



# ODAWA TRAILS

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## Historic 2007 Inland Consent Decree Commemorated at Odawa Hotel

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

As Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik drove on the morning of October 25 to the ceremony commemorating the signing of the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, Ettawageshik encountered a heavy fog before emerging into the sunlight.

Ettawageshik likened his journey to the two years of negotiation, which resulted in the 2007 Inland Consent Decree being signed by the United States of America, the State of Michigan, the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Coalition to Protect Michigan's Resources, U.P. Whitetails Association, Inc. and Bays de Noc Great Lakes Sportsfishermen.

The decree ended Case No. 2:73-CV-25, pending since 1973.

"It (Ettawageshik's drive to the ceremony) was a lot like the negotiations," Ettawageshik said. "We came out of the fog back into the sunshine."

Ettawageshik said the decree showed the spirit of the parties to work together.

"We have a shared responsibility to protect these precious resources," Ettawageshik said. "We have a common future. We have to work hard to ensure we have a good future."

More than 100 people attended the ceremony at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI, but Ettawageshik said, "This room is fuller than it looks. Our ancestors and our future generations are in this room with us."

"We gave voice to them," Ettawageshik said. "We protected our way of life."

The actual decree was waiting for the final approval of U.S. District Judge Richard Enslen after the historic agreement was announced on September 26.

The agreement resolved a long-



standing dispute with respect to federal and tribal claims the tribes retained rights under the 1836 Treaty of Washington to hunt, fish and gather in the treaty area under tribal regulations rather than under state law. It recognizes a treaty-retained right for the tribes' members to engage in certain hunting, fishing and gathering activities within the treaty area and for

the tribes to regulate those activities.

Article 13 of the 1836 Treaty of Washington states, "The Indians stipulate for the right of hunting on the lands ceded with the other usual privileges of occupancy until the land is required for settlement." The area affected by the agreement is the portion of Michigan within the 1836 treaty boundary which includes roughly the

eastern half of Michigan's Upper Peninsula and a large area in the northern third of the Lower Peninsula.

"This reaffirmed what our chiefs did in 1836," said Jimmie Mitchell, the Director of Natural Resources for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. "I thought not so much about today, but I looked forward to the next

seven generations. If we continue to work together, we can ensure there is enough for everyone.

"We can secure these resources for now and for many years to come."

Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Chairman Aaron Payment said he was very reluctant to get involved with the negotiations, but knew it was his responsibility to do so.

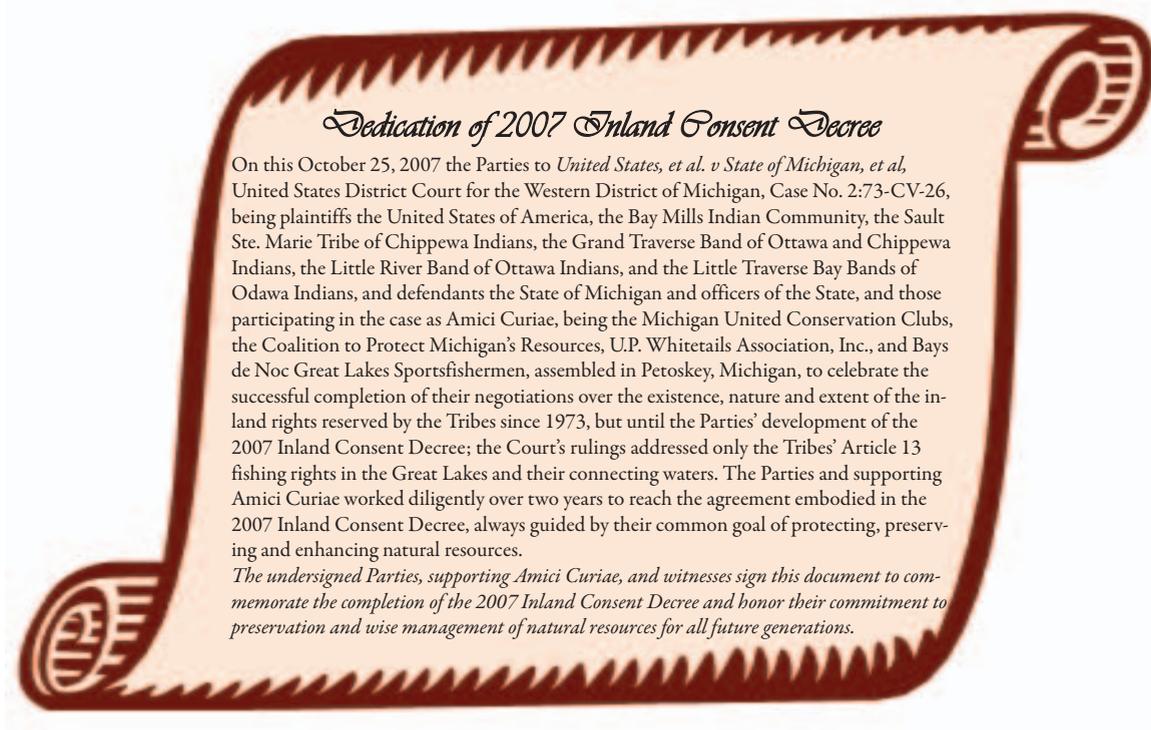
"My father was a commercial fisherman, so I was very nervous about the negotiations," Payment said. "I was always told, 'Don't trust the state because the state will try to take everything away.' It was very gratifying the state acknowledged our rights."

Tribal members may harvest natural resources under the agreement for their own subsistence use from tribal lands and from lands open to the public. With limited exceptions for species subject to commercial harvest under state law, the agreement does not provide for commercial hunting, fishing or gathering by tribal members. With limited exceptions, it does not open private land for harvesting activities without the permission of landowners. It allows for some seasons and traditional Indian methods of subsistence harvest not available to non-tribal members, but with adequate safeguards to protect the resources being harvested. The provisions were designed to enable the tribes to preserve important aspects of their culture and traditions and to meet the needs of their members.

The Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the five tribes will work together to establish protocols for sharing information and consulting on management and research activities, establish informal and formal processes for resolving disputes and establish committees and specifies frequency of meetings to seek consultation on work plans, proposed regulations and specific issues.

The ceremony included drumming and singing from a male drum

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### Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

#### Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

Dwendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aaw'ing. Geyaabi gdaa'aana miinawa gda'nwemi. Anishnaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing dbendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwa wiimnaadendziyin. Gdabendaana dbendziwin kina gwaya Odawak nasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakniewinan, maadiziwin miinwa mnidoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaanijik debendamowaad. Maanda dbendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, gaanamaajidona niigaan ezhi bezhigoying, kinomaadwin, dbakinigewin, giigidowin miinwa naakinigewin. Gaazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabii'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mmoaadiziwinan echipiitendaakin. nbwakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendmowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwa debwewin. Ganakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishiabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

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

The deadline for the January issue of *Odawa Trails* is November 19. You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions to newsletter@ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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# Departments & Programs



Isabelle Osawamick holds up one of the answers during the Jepaadii (Jeopardy) game.



Language Instructor Doreen Peltier holds up a clue during the Wheel of Fortune game.



(L to R) Dean Samuels, Candace Worthington, Forrest Worthington and John Keshick III.



