

ODAWA TRAILS



HUNDREDS PARTICIPATE IN FLINT'S INTERTRIBAL WATER CEREMONY

By Levi Rickert

Editor's note: The following article appeared on *Native News Online* on April 16, 2016 and is reprinted here with permission.

With Flint (Michigan) garnering national attention for its lead-contaminated drinking water system, some 400 American Indians and First Nations people gathered along the banks of the Flint River on Saturday (April 16, 2016) for what was dubbed an international and intertribal water ceremony. People represented various tribes from the Great Lakes region and First Nations in Canada.

Photographs were banned for the vast majority of the water ceremony. During the water ceremony, prayers were offered with pipes, and water was blessed and given to participants. The water that was blessed came from participants who were asked to bring drinking water from where they live.

The water ceremony was conducted under blue skies

with the temperature in the mid-70s in this industrial city along the banks of a heavily contaminated water flowing in the Flint River.

There was little said about the political side of how or why Flint's drinking water system became contaminated with lead because of inept government officials. Instead, various elders from the Great Lakes spoke of the importance of sacredness of water and how it is important to think about seven generations when making decisions about water.

"One of the biggest problems we have had with the Great Lakes is there is so much fresh water around, people don't worry about it until something like this happens," stated Frank Ettawageshik (Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians), a traditional pipe carrier and the Executive Director of the United Tribes of Michigan, who lives in Harbor Springs, Michigan. "Not only has this impacted the drinking water for humans, but it has affected water pets drink and water to bathe. Water has a spirit just like man."

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INDIAN CHILD DRAMA IN CALIFORNIA ECHOES OF THE "BABY VERONICA" FIGHT

By Suzette Brewer

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What may be the most significant and dramatic Native-oriented custody battle since the Supreme Court decided the "Baby Veronica" case in 2013 burst onto the national scene and into international headlines last week.



The dispute—which involves two foster parents, the 6-year-old daughter of her Choctaw biological father, and the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma—could have profound implications on public perception of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA).

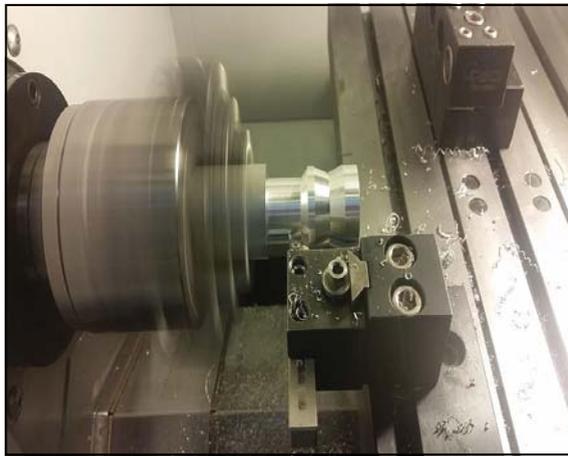
The storm broke at the home of the foster couple, Summer and Russell Page of Santa Clarita, California, on March 21. That morning, social workers from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) arrived to pick up the girl, known as "Lexi."

The couple was holding Lexi despite a court order that she be returned to relatives and repeated legal reminders that the child was "never up for adoption." The Pages were supposed to facilitate a

"Indian Child Drama" continued on page 26.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN MANUFACTURING NEEDS SURVEY - JANUARY 2016

By Shiloh Guarisco, MSA and Pamela Miller, PhD. with contributions from Angie Ross



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT: CNC OPERATORS

Manufacturers in Northern Michigan from Charlevoix, Cheboygan, Emmet and Otsego counties were recently asked to participate in a survey to provide local labor insight into the technical and employability skill requirements for CNC Operators and to guide current and future workforce development efforts.

SUMMARY

Area manufacturers were asked to participate in an online survey developed by North Central Michigan College, in partnership with Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians under the support of the SEEDS project. The survey was sent to 29 organizations and some of the key takeaways from the survey responses include the following:

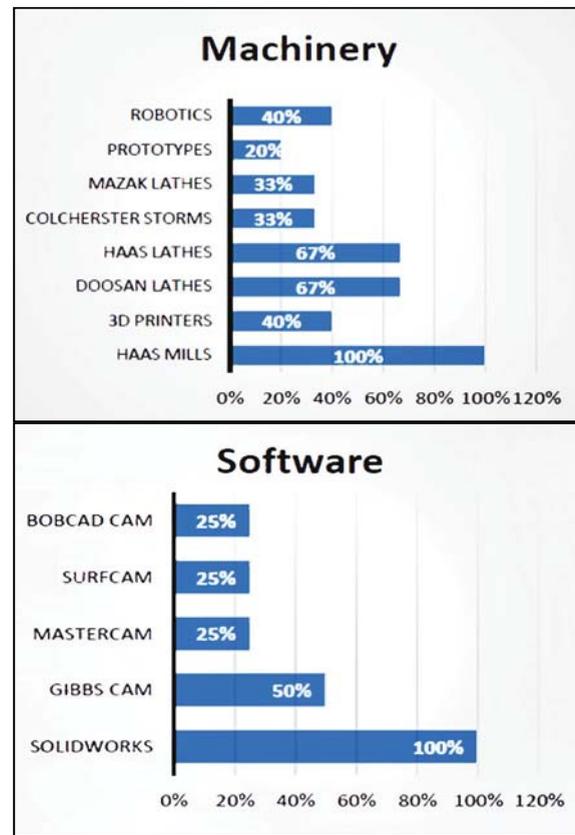
- Open positions often go unfilled or remain open for quite some time as employers await skilled, dependable candidates.
- Respondents indicated the need for employees who are trained in tooling, shop math and blueprint reading, as well shop safety and CNC machining and programming.
- Skills training desired for current employees

mirrored those employers are seeking in new hires, which indicates an unmet need for on-the-job training.

- Employers indicated that the best time to train staff is during the fall and winter months and many offer tuition reimbursement and/or flex time for training.

MACHINERY & SOFTWARE

While a wide assortment of machinery and software is utilized in the manufacturing industry in Northern Michigan, some stand out more than others. All participants indicated utilizing Haas Mills and Solidworks; none indicated utilization of Mori Seiki or Mazak machinery nor SolidCam or Parts-maker software.



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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 4-25-2016 = 4,565

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242-1480	242-1508
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Amber Holt	<u>Tribal Prosecutor's Office</u>
242-1400	Celestine Petoskey, Office Manager
<u>Health Department</u>	242-1475
242-1611	<u>Youth Services Department</u>
Health Clinic	242-1593
242-1700	
Health	
242-1600	
Community Health (Transportation)	
242-1616	

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

Dbendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aaw'ing. Geyaabi gdaa'ana miinawa gda'nwemi. Anishnaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing dbendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwa wiimnaadendziwin. Gdabendaanaa dbendziwin kina gwaya Odawak nasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakniewinan, maadziwin miinwa mnidoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaanijik debendamowaad. Maanda dbendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, gaanamaajidona niigaan ezhi bezhigoyiing, kinomaadwin, dbakinigewin, giigidowin miinwa naakinigewin. Gaazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabii'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaaadziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendmowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwa debwewin. Ganakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishiabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

Contact ODAWA TRAILS Information



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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 June 2016 issue of *Odawa Trails* is May 9, 2016.

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 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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May Elders Birthdays

May 1

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Elisabeth Kiogima
Patricia Minor
George Pamp
Sharon Sierzputowski

May 11

Catherine Anderson
Bartholomew Gasco
Eric Hunting
William Noack

May 22

Dorothy Boda
Shirley Davenport
Desiree Martinez
Ruth McGraw
Lucile Rich

May 3

Alvin Degraff
Robert Lasley
Barry Laughlin
Luella Moore
Philip Notari
Mary Powell
Ardene Romer

May 12

Darrel Hardwick
Stanley Kott
Norman Leo
Michael McKeown
Theodore Sineway
Kevin Willis
Katrina Woodworth

May 23

Duane Laughlin
Donna Newton
Cheryl Samuels
Brenda Schoolcraft
Charles Sessions
Diane Trafas

May 4

Laura Blumberg
Debra Godfrey
Mary Keshick
Jerry Stromske

May 13

Laura Lonchar
Della Petoskey

May 24

Mildred LaDuke
Christine Shomin

May 14

Shirley Chippewa
Patricia Johnson
Gloria Miller

May 25

Sheree Gamble
Susie Searles

May 5

Valerie Biro
Theodore Dayson
Rochell Lang
Veronica Lundin
Joseph Petoskey, Sr.

May 15

Elizabeth Jordan
Marilyn Napont
Melvin Napont

May 26

Patricia Szewko

May 16

Eileen Dennis
Angela Hayden
Geraldine Masse

May 27

Jannan Cornstalk
Angela Friend
Gregory Gasco
George Honson III
Bernard Hunting
John Keshick III
Joyce McClellan
Gary Rieter
Rose Silvey

May 6

Judith Black Feather
Dale Glazier
Sara Kagabitang
Robin Martell
Kathleen Shagonaby
Nancy Wanshon

May 17

Susan Allen
John Bott, Sr.
Douglas Kildee
Timothy Petoskey
Judith Sandoz
David Sky-Eagle
James Weissgerber

May 28

Jennie Chamness
Catherine Merryman
Robert Ramage
Robert Suhr
Dwain Walker

May 7

Shirley Firovich
Brenda Ybarrondo

May 18

Gregory Bernard
Christine Miles
Joseph Parkey
Steven Potter

May 29

Andrew Chingman, Sr.
Stephanie Willemstein

May 8

Marie Deckrow
Reginald Dodge, Jr.
Charles Honson, Jr.
Robert Parkey
Mary Rivers
Anna Stead
Donna Vanpelt
Regina Warnke

May 19

Mary Shananaquet

May 30

Jacquelyn Connelly
Ramona Curtis
Janice Garbisch

May 9

Barbara Dayson
Dehra Robertson
David Shananaquet
Ronald Willis, Sr.
Charles Zehe

May 20

Elizabeth Johnson
Marie Nowak
Owen Smith, Sr.

May 31

Veronica Medicine
Cynthia Schuyler
Debra Smithkey-Browne
Vernetta Wachsman
Cheryl Wafer

May 10

Kathleen Deane

Lawrence Skippergosh

2016 Annual LTBB Community Meeting

Date: May 21, 2016

Time: 8 AM Registration, 9 AM - 4:30 PM Meeting
8 AM-Noon Executive Departments' Information
Booths and Vendors

Where: Ovation Hall, Odawa Casino - Petoskey, MI

For more information or suggestions, please contact Annual Meeting Speaker Emily Proctor at proct64@yahoo.com

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unable to attend the LTBB Annual Meeting, join us via Adobe Connect. We will be live-streaming the Annual Meeting at:
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/AM2013>

We will be gathering questions before the Annual Meeting, please post questions on the LTBB website, Citizens Only Portal:
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Shyana Age - 11

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DETAILS
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 The course covers basic welding safety, SMAW processes, GMAW (short circuit), Plasma Arc cutting, and Oxy Fuel cutting. Students will also get a personalized tour of Moran Iron Works.
 On the final day of the Industrial Arts Institute, parents are invited to the last hour of class for a show and tell of their student's accomplishments from the week.

TRANSPORTATION
 Transportation will be provided from Alanson, Boyne City and Pellston Public Schools.
 Departure/return times are:
 Boyne City - Departure 7:00 a.m. / Return 4:30 p.m.
 Pellston - Departure 7:30 a.m. / Return 4:45 p.m.
 Alanson - Departure 7:45 a.m. / Return 4:30 p.m.

COST
 \$60 (includes breakfast, lunch, shirt, and take home project)

QUESTIONS?
 Contact Tory Thrush at 231.582.8070 or thrush@charemisd.org

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TO PURCHASE TICKETS,
 At the LTBB Government Center: contact Beverly Wemigwase at the Front Desk or Gwen Gasco in the LTBB Language Department
 At the LTBB Health Park, contact Mary Gasco in the LTBB Community Health Department
 If you would like to purchase tickets but cannot make it to the events or buildings where they are being sold, please email the Board at: tribalburialinc@gmail.com and purchasing arrangements can be made.

Proceeds go toward the Building Fund of Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc. A non-profit corporation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

ODAAWEGAMIGONHS

FARMERS MARKET
 Saturday, June 25
 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.
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LTBB is looking forward to the 2016 Farmers Market season. We will be having the Farmers Market every Saturday starting June 25 through September 17, 2016. We are allowing local fruits, vegetables and homemade arts & crafts. We ask our vendors be the grower and/or the artist. We will be asking for donations from your booth in lieu of cash as payment to participate in the LTBB Farmers Market.

For more information, please contact
 Bill Jo Head at 231-242-1648 or bjhead@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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://tinyurl.com/lbtbtaxagr>

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@lbtbbodawa-nsn.gov.

ATTENTION TRIBAL BUSINESSES/ENTREPRENEURS!

If you would like to be on the tribal governmental vendor list for providing goods or services to the LTBB government, please contact Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439 or mszocinski@lbtbbodawa-nsn.gov. Please be prepared to provide the following information: Name, contact information, good/services you are providing and any additional information as required. Supporting our tribal businesses is our preference. Chi Miigwech!

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.

NEW LTBB I.D. CARDS

Tribal identification cards now have a hologram. This is an added security feature to eliminate duplication. We are phasing out the old cards. Once your Tribal identification card has expired, you will be issued the new hologram card along with a replacement fee of \$10. Replacement cost includes: address change, lost card, expired cards and minors turning 21. There will be no fee charged for: elders (55 and up), first time picture identification card, name change, defective card, faded or cracked (must bring card to office).

For more information, please contact: Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520

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 be used by the Grants Department.

Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council ATTENDANCE LOG



Regina Gasco-Bentley
Aaron Otto
Marcella Reyes
Frank Bernard
David Harrington
Beatrice A. Law
Dexter McNamara
Michael Naganashe
Julie Shananaquet

DATE	March 2016								
03/01/16	Tribal Council Regular Work Session			X	X	X	X	X	X
03/03/16	Tribal Council Regular Meeting		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
03/07/16	Ethics Committee Meeting				X	X	X		X
03/08/16	Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting		X	X		X	X		X
03/09/16	Reservation Restoration Hearing Kalamazoo MI		X			X			
03/11/16	Land and Reservation Committee Meeting			X	X	X			X
03/15/16	Tribal Council Regular Work Session		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
03/17/16	Tribal Council Regular Meeting		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
03/21/16	Water Quality Work Group					X			
03/29/16	"Warrior Lawyers" Documentary Interview					X			

*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule

Item	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards	\$10
A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to Elders.	
Tribal Directory	\$5
Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/28/2013 Published every 4 years.	
Tribal Directory Labels	\$5
Requestor must provide labels.	
LTBB List	\$5
The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	
Photocopies of Enrollment file	\$1 each
\$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	
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.
 - o Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box.
 - o Minors require notarization annually.
- > 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.

ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

PUBLICATION NOTICE

In accordance with WOS #2006-001, notice is hereby given that a petition has been filed, LTBB of Odawa Indians Tribal Court Case No: NC-007-0116, and Tribal Court ordered Chris Joan Peariso has legally changed her name to Christine Joan Wemigwase. This notice will be published in the *Odawa Trails* newsletter for two consecutive months and in the *Odawa Register* on the LTBB website.

Date: March 4, 2016

ALL ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORMS DUE OCTOBER 31, 2016

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before OCTOBER 31, 2016. Faxed copies are not acceptable and will not be processed. The Address Verification form must contain the original signature. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship

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

Minors who turn 18 by OCTOBER 31, 2016 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form must be returned by OCTOBER 31, 2016.

