

## **NAGPRA Work Log 1st Qtr 2015**

29 December 2014: Met with interim Chairperson Regina Bentley and the Legislative Office Manager Michelle La Count to discuss NAGPRA and THPO program. I mentioned that there would be occasional need for meeting space and Michelle said that she could arrange for that. The contract was also signed on this day and I was told by Chairperson Bentley that I would be reporting to the Legislative branch of the LTBB. I also spoke with her and Eric Hemenway about obtaining the NAGPRA files from the Archives & Records Department that I had given to Eric in March of this year. They both stated that it would be no problem and that we can arrange for a date to do that.

30 December 2014: Returned home to Ann Arbor.

31 December 2014: Sent notifications of my status as NAGPRA representative and THPO to Dean Anderson and Stacy Tchorzynski, Office of the State Archaeologist, State of Michigan; Ben Secunda, Director of the NAGPRA program at the University of Michigan; Earl Meshigaud, NAGPRA Representative for the Hannahville Indian Community; Angela Sherrigan, attorney for the Michigan Anishinabek Cultural Preservation Repatriation Alliance; Jeff Chivis, NAGPRA Representative and THPO for the Nottawasepe Huron Band of Pottawatomi Indians; Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Band of Chippewa Indians; Sidney Martin, NAGPRA Representative for the Gun Lake Band of Potawatomi Indians; Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative & THPO, Bay Mills Indian Community; Marcus Winchester, NAGPRA Representative, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians; Giwegizhigokway Martin, NAGPRA Representative and THPO, Lac Vieu Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa; Jay Sam, NAGPRA Representative, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; Cindy Winslow, NAGPRA Representative, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians; Gary Loonsfoot, NAGPRA Representative, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community; Melissa Gutierrez, United States Department of Agriculture; William Johnson, Chairman, Michigan Anishinabek Cultural Preservation Repatriation Alliance.

2-3 January 2015: Travelled from Ann Arbor to Harbor Springs to meet with Eric Hemenway of the LTBB Archives & Records Department to pick up some of the NAGPRA-THPO files that I had given him in March of 2014. We discussed NAGPRA plans that I have for the coming year.

6 January 2015: Begin sorting the NAGPRA paper files from the Archives & Records Department that I had picked up last week. I separated those that are in need of immediate attention.

7 January 2015: Sent email to Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA Coordinator, New York State Museum, Albany. I notified her of my NAGPRA status and stated that I will be pursuing the creation of a claim for several of the items in their collections associated with the Ottawa. The most significant among these items is a mide water drum.

8 January: received reply from Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA Coordinator, New York State Museum, Albany. She stated that she welcomes a repatriation visit at any time. I responded that the first week of March would be a good time for me to make a repatriation visit.

8 January: Received an email from Eric Hemenway, he forwards 10 electronic files related to NAGPRA correspondence that he has received during 2014. He states that there are more and that he will be sending those later. Most of the files pertain to activities that were already attended to through actions by MACPRA but a few are still pending.

9 January: Sent Eric Hemenway the info to participate with the conference call on Monday with the United States Army Corps of Engineers regarding a cost sharing proposal to conduct ground penetrating radar surveys of 2 cemeteries in Cross Village.

10 January: Visited the Bentley Historical Library of the University of Michigan. Researched and found several historical maps of Cross Village. One dated ca. 1850-1857 showed the 'burying ground' within town as lot 1 of block 10. The church lot is also depicted, but part of the map of that location is missing. Also researched contextual historical information about the Cross Village cemetery also known as the 'Wiekamp Cemetery'. The cemetery dates to the establishment of the town at that location sometime between ca. 1834-1840 and appears to have been used to about ca. 1880 when the Oak Drive cemetery was established.

12 January: Completed an on-line survey sponsored by the Society of American Archaeologists. They solicited for opinion on NAGPRA and its impact upon the activities of professional archaeologists. My responses advocated for more involvement of the cultural and community rights of Native people in the repatriation process and for revision of the law to reflect the same. I stated that the concerns of academic research not related to repatriation is not as important.

14 January: Communicated with Lisa Anderson of the New York State Museum to arrange a visit for me to view the Ottawa items in their collections on Tuesday, March 3rd. She stated that it was a good date for her.

14 January: Received summary notes of meeting with the USACE last Monday from Ashley Binion-Zuccaro.

14 January: Communicated with Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA representative, of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. She sent me a flyer for the next MACPRA meeting which is set for 27 & 28 January at Lac Vieux Desert. We also discussed possible candidates for the chair of MACPRA which is up for election at the next meeting. She suggested Jeff Chivis of Nottawasepe Potawatomi Band.

14 January: Sent request to Michelle LaCount and Regina Bentley to have official notification from the LTBB of my NAGPRA appointment sent to William Johnson, Chairman of MACPRA. The next meeting will be on 27 January and I would like to assure that I can vote on issues at that time.

17 January: Notified the following persons of my NAGPRA status with the LTBB and that I will be resuming dialog with them about their NAGPRA collections. Louise Pfothauer of the Neville Public Museum, Green Bay, Wisconsin; John Broihahn, Wisconsin State Archaeologist, Madison, Wisconsin; Mark Duzik, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; and Peter N. Peregrine, Anthropologist, Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin. These notifications relate to Odawa human remains at

Lawrence University, Appleton Wisconsin that were taken from Rock Island in Lake Michigan. It is relates to a collection of items from the upper peninsula of Michigan and the area around Green Bay that are potentially associated with us.

