



ODAWA TRAILS

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Smithsonian's Native American Exhibit Opens September 21, 2004



The Archives/Records and Cultural Preservation staff accompanied thirty-one other LTBB tribal members on a trip to Washington D.C. to experience the grand opening ceremonies for the new National Museum of the American Indian.

This national museum is the newest addition to the world-renowned museums within the Smithsonian Institution. It centers on native cultures from this hemisphere and stresses the beauty of our cultures, our vitality, our contributions, and our futures.

While in town for the grand opening, the LTBB contingency also had wonderful opportunities to learn about mainstream American history by having the opportunity to tour many of the memorials and other important sites in D.C. We had an excellent guide on these tours, who was able to give our participants a more detailed view of many of the memorials and

landmarks.

As part of the opening ceremonies, LTBB also participated in the procession that preceded the opening ceremony agenda. There were approximately twenty-thousand native people in the procession who were grouped according to their tribe. We had an excellent and emotional time during the procession. It was an amazing feeling to be surrounded by other native people and to mingle with cultures much different than our own. Following the procession, we were seated at the front of the museum for the opening program that entailed speeches from museum dignitaries and special guests. Later that day, we were able to tour the new museum with our group and explore the new exhibits.

Overall, the trip was a huge success. Everyone that attended had an excellent time seeing the sights and

learning a lot. We all felt grateful to have been able to represent our people in the activities and to be a small part of such a historic event. We are also grateful to the American Tour Club who ensured that our trip was jam-packed with activity and that we all arrived back home safely.

On behalf of the Elders, Youth, Tribal Members, and Staff that were able to participate, I would like to thank Tribal Council for their generosity. Some of the travelers had never been to Washington D.C. before or never been "around so many Indians!" We are truly grateful!!!!

Miigwetch miinwa,

Winnay Wemigwase
Director,
Archives/Records & Cultural
Preservation

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Tribal Council Meeting Dates

November 20, 2004
Work Session

November 21, 2004
Meeting

December 4, 2004
Work Session

December 5, 2004
Meeting

December 18, 2004
Work Session

December 19, 2004
Meeting

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURT ROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS

- TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**
FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK-
 TRIBAL CHAIRMAN
BEATRICE LAW-
 VICE CHAIRPERSON
DEXTER MCNAMARA-
 SECRETARY
ALICE YELLOWBANK-
 TREASURER
RITA SHANANAQUET-
 COUNCILOR
FRED HARRINGTON-
 COUNCILOR
REGINA BENTLEY-
 COUNCILOR

2004 Tribal Sovereignty Day



Photo Courtesy of LTBB Planning Department
 Pictured from left: Tribal Chairman, Frank Ettawageshik; Tribal Council Member Fred Harrington, Jr.; Tribal Council Vice Chairperson Bea Law; Miss Odawa, Alicia Shenoskey, Tribal Council Treasurer Alice Yellowbank; Tribal Council Secretary Dexter McNamara; and Tribal Council Member Regina Bentley.

Look for more photos from the celebration on page 6

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From the Desk of Tribal Chairman, Frank Ettawageshik

Aanii! I wanted to report on several things in this month's article. First, in September over fifty of our LTBB tribal citizens were in Washington, D.C., for the opening of the new National Museum of the American Indian. This newest branch of the Smithsonian Institution's many museums in the United States' capital city had its official grand opening on the 21st of September but the festivities stretched out over a full week. Joe Mitchell, carrying our community Eagle Staff, Tony Davis, carrying our veterans Eagle Staff, along with our Tribal Flag led the LTBB delegation on Tuesday the 21st, as we were part of nearly twenty five thousand Native people from across North and South America and Hawaii who participated in the Native Nations Procession. We walked from near the Washington Monument on the National Mall up to the new museum building near the Capital. Throngs of spectators lined the route. Few if any of us had ever been in the middle of so many native people at one time. It was a very moving experience. After several speeches and honor songs, the museum doors were opened to the pub-

lic. So many people were there to view the museum that we had to have tickets to enter at a specific time to help control the crowds. The museum was open all night the first night to accommodate all of the viewers. Our Tribe's name is one of the tribal names etched on the stone wall at the main entrance as one of the many tribes who made a donation to help build the museum. Additionally, as a proud father, I want to mention that my daughter, Marissa, who lives in the DC area is one of the volunteers at the museum and my son, Joseph, has one of his pieces of Indian pottery in the museum's collection.

The second thing in this report is that we recently signed a historic agreement with the Michigan Secretary of State. After nearly a year of negotiating and a site visit by staff from the State, the State agreed to officially accept our Tribal Identification Cards as a proof of identification when applying for a Michigan driver's license or State Identification Card. This sounds simple but it took a lot of work. Our lobbyist in Lansing, Mary Lindemann, of Michigan Tribal Advocates, arranged a

first meeting with tribal consultant, Jim McClurken, several Secretary of State officials and myself. After this we had a site visit during which our Enrollment staff, Pauline Boulton and Linda Keshick, did an excellent job of convincing the State of the thoroughness and security of our enrollment process. Several emails and telephone calls followed over the next several months and eventually we had an acceptable agreement ready. Tribal Council then had to adopt an amendment to our Tribal Enrollment Statute to allow our staff to verify information requests from the Secretary of State's staff. After all of this we were able to sign the agreement. So far, our Tribal ID's are the only ones accepted by the State of Michigan.

The third item in this report is that the expanded parking lot for Victories Casino will be completed by the time you are reading this. We purchased land in the spring that is just to the east of Victories on which we have constructed additional parking spaces to double our parking capacity. This land included a large health building to which we will be moving our clinic and

health offices. Additionally we are expanding the Victories building in order to add over 250 new slot machines along with new air handlers to make the casino much less smoky inside. The expected increase in our business from these expansions will assist us in consolidating our financial position as we continue to make plans for the new Casino to be built on the land to the west of Wal-Mart in Petoskey.

Lastly, our Sovereignty Day Celebration on Saturday, September 18th, was a great success. The Planning Department had assured us that the paving of the second half of Odawa Circle would be done for the festivities. They were right on schedule and we were able to hold our first Sovereignty Day Parade. The food and prizes were excellent with lots of fun and socializing during the afternoon. The feature of the day was the premier showing of the video "Journey to Sovereignty". This video details the history and 10-year anniversary of the signing of Public Law 103-324, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Act. In the near future, we hope to have copies of this video available for sale. Shirley Oldman chaired the Sovereignty Day Committee and along with Mary Roberts produced the video. Shirley and all of the other members of the committee deserve a "Chii Miigwetch!" for a lot of hard work.

I would welcome your comments on this article. If you would like to comment, contact me by email at fettawageshik@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call the Council office at 231-242-1406. Additionally, those with internet access will find lots of information at the tribal website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov including an updated and expanded Odawa Register that has the minutes of our Tribal Council meetings posted, usually within 24 hours of the meeting. Su Lantz and Ed Nephler have done lots of work to update our Odawa Register and deserve recognition for their excellent work. Our full Tribal Code is on this site, listing all of the Tribal laws in one place for your information.

From the Desk of the Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr.