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

Moving?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

ELDERS DEPARTMENT

Little Traverse Bay Bands
of Odawa Indians - Elders Department
7500 Odawa Circle,
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Ph: 231-242-1422 or 231-242-1423
Fax: 231-242-1430
Current Year: 2016

Aanii Tribal Elder,

This letter is to provide you with information about the Food and Utility Reimbursement program. An Elder is defined as 55 years of age or older by December 31, 2016. Eligibility for this program is based solely on meeting low income requirements. If income requirements are met and *all* requested documents are turned in to the Elders Department by the deadline, you may be able to receive a check up to \$400. *The deadline to submit your application and receipts is November 30, 2016. Please read this letter all the way through before sending receipts.*

Step One. Application materials:

1. Fill out the 2016 application included with this letter.

2. Send in a combination of *paid 2016 grocery receipts and utility bills* that total up to \$400. The \$400 reimbursement can be distributed entirely for utility bills, or entirely for grocery receipts, or for any combination of the two that totals up to \$400. **Total reimbursement will NOT exceed \$400 per applicant.**

- Grocery items allowed: those paid in 2016 that concern food grocery toiletries; toilet paper, Kleenex, paper towel and household cleaners only

- Grocery items not allowed: pet supplies, tobacco products or alcohol. Utility bills allowed; those paid in 2016 that concern heating, electric, water, and trash removal.

- Utility bills not allowed; cell phone, cable, satellite or internet.

3. **Hand written receipts, cancelled checks or money order receipts will NOT be accepted. Reimbursement will NOT be provided for food stamps.**

Step two: How to complete application:

1. Complete and sign the application.

2. Double check grocery receipts and utility bills sent in have already been paid and are only for items approved in the list above.

3. Mail to above address or drop off at the office.

Step three: How your application is processed:

** Please note this process takes about four weeks.*

1. When we receive your application, it is stamped with the date it arrives.

2. We review the application to make sure it's complete with signature and add up the grocery receipts and utility receipts.

3. If application and receipts are complete, a check request will be submitted to LTBB Accounting Department.

4. LTBB Accounting Department will mail your check.

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Elder Department Staff

231-242-1423

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Elders Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Ph: 231-242-1423



Food & Utility Reimbursement Application

January 5, 2016

Please **print** the following information:

Tribal Enrollment Number: _____

Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Please remember to include original utility & grocery receipts for current calendar year**

For office use only, please do not write in this section.

Utility Total: _____

Grocery Total: _____

Current year 2016

LTBB ELECTION BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

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Cell 616-206-6482

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E-mail: jonnycadillac11@gmail.com

Alice Hughes, Board Member

Phone: 231-838-9833

E-mail: Alicehughes832@yahoo.com

LTBB TRIBAL DIRECTORIES

LTBB tribal directories are available for sale in the Enrollment Office. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled as of February 28, 2013, 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.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of
Odawa Indians
Tribal Election Board

2016 Special Elections
"Meet the Candidates Forums"

Saturday, May 14, 2016 - 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.

Saturday, July 9, 2016 - 10 A.M. To 4 P.M.

LTBB Governmental Center
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, Michigan

Livestream Address

<http://Connect.Ltbbodawa-Nsn.Gov/Election>

NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



LTBB Tribal Citizen Ken Harrington is pictured with the salmon he caught recently while spear fishing. Courtesy photo.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Garcia Medicine went spear fishing for the first time recently and caught this salmon. Courtesy photo.

HELP PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES
1-855-NRD-TIPS
 TOLL FREE 1-855-673-8477

Please provide any information related to the tip which may include date, time, subject or vehicle description, nature of the incident, and location (Example: nearest crossroad). It is ok if you wish to remain anonymous. All tips are investigated in a timely manner.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Commission is looking for LTBB tribal citizens with an interest in Great Lakes Commercial Gill Net Fishing

The LTBB Commercial Small Boat Apprentice Program is designed to provide eligible LTBB tribal citizens with an opportunity to learn the trade of commercial fishing from an experienced LTBB Great Lakes Commercial Fishing Captain

For more information on eligibility and requirements, please stop in or contact the LTBB Natural Resources Department

7845 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740
 231-242-1670
 dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

By Heather Boening, Social Services Program Manager

May is National Foster Care Month and the Little Traverse Bay Bands Department of Human Services would like to extend a huge, heartfelt thank you to our past and present foster homes. These families have opened their hearts and homes to our children in times of crisis. It is because of the willingness of a few that we have been able to keep our youth in the community when out-of-home placement is necessary. This has assisted with reunification efforts, consistency (i.e. remaining in same city/town, schools, etc.) and familiarity (i.e. placement with family or community member). Chi-miigwech for everything you have done to

protect our most precious resource, our youth.

Did you know the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians licenses its own foster homes? LTBB adopted regulations to issue and monitor foster care licenses in 2009 (WOS 2009-013). Because of this, the Department of Human Services fields inquiries, completes home assessments and studies of interested families and maintains the tribe's foster care files. This includes annual home visits and criminal background checks and coordination with the Child Welfare Commission.

If you or someone you know are interested in learning more about what it takes to become a foster home, please contact the Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620 for more information.

DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE LTBB U.S.D.A. FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you!
 Call Monday - Friday
 8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.

*food distribution varies depending on availability

IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE POLICY, THIS INSTITUTION IS PROHIBITED FROM DISCRIMINATING ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, RELIGION, POLITICAL BELIEFS, OR DISABILITY. TO FILE A COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION, WRITE USDA, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS, ROOM 326-W, WHITTEN BUILDING 1400 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.W. WASHINGTON D.C. 20250-9410, OR CALL (202) 702-5964 (VOICE AND TDD). USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.

MAY 2016 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution: 9th - 13th from 9am - 3pm
 Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week
 828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto

Deliveries:
 Local, 4th and 6th
 Out of Town, 17th, 18th and 20th

For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine at 231-347-2573

SEEKING: FOSTER HOMES

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Human Services is searching for foster homes!

If you, or someone you know, have the time and desire to become a foster parent for our youth, please contact the LTBB Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620

A great performance for your taste buds

Make your mouth hum

Crunchy Carrots and ranch dressing
From the Snack Bar!

WOCTEP
 Winter Semester 2016
 Open Lab hours

Monday 1 pm - 2:30 pm
 Tuesday 9 am - 5 pm
 Wednesday 9 am - 5 pm
 Thursday 9 am - 5 pm
 Friday 9 am - 5 pm

Waganakising Odawa Career Technical Education Program
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Area Pantry Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5 :45pm
7489 Mission Road, Alanson
231-548-5462

Liberty Baptist Church - call for pantry services
7247 South US 31, Alanson
231-548-5836

Church of Christ - 1st & 3rd Sun 12:30-1:30pm
1727 Anderson Road, Petoskey
231-437-0210

Bay Shore Pantry - 2nd & 4th Tue 12-3pm
06072 US 31 North, Bay Shore
231-347-3618

The Manna Pantry - Tue 9am-12pm; call for emergencies -
8791 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs 231-347-8852

Harbor Springs Community - Mon 9:30am-12pm -
150 West Main (enter through double doors on 3rd Street),
Harbor Springs 231-526-2414

Pellston Area Food Pantry - Wed 5:30-6:30pm -
161 Highway 31, Pellston 231-539-8570

First Christian Church - Wed 9am-12pm
308 Monroe, Petoskey 231-347-6181

Salvation Army - Mon - Fri 9am-12pm
712 Pleasant Street, Petoskey
231-347-3531

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 9am-12pm;
call for emergencies - 415 State Street,
Petoskey 231-347-7423

Cross of Christ Church - 2nd Thu 5-7pm;
4th Thu 9-11am - **Paper pantry only**
1450 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey
231-347-5440

Northern Michigan **Diaper Pantry** - 1st & 3rd
Fri 9:30am-11:30am - 8781 McBride Park Court,
Harbor Springs (bldg. next to Manna)

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City Community - 1st Mon 10am-12pm & 3rd Mon 5-7pm -
401 State Street, Boyne City 231-582-2551

Boyne Valley Pantry - Thu 2-5pm
3031 Main Street, Boyne Falls
231-549-2230

Seventh Day Adventist - Mon 6-8pm, Wed 10am-12pm -
326 Park Street, Boyne City 231-582-0151

Bible Baptist Church - 1st & 3rd Thu 6-7pm;
call for emergencies - 05855 M-66 North,
Charlevoix 231-547-4300

Charlevoix Community - Mon and Thu 10am-12pm;
last Sat 10-11am - 101 State Street,
Charlevoix 231-547-9122

Care & Share - Tue 3-6pm; Thu 9am-12pm -
205 Water Street, East Jordan
231-536-7423

Third Day Fellowship - Mon 2:30pm and 6:30pm -
1204 Bridge Street, Charlevoix
231-547-8040

Walloon Lake Community - 2nd & 4th Tue 5:00-6:15pm -
4320 M-75, Walloon Lake
231-535-2288

ANTRIM COUNTY

Bellaire Community Pantry - Mon 1-5pm & Thu 10am-5pm -
205 Broad Street, Bellaire 231-533-8973

Good Samaritan - Tue 10am-7pm, Wed, Thu, Fri 10am-4pm,
Sat 10am-2pm 9746 Main Street, Ellsworth
231-588-2208

Antrim County Baby Pantry - 2nd & 4th Thu 12:30-4pm -
209 Jefferson Street, Mancelona 231-584-8401

Community Lighthouse - Tue & Thu 9am-5pm -
430 West State Street, Mancelona
231-587-9967

Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-4pm -
200 Maple, Mancelona 231-587-9606

Area Soup Kitchen Schedule

EMMET COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church - Thu & Sun 12-1pm -
501 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey 231-347-4793

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 12-1pm
415 State Street, Petoskey
231-347-7423

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5 :45pm
7489 Mission Road, Alanson
231-548-5462

CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Community Church of God - Mon & Thu 11am-1pm -
202 West Hurlbut, Charlevoix
231-547-2875

ANTRIM COUNTY

Good Samaritan - Thu at 12pm
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth
231-588-2208

SECTION 184 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM



- * Low Monthly Payment
- * Flexible Underwriting
- * Low Interest Rates
- * NO Monthly Mortgage Insurance

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR:

- * Acquisition of existing housing
- * Rehabilitation of existing housing
- * Construction of new housing, including manufactured housing affixed to a permanent foundation

REFINANCING IS BACK!!! Includes rate and term, streamline, cash out
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE LTBB HOUSING DEPT at 231-242-1540.



HOUSING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

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

Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used ONE TIME ONLY, and the rent requested must be affordable and can NOT exceed 35% of the household gross 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 \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

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 Rental Housing Program: The LTBB Housing Department offers 29 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families.

Assistance may include the following:
Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance ~ Assistance with Personal Protection Orders ~ Problem Solving and Safety Planning ~ Emergency Food Vouchers ~ Advocacy and Referrals ~ Court Accompaniment ~ Relocation Assistance ~ Clothing / Toiletries

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers 1-800-275-1995.

"THIS DOCUMENT WAS DEVELOPED BY THE LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES SUPPORTED BY GRANT NO. 2012-TW-AX-0034 AWARDED BY THE OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THE OPINIONS, FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS EXPRESSED IN THIS PUBLICATION/PROGRAM/EXHIBITION ARE THOSE OF THE AUTHOR(S) AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN."

NO MORE

No MORE excuses. No MORE silence. No MORE violence

- KNOW RESPECT
Mnaadendmowin - Be respectful
- SHOW LOVE
Zaagidwin - Be caring
- BE HONEST
Gwekwaadwin - Be truthful

- The 7 Grandfather Teachings
- LOVE
 - RESPECT
 - COURAGE
 - HONESTY
 - WISDOM
 - HUMILITY
 - TRUTH



Get involved! Support survivors.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Call Monday-Friday: (231) 242-1620
Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan
24-Hour Crisis and Information Lines: (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995



Al-Anon Family Groups
Strength and hope for friends and families of problem drinkers

Al-Anon Meetings

LTBB Health Park, every Wednesday 7-8 pm

Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

There is no magic formula that enables you to help someone stop - or cut back - on his or her drinking. Alcoholism is a complex problem with many related issues. But, Al-Anon can help you learn how to cope with the challenges of someone else's drinking. Come ask questions, share or just listen.

231-675-7044 www.miafg.org

child care

ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!

We invite the tribal community to contact us for more details!
Human Services Department - 231-242-1620

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MNOZHIIYAA ROTOTILLER LOAN PROGRAM

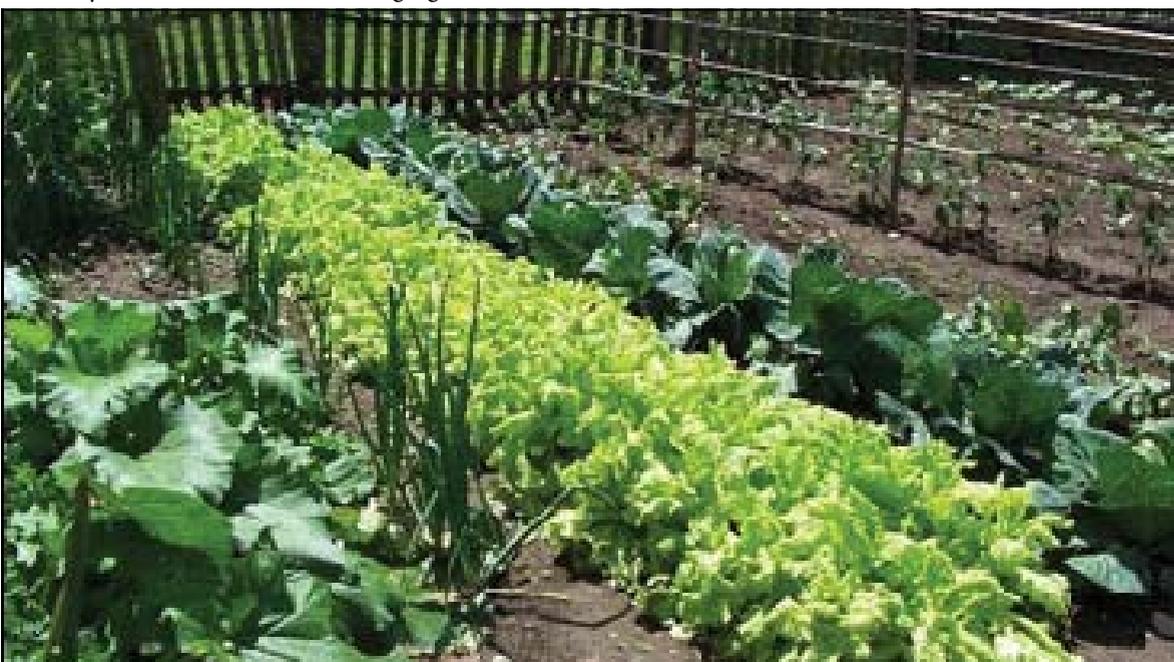
The Community Health Department has two rototillers available to borrow. May is prime time to work up your garden and get ready for a season of fresh, backyard vegetables! The borrower is responsible for all transportation.

If you are interested in arranging to borrow

one of them, please contact Community Health at 231-242-1601.

For more information, contact Regina Brubaker-Carver at 231-242-1664.

Courtesy photo.



It is time to start thinking about the 2016 growing season and Ziibimijwang, Inc. has some exciting news about the farm!



Ziibimijwang, Inc. would like to offer the community a plot of land, determined by your family size, for a growing opportunity at the farm. We are following organic standards on the farm, and those standards would have to be followed by the public also. There will be some guidelines and requirements in an agreement that will have to be signed prior to planting. Send letters of inquiry to: Ziibimijwang, Inc., P.O. Box 220, Conway, MI 49722. **We will be available at the Community Meeting with more information.** Look for more information in future issues of the *Odawa Trails*.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid (Maj-tog Minowb-maude-zid) Means "A Start of a Healthy Life"

We are working towards providing services and information that will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach all families who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both parent and newborn up to the age of five years.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, but not replace obstetrical and pediatric medical care. In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and after pregnancy. We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan.