17 January: Sent email to Brian Redmond, at the Cleveland Museum of Natural History to notify him of my NAGPRA status with the LTBB. I had submitted a claim for certain items in their collections in 2013 and will be following up with that claim as well as making plans to visit the museum and view the items and documents associated with them.

17 January: Sent email to Adam Lovell, curator of collections at the Detroit Historical Museum. I notified him of my NAGPRA status with the LTBB and told him I would be following up with our interest with some items in their collections.

20 January: Received reply from Adam Lovell, Detroit Historical Museum, he is willing to meet with me anytime.

26-28 January: Travelled to Watersmeet, Michigan, to attend the quarterly MACPRA meeting held at the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Reservation. The items that I will be working with on behalf of MACPRA are the Public Relations Committee; Indiana University; Harvard University; Dearborn Historical Society Museum; University of Michigan Sub Committee. The treasurer, Giwegezchickgokway Martin stated she sent invoices to all tribes for 2015 MACPRA dues.

29 January: Spoke with Eric Hemenway about the MACPRA meeting from last Tuesday. Asked if he had NAGPRA files from Harvard University. He said that he did and I told him that I would review those at his office on February 9th. I also gave him an update on Indiana University and NAGPRA. He forwarded me a contact person in the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma and stated that they wished to be involved in some capacity.

30 January: Received email from William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, he forwards correspondence that he has recently had with Jeff Chivis, NAGPRA-THPO for Nottawasepe Potowatomi, regarding MACPRA's plans to develop a position statement to Indiana University to bring them into compliance with NAGPRA. He also sent a copy of the culturally unaffiliated human remains list from the Peabody Museum.

2 February: Received forwarded mail from Tamara Kiogima. It is a letter with copies of documents from the University of Michigan describing three repatriations that occurred in 2014. None of these were directly associated with the LTBB and are for our reference only.

3 February: Participated in a telephone conference with the United States Army Corps of Engineers relative to implementing a geophysical survey of three old cemeteries in Emmet County. The prospects look good for them to assist us with the work. Coordination with the LTBB Tribal Council yet needs to be completed when all the details of the project planning are drafted in about 3 weeks.

4 February: Sent Peter Peregrine, NAGPRA contact for Lawrence University, formal request for consultation regarding Odawa human remains in their collections that originated from Rock Island off the end of the Door Peninsula in Wisconsin.

6 February: Received email message from William Johnson, chairman of MACPRA. He provides updates on the repatriation status of Native American human remains at the Milwaukee Public Museum and the Toledo Zoological Society and from unknown counties in the State of Michigan.

6 February: Corresponded via email with Neal Peregrine about consulting on the Rock Island II site ancestors for sometime the week of April 7th. He confirmed it was ok for him but that additional persons from the State of Wisconsin would need to also be involved, Jennifer Kolb and Mark Dudzik, as the state owns the collection.

6 February: Met with Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Coordinator for the University of Michigan. We discussed the current and upcoming repatriations that he is working on. He also mentioned that the U.M. NAGPRA program has had an external review of its operations by two museum professionals and as a result there might be some changes to the program. I will be consulting with the U.M. on the human remains from unknown Michigan sites. I will also be sending Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa, a letter of support for them to repatriate the human remains from those unknown Michigan sites.

7 February: Received a NAGPRA notice of inventory completion from Janet Brashler, NAGPRA contact for Grand Valley State University. It was published in the Federal Register 4 February 2015 and identifies the Native American human remains and associated funerary objects in the collections of Grand Valley State University. I reviewed the inventory and they represent remains from Allegan, Kent, Mecosta, Missaukee, Newaygo, and Ottawa counties, as well as two unknown locations within the state of Michigan. Of special interest is the Allegan County location that may be associated with Odawa people who lived in the region. Further research and review is needed before any claim to these and other remains is made.

9 February: Received emails from Mark Dudzick and Jennifer Kolb, NAGPRA representatives for the State of Wisconsin regarding a date for me to consult with them on the Native American human remains held at Lawrence University but owned by the State of Wisconsin. Mr. Dudzick stated that he might be able to attend, Ms. Kolb said that the week of the 13 of April was good for her.

9 February: Met with John Givens, LTBB Housing Director. I discussed the need for an archaeological survey of the newly acquired property by the LTBB in Harbor Springs on Second Street commonly known as 'Indian Town'. I told him of reports from past residents of 'Indian Town' that there are burials somewhere in that vicinity and of the need to investigate that further before any plans are finalized for the properties.

9 February: Met with Eric Hemenway, Director of LTBB Archives & Records. I reviewed the NAGPRA documentation that he had received regarding Harvard University during the past year. It is quite extensive and I will need to give it a closer review before developing a plan of action on the collections. I

also discussed the probability of burials at the 'Indian Town' properties owned by the LTBB and he provided some additional information of persons to speak to about it.

9 February: Met individually with Carrie Carlson, LTBB CFO; Amber Holt, LTBB grant writer; Rebecca Fisher, LTBB assistant to the Tribal Chair. We discussed the grant application process that I must follow relative to the NAGPRA-THPO program.