(L to R) Shaylee Smith, 10, and Miriam Clark, 3, colored Halloween pictures.



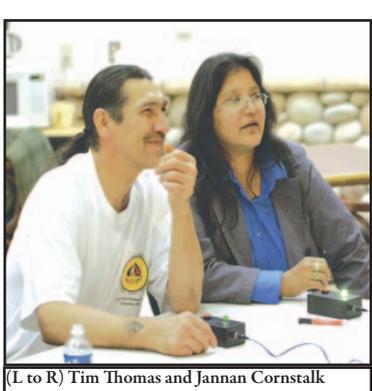
Roberta Shalfoe reacts after spinning the wheel during Wheel of Fortune.



Cheyenne Worthington participated in the Wheel of Fortune game.



Air Quality Specialist Robin Clark holds her daughter, Miriam Clark, 3, during a game.



(L to R) Tim Thomas and Jannan Cornstalk formed one of the Jepaadii (Jeopardy) teams.



Tom Teuthorn spins the wheel at Wheel of Fortune and waits to see what the spin yields.

## Aambe Odaminidaa Returns to Stump Players

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On October 19 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, the Language Program hosted Aambe Odaminidaa (Come on, let's play).

Adults played Jepaadii (Jeopardy) as Language Program Coordinator Carla McFall served as the host and Language Instructor Isabelle Osawamick read the answers in Anishinaabemowin. Adults also played a game similar to Wheel of Fortune

with Language Instructor Doreen Peltier serving as the host.

Children spent their time coloring, playing dress up and playing a game where they filled their candy bags. The children walked around a circle on signs with an object and the corresponding Anishinaabemowin word on them as Halloween music played. When the Halloween music stopped, the children stopped on the sign they were on. If the sign they were on was selected by Language Program Assistant Janelle Smith, they won candy.

A potluck dinner was served before the games, and prizes were given out after the games.

**Reminder:** Anishinaabemowin Community Language Classes are held every Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI. For more information on the classes, please contact the Language Program at 231-242-1454 or 231-242-1456.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

## Christmas Season comes to Indian Country!

Submitted by Isabelle Osawamick, Anishinaabemowin Language Instructor

jinkadjgasa kiwenziinh Santa Claus. Kina binoojiinyak aapiji baajgenmaa'aan naanda Santa Clausan.

Pii niibaanamaang miigwanda nengodoowangisjik maamwi wiisiniwad. Msizi miinwa gookoosh-wiyyaas mwegasawok. Baashkminsiganan baaknigadenoonaan pii wiikjitaawiwisiniing. Kina gweya mnendagse nbawijiwed epiichiwiisiniing. Bezhiik ngokiinoonwin gemaandapii mnaajigate niibaanamaang. Miimaanda pii noonj jinaa giizhgak ensa gwaboon, giizis gweksetood waanidtaamg-makag.

### Translation

It is now again another year. Everybody has a good time at this time of year, especially the children. There are a lot of people, who shop in the stores. There are different colors of decorations in the stores. There are many things that sparkle and light up all over the place. It looks like every-

thing is coming alive. Everybody is smiling. This is the time when people are lighthearted. There are not very many, who are selfish with their money. There are lots of people, who give money to help the ones, who do not have too much.

The children are waiting for the old man with a hairy face, who wears red clothes. They call this old man Santa Claus. All children really like this Santa Claus.

When it is Christmas, this is when families eat together. Turkey and ham are eaten. Preserves are opened at this special feast. Everybody has fun visiting each other while they eat. One of the seasons is also celebrated at Christmastime. This is when there is the shortest day of the year, solstice.

# Language Program



(L to R) Sam Shenoskey, Thomas Hill, Margaret Carey and Glenna Kimball in the front row. Isabelle Osawamick, Marie "Tootsie" Miller and Ed Shenoskey in the back row.

## TRIBAL ELDERS CELEBRATE HALLOWEEN



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Language Program sponsored Halloween festivities for the tribal elders during Anishinaabemowin Eta w Kikaajik on October 30 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

The elders' first activity was making trick or treat bags as Halloween music played in the background. After completing their trick or treat bags, they dressed up and went trick or treating around the building. They ended the class by making Halloween decorations.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



# Environmental Services



## TEST YOUR HOME FOR RADON WITH FREE KITS

Submitted by the Environmental Services Department

Have you tested your home for radon?

Radon is a radioactive gas with no taste, odor or color. It occurs naturally in soil and rock. Radon normally travels up through the ground and dissipates in the outdoor air.

But, when radon is trapped under a home's foundation, it can leak into the home through cracks in the floor or walls. If a home has high levels of radon in the air, the people living in the home may have a higher risk of developing lung cancer.

Radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer in the United States, and the leading cause among non-smokers. Radon results in more than 20,000 lung cancer cases each year and more than 600 of those may occur in Michigan alone (MDEQ, 2007).

Any home could have a radon problem. There are no warning signs or symptoms, so every home should be tested. Testing is easy and free for

LTBB Tribal Citizens, who can obtain test kits from the LTBB Environmental Services Department. The kits are also available from county or city health departments for approximately \$12 or less.

Winter is the best time to test for radon because household doors and windows are kept closed. If the levels of radon are high (greater than four picocuries per liter, pCi/l), an additional test should be conducted to confirm a problem.

If the radon levels are confirmed to be high, action should be taken to fix the problem. There are several options for fixing a radon problem, including sealing cracks and ventilating, soil suction or pressurization.

Air Quality Specialist Robin Clark is available to help tribal community members with radon testing and results. For a free radon test kit and more information, please call Clark at 231-242-1425 or visit the Environmental Services Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

# December Elder Birthdays

**December 1**

Doreen Wilson

**December 2**

Patsy Young

**December 4**

Dolphus Delmas, Sr.  
Virginia Sherwood  
Roger Wemigwase

**December 5**

Rita Gasco-Shepard  
Yvonne Salgat

**December 6**

Edward Ettawageshik

**December 7**

Louise Amato  
Florence Indelicato

**December 8**

Linda Smith

**December 9**

Jon Kilborn

**December 10**

Nathaniel Chingwa

**December 11**

Wesley Andrews  
Grace Hutton  
Elizabeth Seamon  
Elna Wakeman

**December 12**

Alice Yellowbank

**December 13**

Gary Gilbert

**December 14**

Freida Carroll  
Barbara King

**December 15**

Valiere Yother

**December 16**

Nancy Bennett  
Joan Smith

**December 17**

Anna Bixler  
Gloria Miles

**December 19**

Alice Liebgott

**December 20**

William Engstrom

**December 21**

Robert Duley

**December 22**

Donald Chippewa, Sr.  
Patricia DeHaينه  
Theresa Yoder

**December 24**

Glen Rawls  
Roger Smith, Sr.

**December 25**

Raphael Gasco  
Paula Hall  
Marilyn Muskovin  
Christina O'Banion

**December 26**

Allen Gasco  
Janice Shackelford

**December 27**

Linda Henderson  
Christine Sevener  
Levi Walker, Jr

**December 28**

Dan Casey  
Christine Russell

**December 29**

Deloise Mitchell

**December 30**

Shirley Adkins  
William Dennis King

**December 31**

Ella Petoskey  
Marie Simmons

## Up Close and Personal with the New Employees Serving Our Community



**Kristy Dayson**

Kristy Dayson started as the Human Resources Administrative Assistant on October 8. Dayson, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, grew up in Grand Rapids, MI, where she graduated from Creston High School and attended Grand Rapids Community College. She plans on attending North Central Michigan College and studying social work.