For more information on Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call Carol J. Sodman-Morris, Maternal Nurse Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-242-1614 or Ashley Dominic, Health Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-838-5761.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Mina Mskiki Gumik
Health Department

ROTOTILLER LOAN AGREEMENT, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND LIABILITY WAIVER

I, _____ (print name) (Borrower), am voluntarily borrowing and utilizing a rototiller and/or trailer (check one or both) (Equipment), from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Mina Mskiki Gumik (a.k.a. Health Department) under the following terms and conditions:

1. The Borrower will return the Equipment by Date: _____, Time: _____;
2. The Borrower will cover the cost of fuel to run the rototiller;
3. The Borrower is responsible and will reimburse the Health Department for any loss or damage to the Equipment that may occur while in the Borrower's possession;
4. The Borrower is voluntarily utilizing the Equipment, and assumes full responsibility for its proper usage. The Borrower understands that failure to properly use the Equipment may result in injury, and that injury is possible even when the Equipment is properly used. The Borrower releases the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, its Health Department, all physicians, employees, elected and appointed officials, contractors, and other agents of the Tribe from any and all liability in connection with the borrowing and use of the Equipment, and understands that all of these persons and entities are immune from suit.

The undersigned have carefully read, understood, and fully agree to these terms.

Date : _____ (signature): _____

(print name): _____, Borrower

Date : _____ (signature): _____

(print name): _____
Mina Mskiki Gumik Health Director or Designee

WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help. Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get a free well and septic system or replace your current system. Please be aware it takes approximately 3 to 4 months to gain federal approval of your application.

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

Laugh, Learn and Live Well Series
Tribal Citizens making
multi-purpose baking mix

Photos by
 Wendy
 Congdon



Laugh, Learn and Live Well



When: May 3 from 5-8 pm
 Location: Waasnodegamik,
 5656 Appishmok Blvd.,
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740
 (Community Center off
 State Road)

We will be making teacup birdfeeders. Please bring your own cup and saucer; spoon will be provided.

Stress, social isolation and loss of community can all contribute to diabetes, a major health concern for Anishinaabe. Come join us as we laugh, learn and create community.

Each session will be limited to 25 attendees. To register for the event or for more information, please contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.



29th Annual
Michigan Indian
Family Olympics

Save the Date
Friday, July 22, 2016

For more information, please contact: Jaden Harman at 989.775.4694

*This event is open to all Native Americans and their family members. **This is a drug, smoking and alcohol free event.



Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
 "Working Together for Our Future"

7070 E. Broadway
 Mount Pleasant, MI 48858
 989-775-4600
 www.sagchip.org

WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW ABOUT

MARIJUANA

A QUICK GUIDE TO FAST FACTS

1 IN 6
 teens who use marijuana become addicted. (NIDA)

10 DROPS = 8 POINTS!
CHECK THEIR BRAIN
 Marijuana affects the developing brain leading to an average of 8 point decrease in IQ in adults who used marijuana as teens. (NIDA)

10X THE POTENCY!
 Edibles such as cookies and chocolates made from THC concentrates are typically ten times more potent than traditional joints (Poison Control Center)

PERCEPTION OF HARM ↓
MARIJUANA USE ↑
 As perception of harm decreases, teen marijuana use increases. (Monitoring the Future Survey)

SHORT-TERM MEMORY
 Marijuana can cause short-term memory problems which can last for days or weeks. (NIDA)

EASY TO CONCEAL
 Marijuana concentrates (Butane Hash Oil) can be odorless and used in vaporizing pens.

SCHOOL PERFORMANCE
 A teen that uses marijuana is much more likely to report failing grades. (SAMHSA)

MAKE NO MISTAKE.. IT'S STILL A DANGEROUS DRUG.
 Important medical organizations recognize that marijuana is not a safe drug and its use endangers our children/teens.
 These include:
 The American Medical Association
 The American Academy of Pediatrics
 The American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

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For more information on these issues please contact the Michigan Prevention Association Advocacy Committee Chairperson, April Demers at 1-734-637-6485 or aprildemers@gmail.com. www.michiganpreventionassociation.org

IN COOPERATION WITH
 MONROE COUNTY
SUBSTANCE ABUSE
 COALITION

MICHIGAN PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

LTBB
OFFICE OF CITIZENS
LEGAL ASSISTANCE

The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

- ❖ Family Law
 - Divorce
 - Child Custody
 - Child Support
 - Guardianships
 - Parentage/Paternity
- ❖ Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act
- ❖ Setting Aside a Conviction
- ❖ Driver License Restoration
- ❖ Estate Planning
 - Wills
 - Health Care Directives
 - Powers of Attorney
- ❖ Probate
- ❖ Landlord/Tenant
 - Evictions
 - Tenant Rights
- ❖ Consumer
 - Debt Collection

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments, Please call Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm
231-242-1433

Free Legal Help
for Low-Income Native Americans

Michigan Indian Legal Services may be able to help you with your legal issue. MILS Attorneys can handle the following types of cases in Tribal Court:

- ◆ Child Welfare
- ◆ Juvenile Delinquency
- ◆ Eviction
- ◆ Criminal Defense
- ◆ ICWA-MIFPA Appellate Cases*
- ◆ Guardianship*
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GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

ANISHINAABEMOWIN IS ALIVE

By Matt Mikus

Editor's note: The following article appeared in the *Petoskey News-Review* on April 1, 2016 and is reprinted here with permission.

It's a language that existed long before any European settlers came to Michigan, and over generations has begun to fade. But, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians have pushed to preserve and restore the language of Anishinaabemowin.

In Northern Michigan, very few native Anishinaabemowin speakers are still alive, said Carla Osawamick, the director of the tribe's language department.

To help preserve it, the language department records conversations and discussions with tribal elders who still speak Anishinaabemowin. Plus, many Native tribes in Michigan hire teachers from Canada to help teach classes in local schools.

A program for young children to learn is offered through Head Start at Pellston, MI. Osawamick added Harbor Springs High School has offered a class for eight years and Petoskey High School started providing the class in 2014.

A course is also offered at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI, and high school students can earn dual enrollment credit while learning the language of the Anishinaabe.

There are also immersion sessions and community classes for those who want to pick up the language.

"There is a lot of work to be done in revitalization. We don't have quite all the resources that we need to accomplish what could be and should be done in the community. So, we've tried to address different areas to at least get something done, get some progress in preservation," Osawamick said.

Anishinaabemowin is mainly a spoken language, so efforts to preserve the language include creating a written aspect to the language as well. Osawamick said efforts to create a written element is relatively new, which leads to occasional differences in spelling throughout the area the language is spoken.

The staff of the language department traveled



this weekend to Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada to attend an annual conference that shares workshops on the culture and immersion in the language as well as ways to build language curriculum.

The conference also allows the most skilled speakers of Anishinaabemowin to help create new words as the need arises for today's society.

"So, an example would be what word would you use for cell phone? So, different elders might explain where it is they came up with that word and why," Osawamick said.

Osawamick said the conference offers them a chance to come to a place where so many first speakers provide inspiration forward with the revitalization efforts.

"I think people need to step back and remember how many generations it took to get where we're at. We have to understand that it's a long-term process. Are we moving forward? Definitely. As fast as we'd like to see? Maybe not, but definitely moving in the right direction," she said.

Osawamick said they hope that over time, a bilingual sub-community could begin to grow in Northern Michigan where tribal members and the surrounding areas can speak both in English and Anishinaabemowin.

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LTBB GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT STAFF, LANGUAGE TEACHER-TRAINEES AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS ATTEND ANNUAL ANISHINAABEMOWIN TEG LANGUAGE CONFERENCE

By Carla Osawamick, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Director

The Anishinaabemowin Teg 22nd Annual Language (Ateg) Conference was held Thursday, March 31, 2016 through Sunday, April 3, 2016. This year, it was held in Ontario, on the Canadian side of Sault Ste. Marie.

The staff from the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department attended as well as the five



language teacher-trainees from our KAP Project and a few community members.

As always, the conference was well attended with great presenters and many workshops to choose from.

The theme this year was "Anishinaabe Manidoowaadiziwin" meaning "the spiritual Anishinaabe way."

Four special elders presented on the four elements: Gordon Waindubence (Aki, Earth), Marlene Stately (Noodin, Wind), Josephine Mandamin (Nibi, Water) and Eddie Benton Benai (Shkode, Fire).

Many presenters modeled teaching methods and various activities to use with language learners.

George Trudeau, LTBB's Project Instructor, played keyboard with fellow musicians during evening socials, and the floor was full of people dancing or jigging as they call it.

The Ateg Conference was full of people speaking "A Teg" continued on page 12.

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ing Anishinaabemowin and sharing cultural teachings.

The conference is tentatively scheduled to be held in Michigan next year, and we're already looking forward to it.

Comments about the conference from the teacher-trainees and program instructor:

Aanii kina gwaya,

This year was my third time attending Anishinaabemowin-teg Conference. The last time I attended was about seven years ago. Going to the conference as an individual is an experience within itself, but this year was very different for me. This year, I brought my fiancé, Kody Kiogima, and our seven month old daughter, Khaleesi, for their first conference.

Now that I'm a little older and have a family of my own, I grasp the importance of learning, speaking and teaching Anishinaabemowin for our future generations. Our language holds the key of who we are as Anishinaabek. If we lose our language, we lose ourselves.



U n l i k e past years, I specifically went to the presentations where Anishinaabemowin was being spoken even though I only understand so much. I did so since I'm a language learner. I need to hear the way it is

spoken, and because I wanted my family to hear how it is spoken. So far, my family only hears my attempts at speaking. Seeing other families and young kids at the conference has given me hope that someday Anishinaabemowin will be spoken in our home and the homes of our fellow Anishinaabek again.

Lastly, for anyone who has children and are interested in going to the conference, take your children with you. Let your family share in the experience. This year, there were programs for teens and elementary aged kids. If you're like me and have an infant, I still encourage you to go. Let them hear our language. And maybe one day, Anishinaabemowin will be spoken in your family's home, too.

Miigwech Cheyenne Worthington

Aanii kina gwaya,

We, the teacher trainees and the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department, traveled to the 22nd Annual Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference. The message, aside from learning to speak Anishinaabemowin, was to teach our children with whatever resources we have to do so.

The conference was bittersweet for me. The sweet was hearing our beautiful Anishinaabemowin flowing off the tongues of many, and feeling encouraged to keep learning. Hearing there are as few as 5, 10 or 40 fluent speakers left in communities where

I thought there were more speakers was very disheartening.

T h e r e were many fluent speakers, teachers and second language learners looking for answers, giving suggestions to one another at workshops and in passing

conversation as to what might work to keep Anishinaabemowin alive. The realization is, we die if Anishinaabemowin dies. The responsibility is ours, not our neighbors. We as fathers, mothers, grandparents, relatives and friends must create opportunities for children to hear and speak Anishinaabemowin.

The 22nd Annual Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference opened my eyes to the many issues and struggles communities are facing. Wagakising Odawak are not alone in our endeavor to learn, teach and secure our future generations are

first language speakers.

Baamaapii Kawaabimin, Cathy "Kaatnii" Gibson

This year's A-teg Conference was the best in years. In all the workshops I attended, there was at least some language spoken. Gordon Waindubence from Wikwemikong spoke elegantly in Anishinaabemowin only. I loved hearing the sound of his voice, reminding me very much of my late grand-



pa, Sam Keway. Other workshops I attended fed my spirit as well. In reminiscing, the utmost important thing each one of us must do is "learn our language." With as many elders passing back into spirit as new ones being born, it is critical that we seek them out now not later for their gifts of knowledge and wisdom. Our future generations are depending on us.

By Dollie Keway

As you might imagine, because I have been chosen to be in the ANA Teacher Training this year through our LTBB Gijigowi Department, I have been looking forward to the Anishinaabemowin Teg Conference 2016. I was not disappointed. This year in Ontario, the conference had its challenges due to the smaller space, but the content of the workshops was even more meaningful because of my current language training. The focus seemed to have more language listening opportunity than in the past. One room was specifically set aside for language only presentations. Although it may have been difficult for all the instructors to follow those guidelines,



most stayed the course and spoke with little or no English. It was a reminder to me that even the language instructors struggle with best known practices. It's a bit ironic that many language teachers want to teach in a bilingual manner while the vigorous student needs to learn and speak in an immersion style learning environment to be most successful.

My biggest message from this year's conference is that I need to speak Anishinaabemowin as much as possible. The overall message from both second language learners and first language speakers, who have become teachers, is that we need to speak whatever we know and build from that. I have made a decision to wear a necklace with my "cheat" sheet of terms to help me speak. I promised myself to continue to study, read and write something in our beautiful sacred language every day. I am learning some prayers in the language. I am learning terms that I will use every day. The language conference has been the inspiration that I needed to stay focused on my goal to become as proficient as possible. Many roles models who are second language speakers were available for me to watch, listen and learn from. I will continue to learn, so I can instruct what I learn to my people. I love my reservation, I love my family, I love my community, and I love our language.

Submitted by Renee Dillard

Anishinaabemowin Teg ...Where the Anishinaabemowin is.

Anishinaabemowin Maawnjidiwin ...Gathering of Anishinaabe Language. Miisa miinawaa giimaawnjidowaat e'anishinaabemjik oodi Baagting. Aapidji go gii nishin, ooshime go e'anishinaabemjik

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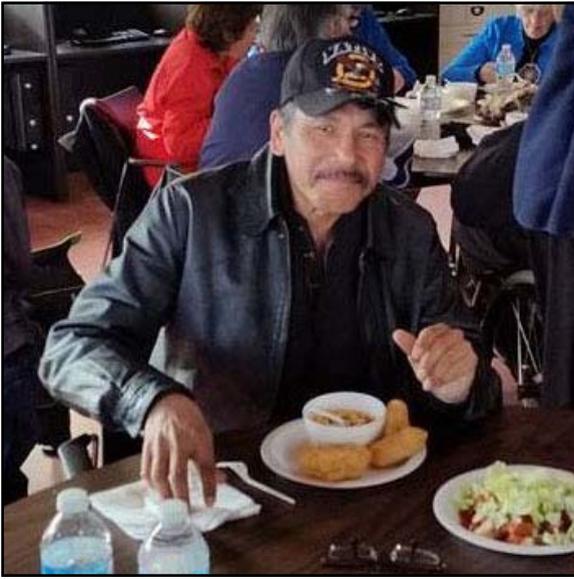
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They gathered again, the ones who speak Anishinaabe language, over there at Sault Ste. Marie. It was very good, there were even more who speak Anishinaabe language, who spoke about Anishinaabe language. There was one who spoke only in Anishinaabe language of Nanaboozho stories. He did not put any English there. As for me, I went visiting with the elders who speak Anishinaabe language only. It was very good. For the ones here at LTBB who will be teaching, it was good for them to go around there also. It was good. There, that's it.