10 February: Sent email to Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa, asking information about the letter of support that she needs to repatriate the Native American human remains from the University of Michigan that are from unknown Michigan sites.

11 February: Notified NAGPRA representatives for the State of Wisconsin, Mark Dudzik and Jennifer Kolb, that I would be able to meet them for a NAGPRA consultation on April 13th at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin.

11 February: Sent Bryan Gillett, LTBB Planning Director, email asking about any plans for the LTBB property on St. Martin Island. I explained that I am exploring the feasibility of burying the repatriated ancestors from Lawrence University there. I further mentioned that it has been our policy to rebury the ancestors as close as possible to where they originated, which in this case was Rock Island. That island is southwest of St. Martin Island among the chain of islands off the end of the Door Peninsula of Wisconsin.

11 February 2015: Communicated with Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa, regarding a letter of support for them to repatriate the Native American human remains from unknown Michigan locations that are in the collections of the University of Michigan. I wrote the letter and sent it to Ben Secunda, NAGPRA coordinator for the U.M. and copied Ms. St. Onge.

12 February: Replied to Peter Peregrine that the 13th of April as a date to consult and view the Rock Island II site collection was good for me. He sends maps, directions and telephone numbers as part of the information I need to navigate the campus of Lawrence University.

12 February: William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, sent an email for everyone's information that he was notified that the Toledo Zoological Society sent their notice of inventory completion to the National NAGPRA Program which pertains to ancestors from unknown Michigan Counties. He also mentions that the notice of inventory completion for the Younge site from Lapeer County will be published in the Federal Register soon.

12 February: Received a copy of an email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. It concerns a statement in an email by William Johnson, NAGPRA Representative that Round Island and the Straits of Mackinac are the traditional homeland of the Saginaw Chippewa as determined by the Indian Claims Commission. She opens this matter up to discussion for all MACPRA representatives. I responded to her that I would look into the matter and let her know what I find.

13 February: Received email from Rebecca Fisher, LTBB assistant to Tribal Chair Office. She inquires if there are persons that I would like to have notified of my status as NAGPRA-THPO Representative for the LTBB. I replied that there are none currently but would let her know when the need arises. I did request for a copy of the historical report recently completed by James McClurken for NAGPRA-THPO purposes with a copy of the request to Tribal Council and legal counsel.

13 - 15 February: Researched historical use and occupancy of Round Island in the Straits of Mackinac. This is follow-up to issues raised by Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa, and William Johnson, NAGPRA Representative for the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe. I provided the perspective that historical documentation often contradicts about tribal identity for purposes of NAGPRA. This is one of the reasons that MACPRA some years ago determined to use tribal boundary areas as determined by treaties with the U.S. government.

13 February: Received an email from Eric Hemenway, Director LTBB Archives & Records. He states that the Saginaw Chippewa claim to Round Island is not valid because the historic record does not support that view.

15 February: Reviewed NAGPRA files on Princeton University and the Peabody Museum at Harvard University. At the MACPRA meeting in January, I volunteered to pursue NAGPRA activities with Princeton University. These files will take further review to determine what yet needs to be accomplished. I will review the files and request a date for a consultation.

16 February: Received an email from Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Coordinator of the University of Michigan. He notifies that the U.M. is beginning consultation with the tribes from 25 unknown locations within the State of Michigan. All the sites have Native American human remains associated with them and some also have funerary objects.

16 February: Received email from Rebecca Fisher, assistant to the Tribal Chair, asking if there were any notices to museums that needed to be sent about my status as NAGPRA Representative. I replied that there were none at the present that I could think of and thanked her for the offer.

17 February: Received email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. She sends a copy of the Notice of Inventory Completion as published in the Federal Register by the American Museum of Natural History. It states that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. Colleen wonders how that statement got into the final notice, as it is obviously incorrect. I agreed and said I would look into it and get back with her.

17 February: Spoke with Richard Wemigwase about his knowledge of historic burials at Indian Town in Harbor Springs. He told me that he was aware of that and I asked him to show me the exact location this spring. He said that he would.

17 February: Received a forwarded email from Eric Hemenway regarding an inventory of their archaeological collections which includes some human remains from Wesleyan University originally sent by them in December of 2014. I will review it for NAGPRA related items and respond as needed.

18 February: Received forwarded email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. It concerns providing examples of good NAGPRA practices for a NAGPRA brief being created by the American Alliance of Museums. The discussion being circulated among MACPRA members is whether there is any interest with providing a group reply. I am not certain what the goals of creating the NAGPRA brief are oriented, and will need to explore it before deciding how to respond.

18 February: Received a forwarded email from Eric Hemenway, Director LTBB Archives & Records, regarding the request from a reporter about ownership of human remains found on private land. I replied that I do not usually speak to reporters because of their frequent misquoting and misunderstanding of the issues.

18 February: Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Band of Chippewa Indians, sent copies of the draft Notices of Inventory Completion compiled by the American Museum of Natural History from August of 2014. I reviewed them and none have the statement about Mackinac Island being the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa tribe. My response to Colleen was that I needed to gather more information but that my first inclination was to write a letter to the museum and inquire what evidence was used to include that language. Also for repatriation purposes it will not affect who takes the lead with repatriation with MACPRA.