Aanii Tribal members, fall is upon us and winter is just around the corner. The Tribal Distribution plan (\$500 for each LTBB member) is moving forward. This year the Enrollment Department will be sending address verification forms to all LTBB Tribal members 18 years of age and older, minor LTBB children under the age of 18 years old (enrolled with the Tribe) and LTBB Tribal members presently incarcerated in a state or federal institution. If you have changed your residence or mailing address since last year, contact the Enrollment Department at (231) 242-1520. It is very important to have a correct mailing address on file in the Enrollment Department, in order to receive your LTBB Distribution check in a timely manner. Also, the Tribe has held several successful events since my last article in the newsletter. The Traditional Pow-wow at Osborne Road was a success with the meal served at the LTBB Administration Building. Chi-Miigwetch Harriet Booth for keeping me on task, so the event could be held. The Sovereignty Day celebration was well attended and everyone enjoyed our first parade at Odawa Circle, the first showing of the Tribes video "Journey to Sovereignty" which gives all who view this documentary a better understanding of the LTBB people. The meal and giveaway

closed the activities for the day. The LTBB Administration Building has provided a place of gathering for Tribal members. Meetings, Tribal events, gatherings for funerals, cultural activities and Elders Luncheons are just to name a few of the activities conducted at the facility. The departments and programs continue to put their best efforts forward when serving the membership. I am currently working on a project titled "Culturally Significant Sites" which will create a database for sites identified as culturally significant to the Tribe. This provides the Tribe with a list of areas requiring preservation and protection as development continues in Northern Michigan within the reservation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. The research group comprised of Cultural Preservation Coordinator, Joe Mitchell, and GIS Director, Alan Proctor, will seek information from the various departments in the field and Tribal members at-large who have information on culturally significant sites needing protection. We are doing our best to maintain a high level of confidentiality on the gathered information and keeping it for the restricted use of the Tribe. I have also been included in the development process for personnel policies for the Kings Inn Motel, Bell's Fishery and the Biindigen Convenience store.

This will provide more guidance for our managers currently overseeing the businesses. Also, an Ethics working group will be formed to develop a Ethics Policy for governmental operations. This will give proper guidance on acceptable behavior for governmental staff in their pursuit of future development and diversification within Tribal operations. The road around Odawa Circle has been completed including the entrance off Pleasantview Rd. I look forward to the coming months and the accomplishments that go with it.



2004-05 MUTYBL Basketball Schedule LTBB Hawks Home Games will be played at GTB Community Center, Charlevoix, MI

11/06/2004	GTB	vs.	SCIT		12:00 p.m.
11/13/2004	LTBB	vs.	GTB	H	12:00 p.m.
11/20/2004	SCIT	vs.	GTB		12:00 p.m.
12/04/2004	LTBB	vs.	SCIT	H	12:00 p.m.
12/11/2004	GTB	vs.	LTBB	A	12:00 p.m.
12/18/2004	GTB	vs.	SCIT		12:00 p.m.
1/08/2005	SCIT	vs.	LTBB	A	12:00 p.m.
1/15/2005	LTBB	vs.	GTB	H	12:00 p.m.

Call Cathy Gibson @ 231 242-1601 or email: cgibson@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov if you would like info on joining the LTBB Hawks Basketball teams.

Commission Meeting Dates

Enrollment Commission

November 8, 2004
December 20, 2004

All meetings are held at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan in the Enrollment Department Workroom.

Indian Child Welfare Commission

November 13, 2004 9:30
December 11, 2004 9:30 a.m.

All meetings are held at the Human Services Building, located at 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, Michigan.

Economic Development

All meetings held at 7500 Odawa Circle. Meetings begin at 9:30 a.m.

November 6, 2004
December 4, 2004

All meetings open unless noted "Closed Session"

Health Commission

November 2, 2004
December 7, 2004

All meetings are held in Room 312, Commissions, Committees and Board Room at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs. Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are open to the Tribal Membership unless noted, "Closed Session"

Education Commission

November 20, 2004
December 12, 2004
January 22, 2005
February 19, 2005
March 19, 2005
April 23, 2005

All meetings are open to Tribal Membership unless otherwise noted. Meetings are held at the LTBB Government Complex at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan.



COMMISSIONS, BOARDS and COMMITTEES General Information / Opening Guidelines for Pending Vacancies as of September 18, 2004

The following is some general information and guidelines for Tribal Members who are interested in serving on an LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Please submit your letter of interest along with your resume to:

Su Lantz
LTBB of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or email: slantz@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Gaming Administration
No. of Openings = 1 immediate opening to fill a vacancy, expires 2005
Meetings= Minimum of once per month or as deemed necessary

Compensation:

- 1) Stipend of \$100.00 per meeting
- 2) Per Diem according to the Current Federal Per Diem Rates (for those members who travel from farther than 50 miles for a meeting or training)
- 3) Mileage allowance is paid according to the current mileage rate set out by the LTBB Accounting Department.
- 4) Lodging & Travel is paid for through the Commission, Board or Committee and is approved via motion at a regular meeting

It would be a good idea to attend a regularly scheduled meeting for the CBC you have an interested in. The meeting dates, times and location are located in the navigation bar to the right under Calendar of Events and are also posted in the *Odawa Trails*.

Vehicle Pre-Start Guidelines

By Norm Emery, Safety Coordinator

The seven pre-start safety precautions that should happen every time a driver gets behind the wheel are:

According to the National Safety council: Buckle seatbelts and make sure they're properly fastened. (In the last 20 years; an estimated 157,500 lives have been saved by wearing safety belts.)

- Adjust mirrors
- Three out of 10 survey respondents do not adjust their mirrors before short driving trips (two hours or less), when it is more likely you will get in a crash.
- Position seat and head restraints
- Correctly positioned head restraints reduce whiplash injuries resulting from crashes by 28.3 percent.
- Secure loose objects
Only 34 percent of survey respondents regularly secure loose objects in their cars, even though, on average, loose items-from luggage to soda pop cans are responsible for 13,000 injuries in accidents nationwide in just one year.
- Turn off cell phones (or safely pull over to make or receive a telephone call) (In the last five years alone, nearly 300,000 drivers have been

involved in crashes attributed to cell phone use.)

- Look for engine warning lights
Three out of four respondents said they always check to see if their check engine light is on; however, many admitted to checking the light while already driving.
- Check your fuel level
In preparing for a trip-large or small-it's necessary to ensure you have enough gasoline in your tank to get there and back. Twenty-five percent of survey respondents said they do not check their gas level.

Start Up Safety Checklist. The START UP Checklist takes about five minutes.

- Secure loose objects
- Turn off cell phone
- Allow enough time to avoid speeding and aggressive driving
- Read fuel/fluid levels
- Tire pressure
- Use safety belts and child restraints properly every time.
- Properly adjust mirrors

Following the vehicle pre-start procedure can also save you money. With gas prices steadily increasing year after year, American drivers now have

another reason to pay attention to the start-up guidelines. According to the Department of Energy, following the proper start-up procedures-such as proper tire inflation-can actually save five cents per gallon for each fill-up. Additionally, regularly checking your oil and replacing it with the correct grade during an oil change can improve gas mileage as much as 2 percent, a savings of up to three cents per gallon.

Make sure that your car is prepared for winter driving. When was your car last winterized? Had a tune-up? Or had the tires checked, including the spare? Keep a full tank of gas. How about an emergency kit? Maintain a supply of non-perishable, high energy foods and a means of keeping yourself warm. Be prepared. Emergency situations can happen on the road at anytime. Be prepared for changing weather and road conditions and make sure that safe winter driving is your first priority.



OPEN SKATE

GRIFFIN ARENA OPEN SKATE NIGHTS ARE BACK!

EVERY SATURDAY, FROM 6:00 - 7:30 PM, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 4TH

ENJOY OPEN SKATE AND HOCKEY AT GRIFFIN ARENA, LOCATED ON M-119

NEAR THE LTBB HEALTH CLINIC. LIMITED EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE IN A VARIETY OF SIZES.