By George Trudeau, Program Instructor/Fluent Speaker

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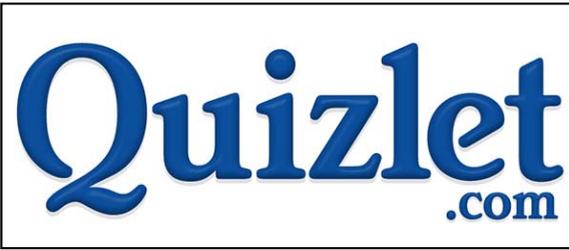
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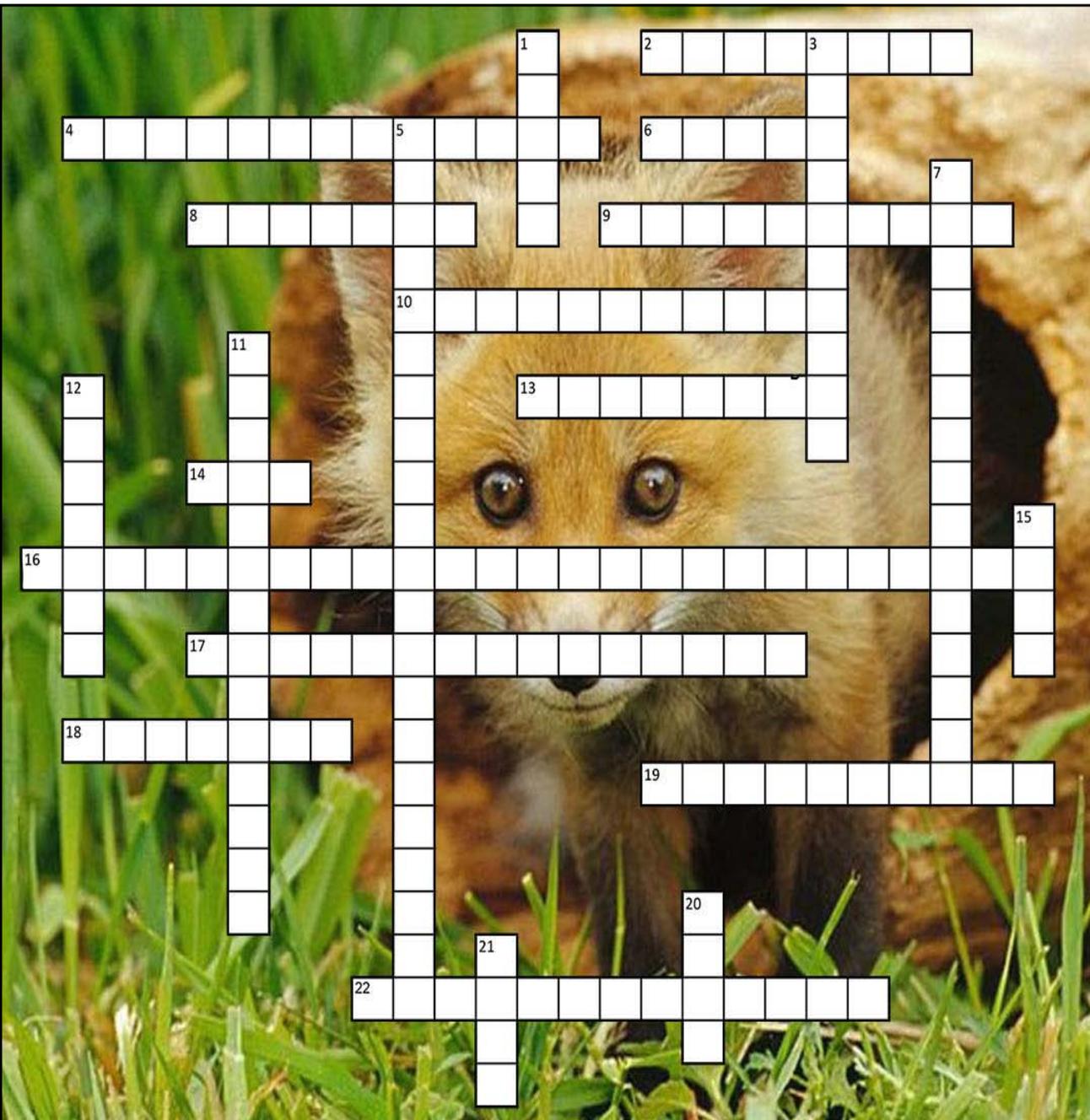
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- zhaawskwaa-biiskonyen
- wiigwaming
- gegwa
- zidenhs
- miishkonhs
- mtig
- mchisak
- shkwaandem
- pakwaan
- mnogiizhigatken
- zid
- anishinaabemo
- waasechigan
- anishinaabemdaa
- waaskone
- kaad
- gidik
- jiimshin
- mnokchitwaa-matiigiizhigat

Across

- 2. Kiss me.
- 4. S/He is pinching.
- 6. knee
- 8. floor
- 9. in/on the house
- 10. window
- 13. flower
- 14. foot
- 16. Happy St. Patty's Day
- 17. Let's speak our language.
- 18. roof
- 19. grass
- 22. Speak the language to him/her.

Down

- 1. don't
- 3. door
- 5. Wear green.
- 7. Have a good day.
- 11. We will speak the language.
- 12. toe
- 15. tree
- 20. leg
- 21. rock

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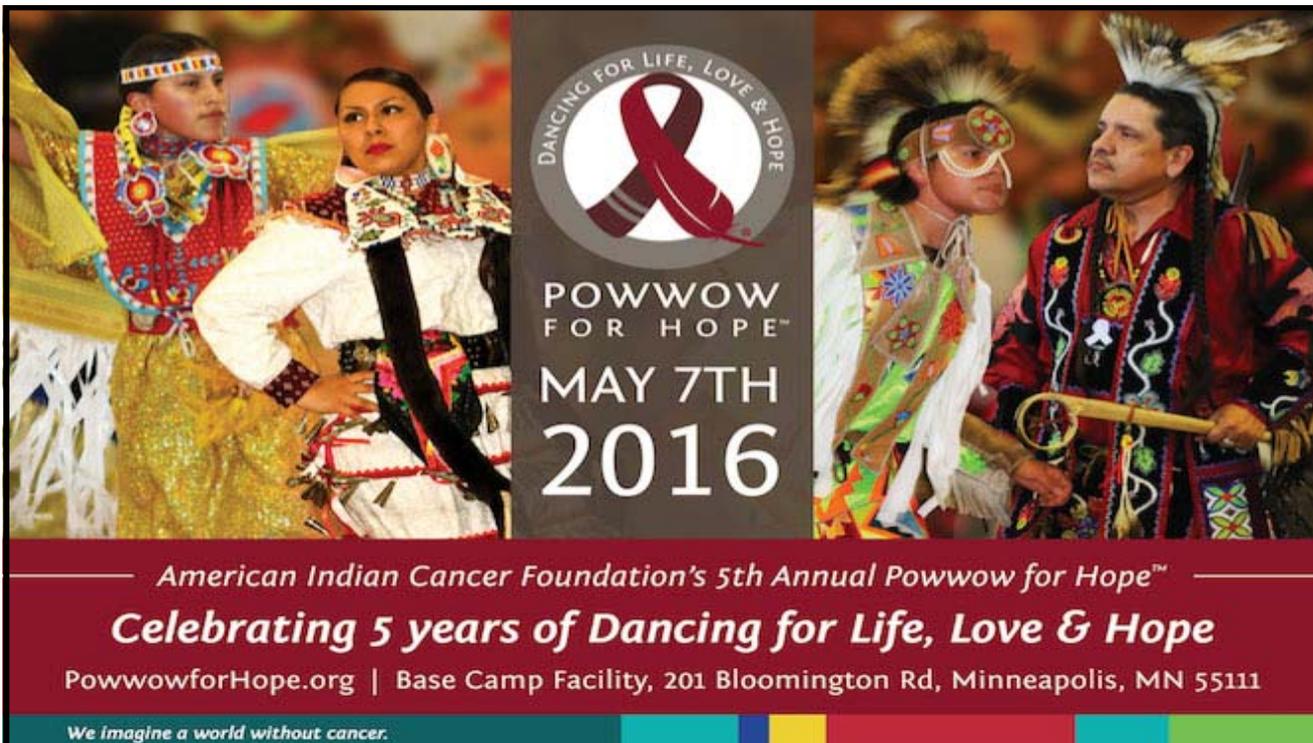
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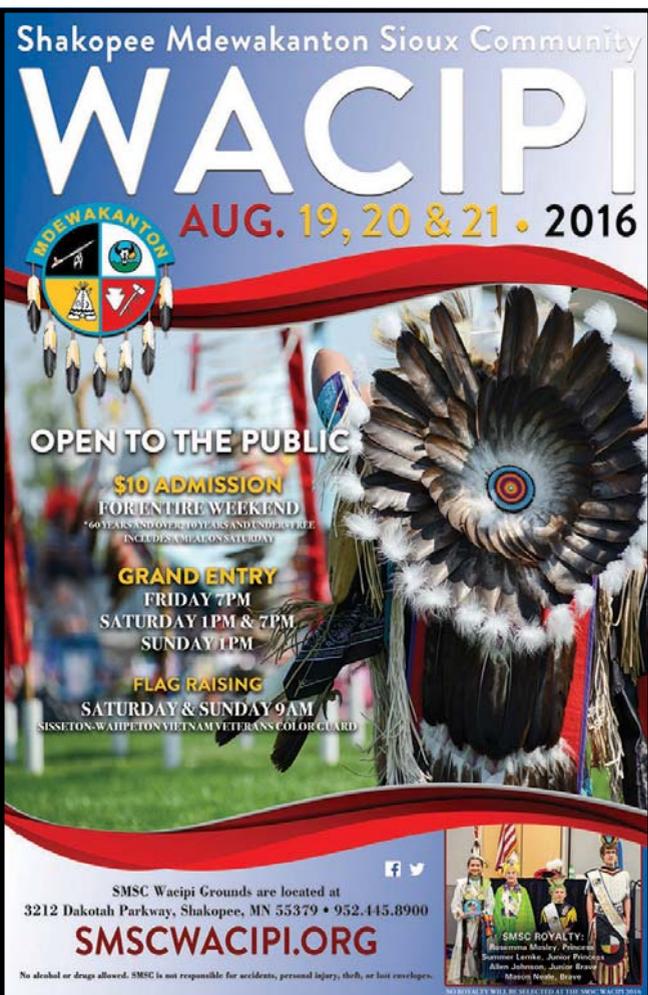
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FOR ENTIRE WEEKEND
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(INCLUDES SPECIAL SATURDAY)

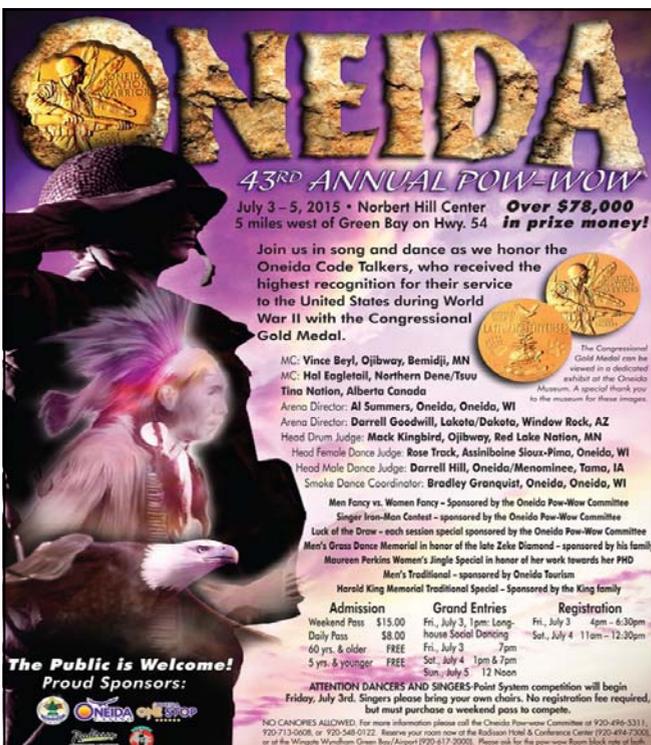
GRAND ENTRY
FRIDAY 7PM
SATURDAY 1PM & 7PM
SUNDAY 1PM

FLAG RAISING
SATURDAY & SUNDAY 9AM
SISSETON-WAIPETON-VIETNAM VETERANS COLOR GUARD

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SMSCWACIPI.ORG

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ONEIDA
43rd ANNUAL POW-WOW
July 3 - 5, 2015 • Norbert Hill Center • Over \$78,000 in prize money!

Join us in song and dance as we honor the Oneida Code Talkers, who received the highest recognition for their service to the United States during World War II with the Congressional Gold Medal.

MC: Vince Beyl, Ojibway, Bemidji, MN
MC: Hal Eagletail, Northern Dene/Tsu Tino Nation, Alberta Canada
Arena Director: Al Summers, Oneida, Oneida, WI
Arena Drum Judge: Darrell Goodwill, Lakota/Dakota, Windor Rock, AZ
Head Drum: Mack Kingbird, Ojibway, Red Lake Nation, MN
Head Female Dance Judge: Rose Truck, Assiniboine Sioux-Pimo, Oneida, WI
Head Male Dance Judge: Darrell Hill, Oneida/Menominee, Tama, IA
Smoke Dance Coordinator: Bradley Graenquist, Oneida, Oneida, WI

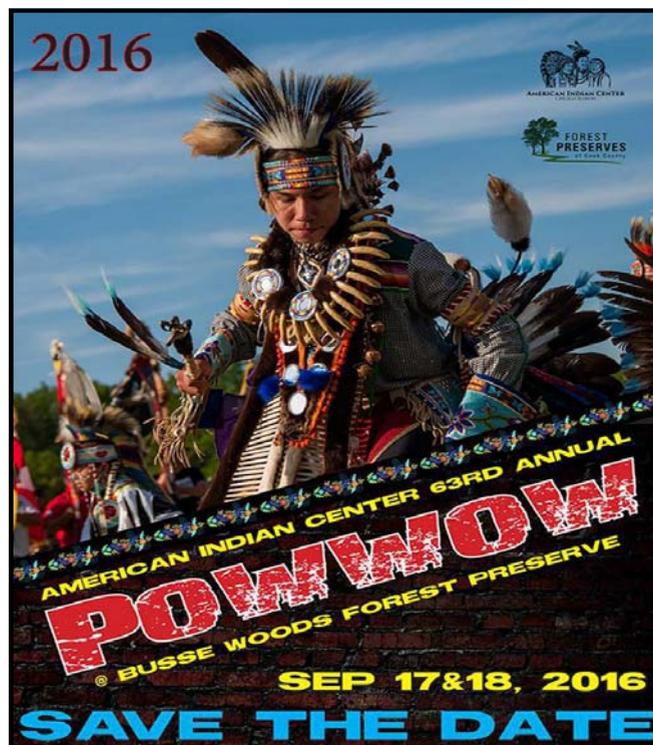
Men's Fancy w/ Women's Fancy - Sponsored by the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee
Singer's Iron-Man Contest - sponsored by the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee
Luck of the Draw - each session special sponsored by the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee
Men's Grass Dance Memorial in honor of the late Zeke Diamond - sponsored by his family
Maureen Perkins Women's Jingle Special in honor of her work towards her PhD
Men's Traditional - sponsored by Oneida Tourism
Harold King Memorial Traditional Special - Sponsored by the King family

Admission	Grand Entries	Registration
Weekend Pass \$15.00	Fri, July 3, 1pm: Long-house Social Dancing	Fri, July 3 4pm - 6:30pm
Daily Pass \$8.00	Fri, July 3 7pm	Sat, July 4 11am - 12:30pm
60 yrs. & older FREE	Sat, July 4 1pm & 7pm	
5 yrs. & younger FREE	Sun, July 5 12 Noon	

ATTENTION DANCERS AND SINGERS-Point System competition will begin Friday, July 3rd. Singers please bring your own choir. No registration fee required, but must purchase a weekend pass to compete.

NO CAMPERS ALLOWED. For more information please call the Oneida Pow-Wow Committee at 920-496-5311, 920-713-0608, or 920-548-0122. Reserve your room now at the Radisson Hotel & Conference Center (920-496-7300) or the Village Walk-Inn (920-496-7300). Please ask for the conference room block rate of \$49.99/night. Rates based on availability.

The Public is Welcome!
Proud Sponsors:



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GRAND ENTRY TIMES:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 - 1 & 7 PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 - 12 PM

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 10 AM - NOON
REGISTRATION FEE \$5 PER DANCER/SINGER.
TRIBAL IDS MAY BE REQUESTED.
TINY TOTS NEED NOT REGISTER.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Annette VanDeCar
231-242-1427
avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

VENDOR INFORMATION:

Marcia Sutton
231-373-0867
msutton10@yahoo.com

DANCE, DRUM AND HAND DRUM CONTESTS

DRUM CONTEST PRIZE MONEY

1ST- \$4,000
2ND- \$3,000
3RD- \$2,000
4TH- \$1,000

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1ST- \$400
2ND- \$300
3RD- \$200

DANCE CONTEST PRIZE MONEY

GOLDEN AGE
50+

& ADULT 18-49

1ST- \$600
2ND- \$500
3RD- \$400

TEEN 13-17

1ST- \$300
2ND- \$200
3RD- \$100

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1ST- \$100
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3RD- \$50

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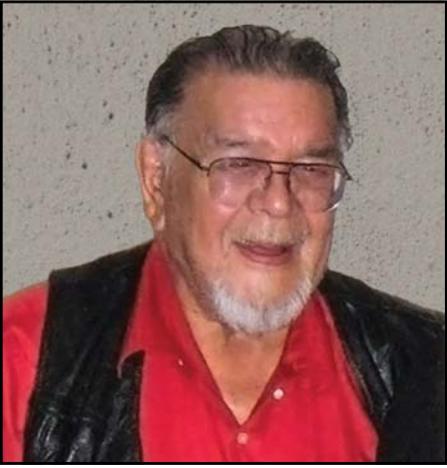
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LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

MAY IS SIMON OTTO MONTH AT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY



The LTBB Cultural Library is honoring Simon Otto's contributions to the tribal community in the month of May.