"I want to be a social worker eventually," Dayson said. "I see this position as a good stepping stone. I like to be around people, and everyone has been welcoming."

"I also wanted to move to this area because I want my son (three-year-old Anthony Russell) to be around our language and culture."

While in Grand Rapids, Dayson was involved in United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc. (UNITY), the National Congress of American Indians' (NCAI) Youth Commission and the National Indian Education Association (NIEA).

Her parents are Eleanor (Goetzel) Dayson and the late Richard Dayson. She has two brothers, Dale and Cory, and a sister, Tammy. Dayson has three nieces, Hailey, Tessa and Jamie, and a nephew, Richard.

In her free time, Dayson enjoys going to pow wows. She is a jingle



**Kevin Keller**

Kevin Keller started as a Substance Abuse Counselor in the Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department on October 8.

Keller, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, grew up in Cross Village, MI, and graduated from Harbor Springs High School in Harbor Springs, MI. He earned an Associate of Arts degree with an emphasis on Psychology from North Central Michigan College, and he graduated with honors from Madonna University with a Bachelor's degree in Social Work.

"My interest in therapy stems from my belief that each person has unique gifts and talents to offer the world," said Keller, who worked for 20 years at Harbor Point Golf Course in Harbor Springs prior to accepting his current position. "Often, these gifts become buried beneath layers of self-doubt, guilt, regret and depression."

"The misuse/abuse and dependence on alcohol and other drugs increase these feelings and can result in a cycle of addiction from which a person may feel unable to escape. I feel it is my calling to help people understand they do have choices as to the direction of their lives. We can help

them identify their innate strengths, and they can learn how to utilize these strengths to find resolution to the challenges they face."

His father is Anthony Keller, Sr. and his mother was the late Janice (Gasco) Keller. His grandparents were the late Alex Gasco and the late Louise Gasco.

Keller has three brothers, Tony, Joe and Jerry, who work in Maintenance at Odawa Casino Resort and a sister, Sandy, who works in Marketing for Odawa Casino Resort.

His 18-year-old son, Derek, is a recent graduate of Pellston High School in Pellston, MI, and is a part-time student at North Central Michigan College. Derek, a talented artist and musician, works at Odawa Hotel.

In his free time, Keller enjoys spending time on the water, either relaxing on his boat or fishing from his jiimaan (canoe). He also enjoys "batting" a golf course occasionally.

"My son and I have spent countless summer evenings fishing on Wycamp (spirit) Lake north of Cross Village," Keller said. "It is on the water where I find the most peace, serenity and connection to nature. The fishing's not too bad either!"

Keller said he has a tremendous amount of respect, admiration and gratitude for our ancestors, who have gone before us.

"It is because of their perseverance and fortitude that we are able to enjoy the life we have today," Keller said. "This is the tradition I hope to carry forth in service to my fellow tribal citizens and to our tribal community in general."

Articles and photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

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# Health Department

## IMPORTANT FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICE

I.H.S. - CHS coverage is not automatic. You must be registered with CHS. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non-I.H.S. facility such as urgent care or the emergency room, you must notify the CHS office at 231-242-1600 within 72 hours of that visit. If you fail to do so, you will be held responsible for the bill.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- You must reside in the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).
- Be an enrolled member or descendent of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians or be able to prove social or economic ties to the community.
- A Native American claiming eligibility for CHS has the responsibility to furnish the tribal program with documentation to substantiate the claim.
- You must have an active and complete file with Contract Health before a reference number can be given.

### Remember!!!!

Indian Health Service Contract Health is not an entitlement program - not everyone is eligible. Know your status before obtaining services.

### Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical care that is not

available in the Tribal Clinic. A referral is not an implication the care will be paid by CHS. A patient must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities and use all alternate resources available.

If a referral is denied for CHS payment, the patient may elect to obtain medical services at his or her own expense. In most cases, an approved referral is limited to one medical appointment. Please call Contract Health Services at 231-242-1600 prior to any follow-up appointments for approval to make sure your coverage is still in effect.

### Alternate Resources:

Contract Health Service is the payer of last resort. When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Assistance, Workman's compensation, private insurance or any other coverage, it is considered the primary carrier.

### Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

The system has highest priority to approve conditions related to life saving or potential death threatening situations, then we approve by severity of condition.

The amount of funding we receive for CHS services is limited. When we run out of money toward the end of the year, then we have to be very strict on referral approvals and may only have the funds to pay for emergency conditions.

# Youth Services Department



## Under Joe Lucier, Youth Services Department Offers a Plethora of Activities

Submitted by the Youth Services Department

On October 20, LTBB tribal youth attended the Lake Superior State University (LSSU) Fall Fling Open House in Sault Ste. Marie, MI.

It was an opportunity for the youth to see the LSSU campus and

By touring the university's dorms, library and recreational center, it gave the youth a small glimpse into what it would be like to attend college.

There was no cost to attend the Fall Fling Open House, which included all the events during the day as well as a great dinner, Lakers memorabilia and Lakers hockey tickets.

"It was great to see so many people come to our first family activity," Lucier said. "We will continue to host family nights in the future, probably again after the holidays. For the next one, we'll organize a more active, outdoors activity for the youth and their parents."

Lucier thanks everyone, who has



to learn more about the university. The youth met with professors, took a tour of the campus and gathered useful information about financial aid.

Besides the educational-related activities, they had the chance to experience college night life at the Big Top Carnival and Tailgate event and watched the LSSU Hockey Team play Western Ontario.

As part of the Big Top Tailgate and Carnival event, the youth played basketball, climbed a rock wall and socialized with other youth.

The hockey game ended with a 3-3 tie. The youth had a lot of fun at the game. They went crazy when the Lakers scored goals because the loud freighter horn would sound.

The Youth Services Department and the Education Department would like to sponsor another university trip this winter. We're looking for high school juniors and seniors, who would be interested in participating.

If you are interested and could suggest some universities you would like to visit, please contact Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier at 231-242-1593.

Lucier was happy with the turnout at the Hot Food and Cool Stories Family Night held October 12 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Approximately 60 to 70 people enjoyed an evening of storytelling by John Witherspoon and a barbecue.

assisted him since he became the Youth Services Coordinator on August 27.

"I am very excited about the support I have received from the governmental staff, parents and tribal community members," Lucier said.

"It has helped me to discover what the tribal community really wants."

Lucier is still seeking input from parents.

"I would really like to speak to the parents, who I haven't made contact with yet," Lucier said. "I have been trying to meet with parents and community members wherever and however I can, but I know there are other parents, who would like to be involved.

"As we continue to build a network of parents and volunteers, our ability to coordinate and implement community youth activities will be improved."

Photos provided by Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier.



In the photo on the left, Rebecca Lynn, Sara Lucier, Tavien Lucier, Cassy Lucier and Regina Brubacker-Carver (left to right) converse during the Hot Food and Cool Stories Family Night. In the photo on the right, Kathy Davis gets ready to disperse her barbeque chicken at the event, which drew approximately 60 to 70 people.

