

# DAWA TRAILS

SEPTEMBER 2006 WAABAGAA GIIZIS (AUTUMN MOON)

## WELL-ROUNDED TRUDEAU CROWNED 2006 MISS ODAWA

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(From left to right) Donald "Little Man" Trudeau, 2006 Miss Odawa Akeshia Trudeau, and Lucy Ann Trudeau. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.



The five Miss Odawa contestants before Akeshia Trudeau (on the far left) was announced as the 2006 Miss Odawa. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.



2006 Miss Odawa Akeshia Trudeau, 14, learned to dance fancy shawl when she was only 11 months old. Photo by Aaron Otto.

On August 12 after the flags were retired for the evening at the 15th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow in Harbor Springs, MI, the Miss Odawa Committee announced the selection of Akeshia Trudeau as the 2006 Miss Odawa.

Trudeau, a member of the Whitefish River First Nation in Birch Island, Ontario, Canada, was one of five Miss Odawa contestants. Prior to being crowned Miss Odawa, she was Junior Miss Wawaskinaga and Miss Wawaskinaga.

"It's an honor to be selected," said Trudeau, who lives in Blind River, Ontario, Canada. "I

won because of my Aunt Bertha (Trudeau) who passed away recently.

"She taught me a lot about my culture. She wasn't the one who taught me how to dance, but she taught me everything else. I wouldn't have been selected without her guidance."

Trudeau, 14, has been a fancy shawl dancer since she was 11 months old.

"I have danced at pow wows since my first steps, and I have always enjoyed it," she said.

Trudeau was the final contestant in the public speaking portion. She was asked, "What is one of the issues facing

Native American youth today?" Trudeau answered by speaking on the importance of preserving our Native languages. In June, she graduated from the eighth grade at St. Mary's Separate School, and she was awarded the Native Second Language award there. She is not a fluent speaker, but continues to learn her language.

"Language is something we can't lose because it's a part of who we are," Trudeau said.

Her mother, Lucy Ann Trudeau, is also a member of the Whitefish River First Nation. Her father, Don Trudeau, is a member of the Wikwemikong

Unceded Indian Reserve. Her older sister, Donnelley Trudeau, is a jingle dress dancer and her younger brother, Donald "Little Man" Trudeau, is a traditional dancer. Her great grandmother's family on her mother's side came from Cross Village, MI.

Trudeau, who will be a high school freshman this fall, is a good student with almost all A+s. In the future, she wants to be a doctor or a teacher.

Trudeau has volunteered as a student supervisor and monitor for kindergarten classes the last three years, and she has volunteered at a senior citizens home. She has volunteered her

time with a few Blind River organizations in showcasing Aboriginal Dance and history. She and her older sister, Donnelly Trudeau, choreographed a dance exhibition for a theater production detailing their community's history.

Trudeau was the captain of Ontario's Bantam Girls Basketball team that competed at the 2006 North American Indigenous Games in Denver, CO, in July. She also plays baseball, volleyball and ice hockey. She is a member of two curling teams.

## LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENJOY THE TRADITION AND CAMARADERIE AT THE ANNUAL POW WOW

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

**Editor's note:** I spoke with five LTBB Tribal Citizens at last month's 15th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow in Harbor Springs, MI, to get their thoughts on what they enjoy the most about attending the annual pow wow.

Tribal Elder **Robert Shagonaby**, a life-long Harbor Springs resident, started dancing when he was six or seven. He attended the pow wows in Cross Village, MI, and those held at Ottawa Stadium in Harbor Springs.

Shagonaby, who is LTBB on his mother's side and Potawatomi on his father's side, has attended all of the pow wows held at the Pow Wow Grounds in Harbor Springs.

"I've never stopped dancing

because I enjoy it," said Shagonaby, a Maintenance I worker for Victories Casino and Hotel. "When I go to pow wows, I like to intermingle with the other participants and vendors. It's a good way for different tribes to intermingle.

"You see old friends at pow wows you might only see once a year."

His father, the late Charles Shagonaby, and his mother, the late Susie (Kiogima) Shagonaby, were in a troupe of dancers along with their son. His mother wrote the script for the Hiawatha pageants the Michigan Indian Foundation performed at Round Lake in the 1940s and 1950s.

Robert Shagonaby said several families from Harbor Springs were in the troupe.

"There was never such a thing as a western drum back

then," Robert Shagonaby said. "My father was the only drummer. We used to do the more natural Native dances like the Eagle Dance, Buffalo Dance, Muskrat Dance, Corn Dance and the Partridge Dance. You don't see people do those dances much anymore. It'd be nice to see them done again."

Despite that, Robert Shagonaby said, "I enjoy seeing the different regalia, and I enjoy seeing the different styles performed at the recent pow wows."

Health Administrative Assistant **Gwen Gasco** lived away from the area for 13 years before accepting her current position in October 2004.

When she lived in the metro Detroit area, she would always come home to Harbor Springs to

attend the annual pow wow with her daughter Tawnee Mickalacki, 13.

"It was hard to go home after the pow wow," Gasco said. "I would miss the tribal community when I went home. I needed to come home for myself and my daughter. Being around her family and the tribal community gives her an in-depth understanding of her culture. There are also a lot of positive role models here she can look up to."

Mickalacki hopes to be ready to dance at next year's pow wow as a fancy shawl dancer.

"I'm really excited for her," Gasco said. "I'm happy she's shown an interest in doing it."

Tribal Elder **Joe Kishego** enjoys watching his sister, Elizabeth Gasco, dance. Elizabeth

Gasco is a women's traditional dancer.

"She is a championship dancer," Kishego said of his sister. "She has a wall of trophies."

Kishego, a fluent speaker of our language, sees the pow wow as another opportunity to speak with the few other elders who are also fluent speakers.

"There's only a few of us left," Kishego said of the tribe's fluent speakers. "There's seldom anyone around who can understand our language."

Tribal Elder **Edward Shenoskey** attended his second Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow last month. He recently moved back to the area after living in Grandville, MI.

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# Departments and Programs

## Natural Resources Department

### HUNTERS SAFETY CLASS HOSTED BY NATURAL RESOURCES

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator



(From left to right) Matthew Stemkoski and Conservation Officer Roger Willis at the recent Hunters Safety Class.

(From left to right) Conservation Officer Roger Willis and Corey Bailey at the recent Hunters Safety Class.



Matthew Stemkoski searches for simulated blood spots during a tracking exercise outside the Natural Resources Department building.

Matthew Stemkoski marks with an orange clothes pin where a simulated blood spot was found as Bobby Robles looks on.

The Natural Resources Department hosted a Hunters Safety Class on July 27, 28 and 29 at the Natural Resources Building in Harbor Springs, MI.

The class was for all youth 12 years and older. The classes on July 27 and 28 were from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., and the class on July 29 was from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

It included classroom instruction and practical application. Participants spent the final day at the Harbor Springs Outdoors Club in Harbor Springs. After passing written and field safety tests, participants received their certification at the conclusion of the class. Certification allows a person to get a license and hunt with supervision under Tribal or State codes.

"Our goal is to educate the youth hunter to be knowledgeable, responsible and involved," LTBB Conservation Officer Michael McCreery said.

"We also want hunters to understand the importance of complying with hunting laws and

behaving ethically. Ultimately, the mission of the hunter education program is to ensure the continuation of the hunting tradition."

The Natural Resources Department wants to thank the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Tribal Conservation Officers for assisting in a successful Hunters Safety Class.

The Natural Resources Department also wants to thank the Harbor Springs Outdoor Club for the use of its facility and equipment.

A Hunters Safety Class is being offered through the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians' Natural Resources Enforcement Office in cooperation with LTBB and Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Conservation Enforcement Officers on September 14, 15 and 16. There is no cost for the class, and it is open to all youth 12 years and older. Call Hunter Safety Instructor Jim Petoskey at 231-534-7365 or e-mail him at

cjpetoskey@gtbindians.com for exact times and locations for the class.

The LTBB Natural Resources Department will have an International Bow Hunters Education Program (IBEP) on September 30. Call LTBB Conservation Officer Roger Willis at 231-242-1674 to pre-register. The class will be held at Harbor Springs Outdoor Club in Harbor Springs, MI. IBEP is not a requirement for Tribal or State hunting licenses in Michigan, but it is a more detailed safety program for bow hunters.

Conservation Officers *Michael McCreery and Roger Willis contributed to this article.*

#### Photo information

On July 27, the instructors simulated a blood trailing scenario in the woods outside the Natural Resources Building to show participants how to track and find a deer after it had been shot. Fluorescent orange clothes pins were used to mark simulated blood spots.

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

## Elders Program

### Elders Fuel & Utility Emergency Assistance

The Elders Fuel & Utility Emergency Assistance is a one time, once a year program. If you're an elder (LTBB Tribal Citizen 55 years or older), and you have a fuel or utility bill that you are having trouble paying, you might be eligible for this assistance. The Fuel & Utility Emergency Assistance is available for all LTBB Elders living in and out of the service area. This assistance program has income guidelines that the eligibility is based on. If you think you or someone you know may qualify for this assistance, do not hesitate to call Elders Outreach Assistant Tina Sutton at 231-242-1423.

The Elders Program is getting ready for the next Michigan Indian Elders Association meeting on October 11-12. The meeting is in Sault Ste. Marie, MI. If you are interested in attending, please call Tina Sutton at 231-242-1423.

## CORRECTIONS

In an August *Odawa Trails* article titled, "LTBB NCAI Mid-Year Conference Attendees Broaden Their Horizons," a sentence incorrectly appeared under Tribal Council Administrative Assistant Mike Smith's contribution. The sentence should have read, "The session also talked about dropout issues, how you can't fight racism without education, and how to persuade kids receiving per capita to not drop out of school."

In the August issue of *Odawa Trails*, the photos that appeared with the article titled, "Understanding the Sights and Sounds at the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow," and the wedding photo of Matt Lesky and Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky all appeared courtesy of Theresa Keshick.

The LTBB Communications Department regrets the error and the omissions.

## Are You Interested in Working for the LTBB Government?

If you would like to be included in the LTBB Human Resources database, please send resumé and cover letter to:

sgasco@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov  
(send as Microsoft Word or as a PDF)

or LTBB Human Resources  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740



(IMPORTANT: We need an e-mail address to notify you when a position that meets your interests becomes available.)

Please check our website, [www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov), for current openings or call our toll free job hotline at 1-866-582-2562. Job postings are updated every Friday.

## Housing Department Programs

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. For more details on the service area, please refer to the map on page 17.

**Short Term Rental Assistance:** This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used **One Time Only** and the rent requested must be affordable and may not exceed 30% of the household's monthly income.

**Home Improvement Program:** This program offers up to \$2,500 for non-cosmetic home repairs and may be utilized once every five years.

**Down Payment Assistance:** This program offers up to \$5,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and **Can Be Used to Purchase or Re-finance a Home.**

**Foreclosure Prevention Program:** This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

**Well & Septic Assistance Program:** Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault St. Marie, MI; this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation on a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

**Credit Counseling:** Our counseling provides tribal citizens the knowledge it takes to gain financial stability and credibility.

**Transitional Housing Program:** This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. (Limited Availability). Please submit a Letter of Interest and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

**Elders Housing Development:** Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of 12 units and is designed to meet the needs of very low to moderate income level elderly tribal citizens, age 55 and older. Please complete application and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

## LTBB of Odawa Indians' Food Distribution Program Warehouse Schedule

### Days for Distribution

1st Monday	1 & 2 person households
2nd Monday	3 & 4 person households
2nd Tuesday	GTB Elders
3rd Monday	5+ person households

### Hours of Distribution

Open	9 a.m. - noon, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
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If you missed your pickup, please call Patrick Boda at 231-242-1661.

# TRIBAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY AND WEBSITE INFORMATION

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Commission Vacancies: See <http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov/CommissionsBoardsCommittees.htm> or call the Tribal Chairman's Office at 231-242-1401.



## ATTENTION LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS!!! Are you interested in making or updating your will?

LTBB has been offered free attorney services to assist Tribal Citizens with preparing simple wills and durable powers of attorneys for medical & financial purposes.

This service takes approximately 45 minutes to complete the documents.

If you are interested, contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420 to find out more information.



## Tribal Administration

### FROM THE DESK OF TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR

#### ALBERT COLBY, JR

Aanii Tribal Citizens. The summer will soon be behind us as fall approaches. I am pleased with the many accomplishments within governmental operations throughout the summer. The bathrooms were completed in time for the 15th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow on August 12-13 in Harbor Springs, MI, the pavilion project on the Ceremonial Grounds located at Osborne Road in Readmond Township, MI, are being reviewed, and the Human Resources Department supported three trainings. The trainings included a Circle of Life session "Odawa Kwe," Customer Service training

for our Directors and Program Managers, and our Seven Grandfathers Teachings session to acclimate the new hires and those who missed last year's training. All trainings proved to be a success in our pursuit to strengthen governmental operations. A few more trainings are scheduled for the fall 2006. The search for a new Elders Coordinator is complete. Her name is Marie Miller, a LTBB Tribal Citizen from Fredericksburg, VA, with the skills to operate and improve the current program services. Ms. Miller's biography will be included in a future issue of *Odawa Trails*. The month of September

contains three approved holidays. LTBB Governmental Operations will be closed all day on Labor Day (September 4), Sovereignty Day (September 21) and Michigan Indian Day (September 22) which is always the fourth Friday of September. I am presently working with the Language Program on its Strategic Plan and with the other members of the Executive Branch on developing the work plan for our future Youth Coordinator position. The Legislative Branch approved funding to support the Traditional Jingtamok on Osborne Road in Readmond Township, MI, scheduled for September 16.

## Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department

### COMMUNITY READINESS SURVEY RESULTS

By Linda Woods, Substance Abuse Director

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Department has results to report from the Community Readiness Survey that was completed in the spring. This survey asked questions regarding alcohol, tobacco, other drugs and gambling (ATODG) to seek the community's response in developing an ATODG prevention program in our department.

It is an important step to integrate input from the community when creating ATODG prevention programs. We decided to implement a survey under the auspices of the "Making Connections" grant that was developed by the Minnesota Institute of Public Health. The survey was given to 152 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' Community Citizens because this number is representative of the population of 2,000 living in the area.

We received the survey results in June. The report was given to the Advisory Board to review and to make recommendations for an ATODG prevention program. The report is large, so for brevity, we are highlighting some of the results.