Not only is Simon a wonderful storyteller, historian and author, but he is an acclaimed artist as well.

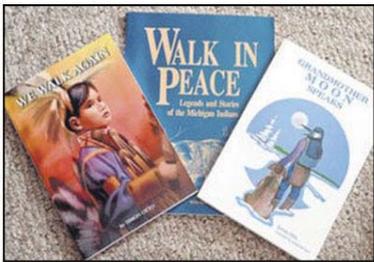
Simon draws, paints in both oils and watercolors, beads, makes carvings and makes handmade porcky roaches and hand drums. He is a true man of many talents.

Simon has a lot of wisdom to share, so we must listen. I am so proud to be able to call Simon my friend and so completely honored he has been able to share some of his wisdom with me.

Simon has written many books, most you can find in our Cultural Library, so please stop in and check out some of these great books written by Simon Otto.

Simon, we love you!

May is Simon Otto Month at the LTBB Cultural Library



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Some of the books written by Simon:

- Ah-soo-cah-nah-nah
- Aube Na Bing
- Grandmother Moon Speaks
- Walk in Peace
- We Walk Again

These are just a few of the books written by Simon. You can find these and more at the LTBB Cultural Library, please stop in and check us out. In a hurry, use our online backpack option, just fill your backpack online and all your materials will be pulled and awaiting your arrival. Hope to see you soon!

Not a patron? Not a problem! Stop in and have our cheerful library staff help you become a patron, and don't forget to ask about our e-library.

LTBB Cultural Library
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1487
ltbbculturallibrary@gmail.com



Interested in working for LTBB?

Jobs are updated daily at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
Job Hotline toll free 1-866-582-2562
Submit your applications, resumes, and cover letters:

- In person at our LTBB Human Resources office
- E-mail: hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Mail to LTBB Human Resources, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Questions? Please contact the Human Resources Department at 231-242-1563.

New Media & Graphic Arts



Learn the art of...

- Web Design
- Videography
- Photoshop & InDesign
- Graphic Design

Career and Technical Education

Earn a free technical education career through your local Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program. The WOCTEP program is available for any student enrolled in one of our certificate programs through North Central Michigan College (tribal or non-tribal). WOCTEP provides assistance in the form of: Tuition, Mileage, Textbooks, Child-care, Certifications, Uniforms and more. Upon joining WOCTEP, students are assigned a career advisor to help with registration processes and to assist with questions throughout their educational experience. WOCTEP students are also privileged to participate in NCMC's WOCTEP early registration, which ensures registration into WOCTEP courses.

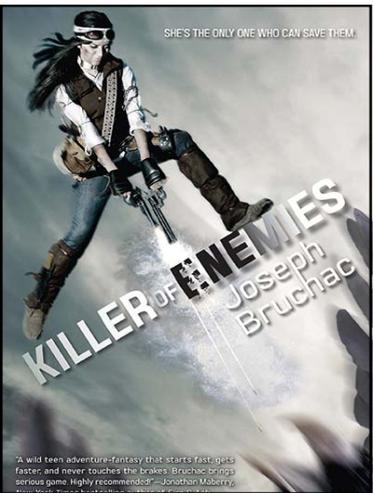
Please call Sean Kutzler today for more information 231-242-1493.

You may also request a WOCTEP Information packet through e-mail at skutzler@LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV

WOCTEP

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[HTTP://WWW.LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV/EDU/WOCTEP.HTML](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/edu/woctep.html)

BOOK REVIEW FOR KILLER OF ENEMIES BY JOSEPH BRUCHAC



By Aaliyah Thomas, LTBB Tribal Citizen

If you enjoy a page turner, and wondering what's going to happen in the next book, then this book is for you!

It's fantasy, post-apocalyptic with a power laden 17-year-old female Apache warrior fighting monsters, walking, flying and supersized.

She is doing all that while she and her family are enslaved by inhumane power-hungry

leaders. She fights their monsters for them as she tries to find a way for freedom for herself and her family. This girl knows her stuff.

I loved this book. My mom read it and liked it so well she checked out the second book, "Trail of the Dead," before I could! So, young and older readers alike will find something to keep turning the pages for. I especially liked the monster bird attack scene. I give this book a definite five star read.

Courtesy graphic.

LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY 2016 SUMMER READ-A-THON

Are you in K - 2nd grade or 3rd - 5th grade? Or 6th - 8th grade?

Do you love to read?

Visit us in the library and sign up!

Contest runs from July 1, 2016 through August 24, 2016.

Stop in and pick up your book log today!

1st prize - Lunch with the Tribal Chairperson

2nd prize - Personal pizza from Piper's Pizza

3rd prize - A copy of the Mishomis book

Prizes given to the top readers in each group.

LTBB Cultural Library 2015 Summer Read A Thon Registration Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Grade: _____ Age: _____

Phone Number: _____

Reading log must be turned in by August 26, 2015 by 5 pm to be counted



LTBB Cultural Library
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1487
ltbbculturallibrary@gmail.com



CNC Courses available!

Call 231-439-6265 for more information.



Financial assistance is available. Contact SEEDS Project Director at 231-242-1579.

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"DO YOU WANT TO BECOME MORE EMPLOYABLE?"

Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Program

Are you an enrolled American Indian, Alaskan Native or Native Hawaiian, Burt Lake Band Member or first generation descendant (1/8 Blood Quantum) of Little Traverse Bay Bands?

Are you underemployed (work 31 hours or less), unemployed, laid off, dislocated worker, need of your GED or need of retraining? Are you 18 or older?

If so, contact: Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez, Outreach Worker for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program

Programs available in the following areas:

- * Job search & placement assistance
- * Job career assessment
- * Career/individual employment plan
- * Resume' workshops
- * Basic & higher education assistance

LTBB Education Department Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act
Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez 231-242-1488, 231-445-2625
Fax: 231-242-1490 slopez@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

NATIVE NEWS



LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS

Please note that **ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this includes Mskiki Gumik offices**

- May 30, 2016 – Memorial Day
- July 4, 2016 – Independence Day
- September 5, 2016 – Adams Holiday (Labor Day)
- September 21, 2016 – Sovereignty Day
- September 23, 2016 – Michigan Indian Day
- November 11, 2016 – Veterans Day
- November 24, 2016 – Thanksgiving Day
- November 25, 2016 – Day after Thanksgiving
- December 23, 2016 – Christmas Eve
- December 26, 2016 – Christmas Day
- December 30, 2016 – New Year's Eve

ODAWA CASINO RESORT UPDATE



opening date in May! All scheduled events will be announced and we hope to see you there!

During the month of April, many guests enjoyed the gift giveaway every Tuesday and Saturday as well as

Funny Business Comedy in the Ozone and live music on the gaming floor.

Are you ready for summer? Odawa Casino will be hosting the Waves of Winning promotion again this

year, giving away a pontoon boat on Saturday, May 28, 2016. Make sure to get your entries in so you

can ride the waves this summer! Also during the month of May, Sage will be participating in the

Petoskey Restaurant Week beginning Friday, May 20, 2016 through Friday, May 27, 2016 and will be

featuring a three course menu for \$25 per person.

Thank you again to all guests who participated in Service Industry Night that began earlier this year. We

had a blast and are looking forward to when the promotion starts up again in the fall!

Eric McLester, General Manager

NATIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS INSTITUTE

Who is This For?

Native American high school students who will be in the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the 2016-2017 school year interested in learning more about college and opportunities in business.

What is NABI?

The Native American Business Institute (NABI) is a week-long pre-college summer program for Native American high school students who will be in the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the 2016-2017 school year. Participants work with MSU admissions officers, college counselors, tribal community leaders and corporate representatives in a seven-day "business boot-camp" that prepares students for the college and exposes them to numerous academic and professional opportunities.

When is NABI?

NABI is held on the campus of Michigan State University from June 25-July 1, 2016.

What Will I Gain From This Experience?

- Develop time management and study skills
- Receive tips and strategies



for gaining admission to college

- Learn how to navigate the financial aid/scholarship jungle

- Form lifelong friendships with other Native youth, MSU students and MSU support staff

- Strengthen communication and interpersonal skills

- Attend corporate, cultural and leadership development workshops

- Cultivate a deeper appreciation and understanding of their culture

- Foster networks with business leaders and other professionals

- Expose students to various careers and opportunities in business

Most importantly—they

learn how to WORK HARD & PLAY HARD!

Application Period/Deadlines:

First round of applications are due by **May 6, 2016**. Total participants admitted into the program will be set at 40 students with priority given to applications submitted on or before May 6, 2016. Late applications will be placed at the "end of the line" for review, and students are accepted on a space available basis.

Eligibility:

To be eligible, each student must:

- Be a current high school student
- Have a 2.8 or higher cumulative grade point average
- Submit a completed application packet by the established deadline

Mail or e-mail applications to:

Dr. Kevin Leonard
Multicultural Business Programs
415 Eppley
East Lansing, MI 48911
517-353-3524 leonard1@msu.edu
Courtesy graphic.



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	02/18/2015	February 17, 2021	01-09
Rebecca Fisher	Active	02/22/2015	February 21, 2021	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	06/07/2011	June 07, 2017	05-09
Kathryn L. McGraw	Active	04/02/2013	April 2, 2019	06-09
Gwendolyn Gasco	Active	07/02/2013	July 2, 2019	08-09
Yvonne E. Brown	Active	03/25/2014	March 24, 2020	09-09
Beverly J Wernigwase	Active	02/22/2015	February 22, 2021	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	08/24/2015	August 23, 2021	11-09

Are You:

- Currently not eligible for Medicaid?
- 19-64 years old?
- Not eligible for Medicare?
- Not pregnant?
- Making under \$15,000 for a family of 1 or making under \$34,000 for a family of 4?



If you have answered "YES" to these questions, you may qualify for Medicaid due to the Michigan Medicaid Expansion: Healthy Michigan!! Please contact Valerie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 for assistance.

NATIVE WAY CVM

YOGA

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
5 PM TO 6 PM

MONDAY & THURSDAY
8 AM TO 9 AM

BEGINNER BOXING

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

ADVANCED BOXING

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
5 PM TO 6 PM

JIU JITSU

WEDNESDAY
6 PM TO 7 PM

TAE KWON DO

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
6 PM TO 6:30 PM

If the LTBB Governmental Offices are closed for the day, all Native Way classes will be cancelled. If the weather is uncertain, call LTBB Community Health at 231-242-1664 before 4 p.m. for class updates; otherwise, please err on the side of caution and stay home if you are not sure. If want to participate in tae kwon do, boxing or jiu jitsu, please call prior to going at 231-242-1616.

Native Way Two gym is located off the West Conway Road at 8730 East Commerce Court, Units 7 and 8, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Call 231-242-1664 with questions.

NCAI Fall 2016 Internship Applications Accepted Until June 22, 2016



An internship with the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) offers a unique opportunity for young leaders from throughout Indian country as well as for other young leaders with an interest in Native affairs to be on the front lines of legislative action and policy development from within the oldest, largest and most representative American Indian and Alaska Native organization.

In order to ensure opportunities for participation by the wealth of emerging young talent in Indian country, NCAI invites students enrolled in institutions of higher learning to apply for semester or summer-long internships (for which most institutions will offer college credit), with up to four applicants selected for each term. Please note a tribal affiliation is not required to be approved for an internship.

Fall 2016 internship applications will be accepted until June 22 with decisions made no later than July 20.

All candidates are asked to submit two 500

word writing pieces. You will likely want to prepare those pieces before beginning your application.

The first is focused on your reason for working at NCAI, the second asks you to address an issue facing Indian country.

Question 1. Please answer the following questions, limiting your response to a maximum of 500 words:

- Why are you interested in working with NCAI?
- What do you hope to gain from the intern/fellowship experience?
- How does the intern/fellowship experience relate to any long-range plans you may have?
- What special skills or experience you feel you would bring to NCAI?

Question 2. Address one of the following questions, using up to 500 words:

- a. What are the most promising strategies to build a bright future for Native youth?
- b. What are the most significant challenges and opportunities related to tribal economic development?
- c. Many Americans do not understand tribal nations and Native peoples. How can Indian country effectively address this challenge?
- d. Where has Indian country seen the most significant progress in the last five years? What areas need more attention in the next five years?
- e. Reflecting on NCAI's history and current work, why do you think an organization like NCAI is necessary and important?

For more information and to download an application, please visit www.ncai.org.

Courtesy graphic.

LTBB has received a grant through the Administration for Native Americans. This grant allows our Tribal Citizens to live-stream Tribal Council Committee Meetings. You can join the Tribal Council Committees by logging in as a "guest" at:

- Appropriation and Finance Committee**
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/AFC/>
- Gaming Authority**
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/GamingAuthority/>
- Legal and Legislative Committee**
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/LLCMeeting/>
- Land and Reservation Committee**
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/LandandReservation/>

Dates and times of meetings will be posted on the LTBB website and in the Odawa Trails newsletter. Participate through Connect!

THE WHITE HOUSE STUDENT FILM FESTIVAL ACCEPTING SUBMISSIONS THROUGH JULY 15, 2016



Have hopes for the future? Thoughts on how your generation will bring them to life? Love to make films or ever just secretly wished to give it a shot? Well, this is your chance!

From now through July 15, 2016, we'll be accepting submissions for the third annual White House Student Film

Festival. Our theme is "The World I Want To Live In" and we're inviting U.S. students, grades K-12, to participate. Tell us what you hope the future will hold for us - sci-fi lasers? Flying cars? Yourself as President? - in the form of a short film.

It can be fictional, animated, live-action documentary or anything else you dream up. We're just excited to see what you make!

Bonus: If selected, you may have the chance to

attend the film fest yourself at the White House.

For inspiration, take a look at the official selections from last year's (<https://www.whitehouse.gov/filmFest#lastYear>) White House Student Film Festival when the themes were "The Power of Technology in Education & The Impact of Giving Back."

Films can be short - in fact, they must be three minutes tops. The official selections will be featured on the White House website and shared across the world on White House sites and official social media accounts.

Submission Guidelines:

All films must be shorter than three minutes.

All films must be made by students in grades K-12.

No film may use copyrighted material, including music, TV shows or movies.

All films must be uploaded to YouTube.

All film submissions must be received by 11:59 p.m. EST on July 15, 2016.

For more information, visit www.whitehouse.gov/filmfest.

Courtesy graphic.

A CALL FOR ARTISTS

Our Native people have the highest rate of suicide of any people here in the United States, Canada and Alaska. Sometimes, we don't have a clear understanding why that is. We know it is true. We are looking for artists who would like to help us bring an awareness to our communities about this terrible problem.

We are researching on creating a calendar that would have a message of this awareness.

Please give me a call at 231-398-6892 if you are interested or have any questions, I will be glad to talk to you.

Miigwech

Kenny Pheasant

GENEATION JUSTICE FELLOWS PROGRAM ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS THROUGH MAY 16, 2016



The Generation Justice (GJ) Fellows Program is designed for young journalists of color recently graduated or currently finishing college. The deadline to apply is May 16, 2016.

Through a social justice, race equity, media literacy, media justice and intergenerational framework, the fellowship serves as a pipeline to build a new generation of socially conscious journalists of color. The fellowship provides journalists with premium hands-on training in the following multimedia areas:

- Radio Broadcasting
- Video Production

- Publishing Blogs/Print Journalism

Media literacy/justice training provides critical analysis of mainstream media looking at the stereotypes it perpetuates and the voices left out.