18 February: Received email notice from the Register of Professional Archaeologists about scholarships that are available for the annual archaeological field school. I forwarded to MACPRA membership.

19 February: Spoke with Joe Mitchell, LTBB elder and spiritual leader. I told him about the drum that is at the New York State Museum that was acquired from the Day Bird family in Harbor Springs in the 1920s. I also spoke with him about the need to create an appropriate cultural policy for the care of items such as the drum that are repatriated. He responded that the drum could be associated with either the Wabano or the Mide. I told him that I would keep him informed as NAGPRA plans emerge, especially with the planned repatriation of the ancestors at Lawrence University in Appleton, Wisconsin.

19 February: Spoke with Eric Hemenway, Director of LTBB Archives & Records. I asked for his opinion of the Notice of Inventory Completion from the American Museum of Natural History regarding the statement that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. He stated that it was problematic in having the potential to conflict with the hunting and fishing rights of the signatory tribes of the 1836 Treaty of Washington and as negotiated with the State of Michigan. He will be looking into it further and provide me with more information.

20 February: Received emails from Eric Hemenway regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion of the American Museum of Natural History. He reiterates his belief that the Saginaw Chippewa claim to Mackinac Island is unfounded and stated he will compile more information on the history of tribal ownership and use of the island. He also said he will keep James Bransky informed.

20 February: Compiled travel information and reviewed NAGPRA file for the anticipated consultation visit to the New York State Museum on March 3rd. I need to contact them this coming week to finalize the plans.

22 February: Sent email to Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA Coordinator of the New York State Museum. I inquired if the 3rd of March is still a good time to have the NAGPRA consultation and requested info on time, location, and parking.

23 February: Sent letter via email to Nell Murphy, NAGPRA Coordinator for the American Museum of Natural History. I requested clarification on the Notice of Inventory Completion that they had published in the Federal Register that mentions Mackinac Island as the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe of Michigan. I stated that there is potential for legal ramifications on the hunting and fishing rights to the signatory tribes of the 1836 Treaty of Washington. I further asked for clarification on how this statement was placed into the federal register as it was not in the draft version from August of 2014. I sent copies to Jim Bransky and Eric Hemenway. She replied that when her assistant returns on Wednesday they would look into it.

23 February: Completed and faxed the 'NAGPRA Consultation Visit Request Form' to Ben Secunda, NAGPRA Coordinator for the University of Michigan. The requested consultation visit is to view the ancestors remains and funerary objects from culturally unidentified sites in the State of Michigan that the U.M. proposes to consult and transfer in 2015. I asked to view those from 20 sites where the Ottawa have aboriginal standing. The dates I requested for the consultation are June 1st, 10th, and 22nd of 2015.

23 February: Sent email to Cindy Winslow, Jay Sam, and Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representatives for the Grand Traverse Band, Little River Band, and Bay Mills Indian Community respectively. I forwarded a copy of my letter to the American Museum of Natural History regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion that states Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. It is for their information.

24 February: Reviewed and researched the information forwarded by Jay Sam, NAGPRA representative for the Little River Band of Ottawa regarding the proposed revision of a NAGPRA Advocacy Brief by the American Alliance of Museums. The original brief was certainly in need of changes, but I was unable to locate any further information on whether any revision was completed or is in process. I will resume the search at another time.

24 February: Received email from Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion by the American Museum of Natural History that states Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. She states that their attorney brought it to her attention. I replied that I would keep her informed when I receive a reply to my inquiry on this matter from the AMNH.

24 February: Spoke with Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA coordinator for the New York State Museum. We discussed the plans for my consultation visit on March 3rd. I requested to leave a tobacco pipe with the drum which she stated would be ok. I also asked to see any additional documentation about the items identified as Ottawa if they have it. She said she would look to see and have it available when I arrive. Another item we discussed was the possibility of the drum having been treated with chemicals and she said that they have the ability to test for certain heavy metals on any object and asked if we wanted to

have that done. I replied that if we decide to submit a repatriation claim that such testing would certainly be part of the discussion surrounding that. I also made all the travel arrangements for the trip.

24 February: Reviewed NAGPRA inventory for Wesleyan University. Most of the objects are lithic archaeological in nature and are from various places in the world. Many items have very little information about them. A few human remains appear to be from Europe, but an examination of the teeth should be made. There are a few items that should be explored with further information. One of the donor/collectors is Shurtleff which should also be examined more closely. The inventory should be gone over again to refine the information to request from Wesleyan University.

25 February: Sent email to Melinda Young, Secretary of the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Group. I inquired about their next meeting date and requested to be placed on the agenda to present discussion on the repatriation of ancestors that are at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin. These ancestors originated were excavated from Rock Island, Wisconsin, and are identified as Ottawa. I intend to submit a repatriation claim to rebury them.

25 February: Spoke with Al Colby, LTBB Tribal Administrator. I mentioned the repatriation of ancestors from Lawrence University that I plan on submitting a NAGPRA claim and would like to rebury them on our tribe's property upon St. Martin Island as it is very close to Rock Island from where there were originally buried. He was in favor of the idea and believed that the Tribal Council would too.