CALENDAR OF DATES: Nov. 6 Nov. 13 Nov. 20 Nov. 27
Dec. 4 Dec. 11 Dec. 18

REMEMBER . . . 6:00 - 7:30PM GRIFFIN ARENA OPEN SKATE/HOCKEY FREE! EVERY SATURDAY (AS LISTED) BRING EQUIPMENT, IF YOU HAVE IT



Cultural Immersion

LTBB Tribal Court has scheduled the Odawa Cultural Immersion event for November 19, 2004 on Anishnaabe tradition and teaching starting at 8:30am (all day) in the government complex located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI. The speakers include Sonny Smart, Ben Ramierz-shkwegnaabi and Vine Deloria Jr. Please RSVP. Registration is a gift for the "Giveaway" ceremony that includes the workshop, continental breakfast and lunch. Contact Dawn at (231) 242-1461 to RSVP and for more information.

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The following is a synopsis of the approved Tribal Council Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2004. If you would like a copy of the minutes in their entirety please contact the Tribal Council Office, Mike Smith, Administrative Assistant at (231) 242-1406 and a copy will be mailed to you. The minutes are also available at the Tribal Government Website: WWW.LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV

LTBB Tribal Council Meeting
September 12, 2004

Council Present: Tribal Chairman, Frank Ettawageshik, Vice-Chairperson, Beatrice Law, Secretary, Dexter McNamara, Treasurer, Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor, Regina Gasco Bentley

Opening Ceremony

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to adopt the agenda as amended for September 12, 2004 in recognition of the signing of the Reaffirmation Act for Public Law 103-324 by President Clinton on September 21, 1994 at 5:56 p.m. in the Oval Office.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Councilor Bentley supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to approve the minutes of August 22, 2004 as corrected.
Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Councilor Bentley to accept the Elders verbal report as given by Harvey Gibson on September 12, 2004.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Councilor Harrington supported by Councilor Bentley to apologize to the Elders that were promised services that were not provided and to apologize to Margaret Wright for failing to build her ramp as promised.
Vote: 5 Yes, 2 No (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Yellowbank), 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice-Chairperson Law and supported by Secretary McNamara to accept the Treasurer's verbal and written report as presented by Valerie Tweedie, C.F.O., for September 12, 2004.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

10:54 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves
10:57 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to approve Policy number A110-00 Capital Acquisition and Disposition Policy and A11-00 Capitalization and Depreciation Policy.
Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Absent, 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

11:08 a.m. 5-minute recess called
11:22 a.m. meeting reconvened
11:38 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves
11:42 Councilor Shananaquet returns

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Carol McFall, Constance Steele, Andrew Stich, Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, Harvey Gibson
11:51 Councilor Shananaquet leaves
11:58 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

2:42 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves
2:43 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns
2:51 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves
2:51 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

3:15 p.m. recess called
3:50 p.m. meeting convened

3:59 p.m. Public Comment opened: Marie Boda
4:02 p.m. Public Comment closed

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to adopt Resolution #091204-01, Resolution Expressing Support To Proposal 0401 (Collectively titled "Let Voters Decide -Yes!"), to amend the Michigan Constitution requiring future expansion of gaming to be voted upon at the local and state level.
Roll Call: Chairman Ettawageshik-yes, Vice-Chairperson Law-yes, Treasurer Yellowbank-yes, Secretary McNamara-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Bentley-yes
Motion Carried

4:58 p.m. Councilor Harrington leaves
5:00 p.m. Councilor Harrington returns

5:03 p.m. recess called
5:14 p.m. meeting reconvened

5:23 p.m. Councilor Harrington leaves

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley for a special work session at 1:00 p.m. for legislative markup for the Proposed Marriage Statute and at 3:00 p.m. for Hotline Web site training on October 8, 2004 to include travel, stipend and lodging.
Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Harrington), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to approve the Wagankising Odawak History video and all the contents there in.
Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Harrington), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

5:50 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to accept the Tribal Chairman's verbal and written report for September 12, 2004 as presented by Chairman Frank Ettawageshik.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Councilor Bentley to authorize a \$1,000 donation to the No. VI Leadership Fund to replace a \$1,000 donation to Scott Shackleton.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

5:58 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet returns

Motion by Councilor Shananaquet supported by Councilor Bentley to postpone the appointments of the Commissions until a Special Meeting on September 18, 2004 at 8:00 a.m. to include travel, stipend and lodging.
Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent (Councilor Harrington), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

6:20 p.m. Councilor Shananaquet leaves

6:21 p.m. recess called
6:32 p.m. meeting reconvened

Motion by Secretary McNamara and supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to accept the Legal Departments verbal and written report for September 12, 2004 as presented by Allie Greenleaf Maldonado.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried
Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Vice-Chairperson Law to authorize the Tribal Chairman to present a resolution at the 2004 Annual NCAI Convention to study changing the Legal Structure of NCAI to an Inter-Tribal Treaty Organization
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to authorize the Tribal Chairman to present a resolution at the 2004 Annual NCAI Convention regarding Tribal Participation in the Great Lakes Water Resources Compact Agreement.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Councilor Bentley to allow the legal department to draft a resolution for presentation to NCAI promoting the verification of Native status when considering Native preference in educational institutions.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Vice Chairperson Law to approve an agreement between LTBB and Michigan Tribal Advocates (MTA) for a one-year term commencing September 30, 2004 and ending September 29, 2005 with a monthly fee of \$3,7500.00.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Secretary McNamara that Tribal Council send a tribal delegation to meet with the President and Legal Counsel of Ferris State

University to ask them to consider the large amount of money being paid to the University through WOBTT and the Casino Education Program when honoring the tuition waiver.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to have the Tribal Chairman's Office, Legal Department, and Tribal Lobbyists continue to actively work on a plan that would preserve, protect and pay the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver for LTBB students and all Michigan Indian students.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

7:31 p.m. recess called
7:35 p.m. meeting reconvened

Motion by Secretary McNamara supported by Vice Chairperson Law to make the appointments for the Commissions, Boards and Committees only from the applicants whose applications were submitted by the interview date on September 11, 2004. Additional applications will be accepted in the event that a vacancy remains unfilled after the Special Meeting on September 18, 2004.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Councilor Bentley to approve Burial Fund request #A0082 for \$5,000.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Councilor Regina Bentley supported by Vice Chairperson Law to approve Burial Fund request #A0083 for \$5,000.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Councilor Bentley to approve Burial Fund request #A0084 for \$5,000.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice-Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley to approve the Data Sharing Agreement between LTBB and Charlevoix County GIS and authorize the Tribal Chairman and the GIS Director to sign.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Vice Chairperson Law to adopt resolution #091204-02, ITC STEPS to a Healthier U.S. Project, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians STEPS Comprehensive Grant.
Roll Call: Chairman Ettawageshik-yes, Vice-Chairperson Law-yes, Treasurer Yellowbank-yes, Secretary McNamara-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Bentley-yes
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice-Chairperson Law supported by Secretary McNamara to adopt resolution #0910204-03, Request for Funding from the Lumina Foundation for Education, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Access to Education Project.
Roll Call: Chairman Ettawageshik-yes, Vice-Chairperson Law-yes, Treasurer Yellowbank-yes, Secretary McNamara-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Bentley-yes
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Vice Chairperson Law to approve all Tribal Council to attend the 2nd Annual National Native American Finance Conference at the Pechanga Resort and Casino on January 19-21, 2005 in Temeculah, CA to include travel, stipend, and lodging.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Councilor Bentley supported by Vice Chairperson Law to approve Enrollment list "A" Eligible for Membership, dated August 30, 2004.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor

Bentley to approve Enrollment list "B" declination ineligible for Membership, dated August 30, 2004.
Vote: 4 Yes, 1 No (Secretary McNamara), 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank for Tribal Council to send a postcard designed by the Native Vote 2004 supporters to all Tribal members 18 and older notifying them of the importance of registering to vote, funds to come from cultural activities line item not to exceed \$1,200.00.
Vote: 4 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet) 1 Abstained (Councilor Bentley).
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley to accept the Tribal Administrator's written report as presented by Albert Colby Jr. on September 12, 2004.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion made by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley to direct the Tribal Administrator to schedule an excess equipment giveaway to the Tribal members from the storage facility before the end of October 2004.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley that December 23rd and 24th, 2004 will be observed as the Christmas holidays, December 30th and 31st, 2004 will be observed as the New Year holidays and the Tribal Governmental Offices will be closed.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley to approve the Subcontract for 2004-2005 between Inter-Tribal Council and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians defining management responsibilities of Child Care Funds for out of home placements and authorize the Tribal Chairman to sign.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Treasurer Yellowbank to approve the Wildland and Fire Management Memorandum of Agreement #AGF50040014 Addendum No. 1 and authorize the Tribal Chairman or his designee to sign the document.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Councilor Bentley to go into closed session for Land #14 and #15 at 9:28 p.m.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

9:54 p.m. Motion by Councilor Bentley supported by Vice Chairperson Law to return to open session.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Treasurer Yellowbank supported by Secretary McNamara to direct the Tribal Chairman to pursue an option on Land #14.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Vice Chairperson Law supported by Secretary McNamara to go into closed session for personnel at 9:58 p.m.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

10:32 p.m. Motion by Councilor Bentley supported by Vice Chairperson Law to return to open session.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried

Motion by Councilor Bentley supported by Vice Chairperson Law to adjourn at 10:32 p.m.
Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 2 Absent (Councilor Harrington, Councilor Shananaquet), 0 Abstained
Motion Carried



REZ-Robics

LTBB Health Department is sponsoring a Rez-Robics exercise workshop December 3 and 4 2004. Pam

Belgarde and Reggie Mitchell from Rez-Robics will lead adults and children through various exercise segments that are gentle, low impact and geared toward the average Native American. Rez-Robics combines traditional dance steps and martial arts movement choreographed to contemporary Native music. Please call Community Health at 242-1601 to register or if you have further questions.



CORA News Release

ATTENTION

Trap Net Fisherman Needed

The Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) is seeking the assistance of a CORA-Member Tribe Trap Net Fisher to pull and remove identified abandoned trap nets from the 1836 Treaty Ceded Waters. For further information, please contact Jane TenEyck or Beverly Aikens at (906) 632-0043.



2nd Annual Biggest Waawaashkesh (deer) Contest, November 13-19, 2004.

The LTBB NRD and NRC will be holding a Biggest Waawaashkesh (deer) Contest November 13-19, 2004. The Department and Commission will be awarding three places based on total dressed weight of the harvested weight of the harvested deer.

- Eligibility**
- Must have a valid LTBB Hunting License and Harvest Tag (s)
 - Harvested deer must be weighed at the LTBB NRD office
 - Must be harvested and weighed between November 13th and Nov. 19, 2004
 - Must be legally harvested.

Tribal members may bring their deer to the NRD Office any time between 8:30-5:00pm Monday-Friday and 1:00-5:00pm Saturday and Sunday (Nov. 13th and 14th) for weighing.

Additionally, the NRD office will be open to 8:00pm on Nov. 15th, 2004. The departmental staff we will be aging and weighing tribally harvested deer all day. The department will be providing coffee, and chili at the office from 5:00-8:00 pm so please feel free to stop on by. The LTBB NRD will also have a Waawaashkesh Harvest Pole where you can hang your deer for all to see (deer must not be left overnight).



- Niiwin (4)**
amik (beaver)
bine (partridge)
bkok (arrow)
mkwa (bear)
mooz (moose)

- Naanan (5)**
agaak (porcupine)

- Ngodwaaswe (6)**
eziban (raccoon)
giiwse (She or He is hunting.)



- Niizhwaaswe (7)**
mzisenh (turkey)
wesiinh [animal (wild)]

- Nshwaaswe (8)**
giigoonh (a fish)
nsojigan (a trap)



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e	pet
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o	both
aa	father
ii	we
oo	book
nh	nasal sound

Anishinaabemowin

Aambe O-Giiwsedaa!
(Let's go hunting!)
Hunt for the words in this Word Search.
They may be in any direction
(up, down, across, backwards, diagonally)
Solution is on page .



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- Zhaangswe (9)**
ajidimonh (squirrel)
mitigwaab (a bow)
nigwaagan (a snare)

- Mdaaswe (10)**
waaboozonh (rabbit)
wiishksige [to smoke (as in meat)]

- Mdaaswe-Sha-Niizh (12)**
baashkizigan (gun or rifle)
zhiishiibenh (duck)

- Mdaaswe-Sha-Bezhiik (11)**
wawaashkesh (deer)



Join us for Language Class
Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Everyone & All Ages Welcome
North Central Community College
Main Building, Room 123

New Tribal Employees

Court Development Specialist Dave Keller

Aanii. I am the newest addition to the staff of Tribal Court with the LTBB of Odawa Indians. Together with the judges and court administrator, I am working to develop a more culturally appropriate way to deal with many kinds of cases that can come before the court. Around Indian Country, "peacemaking" is the word usually applied to such an alternative form of justice. I have had a professional interest in Native peacemaking for a number of years and am delighted to be able to pursue my passion for it on a full-time basis.

Originally from Ohio, I have lived in Rapid River in the Upper Peninsula for the past 14 years. I graduated from the University of Toledo, and was employed at a number of mental health and human services programs over the years. Ten years ago, I co-founded and managed a community mediation program in the central Upper Peninsula. Through that experience, I was fortunate to learn from tribal people who were involved with peacemaking and traditional justice in Canada, Michigan and elsewhere. It's great to have the opportunity to put this knowledge to use here in Harbor Springs. All our children left the nest long ago, but now my mate Judy and I are raising a pre-teen niece, Imelda. Judy is a semi-retired dressmaker and tailor, and proud grandmother of two. Imelda enjoys singing, softball, and sweat lodges in the winter. We are looking forward to making many new acquaintances and hearing teachings on Waganakising Odawa culture and traditions.

Michigan Indian Elders Association Incentive Awards

Once again this year, the Michigan Indian Elders Association will be holding a lottery to award incentive monies to all tribal students, Kindergarten through 12th grade, who receive straight "A"s or had perfect attendance for one or both of the first two marking periods of the 2004-2005 school year. Once again there will be no losers, as the LTBB Elders Association will pay any qualifying LTBB students who are not selected in the lottery. IN ADDITION, this year your LTBB elders will extend this program to pay any LTBB student who maintains the same level of achievement for their third and fourth marking periods.

You must submit a copy of your report card, together with a copy of your tribal ID to: LTBB Indian Elders Association, c/o LTBB Elders Program, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs MI 49740, after the second marking period and prior to March 1, 2005. For the second installment, students must submit a copy of their report card, together with a copy of their tribal ID after the last marking period of the school year, but in any event, report cards must be received no later than July 1, 2005 to qualify. Strict rules will apply. You must submit your report card in a timely manner. **ONLY** perfect attendance and straight A's will apply. **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Benefits Specialist/HR Generalist Jody Werner



My name is Jody Werner and I am the new Benefits Specialist / HR Generalist in the Human Resources Department. I am replacing Marc Cross who retired at the end of October. My personal background: my mother is Mary Ann Schofield and her maiden name is Kiogima, and we are tribal members. I am married to Steve Werner and we have twin daughters, Brynn and Riley, who are almost two and a half years old. I grew up in Petoskey, went away for college and some city living, and returned to our beautiful area in 1995. My professional background includes a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University (GO GREEN!!) and a thirteen year career with the American Red Cross.