GJ Fellows develop the skills necessary to build a career pathway into the field of journalism and media justice.

Fellows gain the media literacy skills necessary to critically interpret narratives, recognize trends, identify bias and build analysis. Fellows spend each day of the fellowship working hands-on with all levels of multimedia production and social media strategizing to develop strong skills for employment and continued education in journalism.

Apply online at www.generationjustice.org/2016-2017-fellowship/ by May 16, 2016.

Courtesy graphic.

ANNOUNCING ONLINE NATIVE MEDIA ARCHIVES GUIDE



How can we secure the future of Native American media assets? A new survey asks tribal media makers and media holders to first assess their assets and then make plans to preserve them.

Vision Maker Media's new online Native Media Archives Guide can help you begin the preservation process.

"The Native Media Archives Guide shares important steps that can be made toward keeping media safe from the elements," explained Shirley K. Sneve (Rosebud Sioux), Executive Director of Vision Maker Media. "We created this document for

those who want to know how to begin preserving their media assets. Developing a professional archive storage system can be expensive, but we wanted to show that there are basic inexpensive steps to take to save this important material. The guide also demonstrates written information that should be kept in a database that describes the recordings for future generations."

Thanks to the launch of the Vision Maker Media Native Media Archives website (<https://nativemediarchives.wordpress.com>), Native American collection holders and tribes can search and locate archival media in three local collections. The website hosts a search tool to locate archival collections at Vision Maker Media, the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) and the Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS). It provides public access to a wide variety of archival materials, including video, audio, print and photographs.

The three contributor

sources include Vision Maker Media's entire documentary programming produced for Public Television since 1976 alongside UNL's and NSHS's interviews with numerous Native American elders in Nebraska history as recorded by the Junior League of Lincoln and Paul A. Olson.

A grant from the National Endowment for the Arts helped Vision Maker Media develop the initial work, including cataloging and digitizing. Funds from the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is allowing Vision Maker Media to continue archival efforts to collaborate with indigenous media holders and media makers to develop a fully functional and accessible archival database, bringing together indigenous media collections so audiences can access collections, contribute content, view films and share stories. Alana Stone (Rosebud Sioux) was hired in January as Vision Maker Media's Archives Assistant to continue implementation of the plan.

Courtesy graphic.



Keep up-to-date with the Youth Services Department activities!

Please note:

Our hours change on non-school days. We are closed on all LTBB Governmental Holidays

<http://tinyurl.com/lbbyouthcalendar>

MICHIGAN INDIAN LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION UPDATE

Submitted by the Trust Fund Board

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

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.

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:

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 the age of 18.

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

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.

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

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

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540



Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777

Apartments for Rent

Now accepting applications

- ◆ Must be a LTBB Tribal Citizen
- ◆ Must be 55 or older or handicapped/disabled of any age
- ◆ Rents are based on income, income guidelines do apply
- ◆ \$200 security deposit
- ◆ All units 2 bedrooms and 1 bath
- ◆ Located in a quiet country setting, only 4 miles from town
- ◆ Barrier free units are available
- ◆ Bedrooms 12 by 13 & 9½ by 9½

Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Tribal Village is approximately 4 miles north of Harbor Springs, MI

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS HOUSING DEPARTMENT
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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS APPOINTED TO LTBB COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Several LTBB Tribal Citizens recently took their oaths of office to LTBB Commissions, Boards and Committees.

They included Michele Portman-LaCount to the LTBB Zoning Board of Appeals, Carol McFall to the LTBB Citizenship Committee, Melvin L. Kiogima and Grace Zerbe to the LTBB Gaming Regulatory Commission and Larry Stead and Annette VanDeCar to the LTBB Housing Commission.

All were nominated by the Executive and appointed by Tribal Council.



Portman-LaCount, who took her oath of office from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on March 31, 2016, is serving a three-year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals ending on March 31, 2019.



McFall, who took her oath of office from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on March 29, 2016, is serving a three-year term on the Citizenship Commission ending on March 31, 2019.



Kiogima, who took his oath of office from Appellate Justice Bill Denemy on March 23, 2016, is serving a three-year term on the Gaming Regulatory Commission ending on March 31, 2019.



Zerbe, who took her oath of office from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on March 29, 2016, is serving a three-year term on the Gaming Regulatory Commission ending on March 31, 2019.



Stead, who took his oath of office from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on March 31, 2016, is serving a four-year term on the Housing Commission ending on March 31, 2020.



VanDeCar, who took her oath of office from Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on March 31, 2016, is serving a four-year term on the Housing Commission ending on March 31, 2020.

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1 Gaming Enterprise Board Meeting 9 am - noon OCR Executive Suite	2 Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	3 Elders Commission Meeting 5 pm - Govt. Center Rm 312 Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St. NRC Meeting 6 pm - NRD Conference Room	4 Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	5 CWC Meeting 1 pm Govt. Center Rm 118	6 Tribal Burial, Inc. Meeting 9 am Mskiki Gumik Health Building	7 Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers
8 Mother's Day	9 Elders Luncheon at Noon AFC Meeting 1 pm Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	10 Elders Luncheon at Noon	11	12 Elders Luncheon at Noon	13 Election Board Work Session 4:30 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI Housing Commission Meeting 5 pm Govt. Center Rm 312 Land and Reservation Cmte. Mtg. 1pm-5pm Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	14 Election Board Meeting 12 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI
15 Citizenship Com. Meeting 5:30 pm Govt. Center Rm 118 Gaming Enterprise Board Meeting 9 am - noon OCR Executive Suite	16 Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	17 Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St.	18 Elders Luncheon at Noon	19 Tribal Council meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers	20	21 Annual LTBB Community Meeting Ovation Hall Odawa Casino Petoskey, MI
22	23 Elders Luncheon at Noon	24 Elders Luncheon at Noon	25	26 Elders Luncheon at Noon	27 Election Board Work Session 4:30 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI	28 Election Board Meeting 12 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI
29	30 Memorial Day LTBB Governmental Offices Closed	31 Elders Luncheon at Noon			Trust Fund Board Meeting 9 am - NRD Conference Room	Elders Open Swim Odawa Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm Call 231-242-1423 for details

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
March 3, 2016
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Treasurer Report: Appropriations and Finance Committee next meeting on March 8, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Tribal Council Travel Reports: Secretary Otto: National Association of Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations in Washington D.C.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to accept Secretary Otto's verbal and written Travel Report for National Association of Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Tribal Council Member Reports: none

Tribal Council Committees update:

Land and Reservation Committee next Meeting March 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

Ethics Committee next Meeting March 7, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers.

10:13 a.m. Break

10:32 a.m. Resumed

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept Senior Financial Analyst Stella Kay's verbal and written report as presented on March 3, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:09 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to go into closed session for legal and land.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:46 a.m. Motion made by Councilor David Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:48 a.m. Public Comment opened:

- Andrew Stich spoke regarding the February 18, 2016 Tribal Council Public Comment period and recommendations for future comment periods, and the cost of the reservation boundary litigation. Odawa Casino Resort debt should pay off first.

11:58 a.m. Public Comment closed.

11:59 a.m. Lunch recess

1:30 p.m. Meeting resumed

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to approve and authorize the disenrollment of Tribal Citizen Elizabeth Snow Keway #5292, for the reason of dual enrollment with another Federally Recognized Tribe; and directs Enrollment Department to dis-enroll such Tribal Citizen, since no one appeared on behalf of the enrollee Elizabeth Snow Keway #5292, nor were there any documents submitted to Tribal Council at a Disenrollment Hearing that was set for today's meeting at 1:30 p.m.

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

Motion carried in accordance with Constitutional requirement of (7) seven affirmative votes of Tribal Council.

1:52 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to go into closed session legal.

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

Motion carried.

2:28 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to return to open session.

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

Motion carried.

2:44 p.m. Councilor Harrington arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to accept the Enjiinakng report as provided by General Counsel Bransky for March 3, 2016.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick verbal and written report including travel report to: Strengthening Tribal Law to Protect Native Women and Families.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

3:02 p.m. Recess.

3:17 p.m. Reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept Legislative Office Manager Portman-LaCount verbal and written report for March 3, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to amend the agenda to include Confidential Memo #030316-02 regarding land parcel 97.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet, and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Certified Motion #030316-01; National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) Representative.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to acknowledge receipt of the Executive nomination of Melvin L. Kiogima for the Gaming Regulatory Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019 and set up an interview.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Harrington), 1 - Absent (Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to authorize Secretary Otto to sign the Wells Fargo Banking Documents for the Oda-

Councilor Law to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1403, or 231-242-1404 for additional updates and clarifications of these minutes as presented.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Aaron Otto, Tribal Council Secretary Date

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
March 17, 2016
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Closed Session: yes

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

Opening Ceremony: Councilor Beatrice A. Law

Council Present: Secretary Aaron Otto, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Julia Shanaquet

Absent: Legislative Leader, Councilor Michael Naganashe, Councilor David Harrington

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick,

Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Stella Kay, General Counsel James Bransky, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Wesley Andrews

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chair Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson. Planning Director Bryan Gillett

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Richard Wemigwase, Annette VanDeCar, Rose Smalley, Diane Naganashe, Thomas Naganashe, Shanna Wemigwase, Kevin Gasco, Andrew Stich, Isaac Dillard

Invited Guests: none

9:17 a.m. Councilor Harrington arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to adopt the agenda for March 17, 2016 with additions

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve the minutes of March 3, 2017 as presented.

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

Motion carried.

9:38 a.m. Councilor Naganashe arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to acknowledge receipt of the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer's verbal and written report which included the request for Section 106 processing rate increase as presented by Wesley Andrews.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Executive Oversight Report for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

10:54 a.m. - 11:11 a.m. Break.

Legislative Leader Report-Absent Secretary Report:

i. Documents Delivered to Executive - Tribal Resolution # 030316-01 To Amend the "Addendum A" to Tribal Resolution 061815-01, to Appropriate to Odawa Casino Resort the Amount of \$3,320,000.00 to come from the Restricted General Fund Balance Funds-Economic Development Reserve and allow for OCR to Reserve Profits to implement the Five Year Strategic Plan delivered to the Executive on 03-07-16 signed on 03-07-16.

ii. Vetoes

iii. Phone Polls-03-09-16. Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve Certified Motion #030916-01; Funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services; Food Distribution Program Nutrition Education (FDPNE). Vote 8-yes; 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept Secretary Otto's verbal and written report as presented on the agenda for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: Appropriations and Finance Committee March 8, 2016 Meeting recommendations to Tribal Council:

-Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to recommend Tribal Council to Adopt Tribal Resolution: Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$25,000 for Attorney's Fees to come from General Fund.

-Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to recommend Tribal Council approval of Certified Motion #031716-01; Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2016 Climate Control Funds.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

-Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to recommend Tribal Council approval of Certified Motion # ; Funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Nutrition Services Food Distribution Program Nutrition Education (FDPNE) and to recommend phone poll of Tribal Council as soon as possible to meet time constraints.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

-Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to recommend Tribal Council approval of Certified Motion #031716-03; Request for Funding from the National Parks Service FY 2016 Historic Preservation Fund Tribal Heritage Grants St. Martin Island Lighthouse Project Planning.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

- Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to recommend Tribal Council approve Certified Motion #031716-04; Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding, Lakewide Management Plan (LaMP) Program Capacity Grant Supplemental Funding.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

- Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge presentation regarding Supportive Housing as presented by Housing Director John Givens and to recommend Tribal Council approval for Housing to complete Application for Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)Project Initiation Loan (PIL) in the amount of \$50,000 and if awarded must meet approval of Tribal Council prior to acceptance. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

- Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge presentation regarding Supportive Housing as presented by Housing Director John Givens and to recommend Tribal Council approval for Housing to complete Application for Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH)Project Initiation Loan (PIL) in the amount of \$50,000 and if awarded must meet approval of Tribal Council prior to acceptance. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

- Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to recommend that Tribal Council adopt FY 2016 Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$2,500 for the 2016 Homecoming Pow Wow to come from General Funds. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried

-Next Appropriations and Finance Committee meeting: April 12, 2016 at 1:00 pm Council Chambers.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shanaquet to accept Treasurer Reyes' verbal and written Appropriations and Finance Committee report as presented on the agenda for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Law's verbal and written report regarding March 9, 2016 Reservation Restoration, in Kalamazoo Michigan.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of Treasurer Reyes' written travel report regarding January 27th - January 28th, 2016 Reservation Restoration, in Washington D.C.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of Treasurer Reyes' written travel report regarding January 27th - January 28th, 2016 Reservation Restoration, in Washington D.C.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

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Tribal Council Meeting Dates

May 3 Work Session
 May 5 Council Meeting
 May 17 Work Session
 May 19 Council Meeting

June 7 Work Session
 June 9 Council Meeting
 June 21 Work Session
 June 23 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI.

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Tribal Council Members

Aaron Wayne Otto, Legislative Leader
 Marci Reyes, Treasurer
 Dexter McNamara, Councilor
 Julie Shanaquet, Councilor
 Frank Bernard, Councilor
 David Harrington, Councilor
 Mike Naganashe, Councilor
 Beatrice A. Law, Councilor

wa Casino Resort in regards to the Certificate of Indian Tribal Entity and Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 2 - Abstained (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Bernard), 1 - Absent (Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Confidential Memo #030316-02 from General Counsel James Bransky regarding land parcel 97.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to adopt Tribal Resolution; To Amend the "Addendum A" to Tribal Resolution #061815-01: *To Appropriate to Odawa Casino Resort the Amount of \$3,320,000.00 to come from the Restricted General Fund Balance Funds- Economic Development Reserve and allow for OCR to Reserve Profits to implement the Five Year Strategic Plan.*

Roll call vote: Councilor Bernard-yes, Councilor Harrington-abstained, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Shanaquet-no, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Otto-yes Motion carried.

4:00 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shanaquet and supported by

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Land and Reservation Committee March 11, 2016 Meeting recommendations to Tribal Council:

- Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Bernard to recommend Tribal Council to approve the Murray Rd-Conceptual Cemetery site plan, Version 5, dated March 8th, 2016.

Vote: 3-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain; 0-absent. No Comments Motion carries

- Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Bernard to recommend Tribal Council NOT PURSUE Land Parcel #95.

Vote: 3-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain; 0-absent. No Comments Motion Carries

-Motion made by Councilor Bernard and supported by Councilor Harrington to recommend Tribal Council NOT PURSUE Land Parcel #98.

Vote: 3-yes; 0-no; 0-abstain; 0-absent. No Comments Motion Carries

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of Land and Reservation Committee report as presented by committee chair Treasurer Reyes for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor McNamara to acknowledge receipt of the Ethics Committee verbal report as presented by Committee Chair Councilor Law for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:47 a.m. Public comment:

Rose Smalley spoke regarding youth culture and education with regard to the Pow Wow and its budget cut; and the governmental building access, more communication.

Andrew Stich asked why David Dominic was not appointed to the Natural Resource Commission.

Shanna Wemigwase spoke regarding the Pow Wow budget cut, asked about Compensation Statute that is going to be posted.

Annette VanDeCar spoke regarding the Pow Wow budget cut.

Richard Wemigwase regarding the Pow Wow budget cut.

Diane Naganashe spoke about sponsors for Miss Odawa, and how our future generation will have more girls than boys. Upcoming potential Miss Odawa participants.

Isaac Dillard spoke about concern for Bell's Fishery and small boat fisherman being overlooked. Preserve our way of life and protecting our treaty rights.

12:33 p.m. Public Closed.

12:34 p.m. - 1:46 p.m. Lunch

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to accept Sr. Financial Analyst Stella Kay's verbal and written report for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Sha-

naquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

2:52 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to go into closed season for Legal matters.