- Adults 18-20: 85% of responses viewed tobacco as a serious problem followed by alcohol at 82%. 73% viewed marijuana as a fairly serious problem and gambling ranked last at 27% in perceiving it as a serious or moderate problem.
- Adults 21-54: Tobacco and alcohol use were perceived at 90% and 82% respectively as a moderate to serious problem followed by gambling at 62% and marijuana at 61%. Other drugs and methamphetamine use ranked last at 40% and

- 25% respectively as moderate or serious problems.
- Only for adults age 55 and older does the pattern change substantially. Tobacco was rated most serious at 69%, followed by gambling at 67% and alcohol at 54% as moderate or serious problems.
- There was overwhelming support for ATODG policy and prevention programs at 92% as a way to reduce ATOD and 75% of the respondents believed prevention would reduce gambling problems.

At some time in the future, we will hold a community meeting to share the results of the survey in deeper depth and answer any questions about the survey.

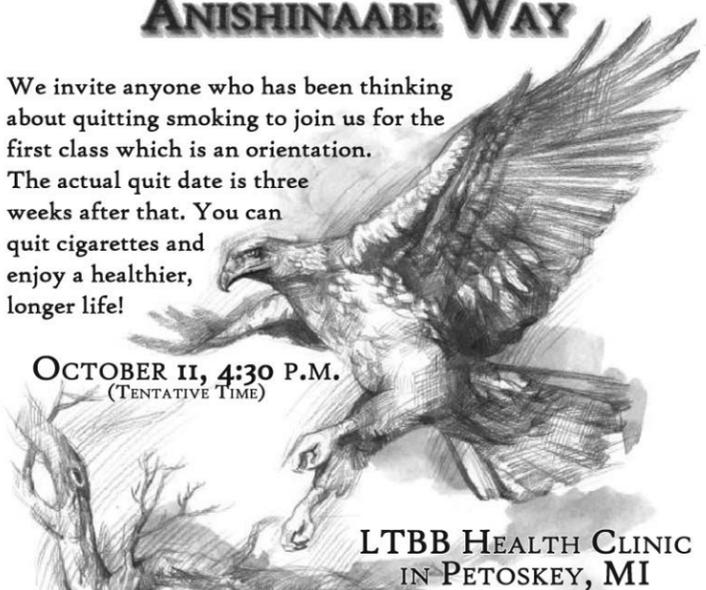
If anyone has any questions about the survey or its results, you may contact Amy Kagabitang in the Substance Abuse Department at 231-242-

1649. The Advisory Board will continue to review the survey results and create a prevention program that will be a "fit" for our community. There are other departmental events coming up. Please come to our annual Sobriety Feast on September 29 from 6-9 p.m. at the LTBB Governmental Center's Commons Area in Harbor Springs, MI. This year, we are honoring a special Elder who will be celebrating 40 years of continuous sobriety, and this person has contributed much to the community. He is our main speaker, and he is a very interesting guy. We are planning another Fall Gathering at Just A Plain Farm in Carp Lake, MI. It is always a great event. We look forward to having you join us on October 21 from 1-4 p.m. Call our office and let Jennifer or Pat know if you want to attend. Call Jennifer at 231-242-1642 or call Pat at 231-242-1640. Look for an event flyer in next month's newsletter.

## FREEDOM FROM SMOKING THE ANISHINAABE WAY

We invite anyone who has been thinking about quitting smoking to join us for the first class which is an orientation. The actual quit date is three weeks after that. You can quit cigarettes and enjoy a healthier, longer life!

**OCTOBER 11, 4:30 P.M.**  
(TENTATIVE TIME)



**LTBB HEALTH CLINIC  
IN PETOSKEY, MI**

THE LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## Executive Branch

# LTBB REPRESENTED AT 1855 TREATY OF DETROIT COMMEMORATIVE CELEBRATION AND FEAST

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(From left to right) Ron Yob, Frank Ettawageshik and Bob Kewaygoshkum all participated in the Commemorative Celebration and Feast. Photo courtesy of Frank Ettawageshik.

On July 29 along the banks of the Grand River in Grand Rapids, MI, the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians and the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library and Museum hosted a Commemorative Celebration and Feast recalling the signing and ratification of the 1855 Treaty of Detroit.

LTBB Tribal Elder Ray "Zeebee" Kiogjima gave the invocation there, and Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik gave a speech.

Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians Chairman Ron Yob collaborated with the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and the Gerald R. Ford Museum in Grand Rapids, MI, to bring the original cover page and signature pages of the treaty to the Gerald R. Ford Museum. They were on display there from July 29 to August 27.

The treaty was signed on July 31, 1855, ratified on April 15, 1856, and proclaimed on

September 10, 1856. It was one of the first allotment treaties signed between the U.S. government and Indian tribes. It ended the threat of removal to Kansas for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians because it was an allotment of land here.

**Editor's note:** Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik wanted to share the speech he gave during the 1855 Treaty of Detroit Commemorative Celebration and Feast held in Grand Rapids, MI, on July 29.

Aanii. Pipigwa ododem. Waganakising n'doonjiba. Naakwehgeshik n'dizhnikaas.

My name is Noonday, otherwise known as Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, from Harbor Springs, MI.

I am pleased and honored to be here today standing beside

other tribal leaders, tribal citizens and our many friends to commemorate the signing of the 1855 Treaty of Detroit.

Each day that we live lies at a crossroad in time and place. When living our lives, our elders have taught us to consider the effects of our actions through to the seventh generation. Seven generations ago, our ancestors were facing an onrush of European and American settlers, and also facing a collision with myriad non-Anishinabe, non-Indian, governments and governmental agencies and institutions. The Treaties of 1836 and 1855 were negotiated and signed during this struggle.

Sometimes, people think that the treaties were only an instrument of a United States federal government forcing its will upon our Anishinabe people. While this certainly was a major part of the impetus for the negotiations, there is another and equally important aspect to consider: *Through this treaty, our Anishinabe ancestral leaders successfully negotiated our Tribes' continued survival as self-governing Nations within the family of nations throughout the world.* An often non-stated but critical element of any treaty is the acknowledgement of the full sovereign status of all parties to that treaty. Sovereign tribal governments don't receive their sovereignty by virtue of its being granted to them by the United States, England, France or for that matter, other tribal nations. Instead, our Sovereignty is inherent and has been ours since time immemorial.

Each sovereign must, however, negotiate recognition of its status with other surrounding governments. This process can take generations and is a process that

doesn't ever end, but rather must be renewed and refreshed from time to time. The ability to exercise sovereignty is strengthened by this acknowledgement of sovereign status by other neighboring sovereigns.

Within the U.S. Constitution in Article I, Section Eight, it says that Congress shall have the power "to regulate Commerce with foreign Nations, and among the several States, and with the Indian Tribes..." This is the acknowledgement in the Constitution of the pre-existent sovereignty of Tribes. Tribal Sovereignty is not given to us by the United States. Rather, it is recognized as pre-dating the U.S. Government. Further on in Article VI of the Constitution it states, amongst other things, "This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land, and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding."

Treaties with Indian Tribes, in fact this 1855 Treaty of Detroit that we are celebrating today, these Treaties are not some dusty old documents stored as curiosities in the National Archives, but rather these Treaties remain as a part of "the supreme Law of the Land" as stated in Article VI of the U.S. Constitution. As evidenced by the return of these pages of the original document to this place of its signing, it is a living document, its effects are all around us today, and the vision of our ancestors in negotiating its terms reverberates across the generations to the present day.

But this is not an ending today. While we look back those seven generations to learn lessons from our ancestors, we also look forward seven more generations. What are we leaving for them? How are we giving them the tools to protect and preserve our culture? Are we adequately negotiating the acknowledgement of each of our tribal governments' sovereign status? In order to give the future generations the tools necessary to achieve these goals, we must ensure that our next generation understands our past and the full importance of the achievements of our ancestors.

This brings us to events such as this one today. We stand today on these historic grounds by this river (Grand River) that has been so important to Anishinabe history and culture. My mind is filled with the far reaching implications of this crossroads of time and place. Chairman Ron Yob of the Grand River Band is to be commended for his steadfast pursuit of the return visit for this historic document, the 1855 Treaty of Detroit. His actions will help all of us better understand our collective past and will help us prepare the next generation for its tasks in protecting Anishinabe sovereignty and culture.

On behalf of the citizens of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, miigwetch, thank you Chairman Yob, and thank you all for attending.

## Human Services Department

### FOSTER PARENT PROGRAM

By Maureen Kilpatrick, Human Services Community Resources Worker

What happens to our tribal child welfare children?

Often, they can live with a relative. But when that is not possible, these children need to live with a foster family. Foster homes provide children a temporary, safe place to live until they can be reunited with their families or, in some cases, placed permanently with another family. Some children stay in foster care for days or weeks; some stay for years.

Foster parents are remarkable people. They open their hearts and homes to some of our most vulnerable children - offering them the safety, love and nurturing that every child needs. Foster parents face enormous challenges. But, as many foster parents will tell you, the rewards of helping each child - of making a difference that lasts a lifetime - make it all worthwhile.

We have many wonderful foster parents in the Tribe. But we need many more, and we need them in every community where we have children in care. Some of these children are not able to be placed with tribal citizens because we do not have enough foster homes.

The Indian Child Welfare and Tribal Human Services are

responsible for finding temporary and permanent homes for children who have been abused and neglected. The Tribe licenses foster parents, places children in their homes and helps make sure foster parents get the support they need.

Are you ready to become a foster parent?

Generally speaking, if you have a stable home and some solid parenting skills, you can become a foster parent. You can be single or married, and it doesn't matter whether you have children of your own. People who work outside the home can also be foster parents.

There are some specific requirements you have to be able to meet.

You must:

- Be at least 21 years old.
- Have enough room (and beds) in your home for a foster child to sleep and keep his or her belongings.
- Have a home that can meet basic fire, safety and sanitary standards.
- Be physically and emotionally capable of caring for children and have no alcohol or drug abuse problems.

- Be able to pass a criminal background check and have no substantiated record of abusing or neglecting children.
- Make enough money to provide for your own family, so you do not need to depend on the foster care reimbursement you might receive as income.

If you meet these requirements, Think About It.

If you think you're ready to become a foster parent - or if you want to learn more before making this big decision - the first step you need to take is a simple one:

Call 231-242-1623. You will be connected to our Foster Care specialist who will send you an orientation packet. The orientation packet will give you a detailed overview of foster parenting and the Tribal foster care program, including essential information about the licensing and orientation process.

In next month's article, I will write about orientation, training and the licensing process.

You can reach the Human Services Department at 231-242-1620.

## WANTED



THE LTBB ARCHIVES AND RECORDS DEPARTMENT IS WORKING WITH A COMMUNITY GROUP TO DISCOVER INFORMATION ABOUT THE HISTORY OF HORSHOE BEND ON M-119.



IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION, STORIES, PHOTOS, ETC. ABOUT HORSHOE BEND, PLEASE CONTACT THE ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT TO SET UP A TIME TO DO AN ORAL INTERVIEW.

**CALL 231-242-1450**  
TO SET UP AN INTERVIEW TIME

## Tribal Citizens

IF YOU MOVE, PLEASE CONTACT THE TRIBAL ENROLLMENT OFFICE AND WE WILL SEND YOU AN ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE PARENT, GUARDIAN OR CUSTODIAL PARENT TO COMPLETE AN ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM.

IF YOU ARE A CUSTODIAL PARENT, PLEASE PROVIDE PROOF BY DOCUMENTATION.

ONCE A MINOR TURNS 18, YOU MUST CONTACT THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE AND COMPLETE AN ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM OR WE WILL MARK YOU AS UNDELIVERABLE.

IF YOU ARE INCARCERATED AND WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUALLY RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER, YOU MUST KEEP YOUR ADDRESS CURRENT.

TOWARDS THE END OF THE YEAR, WE WILL NOTIFY YOU FOR PURPOSES OF THE PER CAPITA PAYMENT.

ADULT VERIFICATION FORM MUST BE WITNESSED.

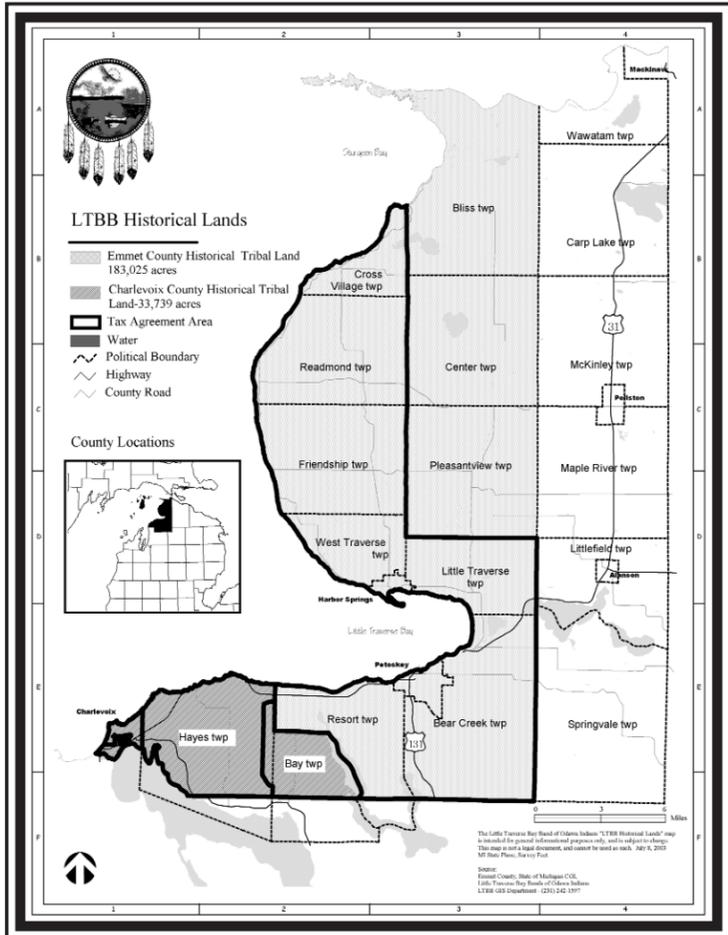
MINOR VERIFICATION FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED.

CONTACT ENROLLMENT ASSISTANT LINDA GOKEE AT 231-242-1521 OR ENROLLMENT OFFICER PAULINE BOULTON AT 231-242-1520.