I am thrilled to be an employee of the LTTB Government and look forward to working with all governmental employees to help them with their benefit programs. Marc did a great job and I look forward to continuing his good work.

Staff Accountant Kristina Baller



Aanii,
My name is Kristina Baller and I am the new staff accountant. I grew up and currently reside in Cheboygan with my husband Jeff. We are in the process of building a home near Alanson, wish us luck!

I feel very fortunate to be given an opportunity to work for the LTBB Community. I look forward to meeting and working with all of you!

ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

LTBB Tribal Government Offices will be closed the following dates in November 2004:

November 11 in observance of Veterans Day
November 25 and 26 in observance of Thanksgiving

Please plan tribal business appropriately. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause you.

2004 Tribal Sovereignty Day



All Photographs Courtesy of Sandi Wemigwase

Waganakasing Odawa - Our Journey

Submitted by
Dale Lamoreaux,
Education Trainer, Victories Casino

The day was a beautiful Michigan fall day. The temperature hovered around 70 degrees and a gentle breeze kept the heat down nicely. It would be a perfect day to celebrate one of the very important dates in the history of the LTBB - reaffirmation day. The celebration was held on September 18th at the Tribal Operations building even though reaffirmation day is officially September 21st. The tribal community and guests turned out in good number. There were voter registration stations, door prize registrations and a nice continental breakfast to start off with.

The day would prove to be a memorable one. Shirley Oldman was the Master of Ceremonies for most of the day, and may we say, she is very comfortable with the microphone and did an outstanding job.

Her down to earth humor is so genuine that you can't help from laughing.

A community drum group provided an honor and veteran song. The Color guard posted the flags. We started off with the winners of the essay contest: "I am proud to be Odawa". There was a tie for first place between John Bott and Warren Petoskey. John's essay can be found in the Voices in the Wind section. Warren read his essay to the crowd and received a hearty round of applause for his heart felt insight and description of his inner thoughts on being Odawa. Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik spoke to the audience about the impact of reaffirmation day and the positive things that have happened in ten short years.

After the essay, the new video titled Waganakasing Odawa - Our Journey was shown to the audience. The video chronicled the 158-year Odawa journey from the signing of the Treaty of Washington in 1836 to the Reaffirmation bill that was signed in 1994. The historical perspective was a moving experience and the documentary highlighted many of the people involved along the way and their sacrifices.

The next event was a parade down the newly paved Odawa Circle, the tribe's first highway! The parade ran for about a mile and was representative of all the tribal businesses along with tribal members and their contributions. There was Dorothy and Smitty's Land and Sea Taxi, which consisted of a canoe being towed by a bicycle powered by Fred Harrington and won the community entry. A big clown (I hear it was the manager) from the Biindigen was on the loose tantalizing the kids and tickling the funny bones of everyone. Victories float had a big black bear (surely it wasn't hot in that suit) and a giant coin being displayed with graceful crowd waving techniques second to none. You should have seen them! Victories won the enterprise category and Housing won the governmental category for float entry. Some of Victories Team Members also marched in the parade with the General Manager John Espinosa. Other entries in the parade were from Bell's Fishery, Law Enforcement, Waste Management, Miss Odawa, Housing, Fire Department and the Basketball team - LTBB Hawks.

The next event was the one that everyone was now ready for... the FEAST! We all would like to send a Chi Miigwetch to Russ Worthington who worked like three people! He organized the volunteers, arranged all the settings, and fed well over 250 people! Kudos to Russ, give him a thanks when you see him - he earned his money that day!

The Feast was a combination of beverages, fruit, salads, fry bread, corn soup and a choice of hot dogs or hamburgers. Needless to say, there was plenty of work for the volunteers who served the crowd. Big thanks to all the volunteers also!

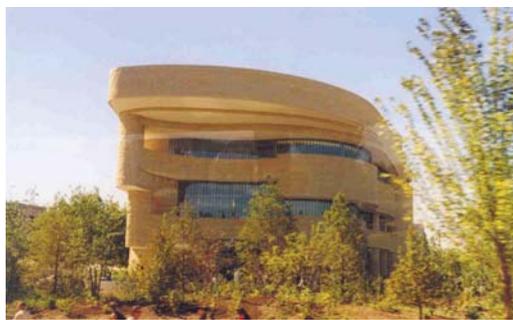
After the feast, Shirley and Miss Odawa drew the door prize winners; there were some beautiful handbags and blankets won along with other prizes. Ms. McSawby won the fry bread mama contest. Mmmm...

The festivities ended around 3pm and the clean up started. Overall it was an exciting day for the LTBB. One that will not be forgotten....

More Pictures from Washington D.C. Trip to Smithsonian Museum



All Photographs courtesy of LTBB Archives and Records Department



Scholarship Fund Presents Check



In 1999, Victories Casino signed a five year contract with Pepsi Bottling Group. In that agreement, a scholarship fund was established based on sales of the product. Now that the original contract has expired, Victories Casino is proud to announce that it is today submitting a check to Tribal Council in the amount of \$2,768.00. Additional information will be forthcoming on how this money will be distributed by the LTBB Education Department. Photo courtesy of Michele LaCount Pictured Left: Tribal Council Treasurer Alice Yellowbank receiving check from Gaming Administration Chairperson Sherri Patton.

New Grant Funding for LTBB

By Heidi Yaple, Grant Writer/Compliance Manager

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians has received award notices for several new grant programs. These new grants vary in length and purpose. Take a look and see what they are all about! Here is a list of grants that have been funded within the past few months:

LTBB Court Enhancement Grant: This will provide professional development opportunities for the Court staff and Judiciary and purchase new recording equipment and a public address system for the court room.

Making Connections - Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Program: This program serves to help control and prevent crimes associated with the distribution and use of alcohol and controlled substances in tribal communities. The program will develop new strategies that prevent, interdict, and treat alcohol and drug use. The program will identify an advisory team to create a project strategy and implement the strategy by the end of the three year project period. The Substance Abuse and Law Enforcement Departments are actively involved in this new grant program.

LTBB Clean Air Act: This is funding to operate an air quality project through the Tribe's Environmental Services Department.

STOP Violence Against Indian Women Project: This is a two year planning project that will assemble a coordinated community planning team to develop and strengthen the Tribe's response to violence against Indian women and to improve the services available to victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking. The Human Services Department is directly involved in the administration of this program.

LTBB Basic Library Services: This program provides funding for library improvement and to purchase additional materials for the library. The Tribe's library is located in the Education Department - first floor of the Governmental Center in Harbor Springs.

Environmental Services Department: has continued their work through funding for the water quality program and through the GAP (General Assistance Program) program . These two have now been combined by the Environmental Protection Agency into one program called the PPG (Performance Partnership Grant).

Youth Drug Use Prevention Program: will provide classes for parents of youth ages 8 - 13 to help the parents learn how to help their children make good choices when faced with using alcohol or other substances. This program is just beginning and is administered as part of the Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department.

LTBB Injury Prevention Special Project: is funded through the Indian Health Service and focuses on helping the Tribe's Elders receive and place carbon monoxide detectors in their homes. Elders age 66 and older are eligible for assistance through this program. The Tribe's Safety Coordinator will be helping the Elders with this program.

COPS - Law Enforcement: provides training and replacement of outdated bullet proof vests for the Law Enforcement Officers.

COPS - Natural Resources Department: will receive funds to replace equipment, purchase new and needed equipment and provide funding for training. This is the first year the LTBB Natural Resources Department has received funding through the Department of Justice COPS program.

Tribal Wildlife Grant - Natural Resources Department: will further the NRD's efforts to conduct a Bald Eagle assessment in the LTBB reservation area. Once the assessment is completed the program will develop a management plan. The grant program will also conduct an assessment of Wycamp Lake and develop a management plan for this area. It is expected this program will take at least 15 months to complete.