25 February: Sent message to Ben Secunda in response to his offer to have a consultation visit sooner than the 3 dates in June that I supplied him with previously. I suggested that Jay Sam of the Little River Band, and/or Cindy Winslow of the Grand Traverse Band, could do a consultation to represent Ottawa/Odawa interests with these collections at the University of Michigan. I added that if Jay or Cindy cannot do it, then I would still be available for one of the June dates.

26 February: Sent Jay Sam an email requesting updated information about the NAGPRA Advocacy Brief that he forwarded previously that was being considered for revision by the American Association of Museums.

26 February: Sent message to Jessie Cohen, Archaeological Collections Manager at Wesleyan University informing her of my appointment as NAGPRA representative for the LTBB. I also asked if the summary she had sent previously represented all of their collections and let her know that I was researching some of info on the summary and would be maintaining correspondence with her about it. She replied later in the day that the summary she sent represents all the items that they have.

26 February: Received message from Melinda Young, THPO for the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. She stated that the next meeting of the Wisconsin Inter-Tribal Repatriation Committee will meet on Thursday, March 19th at Lac Du Flambeau reservation. She has placed me on the agenda to discuss plans to repatriate Odawa ancestors from Rock Island in Green Bay that are at Lawrence University. I will need to gather more information to prepare for this meeting.

26 February: Received email from William Johnson, Chairman of MACPRA. He notifies that the ancestors from the Dearborn Historical Museum are ready to be transferred out of the control of the museum. I will be facilitating with the tribal transfer recipients and the museum to effect this repatriation and sent a message to the MACPRA tribes that are the transfer recipients requesting they contact me to make arrangements. Karen Krepps of the Dearborn Historical Museum. and William Johnson both sent me a message stating that those ancestors had not been visited by Anishinaabek. William Johnson also informs that Jeff Chivis no longer represents the Nottawasepe Huron Band of Potawatomi and that all communication with the NHBPI will be through Travis Parashoonts until further notice.

26 February: Received email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Band of Chippewa. She states that she will be sending a letter to the American Museum of Natural History regarding their mention in the Notice of Inventory Completion published in the Federal Register that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa.

26-27 February: Communicated with Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Saut Ste. Maire Band of Chippewa and Gary Loonsfoot, NAGPRA Representative for the Keweenaw Indian Community. Colleen had inquired if I could pick up the ancestors from Dearborn Historical Museum that she will be receiving for reburial and she would be coming to area anyway on March 23rd and could pick them up at that time. I replied that I would do that, and also suggested that I could do the same for the ancestor that Gary Loonsfoot will be reburying and sent him a message with that suggestion.

27 February: Sent and received emails with Giwegiizhigokway Martin, NAGPRA-THPO representative for the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa and MACPRA Treasurer. I inquired about the annual dues for LTBB's membership and the status of the notes from the last meeting. She replied that the dues were paid and a draft version of the notes will be available next week.

27 February: Communicated with Karen Krepps, NAGPRA consultant for the Dearborn Historical Museum regarding details of transferring the ancestors to be repatriated. To date I will be picking up those for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa on the 23rd of March. It is anticipated that I will also pick up those for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community at the same time. The ancestors that are to be transferred to the Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa & Chippewa is pending a reply from Cindy Winslow their NAGPRA contact person to finalize arrangements.

27 February: Received email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa. She describes the circumstances of their participation with the conference call of MACPRA with the American Museum of Natural History. Evidently she was not on the call from the start but came onto it later and missed the part where the Saginaw Chippewa expressed desire to have the wording included in the Notice of Inventory Completion of Mackinac Island being their aboriginal land.

27 February: Received email from Eric Hemenway, he provided his thoughts on the statements made by the American Museum of Natural History.

27-28 February: Received email from Nell Murphy, NAGPRA Coordinator for the American Museum of Natural History. She describes the process on how the Notice of Inventory Completion was created for

publication in the Federal Register. I spoke with Eric Hemenway regarding the situation of the Saginaw Chippewa claiming Mackinac Island as their aboriginal territory and expressed my opinion that the tribal attorneys should be made aware of this matter and recommend how to proceed.

28 February: Due to winter weather I cancelled the NAGPRA consultation trip to the New York State Museum in Albany, New York. I notified Lisa Anderson, NAGPRA coordinator that I will need to reschedule for a later time.

1 March: Conducted more research on the issue of the Saginaw Chippewa claim of Mackinac Island being their aboriginal land. Reviewed the NAGPRA law and regulations especially for guidance on the process to correct/amend the notices of inventory completion, but did not find anything relative to the issue currently under discussion. Sent a summary of my findings to Colleen St. Onge, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa; Paula Carrick, Bay Mills Indian Community and also posed the question if we want to delay the repatriation due to clarification of the matter, is the statement in the NIC legally significant and pose a potential problem for the 1836 Treaty Tribes.

2 March: Received email from Melanie O'Brien of the National NAGPRA Program regarding my questions about Notices of Inventory Completion in the Federal Register. It is very helpful for understanding the context of the notices and the process to correct them.

2 March: Subscribed to the National NAGPRA on-line newsletter to be received via email.

2 March: Received email from Giwegiizhigokway Martin, she sends draft minutes from the MACPRA meeting in January for our review.