## 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:

pharmon@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.

## BUILD A RESUMÉ THAT GETS YOU NOTICED!

The LTBB Human Resources Department is hosting a free, two-part Professional Enhancement Workshop designed to assist any LTBB community member who is interested in receiving professional guidance regarding the application and interview process. Here's what you'll learn:

### Part I - Resumé & Cover Letter Writing - January 17, 2008, 6 - 9 p.m.

Producing a good resumé and well-written cover letter are basic requirements for a successful career search. Key topics of this workshop include:

- What is a resumé?
- Basic contents of a resumé
- Resumé writing guidelines
- What is a cover letter?
- Goals of a cover letter.
- Organization of a cover letter.

This is a hands-on resumé building workshop. If you already have a resumé and cover letter, please bring a hard copy and e-copy with you.

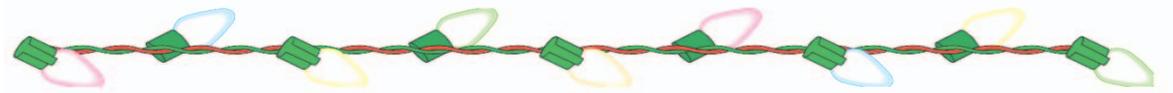
### Part II - How to Interview & Get Hired - February 7, 2008, 6 - 9 p.m.

In today's competitive job market, exceptional interview skills are a must. Learn how to build rapport, emphasize your skills, overcome objection and motivate the interviewer to hire you. Key topics of this workshop include:

- Types of interviews
- Pre-interview preparation
- Job interview etiquette
- Interview process and techniques
- Common interviewing mistakes
- Role-playing practice interviews

Both workshops held in the Computer Education Classroom in the LTBB Governmental Center, Harbor Springs, MI.

If you want to attend this free, two-part Professional Enhancement Workshop, please contact Human Resources Generalist/Recruiter Phil Harmon at 231-242-1563 or at [pharmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:pharmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov). Seating is limited, so register early to ensure your place.



# Archives, Records & Cultural Preservation

## Michigan's First Case of Unaffiliated Native American Remains Successful

By Eric Hemenway, Research and Repatriation Assistant

On October 15 in Phoenix, AZ, LTBB in conjunction with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, the Bay Mills Indian Community and the Michigan Technological University (MTU) presented the first case of unaffiliated Native American human remains from within the state of Michigan.

The remains in question were originally from the Gros Cap Cemetery in St. Ignace, MI, and they were discovered during road construction near the cemetery in 1979 by a MTU student doing survey work to define the boundaries of the cemetery. This is how the remains came into the possession of MTU.

The remains were partial remains of one individual. No grave marker or any other indicators were found near them as to give a clue to the ethnic origin of the individual. Not enough of the remains were found to determine if they were Native or not.

MTU said it was possible the remains were Native due to the location where they were found, the antiquity of the cemetery (burials in Gros Cap date back to 1670) and the long history of the Anishnaabek in the Straits of Mackinac area.

Since St. Ignace is in the middle of LTBB and the Sault Tribe's ancestral homelands, the Sault Tribe was consulted immediately on a joint disposition. In addition to the Sault Tribe, Bay Mills was part of the joint disposition with LTBB.

Cultural Preservation Director

Winnay Wemigwase, Cecil Pavlet (Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act delegate for the Sault Tribe), Susan Martin (Professor of Archeology at MTU) and I gave testimony at the NAGPRA Review Committee meeting. Martin gave her testimony via teleconference.

I was a bit nervous because this was involving one of the largest federal Native American programs and the first case of unaffiliated remains from Michigan. To my knowledge, we were the first ones to present a case of this kind before the review committee.

Martin gave her testimony first. She gave a history of the remains, how they can into MTU's possession, the research done on the remains, how MTU was in agreement to the disposition and how MTU never made the determination if the remains were Native or not. The last point was very important.

Pavlet, Wemigwase and I then gave our testimony. We each explained why we felt it was the proper and moral thing to do. We spoke of the history of the area where the remains were found, the history of the tribes in the area and the history of burials in the area. We also explained the burial procedure. We attempted to prove because of the history of the Odawa and Ojibway in the area, where and how the remains were found, and the antiquity of the cemetery, it was highly probable the remains were Native.

After the testimony, members of the review committee commented. One member was very concerned MTU never made the determination if the remains were Native or not, and

he was also concerned they were found near a cemetery. He argued the remains could very well be non-Native and of European descent. He was perplexed as to why we were unable to prove the remains were Native American. This member of the committee was not in the favor of the disposition.

Another member of the committee then argued the only standard the review committee has to adhere to is the "mere preponderance of evidence," and it wasn't the responsibility of the tribes and museums to provide undisputable evidence of the ethnic makeup of the remains. One of the lawyers for the National NAGPRA program reiterated this point.

Without any further comments from the review committee members, they voted. All of the committee members voted in favor except for one, who abstained from voting. The member, who abstained from voting, was the individual, who protested the disposition. The review committee will send a recommendation for disposition to the Secretary of the Interior concerning our case. A few more legalities will ensue before the transfer of the remains, which the Sault Tribe has agreed to take possession of and conduct the burial.

The LTBB Cultural Preservation Department feels this was a great success for our Anishnaabek ancestors, and we feel proud to have helped orchestrate the first case of unaffiliated remains from Michigan. As a department, we look forward to working on upcoming cases and helping our ancestors return home.

# Snowmobile Safety Class

When: December 8

Time: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Where: The LTBB Natural Resource Department

Class size is limited to 20, pre-registration is mandatory.

To register, please call Mike McCreery or Roger Willis at 231-242-1670.



## LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIEAP)

If you live in Michigan and need assistance with Fuel Oil, Propane, Electric, Natural Gas or Wood/Coal and are Low Income, please stop by Human Services at 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, MI, or call 231-242-1626 for an application.

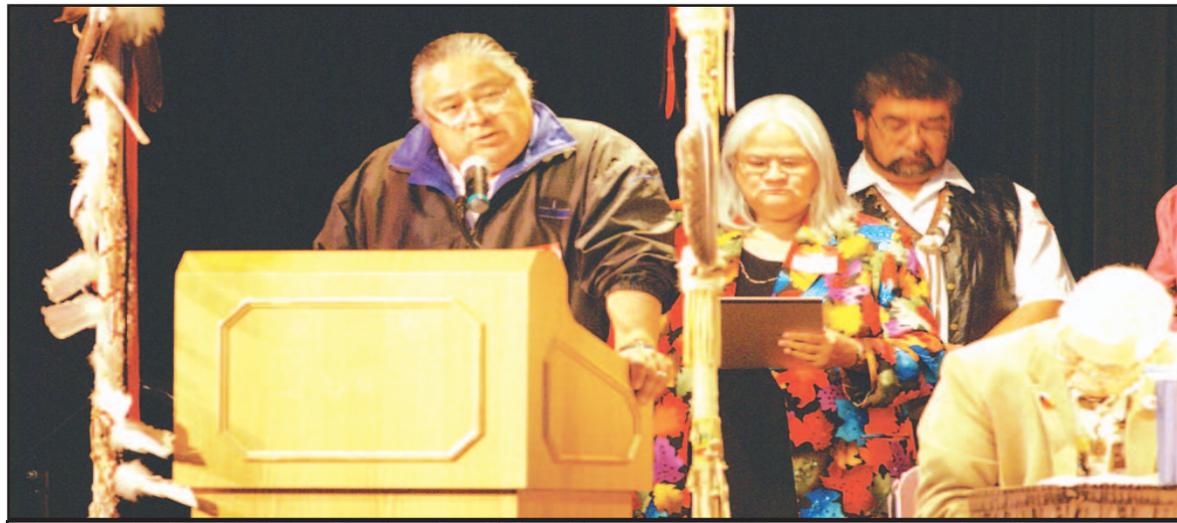
You can apply once during October 1, 2007 to September 30, 2008 for each type of assistance available:

1. **Direct:** Any assistance not an emergency
2. **Emergency:** Will help with Shut-off or tank less than 10%
3. **Weatherization:** Insulation, storm door, etc.