Tribal Juvenile Justice Project - U.S. Department of Justice funding will focus on developing a juvenile code for the LTBB Tribal Court. The Project will also address diversion programs for juveniles and implement the diversion program during the last year of the three-year program.

Tribal Criminal History Record Improvement Pilot Project: the LTBB will take the lead to create a Michigan Tribes state-wide system to track the criminal history of offenders within each tribe's jurisdiction. Program activities will include the LTBB Prosecuting Attorney and Chief of Police meeting with other Michigan tribes for input and the development of a database for improving the tracking of tribal criminal history records. This is a one year project.

Land Tenure History Project: The Indian Land Tenure Foundation has approved funding for the LTBB to conduct research on the ties this Tribe has with land and the cultural connection to the Tribe's land base. In addition, several youth will be asked to participate and interview elders for additional program-related information. Once the research is completed, an informational booklet will be developed and presentations will be given. The Tribe's Archives and Records and Cultural Preservation Department will administer this program.

2004-2005 SEMA Grant: will provide tobacco education classes, smoke-free community events, and challenge current smokers to make a commitment to stop smoking. These activities will take place throughout the next year. The Tribe's Community Health/Diabetes Coordinator (Health Department) will administer this program.

There are a lot of exciting things happening with all the LTBB programs and services. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the related Department or call the Grant Office at extension #1560.

Food Distribution Program

Applications are still being accepted by the LTBB Food Distribution Program. This is a low Income program offered to Native Americans living in the 27 county service area. Offered as an alternative to Food Stamps. For more information contact: Theresa Boda at 231-242-1626



Tribal Members Living in Northern Michigan

The LTBB Human Services Department will be doing an Angel Tree for the Christmas Holiday. If you are interested in participating please contact LTBB Human Services Department, Theresa Boda at 231-242-1626.

Flu Vaccines

By Regina Brubacker, RN

In follow up to my previous article, our flu vaccine supplies are in. We will be beginning vaccinations on October 5, 2004. Please call the clinic to schedule your appointment. Thank you.

2004-2005 Low Income Energy Assistance Program

Applications are now being accepted for the 2004-2005 Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP).

Applications will be accepted until the funds run out.

This low-income program is offered in conjunction with Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan and helps with heating or utility assistance. Available to Little Traverse Bay Bands members living in the state of Michigan that meet the guidelines.

An application can be mailed or picked up from the LTBB Human Services Department, 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, Michigan, 49770.

If you have questions, please contact: Theresa Boda at 231-242-1626 for more information.

Business Contact Numbers for Victories Casino Hotel

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Director, Victories Hotel
 mvandecar@victories-casino.com
Phone:(231)439-8680
Fax:(231)347-0812
Cell:(231)758-0510

Information from the Enrollment Department

Currently we have 3954 members as of today that number will change as we grow monthly.

I wanted to let you know that any address changes must be on an address verification form. We have the address verification forms in the Enrollment Office. Do not call in for address changes, we will be more than happy to send an address form to you. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me (231) 242-1520 or Linda Keshick (231) 242-1521.



Photo Courtesy of Michele LaCount
Pictured: Tribal Council Treasurer Alice Yellowbank, NCAI Chairperson Tex Hall, and Tribal Council Vice Chairperson Bea Law



Photo Courtesy of Michele LaCount
Pictured: Tribal Council Vice Chairperson Bea Law

News From Miss Three Fires, Cassandra Gibson

Aanii,

Aaniishnah? Cassandra Gibson ndizh-nikaz. Bedahsege ndoongiba, Mukwa dodem. My trip to Washington DC, from September 21 - 26, 04, was beautiful. Approximately 22,000 Natives from across the Americas walked in the procession for the Grand Opening of the National Museum of the American Indians. It took us a good 2 ½ hours to walk about one mile. I feel proud and honored to have experienced the once in a lifetime celebration.

Aside from representing our nations as Miss Three Fires in Washington, DC, I participated in our LTBB Traditional Jiingtamok on September 11, 04 and danced at the Benzie Jiingtamok sponsored by Grand Traverse Band on the following day. My family and I also hit the trail to Mt. Pleasant, MI on October 1, 04, for the Central Michigan University Jiingtamok. I enjoy traveling and plan to take a trip to Flint, MI and Toronto, ONT, Canada for their celebrations.

I also play for LTBB Hawks basketball team and we had our first games on October 30, 04 in Mt. Pleasant, MI. We have been practicing since September 13, 04. The games are exciting to play and watch. I am looking forward to the rest of the season.

I wish everybody good health, especially during the winter months.

Baamaapii Kawaabmin,

Cassandra Gibson

From the Office of the Executive Assistant Michele LaCount

By Michele LaCount, Executive Assistant to the Tribal Chairman and Tribal Council

Aanii, On September 22, 2004 following the opening of the National Museum of American Indians, Vice-Chairperson Beatrice A. Law, Tribal Treasurer Alice Yellowbank and myself joined the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Chairperson Tex Hall to rally with our neighboring Sovereign Nations on Capital Hill for Native Vote 2004. Titled Living Cultures, Thriving Governments, a reminder to the United States to remember the Treaty Rights of Tribes across the Nation. Many topics were addressed, highlighting the need for increased funding for Indian Health Service. It was good to see our partners in Congress speak in support of our mutual concerns.

I commend all of our Tribal Member Volunteers who have tirelessly assisted with Native Vote, the extensive non-partisan effort to mobilize the Native American and Alaskan vote through their continued efforts to support the Election Protection project.

October 11-15, 2004 also proved to be a success for Native Vote 2004, recognizing the importance of Tribal involvement. Two of our Tribal Member volunteers, Su Lantz and Valerie Biro were among many who participated at the NCAI "get out the vote" booth during the National Congress' 61st Annual Convention. Bringing attention to NCAI and our neighbors, the importance of focusing on the "swing states" and how the Native Vote can make a difference, Su Lantz delivered a most welcome round of applause.

Many topics were on the agenda at the Annual Convention, and I will highlight two of them: The Indian Child Welfare Act, passed by the United States in 1978 giving Tribes, rather than the state courts, the right to determine their children's future and how Tribes are working with the state to further understand the Act, was one of them. The other was attention to the Violence Against Indian Women initiative across the lands. On January 2, 2004, our Tribal Council passed through motion the Fiscal Year 2004 S*T*O*P Violence Against Indian Women Discretionary Grant Program. It was good to know that our Tribe stands behind such an important initiative. For more information about the continuing efforts of Protecting Sovereignty, visit the National Congress of American Indians web sight at: ncai.org.

In parting, I offer the words of Chief Seattle, Suquamish/Duwamish: "All things are connected. Whatever befalls the Earth befalls the children of the Earth". Miigwetch.

WOBT'T Looks Forward to a Fourth, Record-Breaking Year in 2005

The LTBB Education Department is the recipient of a fourth year of funding for the Waganakising Odawa Business Technology Training Program (WOBT'T). The US Department of Education has allocated an additional \$446,062 for 2005, which corresponds to a 38% increase from the average funding level for WOBT'T's first three years. In return, LTBB has committed itself to having 52 students complete certificates in 2005-an increase of 129% from the average number of completions in years one through three.

WOBT'T has two strategies to meet its aggressive goal for completions next year. First, a special effort will be made to encourage current students to finish up certificates that they have started. In fact, it is anticipated that 2005 will be the last opportunity for students to take the classes that are currently being offered.