2 March: Received email from Paula Carrick, NAGPRA representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community, she forwards opinion of their attorney Candy Tierney that to allow the Notice to go uncorrected sets a bad precedent on future repatriations.

2 March: Received email from William Johnson, he states that the Saginaw Chippewa will be responsible for reburial of the ancestors from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum and requests specific medicines to be placed with them on my visit there on 23 March.

2 March: Received email from Jim Bransky, he attached a letter stating support that Mackinac Island is part of the aboriginal homeland of the LTBB, the BMIC, and the SSMTCI. He also sent the legal report written by Gregory Dowd as evidence. I sent copies of these documents with a request to the American Museum of Natural History to remove the statement that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa.

2 March: Received an email from Nell Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History, she sends a copy of the information on the conference call with the Saginaw Chippewa regarding the wording of the Notice of Inventory Completion. She also requests to have a telephone call with her and her assistant Adam, I replied that Wednesday or Thursday would be good for me sometime in the afternoon.

2 March: Received an email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative from the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. She supports the correction of the Notice of Inventory Completion as submitted by the American Museum of Natural History. Ms. St. Onge added that if we do not go for a correction we stand to lose the progress made by all those who have fought for our rights. She will be sending a letter to that effect today.

2 March: Received an email from Eric Hemenway stating that he never saw an invitation from MACPRA to participate with the telephone conference in October to discuss the Notice of Inventory Completion for the American Museum of Natural History. He believes that the LTBB did not get an invitation. I replied that I need copies of email correspondence from Nell Murphy that he mentions he received in August and September 2014.

2 March: Received email from William Johnson, Saginaw Chippewa Tribe stating that he would like to have their attorney review the situation regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion by the American Museum of Natural History before a correction is made to it. I acknowledged receipt of his message in my reply.

2 March: Received email from Jim Bransky, he suggests compiling additional information as a response to the situation with the Saginaw Chippewa on their claim to Mackinac Island being their aboriginal land. I replied that we should not send it right away and await the response of the Saginaw Chippewa legal department. Eric Hemenway also commented via email on this issue and he believes that the Saginaw Chippewa are wrong with their interpretation of the history.

Jim Bransky also commented in a separate email that MACPRA tribes should work together on resolving reburial issues and not impose complicated legal decisions upon the museums. I replied that I never believed that MACPRA tribes would breach their already established protocol related to repatriation, but rather believed that the principal issue at hand was the claim by the Saginaw Chippewa that Mackinac Island is their aboriginal land.

3 March: Reviewed letter and Notice of Inventory Completion sent by Janet Brashler, NAGPRA contact, at Grand Valley State University. There are no issues or concerns that I have regarding it. They had consulted with us on previous occasions.

3 March: Reviewed Wesleyan University inventory again, determined Shurtleff name of donors of some items is not recently associated with those of the same name from Emmet County. Human remains need clarification about racial identity, I will ask them if that has been done.

3 March: Received email from William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, regarding medicines that he wants to have placed with the ancestors that he will be receiving for reburial from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum. I told him I would do that and could stop and get it the next time I am going through Mount Pleasant.

3 March: Received email from Eric Hemenway, he forwards the only message he had received from the American Museum of Natural History during the latter half of 2014. He never received the inventory notice to participate in that discussion.

3 March: Sent email to Rebecca Fisher, assistant to the Chairperson, requesting copies of any communications received from Nell Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History from the first of August to the end of October 2014. We might need to document the level of effort that was used to consult with the LTBB on the finalization of the Notice of Inventory Completion. She replied that they will look through their log of received mail for anything during the time period.

3 March: Received email from William Johnson, MACPRA Chairman, he informs that the Notice of Inventory Completion will be published within about 60 days from the Toledo Zoological Society.

3 March: Received email from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. She sends letter that requests a correction to the Notice of Inventory Completion by the American Museum of Natural History in the Federal Register. She adds that she concurs with the same statement that I had provided previously on the same matter. It regards the statement in the Notice of Inventory Completion that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa.

3 March: Received email from Marcus Winchester, NAGPRA-THPO Representative for the Pokagon Potawatomi. He notifies that he recommended to the Indiana Archaeological Society that I speak to them at a workshop on March 21st in Indianapolis. I also received a telephone call from Indiana University to the same request which I accepted. They will pay for my travel and I will not be charging it to the LTBB NAGPRA-THPO program budget.

4 March: Corresponded via email with William Johnson about a time to get various medicines from him that he is making available for the repatriation of the ancestors at the Dearborn Historical Society Museum. It will probably be sometime next week that I could stop there.

4-5 March: Corresponded via email with Nell, Murphy, NAGPRA Coordinator for the American Museum of Natural History, Adam Watson also from the AMNH; Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa; and Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Coordinator for the Bay Mills Indian Community. These messages discussed the actions on the part of the tribes to change the wording in the AMNH determination in the NIC that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. Bay Mills has asked Chuck Cleland to write a statement to that effect. We decided to all meet Tuesday of next week to discuss this matter more fully. The attorneys for Bay Mills and Sault Ste. Marie will be there.

4 March: Received an email from Rebecca Fisher, Chairwoman's Office, stating that they do not have a copy of the correspondence for the period I requested a search, but she has contacted the American Museum of Natural History to obtain one.