# Department of Commerce

## TAX AGREEMENT INFORMATION

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant



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

First of all, I cannot express how important it is to keep your address updated. The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is to officially change your address with the Enrollment Department located in the Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. This must be done in writing.

Being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt. Tribal Form 3996, which is available at our office located at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI, needs to be filled out. These are mailed out on a quarterly

basis to the State of Michigan, and the next mailing will be during the first week of October. Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, electricity, satellite, and cellular service.

If you have not filled out a Utility Provider Survey, please contact our office at 231-242-1584 and we will be happy to get one to you.

Another important thing to remember is if you move into the Tax Agreement Area, your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month. Example: I move into the City of Petoskey, which is in the tax agreement area, on September 5, 2006. My RTM status begins October 1, 2006. All updates are sent to

### Tax Agreement Reminder

When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must change your address in writing at the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

the State of Michigan as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to purchase a vehicle or remodel, please wait until after the first of the following month in which you moved. Otherwise, your refund will be denied by the State of Michigan.

The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the State of Michigan's website at [http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1748\\_23287--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1748_23287--,00.html).

If you have any other questions pertaining to the Tax Agreement, I may be reached at my office at 231-242-1584 or via e-mail at [tkeshick@ltbb-odawa-nsn.gov](mailto:tkeshick@ltbb-odawa-nsn.gov).

*The Tax Agreement Area map appears courtesy of GIS Director Alan Proctor.*

## Department of Commerce

### Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all)	Bear Creek (all)
Readmond (all)	Resort (partial)
Friendship (all)	Bay (partial)
West Traverse (all)	Hayes (partial)
Little Traverse	
City of Harbor Springs (all)	
City of Petoskey (all)	
City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)	

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price)
2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
5. \*Motor Fuel Tax (32 cents per gallon unleaded and 28 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. \*Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes)

\* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.

- The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (Tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.
- The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

**Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Members' sole consumption ONLY!**

**IMPORTANT REMINDER: TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THE SWIPE CARD OUT TO ANYONE.**

## Judicial Branch

### LTBB TRIBAL COURT NEEDS A FEW GOOD ODAWAK FOR PEACEKEEPING

By Dave Keller, Civil Court Development Specialist

A special opportunity is available for elders, adults and young people who are committed to improving the Waganakising Odawak community.

In October and November, the Tribal Court will offer free training on the skills of facilitating peacemaking circles.

Peacemaking circles are an alternative to the court processes that create winners and losers, and too often, harm the relationships that hold us together as families and as a tribe. As opposed to a judge determining the outcome, in peacemaking, the people most affected gather together to make their own decision. The circles are guided by people with good hearts and the abilities to help people talk through difficult problems.

The planned Peacemaking and Facilitation Workshop will be spread over five to 10 weekdays, and involve a total of 40 hours of both studying and practicing facilitation techniques.

Advance registration is required for the workshop. The exact dates and times will be announced in the very near future.

I will be a trainer along with Kathy Lame from Northern Community Mediation, a non-profit organization with offices in Petoskey, MI, and Charlevoix, MI.

For several months, a group of dedicated community citizens has been advising Tribal Court on the establishment of a culturally relevant process to deal with misconduct by juveniles, as well as disagreements between people. Over time, similar processes will be developed for most types of cases which could come to Tribal Court. All of these circle processes will rely on community citizens to lead the participants through the various phases of the circle process, ending with a consensus decision on how best to restore harmony.

There is no obligation to volunteer for the peacemaking program. Moreover, we believe facilitation skills taught at the workshop will be beneficial for everyone to know and apply in all aspects of their lives.

A college education is not a requirement for our facilitators. In fact, Tribal Court is looking for community citizens from all backgrounds and age groups, including teenagers.

It is important for interested community citizens to contact me, Dave Keller, as early as possible. I will register people who wish to attend the Peacemaking and Facilitation Workshop, and answer any of your questions about peacemaking circles. My telephone number at Tribal Court is 231-242-1464. I look forward to speaking with you.

## DOC/OEM

### EDD RENAMED DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ODAWA ENTERPRISE MANAGEMENT CREATED

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



OEM Assistant Susan Swadling. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.



DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.

On June 11, the Economic Development Department was renamed the Department of Commerce, and Odawa Enterprise Management was created.

Theresa Keshick is the Department of Commerce Assistant, and Susan Swadling is the Odawa Enterprise Management Assistant.

Both can be reached at their same telephone numbers: Theresa Keshick at 231-242-1584 and Susan Swadling at 231-242-1582. Their fax number remains 231-242-1599.

The departments are located at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

The Enterprise Manager position was posted on July 28 and will remain open until filled. The Enterprise Manager will be responsible for planning, managing, and directing the operations of all Odawa Enterprise Management businesses in an assigned area.

Keshick still deals with Tax Agreement issues, and she is working with LTBB Attorney Matt Lesky on developing the policies and procedures for filing Doing

Business As.

The function of Odawa Enterprise Management is to oversee LTBB's non-gaming enterprises (Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI, and Bell's Fishery in Mackinaw City, MI).

Both departments work with the Economic Development Commission.

The Executive proposed a plan to make these changes based on a study done under a consulting contract with the Business School at Northwood University.

The decision to close Kings Inn in Mackinaw City was based on the study, and Swadling oversaw an auction there on July 29.

Look for more information in the coming months.

*Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Department of Commerce Assistant Theresa Keshick and Odawa Enterprise Management Assistant Susan Swadling all contributed to this article.*

# Planning, Zoning and Building Department

## PERMANENT BATHROOM STRUCTURE COMPLETED AT THE LTBB POW WOW GROUNDS IN HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



A \$123,000 permanent bathroom structure that features eight stalls was added to the Pow Wow Grounds in Harbor Springs, MI, last month. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.

The Planning, Zoning and Building Department oversaw the construction of a \$123,000 permanent bathroom structure located on the LTBB Pow Wow Grounds in Harbor Springs, MI.

The structure, located in the east end of the Pow Wow Grounds, includes eight heated stalls, four for men and four for women. There is also a small storage space for cleaning supplies and miscella-

neous items. It is handicap accessible and has exterior lighting.

Planning began in May, construction began on July 5, and it was completed on August 4 in time for use at the 15th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow on August 12-13.

Harrington Construction in Petoskey, MI, was the contractor and Northwest Design Group in Petoskey was the designer. The

subcontractors were Sid Baker Masonry in Alanson, MI, Beyer Plumbing and Heating in Petoskey, and Wayne's Electrical in Alanson.

The structure was built to be expandable for the addition of five shower stalls. The shower stalls are tentatively scheduled to be installed next summer.

The project used the approved budget amount of \$78,000 from the Pow Wow Grounds Improvement Project, and the rest of the money came from the Capital Improvements Line Item. The Pow Wow Grounds Improvement Project's budget is annually \$78,000.

Harrington Construction wanted to thank Sid Baker Masonry, Beyer Plumbing and Heating, Wayne's Electrical, and all of the workers who made the project possible.

Planning Director Bryan Gillett, Planning Technician Ben Banfield, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. and Ken Harrington contributed to this article.

# Language Program

## HEAT LIGHTNING

By Isabelle Osawamick, Lead Anishinaabemowin Instructor

### Gzhaasge Waasmowin

Gwetaan kamik ejignajoong maampi.

Toronto ngii paazhaa wiinaadyanh debendmaaanin. Nshiimenh, Lionel ngii paawijiiwak. Lionel giipaambisojki. Miidash pii ebiskabiiyang, aankwating ngii waamdaanaa waasnodeg.

Gaageyabi ngii giikiimgoshin-isii pii gaawaamdaama wedi. Noonj gowa maanda giignaadijwan pii dosh July Fourth ednakmigak. Ngii bkwendan ezhnaagwok pii

gtchi miigaadeng pii WWII. Miina iidik maanda gazhinaakwok?

Eta gnaajwan giizhgoonh pii waasnodeg aankwatoong. Gaawin wiika ngwamdasiin maanda giizhgoonh waaseseg naagzhik. Kinagego shpiming gi-waaskodemagad. Lionel kida, "Gzhaasge waasmowin maanda zhinkaade". Kaawiin ngiidebwedtwasii. "Wiiniiskadat niinwe" dena sa. Gii baapi dosh miinwa. Giiwaanendam giywaamid maamkaadendma.

Ngo-dbakgiiswaan gwanda

aankwatook giiniimwok. Maamiikwendam ngiwaamaag-waa gwanda waasesewad aankwatook. Kaawiin gowa ngiinoondwaasii naanik nimkiig. Baamaapii gaakimiwong ngiinoondwaanaanik. Kaawiin wiikaa ndaanensiin gaawaamdaamaa. Gwetaan kamik ejignajoong maampi.

### Heat Lightning

It is so very beautiful here. I went to Toronto to pick up my belongings. My brother, Lionel, went with me. Lionel did the driving. On our way back, we saw in the clouds illumination.

I was not sleepy anymore when I saw that. This looked even more beautiful than the July Fourth celebrations. I thought about what it must have looked like in WWII. Is this what it looked like then?

The skies look very beautiful when the clouds illuminate. I have never seen the clouds illuminate like this at night. Everything up above was lightening up. Lionel said, "This is called Heat Lightning." I did not believe him. "A storm is coming," I told him. Then, he laughed. He thought it was funny that I was excited.

The clouds danced for an hour. I am proud to see the illuminating clouds. We did not hear the thunder. It was not until it started to rain that we heard it. I will never forget what I saw. It is so very beautiful here.



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If you are interested in advertising in upcoming Odawa Trails newsletters, please call the LTBB Communications Department  
**231-242-1427**

# Education Department

## LTBB EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FETED 2006 GRADUATES

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



2006 graduates who attended the Graduation Celebration hosted by the LTBB Education Department on August 11. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.



Richard Lightfoot, a Victories Hotel employee, made this graduation cake decorated with the tribal logo in honor of the 2006 graduates. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.

On August 11 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, the Education Department hosted a Graduation Celebration honoring all 2006 graduates. Tribal Court Probation Officer

Bernadece Kiogima gave the keynote address. Graduates in attendance received a certificate of recognition and a gift bag. Dinner and cake were provided.

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1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey  
(located just north of/behind Victories Casino)  
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Nishinaabemwin Pane Immersion Program  
Call to Register ASAP or for more information:  
LTBB Anishinaabemowin Language Program  
231-242-1454 or 1-888-309-5822

# Language Program (continued)

Dean Raymond Samuels was born March 23, 1927, in "Indian Town" (also known as Harbor Springs, MI) to Joseph and Helen Samuels, nee Petoskey. Samuels was the first child of five. He grew up with his four siblings, Glenna, Margaret (aka Mickey), Evangeline, Catherine and Edward, in the village of Enamaatigoing, which is Odawa, for Cross Village, MI.

When Samuels was a young boy, he was a climber. He has never been afraid of heights. Samuels loved to climb trees, the cliffs around Cross Village, even furniture. Because of this, his grandfather, Joe, gave him the name Sungoohn, which means red squirrel. Samuels' grandfather also spoke Odawa fluently, as well as English, and his grandmother, Mary Petoskey, was trilingual. She spoke Odawa, French and English fluently! Samuels picked up Odawa listening to his parents and other elders talking. But, most parents back then didn't pass on the language because they thought it wouldn't benefit their children as much as English would.

Samuels remembers being poor as a child. He said, "We played in the woods a lot, made our own play, and we swam a lot everyday. All Indians were poor back then, but we were very happy." When he was growing up in Cross Village, he recalls the annual church pow wow that took place the second weekend of August. He said, "It was a big event until they started selling beer and all the Indian people quit coming. Now, it's the church festival."

When Samuels was 12 years old, his family took a trip to Mackinaw Island to put on a dis-

play as "real Indians" with a few other Anishinaabe families. They dressed in buckskins and stayed in a hotel. On top of the hill near the soldiers' fort, there were painted rocks that spelled out "Old Fort Mackinaw." Like any Anishinaabe boy, he was very mischievous, so one night Sungoohn climbed that hill and changed the 'o' in the fort to an 'a' so it read "Old Fart Mackinaw". In the morning, it was changed back, but that didn't stop him. The very next night, he again changed the 'o' to an 'a.' Every day, he played this little trick, and he was never caught. Chi-baapi! Good one Dean!

Samuels attended parochial school in Cross Village and completed one year of high school. When he was 15 years old, he took a trip to Chicago, he found work and, much to his father's surprise, never returned home. Samuels said, "He (his father) expected me to come home cold and hungry, but I never did. But I did come home to visit."

Three years later on March 23, 1945, his 18th birthday, Samuels joined the Navy. He was the only Anishinaabe at the boot camp in Great Lakes, IL. All the other enlistees were very racist against him. He said, "They called me dumb Indian, wagon burner and blanket @\$#. I got in a lot of fights." Boot camp was very strict, and they practiced severe corporal punishment. But Samuels is a very strong Anishinaabe and was only reprimanded twice. Once, he left a dirty towel near his bunk and was

## Anishnaabemdaa!

### WENESH MAABA?



**SUNGOOHN!**

put on garbage duty for a week straight. He said, "That sure was an awful job." The second time he was reprimanded, he didn't shave because he only had two little whiskers. When his drill sergeant asked him why he didn't shave, he simply replied, "Indians don't shave." He had to hold a military flag over his head and straight out in front of him for 2.5 hours without a break! Samuels recognizes it was harsh discipline, but he replied, "All they were doing is teaching us how to be tough."

Later on during his service, he was selected to go to gunnery school and received his Gunner's Mate Certificate. Samuels was a gunners mate until World War II ended two years later, and he was discharged. He had the opportunity to witness the explosion of the first atomic bomb, but he is very thankful he declined that opportunity because most of the soldiers, who watched the bomb go off, fell terminally ill with cancer and even-

tually died. Samuels served in the Vietnam War as a Merchant Marine delivering supplies overseas.

Samuels shares a beautiful story of fate and true love. He said, "When I was in the Navy, I didn't get much mail. A lot of times, our ship would be goin' someplace, and we wouldn't get any mail at all. One day, a gal mailed me a letter, and her name was Frances. At school, she picked a name out of a hat to write letters to servicemen, and she picked my name.

Once a week, she would write. She was only 14 years old."