WOBT'T's second strategy will be to admit a limited number of new students who plan to complete a certificate wholly within the three semesters of next year. Prospective students should contact Tom Bauer, WOBT'T Project Director, as soon as possible. Tom can be reached at 231-242-1483 or by calling LTBB's toll-free number at 888-309-5822.

Here are the certificates for which new students will be admitted on a space-available basis:

Business and Technology	Bay Mills Community College	17 credit hours
Restaurant/Food Industry Management	Ferris State University	12 credit hours
Hotel Management	Ferris State University	12 credit hours

Women's Group Singing

All women are welcome to join us, from young girls to elderly women, on Tuesdays 1:00-3:00 p.m. and on Fridays 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Tribal Government Complex, (Administration Building), 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs. We come together to sing, learn traditional songs, share teachings, and have a good time. Bring your handdrum, rattle, or shaker if you'd like --but not necessary. For more information please contact: Carla McFall 231-242-1454.

LTBB Human Services Department Mshko-Dodemwin Program

For more information and to register, please call Regina Kiogima, Sr. or Cathy Olson at 242-1620.

The Human Services Department Mshko-Dodemwin Family Services will be offering the next series of parenting classes, "The Seven Grandparent Teachings: Honoring Our Children by Following Our Traditions", beginning January 11, 2005. The Mshko-Dodemwin parenting program will be held on Tuesdays from 3:00pm - 5:00pm for seven weeks. Evening sessions will be available upon request from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. The Mshko-Dodemwin parenting program emphasizes the Seven Grandparent and Medicine Wheel teachings into the program. Guest speakers from other tribal programs will be included for a holistic view of parenting and the family system.

The next seven-week session will begin March 1, 2005.

News From the Education Department

Hey College Students! Remember that Merit Scholarships will be available in January for those who receive a 3.0 or better. Be sure to get a copy of those grade reports and submit them with a Merit Scholarship Application to Katie Bauer, 231-242-1492.

For those families who have recently submitted Preschool - 12th Grade Education Assistance Fund applications, we apologize for the delay. As we have been notifying Tribal Members who have inquired, the number of applications has exceeded the amount funded for this fiscal year. If additional funding is not obtained this year, we will process all pending applications with available funding beginning in January of 2005.

According to the last quarterly report from Inter-Tribal Council, Little Traverse Bay Bands has exceeded all other tribes in the number of Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver applications. Congratulations! Please remember, any questions or concerns about the tuition waiver, the process or any denials can be directed to Melissa Claramunt, Education Director, 231-242-1481. Miigwetch.

GED classes are still happening! If you are interested in enrolling, please contact our office. Classes are offered twice a week and tests are offered monthly through the Charlevoix High School. For Tribal Members, we are able to provide your supplies and pay for your GED tests. Don't hesitate to call with questions or to sign up!

Gathering of Eagle Staffs at LTBB 2004



All Photographs Courtesy of Nathan Wright

On October 22-24, a Gathering of Eagle Staffs was hosted by the LTBB Odawa. A letter was recieved from a participant of this event as well as the photographs featured here.

Aniin,
I was so inspired by this past weekend's events, that I already have a photo gallery completed. Please visit: <http://www.wright.net> and click on gallery under the Main Menu(left side). There is a gallery of all the pictures we took over this past weekend at the 3rd Annual Gathering of the Eagle Staffs.

Chi Miigwech to Doris Boissoneau for continuing to fulfill her dream, LTBB for excellent hosts, for the Eagle Staff carriers and veterans, our fire keepers, those who shared your teachings and stories, and all of those who helped and were involved.

I am very honored to have been iin all of your presence. Your words were what we all needed to hear. Today I have good thoughts and good feelings. I will never forget the feeling and energy that we all created with the eagle staffs around the drum with our closing ceremony.

I look forward to seeing all of you next year in Mt. Pleasant.

Baa ma pii
Nathan Wright, Community Eagle Staff Carrier for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

News From the Human Services Department

New Employee: Emily Proctor, BSW has been hired as the new protective services social worker. Emily graduated from Michigan State University with her Bachelor's degree in social work. Emily's educational background and enthusiam for new approaches in social work has been very well received. Emily's job responsibilities entail working with children and their families to ensure the safety and stability of the family unit. Emily is available by appointment by calling 242-1631.

Emily's parents are Sarah (Sally) and Dennis Proctor of Cross Village and Lansing. Her brother is Alan Proctor, director of the GIS department. Emily's hobbies include sewing, fishing, camping, and the outdoors.

Foster Parents are needed. If you are interested in becoming a foster parent, please contact Human Services at 242-1621 for more information.

Rummage Room: We have a free rummage room with many clothing items available, ranging in all sizes. Please stop by and take a look.

Reminder: The Human Services Department is located at 915 Emmet Street. Our mailing address is: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

Parenting Classes: The new series of parenting classes presented by the Mshko-Dodemwin Program will be held at 915 Emmet Street beginning Tuesday, January 11th and will run for seven weeks. The time is 3:00-5:00 pm, with the possibility of adding an evening class as well. Please call Human Services at 242-1621 for more information and to register for these classes.

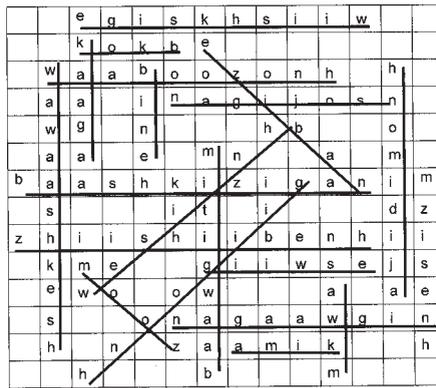


Can you help identify these people?



Submitted by Eva Oldman
 This photograph was taken by photographer Perry A. Fisher of Petoskey between the years of 1894-1907. If you can help identify these individuals in the photograph, please contact the Archives & Records Department at (231) 242-1450.

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2005 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Planning Meeting

Wednesday, December 1, 2004

6:00 p.m.

LTBB Tribal Court Room
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, Michigan

If you are interest in being part of the Pow Wow Committee, Please Feel Free to Join us.

For More information Contact:
 Tina Sutton: 231-242-1423.

More Pictures from the Gathering of Eagle Staffs



Tribal Telephone Directory

Tribal Main Switchboard.....	231-242-1400
Tribal Administration Administrative Assistant.....	242-1420
Tribal Chairman/Council Office Su Lantz, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1401
Mike Smith, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1406
Accounting Department Tonia Gasco, Accounting Assistant.....	242-1441
Archives and Records Department Eva Oldman, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1450
Communications Department Melissa Laughlin, Director.....	242-1427
Contracting Department Kristi Houghton, Contracts Manager.....	242-1426
Economic Development Department Susan Swadling, EDD Assistant.....	242-1582
Education Department Beverly Wemigwase, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1480
Elders Department Tina Sutton, Elders Program Assistant.....	242-1423
Enrollment Department Linda Keshick, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1521
Environmental Department Regina Gasco, Environmental Assistant.....	242-1574
Facilities Department Steve Clausen, Facilities Manager.....	242-1532
G.I.S. Department Alan Proctor, G.I.S. Director.....	242-1597

Housing Department Margaret Gasco, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1540
Human Resources Department Susan Gasco, Human Resources Representative.....	242-1555
Legal Department Allie Maldonado, Attorney.....	242-1403
Law Enforcement Department. Tribal Police.....	242-1500
MIS Department Ed Nephler, MIS Technician.....	242-1534
Planning Department Vacant, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1588
Tribal Court Linda Harper, Court Clerk.....	242-1462
Tribal Health Clinic Dawn Kilpatrick, Receptionist.....	242-1700
Health Department Gwen Gasco, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1611
Cathy Gibson, Community Health Outreach.....	242-1601
Owen LaVeque, Transportation.....	242-1602
Kathleen Willis, Contract Health Receptionist.....	242-1607
Heidi Bosma, Maternal Child Health Outreach.....	242-1614
Human Services Department Theresa Chingwa, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1621
Regina Kiojima Sr., BGN Outreach Worker.....	242-1627
Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department Jenifer Dominic, Office/Intake Coordinator.....	242-1642
Natural Resources Department Fiona Banfield, Administrative Assistant.....	242-1670
Victories Casino.....	439-6100
Victories Hotel.....	1-877-442-6464
Biindigen.....	487-1093
Bell's Fishery.....	231-436-7821



