, Carol McFall, Alice Yellowbank and Joe Lucier.

Called to Order at 5:15 p.m.

Motion by Carol Mc Fall and supported by Alice Yellowbank to nominate Beatrice A. Law as Secretary for the Community Planning Meetings for the rest of 2010 until July 2011. Vote: Yes 7, No 0.

Motion to adopt the agenda with additions for October 15, 2010 by Virgina Lewis supported by Laura Blumberg. Vote: Yes 7, No 0.

Motion to approve the minutes of September 10, 2010 with corrections by Laura Blumberg and supported by Virgina Lewis. Vote: Yes 7, No 0.

Topics for Discussion

Beatrice A. Law and Cathy

Bradley reported on the meeting with Tribal Council regarding the Community Meeting 2010 budget. The present budget will remain in the Executive budget for the year 2010; budget for 2011 will have its own line item. How to access the monies and signor were discussed, and it was decided Chairperson Cathy Bradley would be the person with that responsibility. To avoid any confusion, perhaps all purchases could be done by purchase orders. Beatrice A. Law gave an update on questions to be asked of department directors at the 2011 Community Meeting. This is ongoing.

Virgina Lewis reported on her meeting with the Youth Council. Topic: How can our youth be involved in the community meeting? Virgina Lewis recommended titling the comments for the meeting, "Following the Footprints of Our Elders," with the following discussion items suggested: A. Possibly have a youth flag and enter with the opening flags, B. Be the ones who run around with the microphones when people talk, C. Possible help with the luncheon, D. Possibly do a skit, using the elders

footprints, and Constitution, ie., and other suggestions the committee may have.

Laura Blumberg provided an update on issues of video conferencing and teleconferencing for the Community Meetings. Details and confirmations are ongoing.

Debra Janney is tasked with checking locations for the 2011 Community Meeting. Agreed upon possible locations are Petoskey Middle School in Petoskey, MI, Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, and the Petoskey 4-H Fairgrounds Building in Petoskey.

Giveaways for the Community Meeting were discussed and will be determined at subsequent meetings.

Motion to Adjourn at 6:45 p.m.

Next Scheduled Meetings

November 19, 2010, 5 p.m.

(Due to deadline constraints, the meeting minutes will appear in the February 2010 newsletter).

December 17, 2010, 5 P.M. -

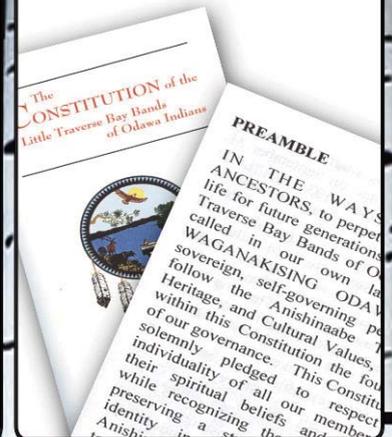
Bring a snack to share.

Place: LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, Room 312.

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Petoskey
Bay Shore
Charlevoix

Community Meeting - Planning Meeting

December 17th, 5 pm Room 312
LTBB Governmental Center

PLEASE NOTE:

If you have anything you wish to be placed on the agenda or have input on the next Community Meeting, please contact Cathy Bradley at 231-330-5130

PLANNING FOR NEXT YEAR'S GARDEN

By Larry Dyer, MSU Extension Tribal Extension Educator

The end of the gardening season is bittersweet: The hard work is done for the season, but so are the warm summer days and pleasant hours in the garden. If you aren't quite ready to give up gardening for the year, you could start on next year's garden in your mind. This is a good time to start planning next year's garden because this year is still fresh in your mind. If you haven't been keeping a journal of your gardening activities, now would be a good time to take stock of this year's garden and write down what you remember. Which varieties did well and which did poorly? What crops do you wish you had planted more of? What questions came up that you would like to spend time researching during the winter months?

Your garden will be more productive and manageable if you take the time to plan the garden layout and crop rotation. There is no one correct way to lay out your garden, but there are some guidelines to follow. To start with, think about what you want to grow. Some things like potatoes and sweet corn require more space than others. Many crops can be managed more intensively in a smaller space such as lettuce, spinach, herbs and trellised cucumbers or green beans. It is very important to pay attention to the spacing of your plants when you are planning your garden beds. Each crop will have an optimal spacing which can be varied somewhat depending on the fertility of your soil and how carefully you water. It's easy to overcrowd your garden when you are putting seeds or small transplants into bare ground. But, crowding can lead to nutrient or water stress and disease problems. Try to visualize August with large robust plants and space accordingly.

When laying out your garden, try to place tall crops like sweet corn, trellised tomatoes or pole beans where they won't shade the smaller plants.

You could follow an early season crop like spinach with a summer crop like Swiss chard. Cool season crops like spinach, broccoli, Asian greens or cabbage can be planted in the spring, then, again in the fall. You can also use space efficiently with companion planting - plants that grow well together. Perhaps, the best known combination is the traditional three sisters garden of corn, beans and squash.

For long-term garden health, it is important to have a crop rotation. Crops in the same plant families will often have similar nutritional needs, pests and diseases. So it is good to group plants into family groups and rotate through a sequence of crops or family groups. Some common plant families are Nightshade (tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, potatoes), Legume (beans, peas), Squash (cucumber, melons, watermelons, squash), Mustard (broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, Chinese cabbage, Asian greens) and Beet (spinach, Swiss chard, beets).

An important consideration is how big of a garden you want to manage. Do you want to grow enough tomatoes to can your supply for the whole winter or do you just want a few slicers for salads? Answering questions like that will help you decide what kind of beds to make. If you want a large garden, have the land and have access to equipment you may want to plant directly in the ground. If space is more limiting and your gardening ambitions are smaller, you may want to build raised beds. Raised beds can also be helpful for people with limited mobility - they can even be made wheel chair accessible. If you don't have space for garden beds, you could plant your garden in containers - anything from decorative planters to five gallon buckets.

A good source of information to help with your planning is http://www.extension.org/pages/Veg_ables:_Planning_and_Preparing. When it comes to actually putting seeds and plants in the ground, everything may not go exactly according

to plan. But, a plan will give you a good starting point and will help you make good decisions when another gardening season rolls around.

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MSU Extension brown-bag lunch gardening series - "Talk gardening with Larry"

Beginning in October, Michigan State University Extension Educator Larry Dyer will host an informational series, "Talk gardening with Larry." This will be a brown bag series on the second Wednesday of each month (except December) from 12-12:50 p.m., at the Youth Center at the White House. Each date will have a topic with handouts, but after a brief presentation, the conversation can go to whatever people have on their minds and in their gardens. So bring your brown bag lunch and come "talk gardening with Larry."



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Dates and topics:

- Oct 13 - Storing the harvest
- Nov 3 (1st Wednesday) - Soil tests and soil quality
- Jan 26 - Planning your garden**
- Feb 23 - Deciding what seed to order (bring your favorite catalogs)
- Mar 23 - Starting your own seeds
- Apr 27 - back yard composting
- May 25 - planning for seed saving
- Jun 22 - weed management
- Jul 27 - insect and disease management
- Aug 24 - seed saving



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