Samuels said, "If it wasn't for her, I would have stayed in the Navy. I went home and natural things happened. We got married, we had kids and it just so happened that Frances was Glenna's (his sister's) best friend and she drew my name to write me letters in the Navy." Gegetin na!? What a wonderful story of fate and true love! They went on to have five children, three girls and two boys. Dean Samuels, Jr. is an apartment manager, Cheryl Samuels is a doctor of psychology and works with at-risk Native youth, Karen Norris is an insurance agent in Atlanta, GA, Sandra Walker is a registered nurse who was first in her graduating class, and Terry Samuels has a M.D. and is the Medical Director at the Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI. NISHIN!!! Dean and Frances have raised five very successful children and have a lot to be proud of. Dean claims, "The kids are so smart because of Frances. They

inherited the smart gene. It has nothing to do with me." His wife was a very bright woman. She only had her GED, but she became an administrator for the University of Michigan. Samuels proudly said, "She was makin' \$40,000 a year a long time ago."

Samuels retired 10 years ago after working several different jobs in construction, factories, bakeries, and even on a dairy farm. He said, "My last good job was moving furniture. It paid well." He got tired of fishing, so he went back to work at the Wilderness State Park, quit that job and again "got sick of layin' around," so he started painting. Then, he quit painting and has been working as a housekeeper at Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, since September 27, 2004.

Samuels said, "I have ten years of work under my belt since I retired, but not anymore." He retired for good on August 20, 2006. That was his last day working at the casino. Samuels is living his retirement to the fullest by fishing, hunting, visiting, and spending time with his family. He has a two-week trip planned to visit friends in West Virginia, and from there, he is headed to Alaska with two of his daughters.

Samuels has some advice for language learners and people interested in Anishinaabemowin. He said, "Speak it as often as you can, at every opportunity. Carry it on because if it's lost, it's lost." When asked what his favorite saying is in Anishinaabemowin, he replied, "Paamseyin negaach bimwidoon chimitig!" which means "Walk softly and carry a big stick!"

Ho-wah! Chi-miigwech for sharing Dean.

## THE 13TH ANNUAL ANISHINAABE LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CAMP HELD IN MANISTEE, MI



Frankie Ortner, LTBB Community Citizen, swoons the girls with an original love song he performed at the talent show.

Isabelle Osawamick (center), Language Program Lead Instructor, teaches Anishinaabemowin through song. Pictured here with unidentified youth proudly displaying their shiishiiigwaanhs.

Helen Roy, Professor of Anishinaabemowin at Michigan State University, is always a crowd favorite among LTBB Elders with her crazy stories and 'good ole' Indian humor.

Crystal Greensky, Language Program Assistant, takes the hand of Kina Kubecka as Miigwans (Oswamick) watches intently while they play Anishinaabemowin "Twister."

Siblings and LTBB Elders, Glenna Kimball, Dean Samuels and Margaret "Mickey" Ortner, got a chi-baapi during Helen Roy's workshop.

Kenny Pheasant finds a spare moment to enjoy the fruits of his labor.

Dozens of flags were brought together from the U.S. and Canada to celebrate the unity of our language.

Chris Dominic, LTBB Tribal Citizen, shows off his musical talents at Friday evening's talent show.

The 13th Annual Anishinaabe Language and Culture Camp held in Manistee, MI, on July 28, 29 and 30 was a record breaking event; not only for temperatures, but the amount of people attending the camp. More than 600 people attended the annual camp as temperatures soared into the mid-to-high 90s with nearly 100% humidity!

Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant, Director of the Little River Band of Odawa Indians Anishinaabemowin Program, began hosting this camp 13 years ago. Pheasant explained that everywhere we go, even on our homeland, we have no choice but to speak a language that is not our own. We read, write, hear and converse in a language that is foreign to this land. This inspired Pheasant to start the Anishinaabe Language and Culture Camp. It

was his dream to bring Anishinaabe people together to hear Anishinaabemowin and enjoy its beautiful sound. At the camp, everyone can study and learn their language in a fun and safe environment. There is no registration fee and meals are provided. The Little River Band of Odawa Indians welcomed everyone in a good way; not only with kind words and good food, but also with casino coupons for every day you attended the language and culture camp. Ho-wah! Chi-miigwech Little River!

Year after year, people attend this event from Ontario, Canada, and all the way from Florida and California! To help celebrate the unity of our language and culture, everyone was encouraged to bring their nations' flag. Two countries, 11 states, and numerous tribes and First Nations were represent-

ed at this year's language and culture camp.

This year's language and culture camp featured first language speakers of Anishinaabemowin, presenters, musicians, language and spiritual teachers, dancers, singers and many more. Workshops and presentations were for all ages, not only for adults. The camp is family friendly, and everyone is encouraged to bring their children.

In memory and to honor those who were forbidden to speak Anishinaabemowin, it is asked that Anishinaabemowin be the first language spoken. At the camp, Anishinaabemowin comes first. You hear it, you read it, and you speak it. If you don't understand Anishinaabemowin, there are plenty of fluent speakers hanging around. All you have to do is ask, and they are happy to help.

On Friday and Saturday nights, James Shawana, a talented musician who sings and writes in Anishinaabemowin, provided entertainment. His songs are beautiful, and his lyrics would make any anishinaabekwe blush. On Friday evening, everyone had an opportunity to show off their own special talents at the talent show. There was an array of songs, both traditional and contemporary, dancing and storytelling. A traditional Jiingtamok was held on Saturday before dusk with Anishinaabemowin eta (speaking only Anishinaabemowin). An honor song was sung to honor the fluent speakers. They carry on our sacred language; therefore, it is very appropriate that we honor them.

On Sunday afternoon, everyone was sent off with a full belly

and a gift from the giveaway. The Crooked River drum provided a travel song to ensure everyone would have a good journey and return home safely.

It takes a lot of hard work and preparation to host the camp. The efforts put forth by Kenny Pheasant and the Little River Band of Odawa Indians deserves a Chi-Miigwech for making this wonderful event possible. Hopefully, more tribes and First Nations follow suit in an effort to preserve and retain Anishinaabemowin. Our language is very sacred. It is the forefront of Anishinaabe culture, and we must preserve it.

Log on to [www.anishinaabem-daa.com](http://www.anishinaabem-daa.com) to brush up on your Anishinaabemowin and stay posted for the 14th Annual Anishinaabemowin Language and Culture Camp next July.

## Language Program (continued)

### LTBB LANGUAGE PROGRAM OFFERS ELDERS BINGO

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On July 25 after the Elders Luncheon at the Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, the Language Program encouraged elders to bring their grandchildren to the monthly Elders Bingo.

Only Anishinaabemowin is spoken during bingo.

Language Program Coordinator Carla McFall and Lead Anishinaabemowin Instructor Isabelle Osawamick took turns serving as the bingo caller and assisting participants.

At this particular bingo, the bingo cards featured animals. The other commonly used bingo

cards feature numbers and verbs. All the winners received prizes.

Language Program Coordinator Carla McFall contributed to this article.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



(Pictured from left to right) Emili Nickles and Christina Andrews.

(Pictured from left to right) Marian Sedlak and Mitchell Sleeman.

(Pictured from left to right) Nick Sleeman and Beth Kiogima.



(Pictured from left to right) Rochelle Ettawageshik and Harriet Kishigo-Booth.

Language Program Coordinator Carla McFall

Thomas Hill raises his hand signifying a bingo.

Isabelle Osawamick assists participants.

## LTBB Government

### LTBB GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION PICNIC

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(L to R) Miigwaans Smith and Nongonhs Massey during the kids' eating contest.

Tammy Gasco guards her brother, Jeff Gasco, during a pickup basketball game.

Accounting Clerk Terri Thomasma with her son, Donnevon, and her husband, Pete.



Waylon Wanegeshik, 4, munches on Oreo cookies during the picnic.

Participants in the kids' eating contest. Photo taken by Melvin Kiogima II.

LTBB Attorney Matt Lesky takes a ride down the adult water slide at the picnic.

All LTBB Government Employees and their families were invited to the 2006 LTBB Government Employee Appreciation Picnic.

The picnic was held at Harbor Light Family Camp in

Harbor Springs, MI, on August 16.

Activities included softball, horseshoes, basketball, volleyball, waterslides for kids and adults, and eating contests for kids and adults. Five and 10-

year anniversary employees were recognized there. There was also a prize drawing for all employees.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar unless otherwise noted.

## Environmental Services

### ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES SPONSORS ITS FIRST ANNUAL DUMPSTER DIVE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(Left to Right) Mark Tracy and Doug Craven.



(Left to Right) Doug Craven and Mark Tracy.

The Environmental Services Department sponsored the First Annual Employee Dumpster Dive on August 16. The event took place in the Employee parking lot behind the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Natural Resources Director Doug Craven and MIS Director Mark Tracy participated in the event because they were the top two vote getters among the six directors in contention. Tracy received 30 votes and Craven received 28.63. Craven and Tracy received Chamber of Commerce gift certificates for participating.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



## Bridge Walk 2006

The Mina Mskiki Gumik Health Department is sponsoring a group walk across the Mackinac Bridge on September 4. (Labor Day)



Shuttle service provided by Victories Casino with pick up at 7a.m. at the LTBB Governmental Center. PLEASE sign up for shuttle service; drop-ins are not guaranteed a ride.

T-shirts and water provided for participants. Call 231-242-1611




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# Native News

## NATIVE AMERICAN ELECTED THE 2007-2008 AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Loriene Roy, a member of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe, has been elected the 2007-2008 President of the American Library Association (ALA). She is a past American Indian Libraries Association (AILA) President (1997-1998), and she is currently a professor in the School of Information at the University of Texas at Austin. She will also serve as the 2007-2008 President of the ALA-Allied Professional Association.

Roy is a 2006 recipient of the ALA Equality Award, which recognizes contributions for promoting equality in the library profession. The award, given annually to an individual or a group, consists of a citation and

\$500 donated by Scarecrow Press, a member of the Rowman and Littlefield Publishing Group. According to the AILA Summer 2006 newsletter, "Roy is being recognized for her service and research that has opened doors for minority students and librarians to successful careers in librarianship. She has supported the cause of librarians and library patrons of color through her numerous publications and has made equality for all librarians her life-long goal. She has positively impacted diverse groups with her contribution to education and research."

Roy is well known for organizing "If I Can Read, I Can Do

Anything," the national reading promotion project for Native American children on reservations. She has also contributed to the development of virtual libraries and museums aimed at indigenous people. By incorporating service learning into her classes, she has advanced information technology and literacy among Native populations. She has been a strong proponent of recruiting Native students into careers in librarianship and serves on several advisory boards and committees that are relevant to her mission.

*Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.*

## LTBB RENEWABLE STRATEGIC ENERGY PLANNING PROJECT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

With surging gasoline prices, there is a real urgency to identify, produce and utilize renewable energy sources.

The LTBB Renewable Strategic Energy Planning Project team's vision statement is to establish energy sovereignty on the Waganakising Odawa reservation and the greater community for the next seven generations. Its mission statement is to develop renewable energy sources and foster energy conservation.

The team includes LTBB Governmental Staff from the Environmental Services, Housing, Planning, Zoning and Building, Geographic Information Services, Natural Resources, Economic Development and Legal Departments, along with Grant Writer Heidi Yaple, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., and concerned tribal citizens.

Besides Yaple and Colby, Jr., team members are Renewable Energy Consultant Steve Smiley, GIS Director Alan Proctor,

Environmental Services Director Rachel Schwarz, Housing Director Deleta Smith, Planning Technician Ben Banfield, Department of Commerce Assistant Theresa Keshick, Odawa Energy Management Assistant Susan Swadling, Deputy Planner Susan Wysocki, Victories Hotel Director Marty VanDeCar and Housing Commissioner Ken Harrington.

The team developed a Strategic Energy Plan and increased the tribal community's awareness by holding community awareness workshops in January and June.

The goals of the Strategic Energy Plan are to develop wind energy, bio-energy and solar energy resources on the 1855 reservation and outlying tribal properties; implement combined heat and power technology on the 1855 reservation and outlying tribal properties; identify, promote and implement energy efficient services; establish a tribal department of public works; establish a tribal

energy statute; and promote and implement renewable energy fuels for transportation purposes.

Besides the two community awareness workshops, the team also gave presentations to the new casino work group and the Housing Commission. The team plans to give presentations at a tribal council work session and an elders luncheon in the future.

Renewable Energy Options identified through the project were solar power, biomass heating, wind energy, flex fuel vehicles, agricultural resources, hydroelectric power, geothermal energy and energy conservation.

The LTBB Renewable Strategic Energy Planning Project was funded by a Department of Energy (DOE) grant that ended in July. Despite that, the team is committed to continuing the work that has been initiated through this project.

*Grant Writer Heidi Yaple and Environmental Services Director Rachel Schwarz contributed to this article.*

## SKINS COED SOFTBALL TEAM SEASON WRAPUP

By Marci Reyes, Medical Assistant



The Skins coed softball team finished third in the Larks Lake Coed Softball League Tournament in July. Photo courtesy of Toni Gasco.

The Skins coed softball team along with No. 1 fan and LTBB Tribal Elder Roland Petoskey. Photo courtesy of Deleta Smith.

The Skins coed softball team originated in 2004 as the brain child of Dr. Terry Samuels, the Medical Director at the Health Clinic. Dr. Samuels wanted a fun activity that would bring the community together and at the same time, get tribal citizens more active. Although Dr. Samuels is no longer the coach, he remains an integral part of

the team by sponsoring the Skins and coming to almost every game.

The team played in the Larks Lake Coed Softball League tournament for the first time this past July and finished third there. The team finished sixth in the league standings.

I would like to say Chi Miigwech to Roland Petoskey

who cheered us on at almost every game and who attended the whole tournament.

Chi Miigwech to the community citizens who came out to support the team.

We look forward to another season on the Larks Lake Coed Softball League next year. Hopefully, we will see some of you there.

### COME AND JOIN A WINNING TEAM!

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT A JOB AT VICTORIES CASINO & HOTEL?

DO YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN A CASINO PROFESSION?

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN OUR FUTURE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES?



Human Resources is accepting applications and creating a database of all interested Tribal Citizens who have a desire to become a part of the Victories Casino & Hotel team.

If you have access to the Internet, check out Victories Casino & Hotel's website at [www.victories-casino.com](http://www.victories-casino.com) for all current jobs or call 1-877-4-GAMING and ask for Mary Roberts, Employment Manager.

### HONORING OUR ELDERS

#### Traditional Jingtamok 2006

SEPTEMBER 16, LOCATED ON OSBORNE RD., NORTH OF HARBOR SPRINGS, MI, IN READMOND TOWNSHIP

GRAND ENTRY AT NOON

SOUP AND FRYBREAD NOON - 2 P.M.