Applications for all programs are accepted until funds run out.

A limited supply of heaters, window plastic kits and weather-stripping is available for pickup at the Human Services Building during regular business hours.

# Elders Program



In the photo on the left, Sarah VanDeCar and Rita Gasco-Shepard (left to right) participate in the MIEA meeting. In the photo in the middle, GTB Chairman Robert Kewaygoshkum greeted the elders in attendance. In the photo on the right, Deborah Martin looks at one of the auction items.



## ELDERS PROGRAM REPORT

By Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Elders Coordinator

Aanii Kikaajik!

The LTBB Elders Program is committed to utilize resources available to provide a permanent accessible tribal support system for all LTBB Tribal Elders. Currently, we have 796 eligible elders listed with the tribe.

Fifteen LTBB Elders attended the Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) meeting July 11-13 in Watersmeet, MI. The meeting was hosted by the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. There were a wide variety of presen-

ters, who discussed the scholarships available for students. Our monetary contributions, the proceeds from auctions, dues and anonymous donors help make these scholarships available.

The MIEA meeting October 10-11 was hosted by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in Peshawbestown, MI. Twelve LTBB Elders attended the meeting. The next MIEA meeting will be April 2008 hosted by the Hannahville Indian Community in Wilson, MI.

On October 29, we again placed flower wreaths/crowns on grave sites at the following locations: The old Holy Childhood of Jesus School building in Harbor Springs, MI, Holy Childhood Cemetery in Harbor Springs, Lakeview Cemetery in Har-

bor Springs, Five Mile Creek Cemetery northwest of Harbor Springs, St. Ignatius Cemetery in Good Hart, MI, Island View Cemetery north of Good Hart and the Oak Road Cemetery in Cross Village Township, MI, the cross at the tribe's Osborne Road property in Readmond Township, MI, and a cemetery north of Bay Shore, MI.

The LTBB Elders Association held the first of many flower and wreath/crown making workshops in June to get the wreaths finished in time for placement on the graves by the end of October. We had approximately 150 wreaths this year, and we would like to double that total for next year. Anyone interested in helping can pick up a "wreath kit" from Virginia Lewis and start making them

at home in preparation for 2008.

The Elders Program has now hired four contractual drivers (Matt Davis, Gordon "Flash" Shepard, Richard Snake and John Gasco) as part-time employees. Our schedule continues to remain full and busy. We ask that anyone being picked up for a ride to give the driver 24 hours notice if you have changes in your pickup schedule.

Burial request program regulations have been delegated to the Human Services Department located at 915 Emmet St. in Petoskey, MI. Burial assistance funds are limited to \$8,000 per deceased LTBB Tribal Citizen. Human Services staff will verify submitted items are allowable under the Burial Program Statute WOS

2006-017 before processing burial fund requests. If you have any questions, please call Kristi Houghton at 231-242-1632.

We have been enjoying the glorious days of fall! By the time you read this, we will be close to starting Mnido Giizisoonhs, Little Spirit Moon (December).

If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to call us at 231-242-1423 or 231-242-1422.

Photos by Tina Peterson.

Please see more MIEA meeting photos by Tina Peterson on page 18 of this issue of *Odawa Trails*.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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| Cross Village (all)                                  | Readmond (all)               |
| Friendship (all)                                     | West Traverse (all)          |
| Little Traverse (all)                                | City of Harbor Springs (all) |
| Resort (partial)                                     | Bay (partial)                |
| Hayes (partial)                                      | Bear Creek (all)             |
| City of Petoskey (all)                               |                              |
| City of Charlevoix (only <b>NORTH</b> 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 (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (currently 1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
5. \*Motor Fuel Tax (currently 32 cents per gallon unleaded and 28 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. \*Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)

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

\*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Bi-indigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

\*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

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

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

Tax Agreement Information

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

Attention Tribal Citizens: As stated in the October issue of *Odawa Trails*, LTBB has elected to use "Tribal Certificates of Exemption" (TCE's) versus the refund method for tax-exempt purchases (Tribal 3996 Request for Refund). The change will take place effective January 1, 2008. The Department of Commerce (DOC) is in the final stages of implementation and needs the support of the citizenship to fully implement the Tax Agreement.

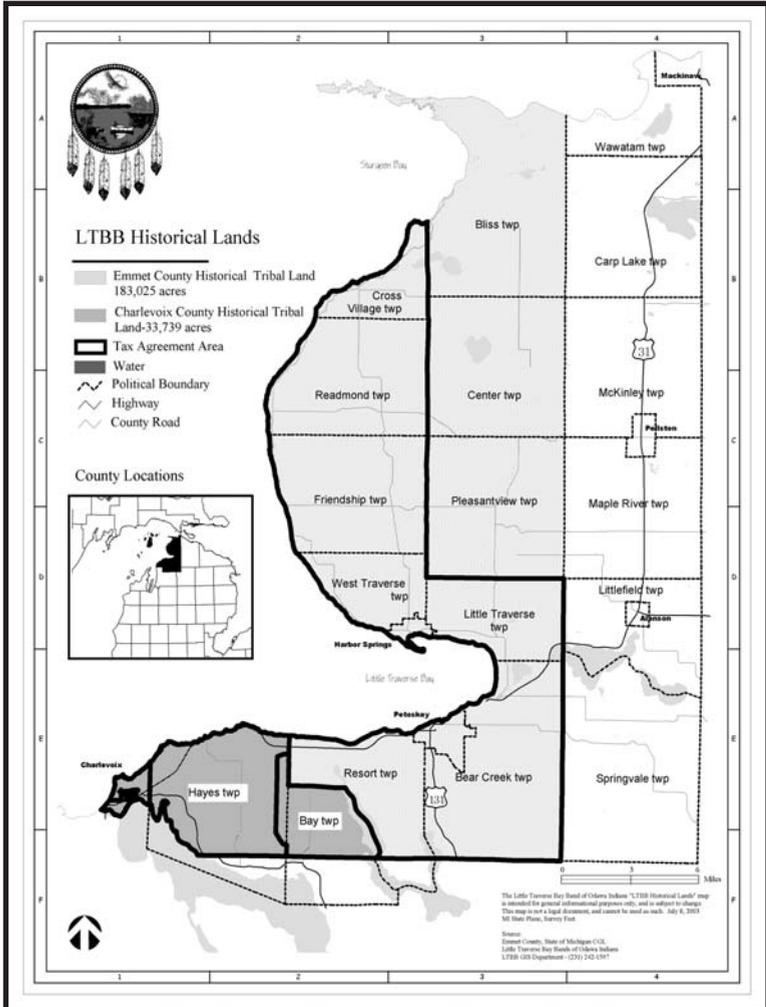
By the time you read this, a mass mailing to all Resident Tribal Members will have occurred as new RTM Registration forms will have been sent. The forms request documentation to prove residency for RTM status.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Any claims not filed for tax-exempt purchases between April 2003 and December 31, 2007, must be submitted to the Department of Commerce before January 1, 2008. Please keep in mind the DOC will be closed for the holidays on December 25, 26 and 31, 2007 and January 1, 2008. The DOC will mail the FINAL quarter of refund requests (3996's) to the State of Michigan by the end of the first week in January.