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

3:23 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

3:24 p.m. Public Comment opened and closed. No comments.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the verbal Enjinakng report from General Counsel Bransky for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept Legislative Office Manager Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report for March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to amend the agenda to include the letter to Superior Financial Services, the Tribal Historic Preservation Office 106 Fee Schedule and the Appropriation and Finance amended Budget Calendar.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Otto to re-post the draft Tribal Council Compensation Statute as sponsored by Councilor Law.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve the Ethics Committee Policy and Procedures.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Certified Motion #031716-01; Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2016 Climate Control Funds.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve Certified Motion #031716-02; Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding, Lake-wide Management Plan (LaMP) Program Capacity Grant.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained,

0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve Certified Motion #031716-03; Request for Funding from the National Parks Service FY 2016 Historic Preservation Fund Tribal Heritage Grants St. Martin Island Lighthouse Project Planning.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve the Housing Department to complete the Application to the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) for a Project Initiation Loan (PIL), in the amount of \$50,000; and if awarded, must have approval of Tribal Council, prior to acceptance of the funds.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Harrington to approve the Murray Rd-Conceptual Cemetery Site Plan, Version 5, dated March 8, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to NOT pursue Land Parcel #95.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Otto to appoint Kevin Gasco to the Natural Resources Commission to serve the remainder of a 4-year term ending September 20, 2017.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Heidi Bosma to the Child Welfare Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to appoint Sharon Sierzputowski to the Citizenship Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Treasurer Reyes, Councilor Naganashe), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to appoint Carol McFall to the Citizenship Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Secretary Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Naganashe to appoint Annette VanDeCar to the Housing Commission for a 4-year term ending March 31, 2020.

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

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Larry Stead to the Housing Com-

mission for a 4-year term ending March 31, 2020.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Shananaquet, Councilor Bernard), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Grace Zerbe to the Gaming Regulatory Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Bernard), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Frank Ettawageshik to the Zoning Appeals Board for a 2-year term ending March 31, 2018.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Bernard), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to appoint Michele Portman-LaCount to the Zoning Appeals Board for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor McNamara to appoint Melvin L. Kiogima to the Gaming Regulatory Commission for a 3-year term ending March 31, 2019.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve and authorize the action item contained within Confidential Memo dated 031716-01 as submitted by General Counsel Bransky.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve and authorize the action item contained within Confidential Memo dated 031716-02 as submitted by General Counsel Bransky.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to authorize and approve Secretary Otto to sign the letter to Superior Financial Services, dated March 17, 2016, regarding Woodbridge Wealth options.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to approve the Tribal Historic Preservation Office, Fee Schedule for Services for Section 106 processes as submitted by the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Andrews, dated March 17, 2016.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to amend the Appropriation and Finance Committee 2017 Budget Calendar to change the date of the "Remaining Branches / Departments Budget Hear-

ings" and the "LTBB 2017 Proposed Annual Budget available to Tribal Citizens" from April 10, 2016 to April 8, 2016; and have the amended calendar posted and republished to the website calendar.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

4:44 p.m. Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to go into closed session for land.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

4:52 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to NOT pursue Land Parcel #98.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor McNamara, Councilor Harrington, Councilor Bernard, Secretary Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion fails.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to adopt Tribal Resolution: Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$25,000 for Judiciary Attorney's Fees to come from General Fund.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bernard-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Otto-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution FY 2016 Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$2,500 for the 2016 Homecoming Pow Wow to come from General Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bernard-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Otto-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve the general counsel contract renewal between the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indian and attorney James A. Bransky for an additional six (6) year term commencing February 20, 2017 and ending February 19, 2023 and authorize Secretary Aaron Otto to sign the contract renewal.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

5:40 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1403, or 231-242-1404 for additional updates and clarifications of these minutes as presented.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Aaron Otto, Tribal Council Secretary Date

"HISTORIC INVESTMENTS" IN CANADA - BUDGET IS MAJOR BOOST FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Editor's note: The following article and accompanying photograph appeared in the *Indian Country Today media Network Weekly Newsletter* on March 30, 2016 and are reprinted here with permission.



Indigenous leaders across Canada are heartened by its new federal budget proposal, which allots an unprecedented \$8.4 billion over five years to the needs of First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples.

The package includes more than \$2 billion for education and more than \$1 billion for infrastructure improvements such as housing and clean water.

"These are things that we are making a priority," Prime Minister Justin Trudeau told the House of Commons in advance of the budget unveiling last week. "Tomorrow's budget will feature historic investments in First Nations and Indigenous Canadians right across the country to begin to make it right, [which] we have not done for so many decades in this place, in this building."

During last year's election campaign, "Trudeau

made sweeping commitments to the country's Indigenous People," wrote the *Toronto Globe and Mail*. "The budget will act on these promises, officials say."

With certain reservations, Indigenous leaders and advocates praised Trudeau's budget. The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) called it a "significant step in closing the gap in the quality of life between First Nations peoples and Canadians."

"The budget begins to address decades of underfunding and neglect, which have perpetuated a growing gap in the quality of life between First Nations and other Canadians," said AFN National Chief Perry Bellegarde.

"This budget invests in important priorities," he continued. "Investments in housing, clean water, education and child welfare will bring long-needed relief for those living in Third World conditions, and build a stronger economy for everyone."

Over the next five years, the Trudeau government said \$2.6 billion will be invested in on-reserve primary and secondary education. An additional \$969.4 million will be put toward First Nations education infrastructure on reserve.

Another \$1.2 billion over the same time period will support social infrastructure such as quality housing, access to early learning and child care, health care and cultural and recreational initiatives in First Nations, Inuit and northern communities.

Over the next two years, the budget provides

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for \$15 million to be allocated to launch a job-training pilot project that prepares Indigenous people to work in housing construction, water treatment and local administration in their local communities. As much as \$177.7 million will be provided in that same period to address urgent housing needs in northern and Inuit communities.

Also, over the next three years, \$10.4 million will go toward new abuse shelters in First Nations communities. And, \$33.6 million will be invested in existing shelters over the next five years.

"We simply cannot claim to be successful as a country as long as Indigenous Peoples aren't given every chance to succeed," Finance Minister Bill Morneau said in delivering the budget before Parliament on March 21.

"One of the things I am most proud of in this budget is that we have decided to make very significant investments for Indigenous People," Morneau told reporters the following day.

Among other changes, the budget eliminates the two percent cap on annual funding increases for programs and services on reserves, a limit to which Indigenous Peoples had long objected.

It also exceeds—and builds on—a set of agreements reached in 2005 between Indigenous Peoples and the Liberal government of Trudeau's father, the late Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, known as the Kelowna Accords. Those accords were never implemented after Stephen Harper's Conservative government took power in 2006.

"Today's federal budget has finally begun to deliver on much needed funding—\$8.4 billion over five years—that should start to reverse the tide of poverty and despair that has devastated far too many of our communities and destroyed far too many lives," said Ontario Regional Chief Isadore Day in a statement from the Chiefs of Ontario.

Among the budget features First Nations leaders have praised are the allocations for housing in Nunavut, Nunavik, Nunatsiavut and the Inuvialuit Settlement Region.

"It is a positive change to see Inuit as well as specific Inuit regions recognized in the budget text," said Inuit Tapiriit

Kanatami President Natan Obed. "The \$170 million earmarked in the budget for building affordable housing in Inuit Nunangat is welcome given the severity of crowding in our four regions."

He was disappointed, though, in the lack of funding for Inuit mental health and suicide prevention. "Taking action to prevent suicide in our communities is an urgent priority, and it is not acceptable that basic funding to support this vital work remains incidental year after year," he said.

The Métis highlighted the government's promises to spend \$25 million over the next five years on a Métis economic development strategy as well as the \$96 million pledged over five years for engaging Indigenous governments on a nation-to-nation basis.

"What we saw in Parliament today was truly historic," said Métis Nation of Ontario President Gary Lipinski. "The government [has] invested unprecedented funds in its relationship with Indigenous Peoples, and it is honoring its commitment to deal with Indigenous Peoples on a nation-to-nation basis."

But Métis National Council (MNO) Finance Minister David Chartrand told CTV News that he had mixed feelings.

"Today's budget has addressed some critical issues," said Day, echoing the misgivings of many of his peers. "However, for First Nations to develop self-sustaining economies, the process of reconciliation should be guided by the commitment made to the full implementation of the United Nations Declarations on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

"Only then," he said, "will we fulfill the nation-to-nations relationship that our ancestors envisioned centuries ago and truly secure our rightful place in this country."

The budget's large allotment for education and, by extension, the future of Indigenous children, received both praise and criticism.

"Prime Minister Trudeau has billed this budget as unprecedented and historic for First Nations," Day said. "Present and future funding must be viewed as an investment in Indigenous Peoples and our children."

Calling the investment "long overdue," Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations (FSIN) Chief Bobby Cameron said such funding would help all of Canada.

"In the long run, the investment on Indigenous people will begin the steps towards a healthier, stronger and educated First Nation population," Cameron said.

"We want our children to succeed in life, and education is a big component in ensuring our children get that opportunity."

But, the spending falls far short of what children need immediately, First Nations Child Advocate Cindy Blackstock told the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN). Of the \$634.8 million to be invested overall in on-reserve child welfare, she noted, only \$77 million will be spent this year.

In addition, the last year of the total amount will not be spent until the fiscal year after the next federal election in fall 2019.

The President of the First Nation Child and Family Caring Society, Blackstock brought allegedly discriminatory funding practices for on-reserve children to the attention of the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal; she won the case in January. The current budget does not address the mandate handed down by the tribunal, she said.

"I measure change at the level of children themselves, and what I am looking at is what is going to change tomorrow for First Nation children and families," Blackstock told APTN. "In this budget, not a lot. I am quite disappointed."

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Essay Prompt

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Essay Prompt

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LABOR SKILLS

Above all, the results indicate a deficit in skilled labor and a need to ramp up the quantity of CNC laborers in the four counties surveyed, which is consistent with regional and state labor projections.^{III} As one respondent indicated, "candidates that we interview have very few skills at all to apply to a manufacturing environment. We need basic understanding of machines, safety, and mechanical ability."^{III}

According to survey respondents, the top skills required for new hires include math for manufacturing, blueprint reading, followed by machine fundamentals and shop safety. Similarly, aside from the basic fundamentals of machinery, industry leaders indicated the same skill deficit with current employees, where an increase in math (manufacturing), blueprint reading, shop safety and CNC machining is needed.



TRAINING AND HIRING TRENDS

Survey respondents indicated that peak production time occurs during the warmer months, dictating training and hiring needs for local manufacturers. Employers responding indicated the best time for employee training to occur is during the fall and winter months, and demand for new hires increases in the spring.



TRAINING INCENTIVES

Individuals interested in the manufacturing industry and a career as a CNC operator will find ample opportunities in Northern Michigan as well as education/training incentives to develop the technical skills desired by employers. According to survey respondents, during the last quarter of 2015 only 22% of open positions were filled. This means that only two out of every nine open positions were filled! According to the survey, the leading open positions during the last quarter of 2015 included CNC Machine Setup, CNC Lathe/Mill Operators and CNC Programmers. In addition to job opportunities, several manufacturing companies encourage employees to earn technical credentials, with 60% of survey respondents offering some type

of education incentive, of which all offer tuition reimbursement, and 1/3 provide flex time to attend training/classes.



Furthermore, according to the SEEDS project which provides CNC training to Northern Michigan residents, a 4% increase in wages were recognized at three months post training, increasing to 7% at six months.^{IV} With a mean advertised salary of \$64,619 for CNC Machine/Tool Programmers (metal and plastic) in the State of Michigan,^V and local average wage range of \$15-22/hour,^{VI} entering a career in manufacturing today offers incentives beyond what was seen in historical job markets.

The local shortage in skilled labor is found throughout Michigan, and is largely due to the increased technical skillset required for employment in manufacturing. According to the Bureau of Labor Market Information and Strategic Initiatives (2013), "working in this technologically advanced, changing environment requires workers with significantly different and advanced skill sets" (pg. 5).^{VII} With Michigan leading the nation's manufacturing job growth,^{VIII} an estimated 10,000 new manufacturing jobs expected in the next two years,^{IX} combined with current shortages in skilled labor, equates to opportunity.

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Brothers Chaney and Shaffer Moore recently concluded successful seasons for the Mattawan varsity hockey team.

They helped Mattawan end the 2015-2016 season as the #1 team in the Southwest Michigan High School Hockey (SWMHS) League, and the team won the SWMHS League tournament championship.

Chaney, a senior forward, completed his third year on the varsity and was an assistant captain. He maintained high honor roll status and received the Wings Stadium Unsung Hero award for his integrity and respect of the game on and off the ice. The award included a \$500 college scholarship. He will be attending Western Michigan University's College of Aviation in the fall of 2016 where he will be pursuing a career in the Flight Sciences.

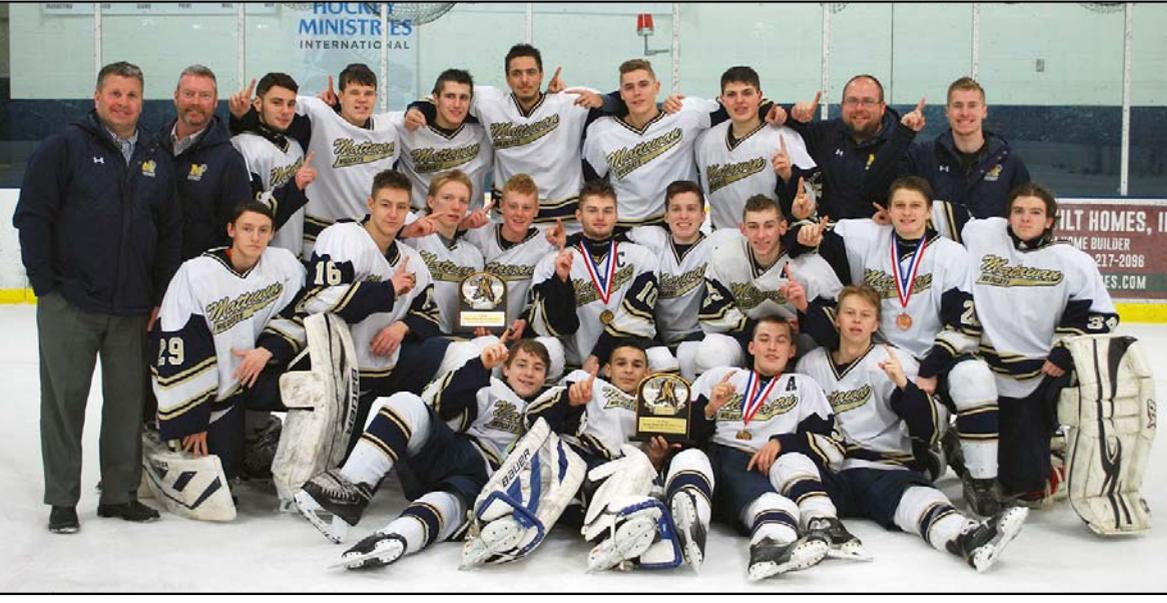


Shaffer, a sophomore goalie, completed his second year on the varsity as Mattawan's starting goalie. He led the SWMHS League in victories and save percentage and was recently accepted into the Bandits Goal-tending School's Elite Camp, which takes place the first week of August in Livonia, MI. He

maintains a 4.0 GPA and hopes to attend the U.S. Air Force Academy after graduation in 2018.

Chaney and Shaffer are the grandsons of LTBB Elder Doreen Wilson of Eastport, MI, and the sons of Laurie and Scott Moore of Mattawan, MI.

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OMAHA TRIBE WINS UNANIMOUS DECISION AT SCOTUS

By Suzette Brewer

Editor's note: The following article and accompanying photograph appeared on *Indian Country Today Media Network (ICTMN)* on March 23, 2016 and are reprinted here with permission.

Yesterday (March 22, 2016), the United States Supreme Court ruled in a unanimous decision to uphold the right of the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska to impose a sales tax on its own land. In their decision, which was written by Justice Clarence Thomas, the justices made clear that an 1882 act of Congress that opened up the tribe's reservation to settlement did not clear the way for continued diminishment of Indian lands.