DINNER - 5 P.M.

PLEASE BRING COLD SALADS AND DESSERTS AS A DISH TO PASS

CONTACT: PAULINE BOULTON, PH:231-242-1520



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### ODAWA CULTURAL IMMERSION

HOSTED BY THE LTBB TRIBAL COURT



THE THEME OF THE WORKSHOP IS **ANISHNAABE KWE: THE ROLE OF TRIBAL WOMEN; HISTORICALLY, SPIRITUALLY AND TODAY.** THIS WORKSHOP WILL ADDRESS THE MICHIGAN ANISHNAABE TRADITIONS AND TEACHINGS. KEY SPEAKERS INCLUDE BEN RAMIREZ-SHKWEGNAABI AND DORIS BOISSONEAU ALONG WITH A PANEL OF ODAWA ELDERS.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2006, 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.  
LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS  
GOVERNMENTAL CENTER, 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE  
HARBOR SPRINGS, MI 49740

#### American Indian "Giveaway" Ceremony

It is considered an honor to be able to give away an item. The expression of giving and sharing is valued and respected. This ceremony is preceded by an honor song. We will hold a "Giveaway" in honor of our Elders and Community. Please bring a gift as your registration for the Community Giveaway. Items can come from your household or may be purchased. Examples of gifts are books, videos, crafts, household items or anything valued around \$5.

- Registration is a gift for the "Giveaway" Ceremony
- Registration includes: Workshop, Continental Breakfast and lunch

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to LTBB Tribal Court by FAX: 231-242-1470  
For more information: Call Dawn 231-242-1462.

YOU MUST REGISTER!! We need to know how many lunches to buy!!! Please register by September 8.

### Human Services Department Community Resources COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT-EMERGENCY NEEDS PROGRAM

ATTENTION: LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS IN MICHIGAN

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR THIS PROGRAM.  
VERY LIMITED FUNDING AVAILABLE.

IF YOU KNOW OF A LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD THAT MAY NEED ASSISTANCE, PLEASE HAVE THEM CONTACT THE LTBB HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AT 231-242-1620 AND REQUEST AN APPLICATION. APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, OR UNTIL FUNDS ARE DEPLETED; WHICHEVER COMES FIRST.

**THIS IS AN INCOME-BASED PROGRAM!**

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# 15TH ANNUAL ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW



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# WAGANAKISING MARTIAL ARTS CLUB MEMBERS EXHIBIT THEIR WARRIOR SPIRIT

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator



Regina Brubacker (right) instructs Anna Gasco (left) as Gasco's father, Kevin Gasco, watches the beginners class.



John Naganashe (right) works with Anna Gasco (left) during the beginners class at Native Way II gym on July 20, 2006.



Waganakising Martial Arts Club members won 20 trophies at the Great Lakes Cup Tournament in Lansing, MI, on June 10.



Grandmaster B.C. Yu, an eighth degree black belt, gave an instructors seminar at the Native Way II gym on July 20, 2006.

Self-confidence. Self-control. Self-discipline.

Members of the Waganakising Martial Arts Club based in the Native Way II gym in Harbor Springs, MI, say tae kwon do has taught them all three.

Health Educator Regina Brubacker joined the club with her nephew, Christopher Lynn, Jr., when it was started by Dr. Terry Samuels, the Medical Director at the LTBB Health Clinic, in January 2005. The club has 31 members.

"I wanted him (her nephew) to learn self-control and self-discipline," said Brubacker, who has a brown belt. "I have benefited a lot from doing it also. My aggression level has dropped. I don't have a problem controlling my temper. I deal with things a lot better than I used to. Physically, I am doing more than I ever expected. I remember the first time that Dr. Samuels demonstrated a 'form,' I thought I could never do it.

"What seemed impossible to me back then became possible over time. I realized I was only limited by my inexperience. Now, I'm three tests from being a black belt."

Forms and sparring are the two categories of tae kwon do.

Sparring is a martial arts term for fighting. Matches are

won by scoring four points or being ahead after two minutes. Straight punches or kicks to the body equal one point. Kicks to the head equal one point. No hand techniques to the head are allowed.

Forms are prescribed choreographed movements of kicks and punches. Judges score forms on the correct and orderly execution of each movement. Judges also take into account balance, rhythm, and synchronization of a competitor's entire body movement.

"By far, it is the best form of exercise I have done," said Accounting Assistant Kathy McGraw, who has a brown belt. "I lead a pretty active life, but this was something totally new to me. I've learned a lot about myself through doing tae kwon do. I'm doing things I never thought I would do. I used to be a little shy, but I'm not afraid to stand up in front of the class and perform. I'm more confident. I have a competitive nature because I grew up with four brothers, and it taps into that. It's a test to see how tough you are."

The club practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Native Way II gym under the direction of Samuels, a second degree black belt. The beginner class is 5:45-6:30 p.m., and the

advanced class is 6:30-7:30 p.m. Master Marti Lynn, a fifth degree black belt, comes monthly to give instruction. Grandmaster B.C. Yu, an eighth degree black belt, sanctions the members' belts, and he gave an instructors seminar on July 20.

"It's a pleasure to be involved with this club because it's a good group of individuals," said Health Commissioner Bill Denemy, Jr., who has a black and red belt. "We are a family. We look out for each other. A special thank you goes out to Dr. Samuels for starting the club as he has made a positive impact in the lives of many tribal citizens. Doing tae kwon do is a great way to maintain health, and it has a great philosophy of teaching discipline."

Samuels, who started doing tae kwon do in 1977, learned from Grandmaster B.C. Yu.

"It occurred to me that it (tae kwon do) would be a good opportunity for exercise and wellness," Samuels said. "It is the Native way to be healthy and exercise. The biggest things it teaches people are discipline, respect and confidence. I see the benefits others gain from our teachings. Our students work hard, and they are respectful to everyone.

"I enjoy seeing the development of our students."

## Tae Kwon Do Basics

"Tae" stands for jumping or flying, to kick or smash with the foot.

"Kwon" denotes the fist, chiefly to punch or destroy with the hand or fist.

"Do" means an art or way.

Tae Kwon Do means the art of kicking and punching.

Tae Kwon Do has been developing with the 5,000-year long history of Korea.

The main organizations are International Taekwondo Federation (ITF) and World Taekwondo Federation (WTF).

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

## Waganakising Martial Arts Club

Tenets are courtesy, integrity, perseverance, self-control and indomitable spirit.

Student creeds are knowledge in the mind, honesty in the heart and strength in the body.

Progression of belts (from lowest to highest): White, yellow, green, purple, blue, red, brown, black and red, black and brown, and black.

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

## Testing Conducted at the Native Way II gym on August 19

Congratulations to the following members

on their promotions: **Bill Denemy, Jr.** received his red/black belt; **Regina Brubacker, Kathy McGraw, Taylor Fisher, Alex Fisher, Jared Willis and Derek Willis** received brown belts; **Chris Lynn, Jr., Sean Miller and Mikayla Miller** received red belts; **Eric Keller and Brittany Bentley** received blue belts; **Megan Keller, Nicole Laughlin, Kacie Gokee, and Josie Laughlin** received green belts; **Elana Naganashe, Christina Dewey, Kenny Dewey and Alex Dewey** received yellow belts.

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

Housing Administrative Assistant Margaret Gasco, who has a yellow belt, can't wait for her daughter, Emma Gasco, to join the club. Emma can join the club when she turns five on September 17, 2007.

"It helps the youth build self-esteem and become more outgoing," Margaret said. "It benefits people of all ages. I encourage everyone to try it."

Margaret said she had no idea what tae kwon do was when she first went to a class, but she instantly liked it.

"I like the physical part of it," said Margaret, who previously served in the military. "It is more physical than anything I've done before. I like the self-discipline and self-control it teaches. The same self-discipline I had in the military, I utilize in tae kwon do."

Denemy, Jr. was quick to point out, "We are trained to defend ourselves physically, but we are also trained to use our skills as a last resort."

"Walking away whenever possible from a fight or a physical encounter is always the best method of self-defense," Denemy, Jr. said. "We will only apply the techniques and skills we have learned in tae kwon do as a last resort."

On April 29, 10 club members won 12 trophies and eight medals at the Tae Kwon Do Institute of America Annual Tournament in Whitmore Lake, MI. On June 10, 10 club members won 20 trophies at the

Great Lakes Cup Tournament in Lansing, MI. Brothers, Alex Fisher and Taylor Fisher, won three medals at the 2006 North American Indigenous Games held in Denver, CO, in July. Taylor was third in sparring and fourth in forms, and Alex was third in both sparring and forms.

"The Native spirit allows us to do well at tournaments," Denemy, Jr. said. "We're traditionally warriors. The Native blood has always had the indomitable spirit."

"The Fisher boys worked really hard, and they brought a lot of pride to our club."

McGraw said she has a lot of respect for everyone she trains with.

"We (as Native Americans) have a fighting spirit," McGraw said. "It serves as a genetic link to our warrior spirit. Tae kwon do breaks down barriers between people."

Competing in tournaments is encouraged, but it is not mandatory. There is no cost to join the club or to attend classes. Everyone is welcome. The only costs would be if you chose to compete in tournaments and for belt testing.

If you would like more information on the Waganakising Martial Arts Club or the tae kwon do classes, contact Health Educator Regina Brubacker at 231-242-1601.

Photos by Communications Coordinator **Annette VanDeCar**.

## CALLING ALL POKER PLAYERS

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

The Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, will feature a non-smoking poker room starting September 1.

It will have three tables, two for Texas Hold'Em and one for Omaha.

Hours of operation are 4 p.m. to 2 a.m. Monday through Friday and noon to 2 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

"The poker room gives exist-

ing staff the opportunity for a live poker experience before going to the new casino (scheduled to open in June 2007), it increases our market share by offering a more diversified gaming mix, and it allows our guests to learn a new game," said Jeneane Hill, Director of Table Games for Victories Casino and Hotel.

According to Hill, different

promotions such as a "Ladies Only" class followed by the opportunity to showcase newly acquired skills by playing live will be offered.

For more information about the poker room, call 231-439-6110.

*Jeneane Hill, Director of Table Games for Victories Casino and Hotel, contributed to this article.*

# SEPTEMBER

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					<b>I</b> Poker Room at Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI Opens. Citizenship Commission Work Session 4 p.m. Commission Committee Room 212 Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Tribal Council Meeting Economic Development Commission Work Session, 1345 US 31 N., 930am	<b>4</b> Labor Day Governmental Offices Closed. Bridge Walk 2006 Pickup 7 a.m. at Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI	<b>5</b> Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. NCMC Language Class 6 p.m.-9:50 p.m. Tech. Building, Room 230	<b>6</b> Language Class 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Mshkikigamik	<b>7</b> Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 9:11 Spring St. 5:30 p.m. Elders Luncheon at Noon Tae Kwon Do Classes Native Way II gym Beginner 5:45 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Women's Talking Circle 7 p.m.-9p.m. Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI	<b>8</b> BMCC Pane Immersion Weekend in Bay Mills, MI	<b>9</b> Tribal Council Work Session ICWA Meeting 9:30 a.m. 915 Emmet St. Economic Development Commission Meeting 1345 US 31 N., 9:30a.m. BMCC Pane Immersion Weekend in Bay Mills, MI
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# W A A B A G A A G I I Z I S

# A U T U M N M O O N

# LTBB COMMUNITY CITIZENS CELEBRATED THE LEGACY OF "BLESSED" KATERI TEKAKWITHA IN INDIAN RIVER, MI

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



A statue of Kateri Tekakwitha, the first Native American declared "Blessed."



Tribal Elder Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima spoke in Odawa during the mass.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Patrick Naganashe sang the "Ave Maria" during the mass.



The Women's Hand Drum group performed during the mass on July 16, 2006.



(Left to Right) Jim Naganashe, Patrick Naganashe and Mike Naganashe.



The Cross in the Woods is one of Michigan's most visited shrines.

LTBB Community Citizens participated in a Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Mass on July 16 at the Cross in the Woods Parish and National Shrine in Indian River, MI.

The Women's Hand Drum group and a drum group of Jim Naganashe, Patrick Naganashe and Mike Naganashe played. Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima spoke part of the mass in Odawa. Patrick Naganashe sang "Ave Maria." Kenny and Jane Martell and Carol Kiogima took up the gifts. A smudging was also performed.

The mass was a part of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Weekend. Her feast day was July 14. In 1980, Pope John Paul II declared her "Blessed," and she was the first Native American to be declared "Blessed." Work is underway to have her canonized. Canonization, in the Roman Catholic Church, is an act by which the pope publicly proclaims the sanctity of a deceased person, whom he thereupon proposes for the veneration of the universal church. Canonization is usually the final act of a lengthy process that begins with beatification. The decree of beatification is an official declaration that a person lived a holy life and can be venerated as one of the "blessed"; canonization awards the full title of "saint."

### Background information on Kateri Tekakwitha from Catholic Online

Kateri Tekakwitha, called the "Lily of the Mohawks" was born in 1656 near Auriesville, NY. Her mother, a Christian, was a member of the Algonquin Nation and her father was a chief of the Mohawk Tribe. She was four years old when her mother died of smallpox. The disease also attacked her and transfigured her face. She was adopted by her two aunts and an uncle. She converted to Christianity at 18, was baptized at 20, and incurred great hostility from her tribe because of her conversion. Although she suffered greatly for her faith, she remained firm in it. She went to the new Christian colony of Indians in Canada, near Montreal, Quebec. There, she lived a life dedicated to prayer, penitential practices, and care for the sick and aged. She died on April 7, 1680, at 24.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

## 2008 Elders Calendar

### Original Pictures of Elder Veterans in Uniform Wanted

*The Elders Association is making another Elder Veterans Calendar for 2008. If you are interested in submitting a picture, please send it with the following information: Name, Dates of Service, Branch of Service and Return address.*

Send to: Elders Association  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
For more information, call 231-242-1610.

## LTBB ID CARDS

If you live out of state and would like a picture identification card, send us a recent picture of yourself and your signature on white paper with no lines. Please include your date of birth or enrollment number so we can identify you. The identification cards are used at the Biindigen Gas Station for a discount on gas and other products. The identification cards are also used for secondary proof of identification when applying for a Michigan Driver's license.