LTBB Government Employment Opportunities

**2 Tribal Police Recruits (Native Applicants)
 Open until filled**

**Enterprise Accountant
 Closes 11-12-04**

**Maternal Child Health Nurse
 Closes 11-12-04**

For a complete job description or to apply for any of the aforementioned positions, please contact the LTBB Human Resources Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. By telephone at (231) 242-1555 or 1888-309-5822. By fax at (231) 242-1565. Also complete job descriptions are available at the Tribal Website: ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

2004 Ghost Supper Schedule

Friday, November 5
Sam & Nancy Shananaquet
3207 Indian Road
Brutus, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday November 6
Naganashe/Boda
19998 Hardwood Road
Brutus, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday November 6
Worthington/Gasco
8880 Luce Street
Oden, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 6
Dayson Family
1517 College NE
Grand Rapids, Michigan
Start: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 7
Roland & Irene Petoskey
3664 Pleasantview Road
Levering, Michigan
Start: 12:00 (Noon)

Sunday, November 7
Jim & Arlene Naganashe
34 Bridge Street
Petoskey, Michigan
Start: 12:00 (Noon)

Sunday, Novmeber 7
Shomin/John/Keller
Hill Road
Cross Village, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m

Saturday, November 13
Laughlin/Wemigwase
431 Pine Street
Harbor Springs, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13
Naganashe/Oldman
2440 N Lakeshore Drive
Good Hart, Michigan
Start: 12:00 Noon until 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13
Harrington/Fisher
1111 1/2 Howard Street
Petoskey, Michigan
Start: 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13
Adams/Young
6735 Maple Drive
Pellston, Michigan
Start: 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 13
Kishigo/Petoskey/Gasco/Medicine
/Reyes
166 Mishe-Mokwa Drive
Harbor Springs, Mi
Start: 3:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 28
Carver/Gasco
8091 N. Conway Road
Conway, Michigan
Start: 11:00 a.m.

Lines From our Membership

Birthday Wishes

Happy 8th Birthday to **Tristan Henry Field** on November 13th!!!! Be proud and strong like your namesakes..."My noisy one"!!!
 All my love, Grandma Judy

Happy 25th Birthday to **Tee-Tee Carla**
 Love, Patti, Nimkee & Poo

Happy 4th Birthday to **Sierra Boda** who celebrates on November 6th!
 We love you, Mom, Dad & Dalton

Happy Birthday wishes go out to **Julie Shananaquet** who celebrates on November 26! May you have many more!

Happy Birthday to **Trevor Keshick** November 24th! Thinking of you Grandson, Happy Day.
 Love, Grandma Mary

Happy Birthday to my nephew, **Clifford Napont** on November 19th.
 Love, Aunt Mary

Happy Birthday wishes to **Alanzo Oldman** who celebrates his special day on November 12th! Hope you get all your birthday wishes.
 Love Your Cousins, Nicole & Josie

Happy Birthday to **Danika Garrow** who celebrates her Sweet 16th Birthday on November 11th. Hope you have a special day.
 Love your up north family.

Happy Brirthday to **Greg Oldman** who celebrates his day on November 4th!

Happy December 2nd Birthday wishes to **Uncle Steven** and **Jessie Oldman** who share their special day!
 Love, your nieces and cousins,
 Meliss, Nicole & Josie



Anniversary Wishes

Wishing my children belated October Anniversaries: **Gerald & Stacy Field**, and **Keno & Lisa Young**.
 With love and pride,
 Mom



Obituaries

Vivian Jean Enders

ENDERS - Vivian Jean "Cookie" (Shomin) Enders, aged 47, of Ada, Michigan passed away unexpectedly September 22, 2004.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Phyllis M. Shomin; brothers, Paul E. Shomin, Sr. and Leonard J. Shomin; maternal grandparents Joseph and Louise (Ettawageshik) Shomin; paternal grandparents Edmund and Angeline (Shagonaby) Shomin; foster family: parents, Willard and Ovenia Shomin; brothers, Will, Dean and sister Dorothy Shomin.

Surviving are her husband, Wayne A. Enders; daughter, Rachael; father, Albert L. Shomin of Grand Rapids, MI, siblings Janice (Fred) Shackelford of Roseville, CA, Marilyn (Marshall) Muskovin of Muskegon, Mi, Christine Shomin of Grand Rapids, MI, Angela (Ronald) Patterson of Nicholasville, KY, Catherine (Bill) Rotan of Madison, AL, Gary (Janet) Shomin of Grand Rapids, MI, Jacqueline (Don) Myers of North Port, FL and George Shomin of Petoskey, MI; mother and father in-law Alexander and Marjorie Enders; nephews, Todd, Tyler, Trey and Tanner Shomin and families; sisters-in-law, Glenda Shomin (Jack) Carpenter and Kim Shomin.

Visitation and Funeral services held Saturday, September 25, 2004 at the Metcalf & Jonkhoff Chapel. Burial at Ada Cemetery.



Kiogima, Carolyn Marie "Turner"

Carolyn Marie "Turner" Kiogima Age 54, born September 10, 1950, walked on to her final journey to heaven on September 28, 2004. She was a member of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Turner was employed by the State of Michigan. Cremation has taken place. At her request, no funeral services were held. Turner is survived by: two brothers, James and Jerome; two sisters, Elisabeth Kiogima and Marian (Wayne) Sedlak; several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Henry Eugene Sineway Sr.

On October 8, 2004 Henry Eugene Sineway Sr. passed on. A memorial service was held on October 23, 2004.

Area Siblings are: Rosemary (Sineway) Knapp, Billy Cabinaw, and Linda Gasco.

The memorial service was followed by a luncheon at Greensky Hill Methodist Church-Susan Hall.

Student News

Area students performed with the Young Americans October 16, 2004. More than 100 students performed. Tribal member, fourth grader, **Brittany Bentley** was among those Students. Your parents and community are proud of you Miss Brittany!

Congratulations to **Nicole Laughlin** who scored in the top 99 percentile for all of Michigan Fourth graders on the Metropolitan Achievement Test. Your family is very proud of you **Nikki!** (Bet you never thought I'd call you that huh?)

Petoskey Youngster competes at Ford Field

Steve Honson from Petoskey will compete on Sunday, December 5th at Ford Field in the Punt, Pass and Kick state finals, ages 8-9. Steve is a Sheridan Elementary School Student in Petoskey, Michigan. He has made it through two preliminary levels of competition. His combined average yardage total of 211 feet gained him first place in the Sheridan Elementary competition. He then won sectional honors in Alpena, Michigan with a score of 232 yards. Steve's yardage gained him a spot in the state competition as top seed with the second place qualifier being 22 feet shorter than Steve's distances. Steve will be outfitted with an official PPK Detroit Lions uniform for the competition. The punting and kicking competition takes place before the Lions game with passing at half time and awards will be presented. Between third and fourth quarters, all first place finishers will be introduced to the crowd in attendance which will number well over 62,000 people. Steve is the son of **Virgil Honson, Tina and Bob Crothers** and the grandson of **Alice and Chuck Honson**. Good Luck Steve!