Thomas wrote that, "Upsetting the justifiable expectations of the almost exclusively non-Indian settlers who live on the land are compelling, but these expectations alone, resulting from the tribe's failure to assert jurisdiction, cannot dimin-

ish reservation boundaries." "I am pleased that the United States Supreme Court upheld our reservation boundaries and sided on behalf of what is just and right," said Omaha Tribal Chairman Vernon Miller. "Our treaties can only be diminished with an Act of Congress itself and is a powerful document that should be adhered to by the United States of America. I am especially happy for other tribes facing diminishment issues in that this opinion solidifies the precedent the Supreme Court will follow. I am thankful to each and every person who has advocated for and participated in ensuring that our treaty rights are upheld. The Umonhon People are strong and resilient and will continue to practice our way of life on our land."

This case arose in 2004 after the Omaha Tribe of Nebraska enacted an alcohol beverage control ordinance regulating and taxing the sale of alcohol within the boundaries of its reservation. According to Miller, the tribe had previously passed

several sales taxes on the reservation without incident.

But when the tribe notified the seven liquor stores located in the town of Pender that they would have to pay tribal licensing fees and a 10% liquor tax to continue to operate on the reservation, the town of Pender and the liquor stores sued the tribe in federal court in 2007 asking the court to declare that Pender was not within the boundaries of the Omaha Reservation, alleging that an 1882 Act of Congress "diminished" the reservation borders.

In an interview with ICTMN, the Omaha Tribe's Attorney General Maurice Johnson said that the arrival of the opinion was both unexpected and shocking.

"We're just as shocked today as when the Supreme Court took cert," Johnson said. "We were not cocky at all, because it was scary. But there are some other tribes, like Little Traverse Bay Bands in Michigan, who are also facing diminishment issues, and we now have an even stronger precedent to follow. Today is a great reaffirmation of the decision from the Omaha Tribal Court Justice Mick Scarmon whose original opinion carried a lot of merit in the final analysis. We also want to thank our Supreme Court Attorney Paul Clement, who worked extremely hard on this case. He is one of the best in the world."

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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Commission ~ 2016 Meeting Schedule

May 4th, June 1st, July 6th,
August 3rd, September 7th, October 5th,
November 2nd, December 7th

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peaceful transfer on March 20 at 10 a.m. But, protesters, who had gathered on the street near the couple's house, prevented a private retrieval.

Then, the next day at 2:45 p.m., social workers arrived to carry a sobbing Lexi to a vehicle and whisk her away as dozens of media personnel and protesters looked on.

What had been a five-year custody battle ended when authorities successfully placed Lexi with her relatives—including her biological sister—in Utah, in compliance with ICWA. The arrangement had been in the works for months.

After their first failed effort to retrieve the child on March 20, DCFS officials stated that the agency intended to carry out the court's order and asked the media "to respect the child's privacy."

Days earlier, the Pages had publicized her identity on a Facebook page titled, "Save Lexi," which sought public support in defiance of the court's order, according to legal experts in California. The Second District Court of Appeals in California had ruled against the foster couple's attempt to adopt Lexi in August 2014.

Behind the scenes, authorities were in contact with the foster parents to inform them to prepare Lexi for transfer or face criminal charges. She is the second child whom the Pages have attempted to adopt out of foster care, according to court documents.

The first child was also returned to its extended family after a custody battle with the Pages.

According to court documents and those familiar with the case, Lexi has had an ongoing relationship with her relatives in Utah for nearly her whole life.

The adoptive family, who are non-Indian relatives of Lexi's biological father, fall within the familial placement preferences under ICWA. They have visited the girl at their own expense every month and regularly Skype with her at least once a week. Moreover, Lexi has visited them in Utah. According to insiders, she considers them family.

"These are not strangers that she's never seen before or had any kind of relationship with," said a source close to the father's family. "Her sister also lives with [the Utah couple] and she has another sister who lives down the street from them. She has a very close relationship with the Utah relatives, and the Pages have been a big part of facilitating that over the years.

"So it's baffling that they would create this kind of drama and friction between the two families at the last minute when they have thus far had a very amicable relationship that was in Lexi's best interest. They knew good and well that the transfer was coming. This was not a surprise visit from DCFS, so all this drama was completely for show."

The Pages' attorney, Lori Alvino McGill, told local media that she will be filing an appeal with the California Supreme Court for the girl's return and that another trip to the U.S. Supreme Court may be in the works "if that becomes necessary." McGill also represented Baby Veronica's birth mother, Christy Maldonado, in *Adoptive Couple v. Baby Girl* in 2013—the "Baby Veronica" case.

"It appears the foster family and their counsel are attempting to turn Lexi's case into a political call to arms to dismantle ICWA," said the Choctaw Nation in a statement. "[T]his case is not about politics. This case is about one of our children, one of our tribal members. And regardless of tribal membership, Lexi should be allowed to live with her family, just as all children in any deprived case should."

The Choctaw Nation also reported that "Lexi is safely home with her loving family" and that its members are "grateful that so many people are interested in Lexi's well-being."

The current case began in 2010 when Lexi's father lost custody of her after he went to jail for selling stolen automobile parts, according to court documents.

The girl went through several foster homes before being placed with the Pages.

They have been attempting to retain her ever

since.

However, California agencies and the courts reminded her on numerous occasions that she would eventually either be reunified with her father or be sent to live with relatives.

The girl's father was released from jail in December 2011. After that, the girl remained with the Pages while he worked to complete a "reunification plan," which included unmonitored day visits over weekends.

At some point, however, communication between the Pages and father broke down after it became clear that they were targeting his daughter for adoption and interfering with his visitations, he told ICTMN at the time.

According to court documents, the father was a "model parent" who had, over time, become depressed and worn down by fighting with the Pages. He considered the reunification requirements to be lengthy and unnecessary and they were not getting him any closer to regaining custody of his daughter.

In December 2013, the father reluctantly ceased reunification and requested that Lexi be placed with relatives according to placement preferences under ICWA. In 2014, however, the Pages went to court to establish "de facto parent" status, giving them the same rights and standing as biological parents. A California appeals court unanimously rejected their attempt.

"The foster family was well aware years ago [that] this girl is an Indian child, whose case is subject to the requirements of the Indian Child Welfare Act and who has relatives who were willing to raise her if reunification with her father was unsuccessful," said the National Indian Child Welfare Association.

"The purpose of foster care is to provide temporary care for children while families get services and support to reunite with their children, not to fast-track the creation of new families when there is extended family available who want to care for the child," the association continued. "The temporary nature of these relationships is also the reason we view those who serve as foster parents as selfless and nurturing individuals.

"Reunification and placement with extended family whenever possible is best practice for all children," the association concluded, "not just Native American."

According to officials with the California DCFS, peaceable transitions for the child are the primary objectives when replacing them to another home. Alerting the media, refusing to relinquish the child and releasing her name to the press is in violation of not only the court order, but also of confidentiality that is enumerated under state statute.

"We like all of our transitions and replacements to go smoothly," said DCFS Public Affairs Officer Armand Montiel.

"We don't like drama for the child."

Montiel said the actions by the Pages could trigger sanctions not only by the court, but also by the foster agency in making a determination about whether they should remain a foster family.

Leslie Heimov, the Executive Director of the Children's Law Center of California, which represents 33,000 children in Los Angeles and Sacramento—as well as Lexi's interests in this case—said the current priority is to ensure the girl's safety and well-being during the transition period.

"The privacy issues in dependency court proceedings are confidential under state statute, so we try to follow the law and we have not yet decided whether we'll pursue legal action against the Pages for violating confidentiality," Heimov told ICTMN. "At the moment we are more concerned about our client and the best way to get her placed with relatives and her emotional and physical well-being.

"That said, even setting ICWA aside, this child has a family and sibling that she should be placed with, which is also the preference under California state law. We are very cognizant of the privacy issues, but we feel that the information that is being reported in the public arena about this case should be accurate."

Pego's tribe is located on the Isabella Indian Reservation in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, which is less than an hour's drive to Flint.

In the crowd was a youth group from Chicago, Illinois, which came to represent the Windy City. Four members of the Ogitchedaw color guard from the Pokagon Potawatomi Nation, based in Dowagiac, Michigan, represented with their nation's flag. A bus load of tribal citizens from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, based in Harbor Springs, Michigan, attended the ceremony.

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Your Child's Early Development is a Journey

Check off the milestones your child has reached and share your child's progress with the doctor at every visit.



6 MONTHS

- Copies sounds
- Begins to sit without support
- Likes to play with others, especially parents
- Responds to own name
- Strings vowels together when babbling ("ah," "eh," "oh")
- Uses simple gestures such as shaking head for "no" or waving "bye-bye"
- Copies gestures

12 MONTHS (1 YEAR)

- Responds to simple spoken requests
- Says "mama" and "dada"
- Pulls up to stand

18 MONTHS (1 1/2 YEARS)

- Says several single words
- Knows what ordinary things are for: for example, telephone, brush, spoon
- Plays simple pretend such as feeding a doll
- Points to show others something interesting

2 YEARS

- Follows simple instructions
- Kicks a ball
- Points to things or pictures when they're named
- Says sentences with 2 to 4 words
- Gets excited when with other children
- Walks alone

3 YEARS

- Copies adults and friends (like running when other children run)
- Carries on a conversation using 2 to 3 sentences
- Climbs well
- Plays make-believe with dolls, animals and people
- Shows affection for friends without prompting

4 YEARS

- Would rather play with other children than alone
- Tells stories
- Plays cooperatively
- Draws a person with 2 to 4 body parts
- Plays cooperatively

These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For more complete checklists by age, visit www.cdc.gov/ActEarly or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

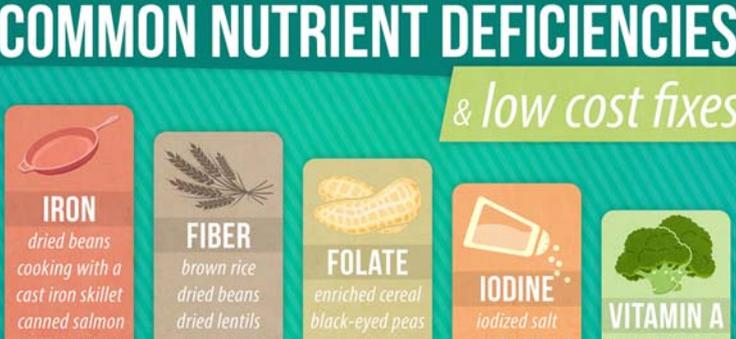
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We have to realize how important it is for us to do this ceremony like this. But, not just in a large crowd such as this, but we need to do it daily."

"We have to wonder what we are going to send forward for our future generations," said Steve Pego, the immediate past Chief of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan. "We have to send fresh water into the future for our grandchildren and our grandchildren's grandchildren. We have members of our tribe that have been poisoned by the lead in the pipes in Flint."

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- VITAMIN A:** mixed vegetables

LINE FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP



Birthdays



To Our Little Princess Bedassige, happy birthday on May 7. We love you!! Grandpa & Grandma.

Wayne, we have had our differences, as all brothers do, but I just want to wish you a "Happy Birthday" and say how proud I am of you for the recent big step forward you have taken in your life. Chris.

Wayner: I am so proud to call you son. You have overcome so much, have persevered through it all. You have taken a big step forward, and I am so happy for you. Wishing you the very best of birthday's. Love ya, Mom.

Birthdays

Uncle Bart, wishing you the happiest of days on May 11th. We are so lucky to not only call you uncle but friend. Wayner and Chris.

Bart, Mno-Dibishkaan to my brother and friend. Life has a tendency to throw us curve balls sometimes, but we always seem to come out better for it. I love a ya much, "D."



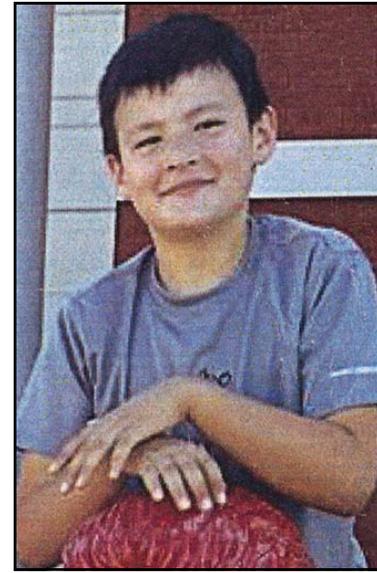
Wishing Garcia Medicine a happy 13th birthday on May 2nd! Love, Mom.

Happy birthday Grumpa! We love you!!! Hope your day is a good one!! Love, Lane, Kentin and Audrey.

Happy birthday on May 11 to Bart Gasco!!! Love, Jody.

Happy birthday Dad! Hope your 57th is a great day!! Love, BJ & Jessica, Josh & Sarah, and Holly & Joe.

Birthdays



Wishing a very happy birthday to my son, Jaden Taylor Osawabine, who turns 12 on May 16. I hope you have a good day. Love you and Joy Love. With all my love, Dad.



Happy 35th birthday to David King on May 10. Wishing you a clown-free birthday! Have a great day and a great year. From the King and VanDeCar families.

Birthdays

MnoDibishkaan Mary "Maanii" Keshick, our Nokomis/N'gaashi on May 4th!!! We love you to the moon and back! We hope you enjoy your special day, special kwe. ♥♥♥ G'zaagin! From, Theresa Christine, Michael, Jordan and Niibing.



Happy 21st Birthday Minahji Kwa. We love you, Mishimis and Nokomis.

Happy 21st birthday to my BB Baby. Love Mama.

Happy 21st birthday. Be nice to your liver. Love, from your sister.

Happy birthday to our favorite aunt, Dorothy Boda. Love, the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday Rebecca Prater on May 29th! I hope you enjoy your special day! Love you! Aunt Theresa ☺

Birthdays



Happy 4th birthday Bedassige Adassa James. With Love Always, Mama.

Happy birthday to Bedassige. From your Auntie and Cousins.

Happy birthday to Crystal Crampton on May 30th! Love, Aunt Theresa & the kids. ☺

Miigwetch

Chi Miigwetch to the community for their support for the Indian taco fundraiser for Miss Odawa Nation Alexa Oldman. Again, chi miigwetch. Diane Naganashe and Eva Oldman.

A special miigwetch to Wendy Congdon for doing the cream pie fundraiser for Miss Odawa Nation Alexa Oldman. Chi Miigwetch, Diane Naganashe.

Miigwetch to the family members who helped make the Indian taco fundraiser a great success! We could not have done it without your help. Chi Miigwetch, Diane Naganashe and Eva Oldman.

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Clean Water Act Listening Session

May 12th, 2016
6-8pm

Location: The Bear River Shelter at the end of Quaintance Ave. in Petoskey, MI.

Draft Agenda:
 6 PM Prayer
 6:05 PM Dinner—please bring a dish to pass and your feast bundle, fish patties and fry bread will be provided
 6:45 PM History of the Bear River
 6:55 PM Water Quality Demonstration
 7:40 PM Presentation and Feedback on the Clean Water Act

There will be picnic tables available, but feel free to bring your own camp chair as well.

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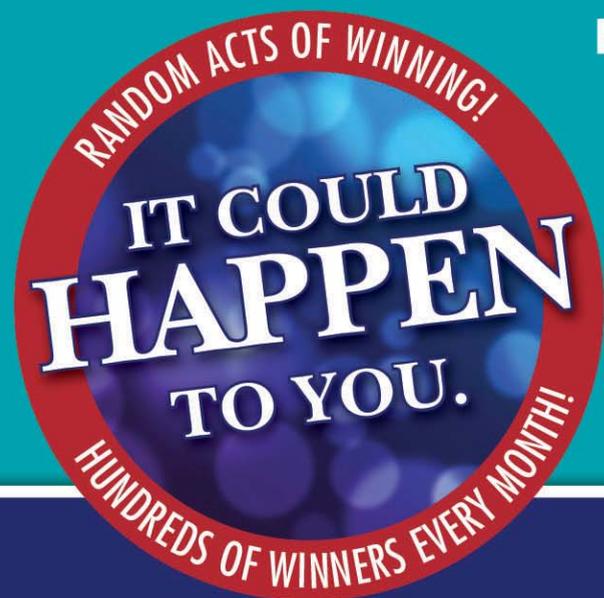


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