In order to qualify for the refund, you must reside within the LTBB Tax Agreement Area. Refund claims made after the TCE method goes into effect (January 1, 2008) will NOT be processed.

Amended portions of the Tax Agreement are posted on the LTBB website at [www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov) under the Department of Commerce's page.

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



Housing Department Programs

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

**Short Term Rental Assistance:** This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used **ONE TIME ONLY** and the rent requested must be affordable and may not exceed 30% of the household's monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

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

**Down Payment Assistance:** This program offers up to \$3,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home.

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

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

**Credit Counseling:** We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

**Tribal Housing Rental Program:** This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. Please submit a letter of interest and your application will be put on our waiting list for when LTBB rentals become available.

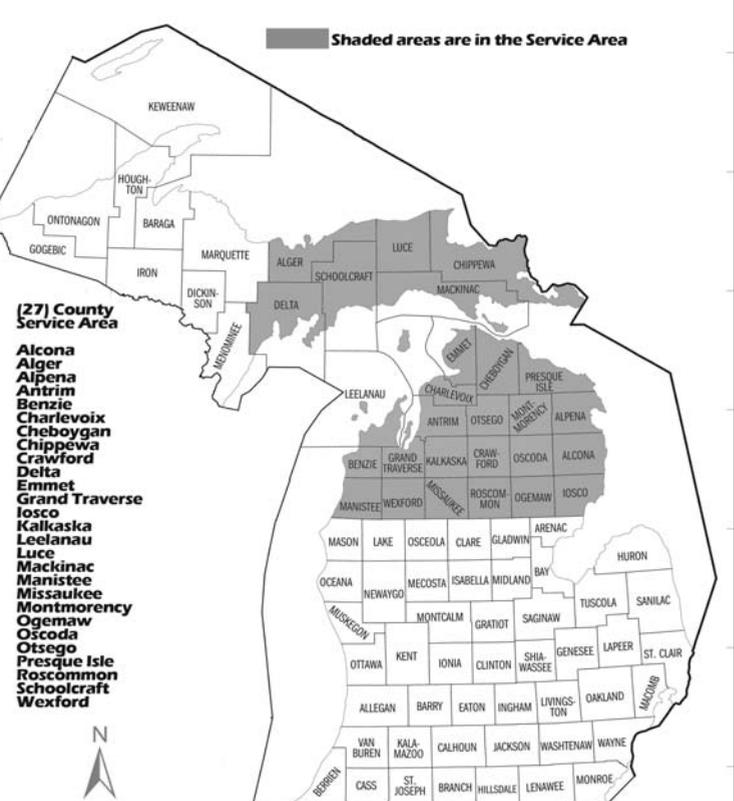
The Native American Student Organization  
Anishnaabek Eknomunjik Ewaawyeyak  
presents an evening of food and entertainment  
December 18—5 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
North Central Michigan College Cafeteria

Everyone is invited to listen, learn and enjoy.  
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For Advance Tickets—Please call 231-548-6854 for information or buy your tickets at the door.

We will also hold a raffle.  
Tickets available soon for \$1 each

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Service Area



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.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Housing Department  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
231-242-1540  
Fax: 231-242-1550

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE  
Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department is accepting applications for our Elder Housing Development located in Harbor Springs, MI. The Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of twelve, two (2) bedroom units nestled in a peaceful, country setting north of Harbor Springs, MI. Applicants must meet the following guidelines:

- MUST BE A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE
- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
- MUST BE INCOME QUALIFIED - RENT BASED ON INCOME

Please note that Tribal identification and ALL household income/asset information must accompany your application.

Please contact Stephanie Howell, Housing Programs Coordinator, for more information at: 231-242-1545.

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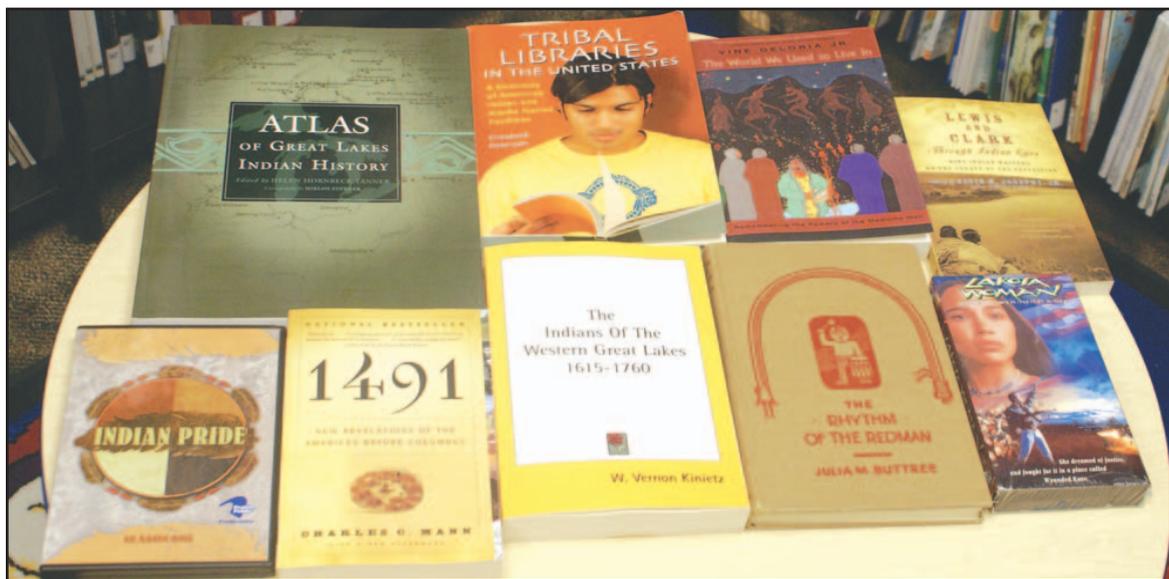
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						Tribal Council Work Session Tribal Courtroom LTBB Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
<b>Tribal Council Meeting</b> Tribal Courtroom LTBB Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  <b>Housing Commission Meeting</b> 3:30 p.m.  Immersion Class Mshkikigamik 3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 p.m.  Anishinaabemowin Eta w Kikaajik 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  Language Class Mshkikigamik 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Immersion Class Mshkikigamik 3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.	LTBB Pane Immersion	<b>Economic Development Commission Meeting</b> 9:30 a.m.  Indian Child Welfare Commission Meeting 9:30 a.m.  LTBB Pane Immersion
LTBB Pane Immersion	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  <b>Health Commission Meeting</b> 5:30 p.m.  Immersion Class Mshkikigamik 3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Anishinaabemowin Eta w Kikaajik 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  Natural Resource Commission Meeting 6 p.m.  Language Class Mshkikigamik 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	<b>Christmas Elders Luncheon at noon</b> Odawa Hotel Petoskey, MI  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Immersion Class Mshkikigamik 3:30 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.	<b>Election Board Meeting</b> La Señorita Petoskey, MI 6 p.m.	Tribal Council Work Session Tribal Courtroom LTBB Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Courtroom LTBB Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  Citizenship Commission Meeting 5 p.m.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 p.m.  Anishinaabemowin Eta w Kikaajik 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  Language Class Mshkikigamik 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon with Language Bingo following it.</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.		
	Christmas Eve New Year's Eve LTBB Governmental Offices Closed.	Christmas Day LTBB Governmental Offices Closed.	<b>Elders Swim Class</b> Odawa Hotel pool Petoskey, MI 9:30 a.m. - 10 a.m.  Legislative Offices Closed.	<b>Elders Luncheon at noon</b>  Tae Kwon Do classes Beginner 5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Advanced 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.  Legislative Offices Closed.	Legislative Offices Closed.	