If you have any questions, please give us a call.  
Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521  
Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

TRADITIONAL HEALER

# JAKE PINE

Is available for appointments on  
**September 14 from 9 a.m. - 4p.m.**  
And  
**September 15 from 9a.m. - noon**

Sweat Lodge may be available; call for details.  
All appointments at  
**LTTB Community Health Department**  
1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey, MI  
(behind Victories Casino in the Bear River Health Park)

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION OR TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT, CALL CATHY AT 231-242-1601.**

# SOBRIETY FEAST

SEPTEMBER 29 6 P.M.-9 P.M.  
LTBB GOVERNMENTAL CENTER COMMONS  
DINNER SERVED AT 6 P.M. DANCING  
DOOR PRIZES MNO-BMAMDZWIN GOOD LIFE  
SPONSORED BY LTBB SUBSTANCE ABUSE DEPARTMENT \*PLEASE R.S.V.P.  
JOIN US AS WE HONOR AND CELEBRATE A SPECIAL ELDER WHO HAS 40 YEARS OF SOBRIETY.

## Women's Talking Circle and Pot Luck

Thursday, September 7  
7 p.m.-9 p.m.-ish  
located at the LTBB Governmental Center (bring a dish to pass)

Grandmother Moon Ceremony to follow Talking Circle & Pot Luck.

For more information, contact Jannan J. Cornstalk at 231-439-9896 or jannancornstalk@yahoo.com  
**(Supported by the Peacekeeping Advisory Committee)**

## FREE Household Hazardous Waste Drop off Day!

The average residential home can generate as much as 100 pounds of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) in the basement, garage, and storage closets. HHW is that portion of a household product, which is no longer useable and can be harmful to the environment or to human health if not properly disposed. The best solution to the problem is to avoid buying toxic products. If you must buy toxic chemicals, try to buy just the amount needed to complete the job, or research some possible alternatives for using hazardous or toxic chemicals.

There are just three chemicals that cannot be dropped off:

- No modern latex paints.
- No explosives and ammunition.
- No radioactive materials.

Some common examples of Household Hazardous Waste are:

- Pesticides, including weed killers;
- Cleaners and polishes;
- Finger nail polish;
- Aerosols;
- Automotive fluids;
- Oil paints, other finishes, and their thinners;
- Photographic chemicals;
- Flammables;
- Adhesives, sealers, and tar

Both Rachel Schwarz and Regina Gasco are volunteering for spring and fall sessions of the Emmet County Department of Public Works Household Hazardous Waste Days. All interested Emmet County Residents need to schedule a 15 minute appointment.  
**The event starts Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM and ends at 1:00 PM on April 22, June 10, and September 30.**

Please call Emmet County Department of Public Works at 231.348.0660 to schedule your appointment today! (Mention the 2006 Household Chemical Drop off Days).  
All HHW Drop off Days are FREE for all Emmet County Residents. For more information about Waste Exchange and the disposal of HHW, please contact us at (231) 242-1574 or Emmet County Department of Public Works at: (231) 348-0640  
More information is also available at our website: <http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov/environmental/EFrameset.htm>

## ODAWA INSTITUTE RAFFLE!

(HELP SUPPORT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE ODAWA INSTITUTE)  
WIN A TURTLE DESIGN PENDLETON BLANKET

TICKETS: \$5

ONLY 500 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

All proceeds benefit Anishnaabemowin classes and Anishnaabe cultural activities  
Drawing: September 16 at the Traditional Jiingtamok (Pow Wow) at Osborne Rd.

For tickets, see local Odawa Institute Board Members:  
Harriet Booth, Kevin Gasco or Fred Harrington, Jr.  
[www.institute.odawa.info](http://www.institute.odawa.info)

Crooked Tree Arts Center presents  
**Annual Anishinaabe Festival**  
Opening of Exhibit and Ghost Supper  
**October 27**  
461 East Mitchell, Petoskey, MI 49770  
For more information, call the Archives and Records Department 231-242-1450

**Day Care Assistance**

Applications for the 2005-2006 Day Care Assistance Program are still being accepted.

If you live in Emmet, Charlevoix or Cheboygan County and would like to apply, please stop at Human Services or call 231-242-1626 for an application or call 1-888-309-5822 and ask for Human Services.

This is an income based program.

**Tribal Contractors Wanted For New Casino Construction**



**Call Tom Ollman at Clark Construction 231-487-0338**

**ATTENTION NATIVE AMERICAN ARTISTS**

**THE CROOKED TREE ARTS COUNCIL OF PETOSKEY IS PREPARING FOR ITS ANNUAL NATIVE AMERICAN ART EXHIBIT.**



**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BEING A PART OF THE EXHIBIT, PLEASE CONTACT THE LTBB ARCHIVES AND RECORDS DEPARTMENT AT 231-242-1450.**

**A Special Invitation to American Indian & Alaska Native Women**

*"Two years ago I had 7 sisters...today I have 6. The women of my family know more about having breast cancer than any of us ever thought we would. And, we want to share the word about the Sister Study with as many Native American women as we can."*

*Quotes from Eunice Oxendine (L), a Sister Study participant, pictured here with her sister, Darce (R), a breast cancer survivor. The photo shows their sister Grace who died from breast cancer in 2004.*

**American Indian & Alaska Native Women** are needed to join a landmark study to discover the causes of breast cancer. The Sister Study will enroll fifty thousand women whose sister had breast cancer. The study is conducted by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

**Sisters share many things** — early experiences, environment, and genes. By joining the Sister Study, you can help researchers learn how environment and genes may affect the chances of getting breast cancer.

*"I have been amazed that someone is looking at environmental dangers and hereditary factors that we have always wondered about in relation to cancer. As a Native American woman, I am so happy to participate in a study that has begun to ask about these factors."*

**American Indian & Alaska Native sisters** have powerful information to share with the Sister Study. Breast cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death among American Indian & Alaska Native women. In recent years, their rate of death due to the disease has risen in certain areas of the U.S., and the 5-year survival rate is lower than for white women. Yet scientists have very little information on cancer histories in American Indian & Alaska Native communities.

**You are eligible for the study if —**

- Your sister (living or deceased), related to you by blood, had breast cancer
- You are between the ages of 35 and 74
- You have never had breast cancer yourself
- You live in the U.S.

*"When you look at the picture of me and my sisters, how do you know who will succumb to the cancer statistics? Who will survive cancer...who won't? Although my sisters and I may never see the day breast cancer is eradicated from the Native American population, we can be a part of the road to that end."*

**Will you join the Sister Study for your daughters, nieces, granddaughters, and future generations?**

**1-877-4-SISTER (1-877-474-7837)**  
Deaf / Hard of Hearing: 1-866-TTY-4SIS

**www.sisterstudy.org**

Conducted by  
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences  
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with additional funding from  
National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities



**UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL WITH NEW TRIBAL EMPLOYEES**



**Dr. Robert Townsend**

Dr. Robert Townsend is helping out at the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, while Dr. Terry Samuels is out on medical leave. Dr. Townsend is a Board Certified Internal Medicine physician and is the Medical Director of the Boyne Country Urgent Care where tribal citizens can be seen after hours and on weekends. Dr. Townsend will work at the LTBB Health Clinic while Dr. Samuels is out, and he will work periodically as needed after Dr. Samuels returns.

Dr. Townsend is married to Lori and has six children. He is a 1992 graduate of Nova Southeastern University's College of Osteopathic Medicine. His undergraduate work was done at Michigan State University, and he worked in Lansing, MI, as a paramedic for much of the 1980s. Even though he grew up in the

Kalamazoo, MI, area, he has returned to the state after practicing medicine in South Carolina for more than 10 years. He lives with his family in Grayling, MI, but will be moving to the area shortly.

Dr. Townsend enjoys hunting, fishing, and spending time with his family. Dr. Townsend recently participated in the Seven Grandfathers Program, and he looks forward to a long association with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.



**Dr. Mitzi Amelon**

Dr. Mitzi Amelon started working at the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, on June 26 and her last day is September 4. This is Amelon's second time working at the LTBB Health Clinic; she had worked there for four months in 2002. She said, "It felt like I had come back home. It was fun to

return and see so many familiar faces."

Amelon worked at the Alamo Navajo Reservation in New Mexico for four months in 2005, and she worked for the Cherokee Nation in Oklahoma for a little more than two months in 2005. Prior to working at the LTBB Health Clinic in 2002, she had worked in a private practice for nine years.

Amelon earned her Bachelor of Science Degree in microbiology from the University of Michigan, and she earned her Doctorate in Osteopathic Medicine from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

She is married to Chris Pawloski, and she has two daughters, Shannon, 14, and Devon, who turns 12 on September 2. She enjoys camping, bicycling, visiting art galleries, going to the beach, reading, watching movies and competing in marathons. She is a volunteer with the Michigan Action for Healthy Kids program in the West Bloomfield (Michigan) school district. Michigan Action for Healthy Kids is concentrating its efforts to ensure healthy foods are provided throughout the entire school environment and that schools offer quality, daily physical activity.

**MEMORABLE SUMMER SOLSTICE JOURNEY RECALLED**

By **Tootsie Keshick**, Tribal Citizen

On June 20, a memorable trip was made from Cross Village, MI, to Beaver Island via a tribal jiimaan across Lake Michigan. A few hardy souls - Fred Harrington, Jr., Larry Denemy, Jacy Greensky, Susan Pitawanakwat, Tony Miron, Matt Lesky, Maria Harrington Burgent and myself - left Cross Village a little later than we should have to cross Lake Michigan and to paddle to Beaver Island. We were participating in an Eighth Annual Jiibaakwe Celebration event held by the Odawa Institute.

That morning, we started from a beautiful shining shore after we waited for some "no-shows" until the last possible minute. We knew we had to get started, so we offered our sema and prayers, and got a good shove off. We paddled along smoothly for quite a few hours, singing a song led by Larry Denemy. The song went, "You are a star, You shine, I am a star, I shine ... Way a hey, a way a hey" All was going along smoothly,

but as we crossed into the channel to Lake Michigan, we got hit by a good northwest wind! It was all we could do to hold our own for two hours, one paddle forward, two paddles backward! The wind changed, and we were plowing into three-footers. After another wind shift, we were parallel with the three-footers.

After seven hours of paddling, we were exhausted! Unknown to us, a search boat had been sent out for us. But by the time the Natural Resources Department's boat reached us, we were paddling smoothly again, TIRED, but paddling, so we declined.

After all, we thought we had been through the worse winds and waves. We KNEW we could make it! No one could see us from the shore, but we could see our destination. I guess we were too low in the water for anyone to see us. But later, Joe Mitchell, said he saw "glints of light, and knew it was the paddles in the water. Everyone knew in their

hearts that we were safe."

About two miles from shore, another wind shift hit us right IN OUR FACE! That was that. With that last wind shift, we knew we had to call and ask for assistance from the Tribal search and rescue team! NRD came up, threw us a line, started to tow us in and asked us, "If we wanted to paddle in on our own."

We said, "No." We were given a towing rope, and we were ready for a rest! We had hoped to land on the beach at Central Michigan University's biological station, but we came in to the Tribal dock at St. James Bay much further north on our own. We were happy to see friendly faces when we arrived with happy hearts and with sunburnt faces.

It's a story good for a few grins, and we had a few proud moments also. Eight happy souls have a great tale to remind us of how our ancestors used to travel.

**"ANNUAL POW WOW" CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1**

"This is my home country," said Shenoskey who is a retired welder. "I mainly come to the pow wow to see friends and family. We have beautiful pow wow grounds here."

His granddaughter, Evan Shenoskey, is a member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in Michigan, and she is a fancy shawl dancer.

"It's special to see her dance, but I like watching everyone dance," Edward said of his granddaughter. "I like to hear the drummers sing in Indian. I used to be a fluent speaker in 1951, but I forgot most of what I knew then. I attend

language classes through the tribe and I go to the Immersion classes, so I can regain what I lost all those years ago."

Tribal Council Member **Regina Gasco-Bentley** assisted the Pow Wow Committee for many years in the past, but she did not assist the committee at last month's pow wow. Her daughter, Brittany Bentley, started dancing jingle dress when she was four, and she has been dancing for six years now.

"I'm very proud she is dancing and learning the culture," Gasco-Bentley said. "Regina Kiogima

helped her make her dress, and Regina has guided her. Brittany learned her first steps from Regina. I say 'Miigwetch' to Regina for teaching her everything."

Every year since moving to the current Pow Wow Grounds, improvements have been made. This year, a permanent bathroom structure with eight stalls was added.

"We have come a long way," Gasco-Bentley said. "I'm proud to see where we are today.

"Every year, our (pow wow) grounds get better and better. I'm proud to be a part of it."