4 March: Colleen St. Onge sent an email saying thanks for offering to pick up the ancestors at Dearborn Historical Society Museum.

5 March: Had a telephone discussion with Nell Murphy and Adam Watson, NAGPRA team for the American Museum of Natural History regarding the NIC determinations statement by the AMNH that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. She stated in an email that summarized the discussion that her and Adam answer to a committee that will help them work through this issue. We posited a potential solution to revise the NIC that all tribes would be grouped together that are aboriginal to Mackinac Island and not to separately identify those tribes that are aboriginal based on ICC or United States Court of Claims. I told her that I will need to look into this possibility more fully.

6 March: Received email from Melanie O'Brien, National NAGPRA Coordinator stating that she will look into changing the wording of the AMNH NIC as well as review for me the summary that Nell Murphy wrote of her and I's telephone discussion yesterday. She will let me know.

9 March: Met with Regina Bentley, interim Chairperson, updated her on the Saginaw Chippewa position that Mackinac Island is their aboriginal land.

Received email from Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community, she forwards letter from Charles Cleland regarding his opinion of the Saginaw Chippewa statement that Mackinac Island is their aboriginal homeland.

10 March: Received an email and telephone call from Eric Drake, Heritage Program Manager, for the Hiawatha National Forest. He request for any comments to the Notice of Inventory Completion for the Repatriation of the Bowkenect Collection that originated from Round Island in the Straits of Mackinac by the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa. I notified him that I would like to see a copy of the draft NIC before I provide any comments.

10 March: Received a forwarded email originating from Melanie Young about the Wisconsin Intertribal Repatriation Group meeting March 19th. She forwards a copy of the agenda. I will have to cancel my trip there for that meeting and instead write a letter to be read at the meeting. The date conflicts with my need to make a presentation to the LTBB Tribal Council meeting that day to apply for THPO status to the United States Department of the Interior.

10 March: Met at Sault Ste. Marie Tribal Offices to discuss the Notice of Inventory Completion of the American Museum of Natural History. In attendance from the Bay Mills Indian Community were Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative and Cathy Tierney, Legal Counsel. From the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe were present Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative, and Aaron Schlehuber, Legal Counsel. It was determined that the position taken by the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe regarding Mackinac Island being their aboriginal homeland is incorrect.

10 March: Received an email from Paula Carrick, NAGPRA representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community. She forwards email from William Johnson with a copy of the 1820 Treaty. Paula had stated in a previous letter that the Treaty of 1820 ceded Mackinac Island. This information from William Johnson was aimed at letting her know about that fact.

10 March: Received the National NAGPRA Newsletter via email.

11 March: Met with William Johnson at the Zibiwing Center in Mount Pleasant, he is the NAGPRA Representative for the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe. I asked him if he acted on his own initiative regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion of the American Museum of Natural History statement in the determinations that Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa. He said it was not his decision to take this position but rather it is the directive of the Tribal Council to exercise their treaty rights per the 1795 Treaty of Greenville, which they and/or he believes includes the Saginaw Chippewa as signatory. I also picked up the medicines for wrapping the ancestors to be repatriated from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum.

Met with Dean Anderson, State Archaeologist, and Stacy Tchorczynski, archaeologist in the Office of the State Archaeologist. We discussed potential plans to include cultural resources that may be eligible for restoration and long term planning protection through the National Resiliency Competition funds. The locations discussed included Norton Mounds, Battle Point cemetery, and the Spoonville Mounds. More information is needed to support the eligibility of these locations to potentially be aided by the funding opportunity. Dean and myself will help coordinate these efforts.

12 March: Received email from Paula Carrick, NAGPRA Representative for the Bay Mills Indian Community, she forwards copy of a map that has the latitude and longitude coordinates of the boundary between the 1836 Treaty of Washington with the Saginaw Chippewa treaty lands.

I responded with a summary of the meeting with William Johnson yesterday and indicated that we need to know if the Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Council believes that they are signatories to the 1795 Treaty of Washington, and if the AMNH has the authority to change/amend the NIC section entitled 'Determinations by the Museum'. If so we would need to assemble evidence to aid the AMNH with changing that statement on their part.

13 March: Spoke with and emailed Eric Drake, Hiawatha National Forest, he is looking to submit the NIC for the Round Island collection to repatriate it to the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa. I had previously sent a letter of support. I asked to review a copy of the NIC before it is sent to be published in the Federal Register. He sent me copies of the inventory and analysis for the collection as well as the historical research that I did some years ago.

13 March: Received several emails from Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA Representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa; Cathy Tierney, Attorney for Bay Mills Indian Community; and Paula Carrick NAGPRA Representative also from Bay Mills. They all stated that they will not back down from challenging the Saginaw Chippewa from their claim that Mackinac Island is their aboriginal land. It was posited that we all wait to see what Nell Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History decides to do.

14 March: Sent Colleen St. Onge, NAGPRA representative for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa, an email asking if she had yet made arrangements with William Johnson, Saginaw Chippewa representative to deliver to him some of the ancestors that we are repatriating from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum on March 23rd.

16 March 2015: Received an email from Melinda Young, Secretary for WITRC, acknowledging receipt of my letter about LTBB repatriating 14 ancestors from Lawrence University. She stated that I am welcome to come to their June meeting at Red Cliff.