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Education Department

# New Arrivals to the LTBB Cultural Library



By Annette VanDeCar,  
Communications Coordinator

**“Spirit Rider”**

The target audience for this movie, released in 1993, is children in grades four to eight. It features well-known Native actors, Graham Greene and Adam Beach.

The following is a summary of the movie:

“A young Ojibway Indian youth is returned to his grandfather on the reserve after years in foster homes in a large Canadian city, but he doesn’t want to stay. He finally finds comfort in horses.”

**Tribal Libraries in the United States: A Directory of American Indian and Alaska Native Facilities**

This book, published in 2007, is for reference only and may not be checked out from the library. The author, Elizabeth Peterson, is a literature librarian at the University of Oregon Libraries.

The following is a summary of the book from Amazon.com:

“Created by and for a specific American Indian community and offering special materials related to the tribe itself, a tribal library may also serve as a homework center, a reading room, a tribal archive or a community center.

Entries offer information on each tribe’s ethnology, language and history, location and contact details as well as a description of collections, services and access policies. Input from library staff and patrons about what makes their libraries unique and important to their communities is also included. Maps are included to show the locations of the libraries in each state.”

**Atlas of Great Lakes Indian History**

This book, published in 1987 by the University of Oklahoma Press and edited by Helen Hornbeck Tanner, is for reference only and may not be checked out from the library.

The following is a summary of the book from the University of Oklahoma Press’ website:

“The Indian history of the Great Lakes region of the United States and Canada, and particularly of the Ohio Valley, is so complex that it can be properly clarified only with the visual aid of maps. *The Atlas of Great Lakes Indian History*, in a sequence of 33 newly researched maps printed in as many as five colors, graphically displays the movement of Indian com-

munities from 1640 to 1871 when treaty making between Indian tribes and the United States government came to an end.

History is shaped in this part of North America by intertribal warfare, refugee movements, epidemics of European-introduced diseases, French and English wars and trade rivalry, white population advances, Indian resistance, Indian treaties deeding land to state and national governments, and imperfect arrangements for reservations, removal and allotment of land. The changing pattern of Indian village locations as a result of all these factors is shown on the maps. Each map is highlighted by accompanying text, written as if the author were pointing out specific places on the map. Eighty-one illustrations convey a realistic impression of the land and its people.”

**“Indian Pride”**

This 13-part cultural magazine series aired on Public Broadcasting stations throughout the United States in February 2007. Each 30-minute episode includes three distinct segments: Mini-documentaries shot on location on reservations and around other parts of Indian country; in-studio segments featuring discussion of current issues by nationally-known American Indian guests; and original and cultural performances featuring traditional and contemporary artists as well as storytellers.

**Lewis and Clark through Indian Eyes**

This book, published in 2006, features nine writers and their essays. The following are the essays: Vine Deloria, Jr.’s “Frenchmen, Bears and Sandbars,” Debra Magpie Earling’s “What We See,” Mark Trahant’s “Who’s Your Daddy,” Bill Yellowtail’s

“Meriweather and Billy and the Indian Business,” Robert Conner’s “Our People Have Always Been Here,” Gerard A. Baker’s “Mandan and Hidatsa of the Upper Missouri,” Allen V. Pinkhorn, Sr.’s “We Ya Oo Yet Soyapo,” Robert and Richard Basch’s “The Ceremony at Ne-ah-coxie,” and N. Scott Momaday’s “The Voices of Encounter.” This book is intended for older children and adults.

**“Camp Forgotten: The Civilian Conservation Corps in Michigan”**

This documentary, released in 1993, explores the role of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in Michigan. Some of its projects included the building of the Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Caberfae Ski Area and the transport of moose from Isle Royale to the Upper Peninsula. The only Native American CCC camp in the nation was in Michigan, Camp Marquette. Camp Forgotten includes interviews with more than a dozen CCC members, who vividly describe life in camp and how the experience changed their lives. Combining archival footage and photographs with location cinematography of CCC built structures, this timeless program tells the dramatic story of how young men discovered their potential as productive citizens while restoring Michigan’s devastated wilderness.

**“Lakota Woman: Siege at Wounded Knee”**

This made for television movie premiered on Turner Network Television (TNT) in 1994. It was based on the biography by Mary Crow Dog and Richard Erdoes.

The central story is the account of Crow Dog, her abused childhood at a church-run school where Indian children become Americanized, her

years as a roadie and her annealing in the fury at Wounded Knee.

**The Rhythm of the Redman: In Song, Dance and Decoration**

This book, published in 1930 and written by Julia M. Buttree, features four parts: Indian Dancing, Ceremonies, Indian Songs and Music and Indian Art. It is for reference only and may not be checked out from the library.

The following is a description of the book from Amazon.com:

“An insightful account into the spiritual rhythm of the North American Indian. This book demonstrates what the Native Americans have brought to song and dance. It describes the beauty, drama and rhythm of this wonderful art.”

**The World We Used to Live In: Remembering the Powers of the Medicine Men**

This book was published in 2006 and written by Vine Deloria, Jr. Deloria, Jr. was named by TIME Magazine as one of the greatest religious thinkers of the 20th century. He was a leading Native American scholar whose research, writings and teachings have encompassed history, law, religious studies and political science. He was the author of many acclaimed books, including *Evolution, Creationism and Other Modern Myths; Red Earth, White Lies; God is Red; Spirit and Reason; and Custer Died for Your Sins*.

The following is a description of the book from Amazon.com:

“Before his death, Deloria, Jr. was re-examining Native spirituality. His years of collecting Native stories of the medicine men and exploring spirituality from different perspectives are brought together in this book. Although Deloria, Jr. was annoyed and

disapproving of the commercialization of Native spirituality, sweat lodges conducted for \$50, peyote meetings for \$1,500, medicine drums for \$300, he did not wish to chastise those finding solace in these pseudo-rituals. Instead, he wanted to open people’s eyes to the rituals and ceremonies as they were originally intended. To stop the empty recitation of songs and blessings and bring meaning and spirit back to the sacred Native rites. To do so, he explored the medicine men, their powers and the Earth’s relation to the cosmos.”