# LTBB THREE PEATS AT 19TH ANNUAL MICHIGAN INDIAN FAMILY OLYMPICS IN MT. PLEASANT, MI

By Cathy Gibson, Health Administrative Assistant

Person	Rank	Event	Time/Dis.
Tecumseh Adams	1	400M Run: Male 13-15	0:59
	1	800M Run: Male 13-15	2:18
	1	1600M Run: Male 13-15	5:00
Levi Antoine	2	Football Throw: Male 16-18	114'0"
Anthony Bear	1	Softball Throw: Male 13-15	179'7"
	3	1600M Run: Male 12-15	5:44
Genevieve Bear	3	400M Walk: Female 55 & Up	3:25
Ashley Boda	2	Running Long Jump: Female 16-18	9'6"
	1	100M Run: Female 16-18	0:17.10
Ronald Boda	1	400M Walk: Male 41-54	3:00
	2	800M Walk: Male 41-54	6:07
	3	50M Run: Male 41-54	0:07.25
	2	100M Run: Male 41-54	0:15.79
	2	400M Run: Male 41-54	1:26
Tammy Bowers	1	800M Run: Male 41-54	4:47
	3	Running Long Jump: Female 25-40	10'7"
	1	800M Run: Female 25-40	3:39
Regina Brubacker	2	1600M Run: Female 25-40	8:23
	1	50M Run: Female 41-54	0:09.04
Amelia Compeaux	3	100M Run: Female 41-54	0:19.38
	2	Softball Throw: Female 51 and Up	56'6"
Amelia Compeaux	2	Running Long Jump: Female 51 & Up	4'2"
	1	400M Walk: Female 55 & Up	3:18
	2	400M Run: Female 55 & Up	2:40
Bill Denemy, Jr.	1	50M Run: Male 41-54	0:06.42
	1	100M Run: Male 41-54	0:14.75
	1	400M Run: Male 41-54	1:18
	2	1600M Run: Male 41-54	8:49
Bill Denemy, Sr.	2	Softball Throw: Male 55 and Up	113'4"
	2	Running Long Jump: Male 51 & Up	8'5"
Natalie Denemy	1	100M Run: Male 55 & Up	0:30.61
	1	Running Long Jump: Female 41-54	10'2"
	2	400M Run: Female 41-54	1:40
	3	800M Run: Female 41-54	4:16
Stanley Dewey	2	1600M Run: Female 41-54	10:04
Cassandra Gibson	1	Jump Rope: Male 5-6	17
	1	Softball Throw: Female 13-15	110'0"
Linda Gokee	1	Football Throw: Female 13-15	75'5"
	3	800M Run: Female 25-40	4:11
Amy Hinmon	3	1600M Run: Female 25-40	8:25
	2	Standing Broad Jump: Female 5-6	3'8"
Mary Keshick	1	Running Long Jump: Female 51 & Up	4'4"
Caren Key	3	400M Run: Female 13-15	1:23
Amber Kiogima	1	Softball Throw: 19-24	86'0"
Carol Kiogima	3	Softball Throw: Female 41-45	77'0"
	1(tie)	400M Walk: Female 41-54	3:05
Michael Kiogima	3	100M Run: Male 16-18	0:120.10
	1	400M Run: Male 16-18	1:03
	1	1600M Run: Male 16-18	6:38
Thomas Kiogima	1	Football Throw: Male 41-54	100'
	3	400M Walk: Male 41-54	3:11
Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky	3	400M Run: Female 25-40	1:30
Josephine Laughlin	2	Football Throw: Female 7-9	32'5"
Nicole Laughlin	2	Football Throw: Female 10-12	50'0"
Matthew Lesky	2	Running Long Jump: Male 25-40	14'3"
	2	400M Run: Male 25-40	1:10
	1	800M Run: Male 31-40	3:18
	1	1600M Run: Male 25-40	6:47
Nongonhs Massey	2	Football Throw: Female 5-6	15'0"
	1	50M Run: Female 5-6	0:08.68
Sandra McSawby	1	Softball Throw: Female 41-45	89'4"
Sandra Naganashe	3	Bean Bag Toss: Female 4 & Under	N/A
Thomas Naganashe	1	Football Throw: Male 55 & Up	69'0"
	1	800M Walk: Male 55 & Up	6:45
Deshanta Negrete	1	Tot Trot (10M): Female 1-2	N/A
Izzy Olson	3	Standing Broad Jump: Female 10-12	5'8"
	1	Jump Rope: Female 10-12	72
Denise Petoskey	2	Running Long Jump: Female 25-40	10'9"
	2	400M Run: Female 25-40	1:20
Courtney Schneider	2	Softball Throw: Female 13-15	106'9"
Rob Schneider	2	Softball Throw: Male 41-54	138'0"
	2	Football Throw: Male 41-54	100'0"
	2	400M Walk: Male 41-54	3:05
Rochelle Schneider	3	800M Walk: Male 41-54	6:38
Kasheena Shananaquet	1	Softball Throw: Female 10-12	99'0"
Mary Shananaquet	3	100M Run: Female 13-15	0:15.08
David Shawano	1	Football Throw: Female 41-54	51'6"
	1	100M Run: Male 13-15	0:12.48
	3	400M Run: Male 13-15	1:02
Joshua Shomin	3	800M Run: Female 13-15	2:49
	2	Softball Throw: Male 25-40	186'3"
Alicia Silvia	3	Softball Throw: Female 19-24	76'0"
Sue Silva	3	Football Throw: Female 19-24	57'0"
Jaden Thomas	3	20M Run: Female Ages 3-4	N/A
Donnevon Thomasma	3	50M Run: Male 5-6	0:07.04
Terri Thomasma	1	Running Long Jump: Female 25-40	10'11"
Anna Wemigwase	1	Standing Broad Jump: Female 5-6	4'3"
Jenna Wood	3	Softball Throw: Female 10-12	79'8"
	2	Standing Broad Jump: Female 10-12	5'10"
	3(tie)	Jump Rope: Female 10-12	72
Preston Vertz	3	50M Run: Female 10-12	0:07.39
	3	Softball Throw: Female 7-9	59'2"



LTBB scored 300 points to win a third straight Michigan Indian Family Olympics. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.

Tribes/Organization	Total Points
1 LTBB Of Odawa	300
2 Huron Potawatami	223
3 Grand Traverse Bay Band	221
4 Little River Band	131
5 Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe	99
6 Gun Lake Tribe	37
7 Sault Ste. Marie Tribe	28
8 Bay Mills Indian Community	21
9 Pokagon Potawatomi	1
10 Menominee	1



Tribal Citizens in the Adult Tug of War. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.



Kiana Wood, Anna Wemigwase, Jenna Wood and Izzy Olson. Photo by Theresa Keshick.



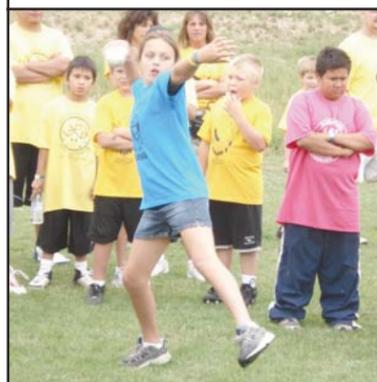
(L to R) Santiago Negrete and Garcia Medicine. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.



(Left to Right) Bill Denemy, Sr. and Bill Denemy, Jr. lead the LTBB contingent. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.



David Shawano (center) leads the 100-meter run. He won the event in 12.48 seconds. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.



Mallory Karazewski competes in the softball throw. Photo by Deleta Smith.



Michael Eric Brockette competes in the softball throw. Photo by Deleta Smith.



Nicole Laughlin competes in the softball throw. Photo courtesy of Deleta Smith.



Tecumseh Adams competes in a Team Relay event as Izzy Olson waits to go. Photo courtesy of Theresa Keshick.



Matt Lesky competes in the running long jump. He won the event with 14 feet, 3 inches. Photo by Theresa Keshick.



(L to R) Bill Denemy, Jr., Matt Lesky and Bill Denemy, Sr. Photo courtesy of Deleta Smith.



(L to R) Diane Naganashe, Nicole Laughlin and Josephine Laughlin. Photo courtesy of Tina Sutton.

On July 21 in Mt. Pleasant, MI, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians won the 19th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics for the third year in a row.

LTBB won with 300 points over second place Huron Potawatomi with 223 as LTBB competed against nine other tribes in the state.

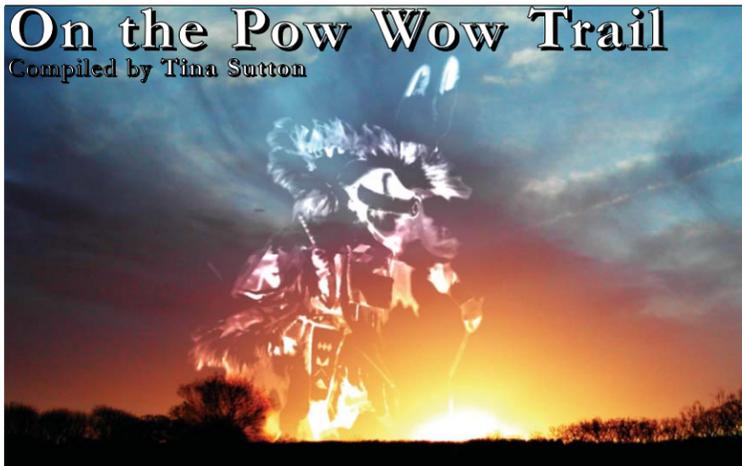
The 115-member LTBB team was sponsored by the LTBB

Community Health/Diabetes and STEPS programs. Tribal citizens of all ages competed in various events.

LTBB's efforts to send an organized team to the annual event began six years ago when Arlene Naganashe advocated for increased participation of LTBB Tribal Community Citizens. Her encouragement led to a strong presence, team spirit, family par-

ticipation and a high medal count. LTBB has encouraged other tribal communities to participate in the Michigan Indian Family Olympics, and participation has increased every year.

Miigwech to all of the staff and teammates who participated in this year's event. We couldn't have done it without you.



# On the Pow Wow Trail

Compiled by Tina Sutton

**Michigan**  
 September 2-3  
 Honoring Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow  
 State Street  
 Hart, MI  
 Contact information:  
 Pat Beatty at 231-894-8361 or missbeatty@hotmail.com

**Minnesota**  
 September 8-10  
 Great North Winds Pow Wow  
 U.S. 2  
 Manistique, MI  
 Contact Information:  
 John or Ruth at 906-359-4645

September 16  
 Honoring Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow  
 Osborne Road  
 North of Harbor Springs, MI, in Readmond Township  
 Contact information:  
 Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520

September 16-17  
 Frank Bush Memorial Pow Wow  
 2545 S. Charlton Park Road  
 Hastings, MI  
 Contact Information:  
 Anne Bush at 616-633-0029

September 23  
 Wood Lake Pow Wow  
 M-40  
 South of Jones, MI  
 Contact Information:  
 Sharon Vanden Bosscke at 574-259-8405

September 1-3  
 Wee-Gichie-Ne-Me-Dim (Big Dance) Pow Wow  
 Veterans Memorial Grounds  
 Leech Lake, MN  
 Contact Information:  
 Jim Jones at 218-335-7034 or 218-760-7859  
 Martin Robinson at 218-335-7400 or 218-766-6145

September 1-3  
 Wee Gitchie Ne Me E Dim Contest Pow Wow  
 Veteran's Memorial Grounds  
 Cass Lake, MN  
 Contact Information:  
 218-335-7400

September 1-4  
 34th Annual O-Bah-Shing Labor Day Traditional Pow Wow  
 Pow Wow Grounds  
 Ponemah, MN  
 Contact Information:  
 Wayne Johnson at 218-554-7474 or 218-554-7347  
 218-368-2261

September 9-11  
 Minnesota American Indian Festival Gathering at the River  
 Pow Wow  
 Harriet Island  
 St. Paul, MN  
 Contact Information:  
 612-870-4533  
<http://www.maicc.org/events.html>

September 15-17  
 34th Annual Mahkato Traditional Wacipi Honoring the 38 Dakota  
 Dakota Wokiksuye Makoce (Land of Memories Park)  
 Highway 169 south of Mankato, MN  
 Contact Information:  
<http://www.mahkatowacipi.org/>  
 507-345-4120

September 15-17  
 11th Annual Autumn Gathering Traditional Pow Wow  
 Veteran's Park  
 Genoa City, WI  
 Contact Information:  
 847-546-3101  
[vickibos@ameritech.net](http://vickibos@ameritech.net)

September 17  
 First Spirit Feast Two Worlds Lodge Traditional Pow Wow  
 Hyatt Farm  
 Hewitt, MN  
 Contact Information:  
 218-924-4018  
[polttwil@wcta.net](mailto:polttwil@wcta.net)

October 7  
 University of Wisconsin Oshkosh Pow Wow  
 Albee Hall on the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh campus  
 Oshkosh, WI  
 Contact information:  
 Barb Miller at 920-424-0229  
[millerb@uwosh.edu](mailto:millerb@uwosh.edu)

October 13  
 Miigwetch Manomin Traditional Pow Wow  
 Elementary School Gym  
 Nett Lake, MN  
 Contact information:  
 218-757-3261  
[www.powwowtime.brave-host.com](http://www.powwowtime.brave-host.com)  
[bf\\_powwow@yahoo.com](mailto:bf_powwow@yahoo.com)

October 28  
 Three Sisters Traditional Pow Wow  
 Oneida Turtle School  
 Oneida, WI  
 Contact information:  
 920-496-7897  
 1-800-261-2163  
[www.oneidanation.org](http://www.oneidanation.org)  
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**Root Account:** LTBB Odawa Indians - ACCT # 0170110714 **Cycle:** 22

**Attached Accounts**

**ACCT#:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cycle:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Liable**  \_\_\_\_\_

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### Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Service Area

Shaded areas are in the Service Area

**(27) County Service Area**

**Alcona  
 Alger  
 Alpena  
 Antrim  
 Benzie  
 Charlevoix  
 Cheboygan  
 Chippewa  
 Crawford  
 Delta  
 Emmet  
 Grand Traverse  
 Iosco  
 Kalkaska  
 Leelanau  
 Luce  
 Mackinac  
 Manistee  
 Missaukee  
 Montmorency  
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 Schoolcraft  
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**Programs receiving funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and some Indian Health Services (IHS) are limited to serving members within a 27 county service area.**

# Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
August 6, 2006  
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle  
9:15 a.m. Smudging  
9:30 a.m.

Closed Session: no

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:36 a.m.