18 March: Received email from William Johnson, he forwards Notice of Inventory Completion of the Toledo Zoological Society published in the Federal Register.

18 March: Sent and received emails with Netawn Kiogima about the Mide drum at the New York State Museum. She stated it looked like those that she has seen from Round Lake, Wisconsin where Archie bamosay does the Mide ceremonies.

19 March: Met with Tony Davis, LTBB pipe carrier about the Mide drum that is at the New York State Museum, and the 14 ancestors at Lawrence University in Wisconsin. I mentioned that I will be submitting a NAGPRA claim for all these and I will be requesting guidance from him and others as the repatriations proceed. He provided me with the name of a potential resource person in Lansing area who is Mide.

20 March: Compiled and organized research information about the Mide drum at the New York State Museum and sent dimensions to Netawn Kiogima and R.J. Smith. The two drumsticks that I thought were associated with the drum are not, I had mistaken those from another museum (NMAI) inventory with the NYSM.

20 March: Reviewed draft Notice of Inventory Completion that was compiled by Eric Drake the NAGPRA representative for the Hiawatha National Forest. He had requested my review. The NIC is aimed at repatriating the objects in the USFS collections that are from Round Island to the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa. There were only a few minor corrections that needed attention. I also recommended to him that he send the draft for review to Melanie O'Brien at the National NAGPRA Program Office, she is the person there that deals with the NIC's.

23 March 2015: met at Dearborn Historical Society Museum with Jack Tate, Curator, Karen Krepps, consultant, and Mary Baumgardner to transfer control of Native American human remains from them. I wrapped them, placed 4 medicines with them, and smudged them. I will be transporting them for reburial to the Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa and Chippewa, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, and the Bay Mills Indian Community.

23 March 2015: Received several emails from MACPRA tribal representatives that forwarded an article about the Con Foster Museum in Traverse City making efforts to plan on what to do with their artifact collection.

24 March 2015: Received emails from several MACPRA representatives acknowledging the repatriation of the ancestors from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum. William Johnson states that they are waiting for the ground to thaw before getting those that they will rebury.

25 March 2015: Sent email to Nell Murphy of the American Museum of Natural History in New York. I inquired if there is any news about the NIC they published in the Federal Register for which I had requested a modification. She replied that by the end of the week she will have more information. I forwarded her message to Jim Bransky. He acknowledged receipt of it.

25 March 2015: Called and spoke with Joe Mitchell. I mentioned that the NAGPRA consultation was for April 13th with Lawrence University for the proposed repatriation of the ancestors that originated from Rock Island, Wisconsin. He stated that he was able to accompany me on that trip. He also said that a pipe ceremony, wrapping with the medicines, singing, and smudging would be a proper way to visit these ancestors. I will be making the necessary arrangements for this consultation. I also informed him that his expenses and time would be paid for his participation through my contract funds.

25 March 2015: Sent an email to Cindy Winslow, NAGPRA Representative for the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa. I inquired about a day that I could deliver the ancestor that originated from Leelanau County which I retrieved last Monday from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum.

26 March 2015: Received reply from Cindy Winslow. She put me in touch with her supervisor, Sheila Chingwa about arranging a specific time to transfer the ancestor from the Dearborn Historical Society Museum to them. It is tentatively set for April 7th.

26 March 2015: Communicated with Netawn Kiogima about meeting with her and R.J. Smith to discuss the Mide drum at the New York State Museum. We tentatively plan on meeting on April 6th about noon.

27 March 2015: Received an email from Rebecca Fisher, assistant to the chairperson, she forwards information about the International Repatriation Project of the Association on American Indian Affairs. It announces their 8th session to be held 20-24 July 2015, which is entitled 'United Nations Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples'. A copy of a letter written by Eric Hemenway to the United Nations Commissioner of Human Rights supporting their efforts.

28-29 March 2015: Researched and compiled information to develop the evidence for the NAGPRA repatriation claim of 14 ancestors at Lawrence University, Appleton, Wisconsin. The State of Wisconsin owns the ancestors and the evidence will be submitted to them as well as the Wisconsin Tribes.

30-31 March 2015: Corresponded via email with Colleen St. Onge, Paula Carrick regarding the Notice of Inventory Completion from the American Museum of Natural History that states Mackinac Island is the aboriginal land of the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe. The general consensus is that we should ask for clarification from them about it especially if they claim the Treaty of Greenville as a basis. There was also discussion about a similar statement in the NIC for the Toledo Zoological Society.

31 March: Received email from Sheila Chingwa, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa, she notifies that she is making efforts to receive the ancestor that I will deliver to them on April 7th.

31 March 2015: Received email from William Johnson providing notice of a special meeting to determine transfer recipients of ancestors being repatriated from Grand Valley State University,

American Museum of Natural History, Toledo Zoological Society, and the University of Michigan. The meeting telephone discussion is planned for Tuesday April 7th. I plan on participating.

31 March 2015: Compiled more research for the NAGPRA claim to the State of Wisconsin for the repatriation of the ancestors that originated from Rock Island in the Green Bay region of Lake Michigan. Also began writing the final claim letter for that purpose.