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer Shirley Oldman, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.  
Absent: Treasurer Oldman, Councilor Shananaquet

Executive Office Present: Rebecca Fisher, Executive Assistant

Legal Staff Present: Allie Maldonado

Staff Present: Michele LaCount-Legislative Office Manager

Commission, Boards and Committees: Eleanor Barber-Election Board, Denise Petoskey-Election Board Chairperson

Guests: George Shomin

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

9:44 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrives

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt the agenda as amended for August 6, 2006.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to approve the minutes for July 23, 2006.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Secretary Kiogima and supported by Councilor Harrington to accept the Elder's statement as presented by Eleanor Barber.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the quarterly report as presented by Denise Petoskey, Chairperson of the Election Board.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

10:36 a.m. recess called  
10:49 a.m. meeting resumed

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to pass the

Educational Goals and Standards Act.  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-no, Councilor Harrington-no, Councilor McNamara-no, Councilor Roberts-no, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-no, Legislative Leader Law-no.  
Motion Fails

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to pass the Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-015 Tribal Seal of the Waganakising Odawak Nation.  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried

11:45a.m. Public Comment open: Denise Petoskey  
11:48 a.m. Public Comment closed

12:02 p.m. recess called until 1:30 p.m.  
1:36 P.M. meeting reconvened

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080806-01 Request for Funding from the National Endowment for the Arts in Partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Services and in Cooperation with Arts Midwest, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians "THE BIG READ" Program.  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080606-02 Funding from Michigan Inter-Tribal Council, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians "Healthy Anishnabe Women Project".  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080806-03 Approval for Grant Agreement Between Michigan Department of Community Health and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians - Public Health Preparedness and Response for Bioterrorism.  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor

Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve List A, persons Eligible for Citizenship, dated July 18, 2006, for a total of 4.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to approve List B Declination (Ineligible) dated July 18, 2006.  
Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor McNamara), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

2:22 p.m. recess called  
2:33p.m. meeting reconvened

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Roberts to disapprove the request for a Legislative Attorney.  
Motion on hold in consideration of Public Comment

3:01 p.m. Public Comment opened: George Shomin  
3:03 p.m. Public Comment Closed

Previous motions resumes  
Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Yellowbank, Legislative Leader Law), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080606-04 Authorizing an Appropriation of \$9,400 for the 2006 Traditional Jiingtamok with funding to come from prior year funds.  
Motion Withdrawn

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Roberts to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080606-04 Authorizing an Appropriation of \$9,400 for the 2006 Traditional Jiingtamok with funding to come from prior year funds  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-no, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Roberts to dissolve the Tribal Council Ad Hoc education committee.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley

for Tribal Council attendance for the Cultural Immersion, Employee Appreciation Day and Dental Clinic Opening.  
Vote: 1 - Yes, 7 - No (Councilor Gasco Bentley, Councilor Shananaquet, Councilor Roberts, Councilor Yellowbank, Councilor McNamara, Secretary Kiogima, Legislative Leader Law), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Fails

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution # 080606-05 Honoring Lewis Stephen Adams, Sr.  
Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-no, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion Carried  
Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Roberts to adjourn.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Oldman)  
Motion Carried

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:  
Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary Date  
LTBB Minutes of Tribal Council Meeting dated: 08/06/06 4

## TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2006

September 9 Work Session  
September 10 Council Meeting  
September 23 Work Session  
September 24 Council Meeting

October 7 Work Session  
October 8 Council Meeting  
October 21 Work Session  
October 22 Council Meeting

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

### EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK, TRIBAL CHAIRMAN  
WILLIAM DENEMY, VICE CHAIRMAN

### LEGISLATIVE TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

BEATRICE A. LAW, LEGISLATIVE LEADER  
SHIRLEY OLDMAN, TREASURER  
MELVIN L. KIOGIMA, SECRETARY  
FRED HARRINGTON, JR., COUNCILOR  
REGINA GASCO-BENTLEY, COUNCILOR  
MARY ROBERTS, COUNCILOR  
RITA SHANANAQUET, COUNCILOR  
ALICE YELLOWBANK, COUNCILOR  
DEXTER MCNAMARA, COUNCILOR

# Lines From Our Membership...

## BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Belated birthday wishes to **John Keshick, Sr., Margaret Compo** and **Joe Compo, Sr.** Sorry we are late, but it's the best birthday wishes two sisters can give! Many happy returns.  
From Tootsie and Amelia.

Happy birthday to **Robert Keshick** on September 3. Thinking of you.  
Love, Mom.

Happy birthday to **Tosha Keshick** on September 4.  
Love, Grandma Mary.

A happy birthday hug goes out to Uncle **Robert Wemigwase** on September 11.  
Love, Coley and Josie.

Happy belated birthday to **Lia Burks**, who celebrated her big day on August 23.  
From friends and family.

Happy birthday to **Mary Burks, Marisa Burks, Aidan Adkins** and **Julius Kewaygoshkum** on Sept. 15.  
From friends and family.

Happy birthday to **Marshall Pierce** on September 2.  
From friends and family.

Happy birthday to **Chris Adkins** on September 5.  
From friends and family.

Happy birthday to the original brassy lady, **Rose Ann Smalley**, who turns 61 on September 6. From your brassy sister, brassy junior, and the rest of the King and VanDeCar families.

Oy! A happy birthday goes out to **Thomas Naganashe** on September 13. Happy b-day puppa!  
We love you.  
Nana, Yoshebell, Coley, Roderick, and Trisha.

Happy belated birthday to **Patrishia Butterfield** who turned three on August 12.  
Love, Mom and Daddy Keith.

A very, big birthday wish to **Carly Searles**, who turns 13 on September 15th!! Hope you have a great day and receive lots of presents!!  
Love, Mom, Dad, and Andi.

Happy birthday to our nephew, **Nicholas Dove**, on September 12. Love, Aunt Michele and Uncle Greg.

Happy 21st birthday to **Douglas Wemigwase** on September 21st. From all of his favorite bus shifting cousins.

Wishing a happy birthday to **Carly Searles** on September 15, **Emma Gasco** on September 17, and

**Toni Gasco** on September 19. Hope your birthdays are full of fun!  
The Gasco Family.

Happy birthday to **Sidra Kali Brill** on September 18.  
Uncle Chief and Aunt Beca.

Happy birthday to **John Kolodgy** on September 12. You are always in our thoughts, prayers, and in our hearts.  
We love you.  
Aunt Dee, Uncle Joe, WW, Jennifer and Chris.

Happy birthday to **Scott Kolodgy** on September 20. We love you, and we miss you!  
Aunt "D", Uncle Podge, Wayner, Scooby and Chris.

To the ray of sunshine in my life who brings me joy and laughter always, I wish a very happy fourth birthday to my little big girl, **Emma Louise Gasco**, on September 17.  
Love you forever, Mom.

Happy belated birthday wishes go out to Dad/Papa **John Keshick, Sr.**  
Love, Theresa Christine, Michael and Jordan.

Happy birthday to **Greg Keway** on September 13.  
Love, Mom.

## WALKING ON...

### Walter Stephen Keller, 79

Walter Stephen Keller, 79, of Cross Village, MI, walked on July 13 at his home. "Fiddler Pete" as he was known to everyone, was born December 6, 1926, in Cross Village, MI, to John and Lois Keller. He served in the U.S. Army from 1945 to 1946 overseas in Okinawa. He returned home, married Marcella Gasco on February 19, 1954, and raised 12 children. He was an avid musician who frequently played in the area. He loved the outdoors, hunting, fishing and gardening. He worked for Northern Concrete Products of Petoskey, MI, and for Zuluski's Lumber. He is survived by his wife, Marcella J. Keller; three brothers, and six sisters; his children, Phillip and Therese Keller, Patrick and Susan Keller, Michael Keller, Richard and Pamela Keller of Cross Village, Elizabeth Keller of Petoskey, Arthur and Donna Keller of North Dakota, Robert Keller of Cross Village, Daniel and Michelle Keller of Stutsmanville, MI, Denise Keller of Brutus, MI, Frederick Keller and Linda Delmas of Levering, MI, Lewis and Kikijee Keller and Raymond Keller of Cross Village, 23 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; many nieces, nephews and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers and one sister.

loved and lived Dixieland music and jazz. He was an exceptional drummer, playing with the Riverboat Seven, the Steamboat Gothics, the Klankenfelter Trio, and many small combos. He was well-known for his interpretation and his impersonation of Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, and he was often asked to present that interpretation at different events. His marvelous sense of humor, his jokes, nicknames and many stories will always be remembered by all who were fortunate to know him. Survivors include his children, Gloria J. (David) Morkin, Nancy (Melvin) Kiogima, Patricia Wallace and David Blume, all of Traverse City; his grandchildren, Max, Marjorie and Melinda, Jennifer, Casey, Melvin II, Carey, Kelly, Kody, Carter and Kyan; 14 great grandchildren; his sisters, Virginia (Richard) Annibale, Jean B. Snyder and Margaret Mary "Peggy" Blume, all of Pittsburgh. Also surviving is his very special friend and companion of 10 years, Marie Vilders of Traverse City. He was preceded in death by his parents; his former wife, Bette; his son, Joseph; his grandson, Collin; and his brother, Robert.

### John W. Ettawageshik, 73

John W. Ettawageshik, 73, of Chicago, IL, walked on July 13. He was born May 7, 1933, in Harbor Springs, MI, to John W. Ettawageshik and Elizabeth Gablo, and he was raised in Harbor Springs. He was an Army Veteran of the Korean War, and he was a member of the Dorman-Dunn American Legion Post 547. He was a maintenance worker at St. Rita High School in Chicago. Survivors include his wife, Gale (Bennett) Ettawageshik; his son, Greg (Angela) Ettawageshik; his daughter, Kristin Ettawageshik; his son, Sam (Tammy) Federle; his grandsons, Joseph and C.J.; his brother, Edward "Jim" (the late Corrinne) Ettawageshik; his nephew, Wayne (Rachel) Ettawageshik; his nieces, Janet Ettawageshik and Nadine (Edwin Sr.) Vasquez; great-nephews, Edwin Ettawageshik Jr. and Joshua; and great-nieces, Maranda Ettawageshik and Jenelle. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brothers, Lewis, Peter and Bennet.

### Joseph M. Blume, 82

Joseph M. Blume, 82, of Traverse City, MI, walked on July 16 at the Grand Traverse Pavilions. He was born on September 30, 1923, in Pittsburgh, PA, to Joseph F. and Loretta (Wolbert) Blume. Following graduation from St. Martin's High School, he served with the U.S. Navy during World War II. He then became a member of the U.S. Navy Reserves, and he was called back to duty to serve in the Korean War. After moving to Traverse City in 1946, he was employed as the manager of the North Star Lines Bus Terminal. He was a lifelong member of the Cherryland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2780, and was an active member of the VFW Honor Guard. He was a sports fan and followed all of the Pittsburgh professional sports teams. His favorite athlete was Roberto Clemente. He



**Aanii.**  
The families of **Chris and Vicki Lynn** would like to share with the tribal community some good news.  
On May 1, a son, **Msko Migizii Tavien Joseph Lucier** was born to our eldest daughter, **LTBB**

**Tribal Police Dispatcher Sara Lucier.** Congratulations Sara. Chris and I are very happy to know what it is like to be grandparents. Chi megwetch. Msko is our little buddy. Our eldest son, **Joe Lucier**, graduated from Lake Superior

**State University in May with honors.** His fiance', **Cassy Ellis**, graduated from **Bay Mills Community College.** Nishin. Good job kids.  
**Joe Lucier and Cassy Ellis** were married on July 22 in Trout Lake, MI, in the presence of friends and family. They were married on a bridge over the water. Congratulations **Joe and Cassy.** Good luck in Ohio. We're all counting on the family compound plan when you come home.  
Many blessings to our children as they endeavor towards new chapters of their lives. Thanks for the memories. **Chris and Vicky Lynn.**

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Keira Ann-Crockett Perry** was born on July 13 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI. She weighed seven pounds and 11 ounces, and she was 21 inches long. Her parents are Keith and Davi Perry of Wolverine, MI. Her grandparents are Fred and Tina Perry of Wolverine, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles David Crockett of Florida. Her great grandmother is Mary Perry of Kentwood, MI. Her uncle is Freddie Perry of Wolverine, MI, and her aunt is Mel Engstrom of Kentwood, MI.

**Mason Riley Banfield** was born on July 25 at Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI. He weighed eight pounds and six ounces, and he was 20.25 inches long. His parents are Fiona and Ben Banfield of Petoskey, MI. His grandparents are Nat and Mary Chingwa of Petoskey, and Mike and Carol Banfield of Boyne City, MI. His brothers are Corey and Brendan Bailey, and his sister is Alexandria Banfield.



## MIIGWETCH

The family of **Michael Evans Keshick** would like to thank everyone for all their thoughts, prayers and condolences during our time of grief.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to **Ryan Beaver** on your full recovery from brain surgery.  
With love from your family.

Congratulations to **Andi Gasco** on her selection to the *Traverse City Record-Eagle* All-Region softball "Dream Team." She was one of 14 players selected for the team, and was the only freshman selected. She set Petoskey High School single-season records in home runs with five, strikeouts with 326, earned run average with 0.74, innings pitched with 207 and pitching victories with 23. Her pitching record was 23-8, and she hit .410 with 33 runs batted in. She was also selected to the All-Big North Conference first team. She was her team's most valuable player, and she won her team's best hitter award.

# ODAWA CASINO RESORT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On August 3, Communications Assistant Aaron Otto and I returned to the Odawa Casino Resort construction site in Petoskey, MI, to take updated photos. Similar to June 8 and July 5, Victories Casino and Hotel Facilities Director Barry Laughlin escorted us at the construction site. We will return there every month to take updated photos to share with the tribal community until the Odawa Casino Resort project is completed.



Photo by Annette VanDeCar on August 3, 2006.



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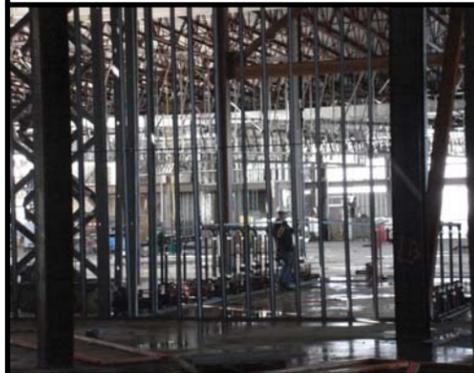


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# LTBB DENTAL CLINIC STAFF GREETES VISITORS AT OPEN HOUSE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(From left to right) Dental Assistant Jenny Robinson and Steven Oldman at the LTBB Dental Clinic Open House on August 11.

(From left to right) Health Director Sharon Sierzputowski, Dr. Paul Kaplan and Dental Assistant Jenny Robinson at the open house.

On August 11, the LTBB Dental Clinic located in Petoskey, MI, hosted an open house. The LTBB Dental Clinic is located in the LTBB Health Clinic. The dental clinic features five exam rooms. Services provided there include exams, x-rays, cleanings, fillings, root canal therapy, crowns, extractions, dentures and partials. The dental clinic is open to all members of a federally recognized

tribe and their descendents. The staff is Dr. Paul Kaplan and Dental Assistant Jenny Robinson. Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call the dental clinic at 231-242-1740.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

On August 1 during the Elders Luncheon held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik announced the new casino in Petoskey, MI, would be named Odawa Casino Resort. The logo was also unveiled.

Odawa Casino Resort is scheduled to open in June 2007.

Pictured in the photo from left to right are Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Gaming Board of Directors Chairperson Dollie Keway and Victories Hotel and Casino General Manager Barry Milligan.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



# IMPORTANT ELECTION INFORMATION

YOU MUST REGISTER TO VOTE FOR THE 2007 TRIBAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS.

TO CHECK IF YOU ARE REGISTERED OR IF YOU WOULD LIKE THE FORMS TO REGISTER, CALL DENISE PETOSKEY AT 231-881-2994, OR CAROL QUINONES AT 616-774-9534