**1491: New Revelations of the Americas before Columbus**

This book, published in 2006 and written by Charles C. Mann shows how a new generation of researchers equipped with novel scientific techniques have come to previously unheard of conclusions about the Americas before the arrival of the Europeans. In 1491, there were probably more people living in the Americas than in Europe. Certain cities such as Tenochtitlan, the Aztec capital, were greater in population than any European city. Tenochtitlan, unlike any capital in Europe at that time, had running water, beautiful botanical gardens and immaculately clean streets. The earliest cities in the Western Hemisphere were thriving before the Egyptians built the great pyramids. Native Americans transformed their land so completely the Europeans arrived in a hemisphere already massively “landscaped” by human beings. Pre-Columbian Indians in Mexico developed corn by a breeding process the Journal Science recently described as “man’s first, and perhaps the greatest, feat of genetic engineering.”

**The Indians of the western Great Lakes, 1615-1760**

This book, published in 1940 and written by W. Vernon Kinietz, features the stories of the Huron, Miami, Ottawa, Potawatomi and Chippewa tribes in the years before contact with European settlers.

LTBB Tribal Citizens can visit the Cultural Library located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, and check out any of these new arrivals – except for those listed as reference only – for three weeks. Books listed as reference only must be viewed and utilized at the library.

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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**GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM**

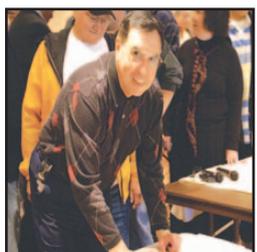
The Grants and Donations Program is available. There are two programs available. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is March 30, 2008. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatroluk at 231-242-1420.



More than 100 people attended the 2007 Inland Consent Decree signing dedication ceremony.



Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik reads the consent decree dedication before he and the other tribal leaders signed the document (left). Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr. signs as a witness (right). He was one of 115 witnesses, who signed the document.



(L to R) Terry Carrick, Aaron Payment, Frank Ettawageshik, representatives from the State of Michigan and the United States, Robert Kewaygoshkum and Larry Romanelli.

### "Decree" continued from cover.

group (Jim Naganashe, John Naganashe, Mike Naganashe, J.D. Gibson, Nathaniel Gibson and Matthew Lesky) and the Woodland Singers (Jannan Cornstalk, Yvonne Walker-Keshick, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Janelle Smith, Vicki Lynn and Virginia Schansema), the posting and retiring of the colors, pipe ceremonies by representatives from all five tribes, a gift exchange among the tribes and the signing of the dedication of 2007 Inland Consent Decree by representatives of all the parties involved and by witnesses.

A map of the State of Michigan brought by Mitchell was also signed by anyone, who wished to do so, and Mitchell said it would be hung in the

Little River Casino Resort in Manistee, MI, to commemorate the historic occasion.

Leonard "Joe" Mitchell performed a pipe ceremony, representing LTBB. Each tribe had a tribal member perform a pipe ceremony.

Albert Colby, Jr. (LTBB tribal flag), Richard Wemigwase (community eagle staff) and Fred Harrington, Jr. (veterans eagle staff) represented LTBB in the color guard.

To view the 2007 Inland Consent Agreement, please visit [www.michigan.gov/dnr](http://www.michigan.gov/dnr).

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

## THE 2007 INLAND CONSENT DECREE: HOW IT AFFECTS YOU

According to the 2007 Inland Consent Decree, the following protocols for hunting, fishing and gathering have been established:

- The area affected by the agreement is the portion of Michigan within the 1836 treaty boundary which includes roughly the eastern half of Michigan's Upper Peninsula and a large area in the northern third of the Lower Peninsula.

- The agreement allows fishing, gathering and hunting on a subsistence basis only, meaning a person can collect sufficient resources to feed a tribal family and keep his or her family members warm.

- State and tribal officers can enforce the decree. The tribes will establish their own regulations, and the state and the tribes will meet at least once a year to determine if the resources are being properly managed.

- The tribes can harvest birch bark, collect sap to make maple syrup and collect dead-and-down

firewood. The tribes cannot harvest standing timber or extract gravel, minerals or sand from state land.

- Tribal members can exercise these rights on any land open to the public and any Commercial Forest Act land 1,000 acres or larger. They may not hunt on private land without permission.

- Gill nets are illegal to use with two exceptions. A tribal biologist can use one to check fish populations and during a complete eradication, a permit will be issued for one net for one tribal member and only for 24 hours.

- Tribes can spear or fish with a hook and line during the closed seasons for non-tribal anglers. The season in the Lower Peninsula is March 15 to the Friday before the last Saturday in April. In the Upper Peninsula, the season will be April 1 through May 14.

- The tribal limit for deer is five animals, and the season is from the Tuesday after Labor Day through the

first full week of January. The five-deer bag limit means one buck can be taken before November 1 and one after November 14 with a firearm. The tribes will observe a two-week quiet period before the statewide firearm deer opener.

- The tribal bear season will run from September 10 through October, and the tribes are entitled to 10 percent of the bear and elk licenses issued.

- In terms of wildlife turkey, tribes can authorize a spring male only hunt from April 15 to June 15 and a fall any sex hunt from October 1 to November 14. Tribal regulations specify bag limits of two fall birds and two spring toms with a limited number of ceremonial permits.

- In terms of wildlife migratory birds, tribes will abide by federal tribal regulations and harvest frameworks.

## Planning, Zoning & Building Department

### LTBB BUILDS PAVILION IN READMOND TOWNSHIP, MI

#### Odawa Trails staff report

The pavilion on the Osborne Road Property in Readmond Township, MI, was completed on September 14 in time for use at the Traditional Jiingtamok on September 15. It was constructed by Robert T. Cole, Inc. of Traverse City, MI, and designed by Northwest Design Group, Inc. of Petoskey, MI. The building is 40' by 40' with 20' wide sliding doors on all four sides. It features a catering countertop, a storage room and a wood burning fireplace in the center of the structure. Cost was \$80,000.

Information provided by the Planning, Zoning and Building Department.

*Photo of the completed pavilion by Annette VanDeCar.*

*Photo of the pavilion being constructed by Rebecca Atkinson.*



### Anishinaabemowin Resources



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Featured Website:

Noongo e-Anishinaabemjig

"People Who Speak Anishinaabemowin Today"

This website represents many things, but most of all, it is evidence Anishinaabemowin is alive and well.

Ann Arbor, Michigan is one place where speakers and students meet each week to make a difference. Anyone interested in the language can join our group called "Noongo e-Anishinaabemjig."

<http://www.umich.edu/~ojibwe/>

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"Have fun!!!"

## Tax Agreement Reminder

When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must **c h a n g e** 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.

## Per Capita?

**Adults:** If you are 18 and up, you must have an address verification form on file. If you turn 18 by November 30, 2007, contact the Enrollment Department.

- If your mailing and physical address are the same, you must have your address verification form **WITNESSED**.

- If your mailing and physical address are the not the same, you must have the address verification form notarized. Example: You have a post office box.

\*Individual Tribal citizens may have their checks mailed to an address other than their own, but you **MUST** complete two forms: Designee address verification form AND address verification form. Example: Incarcerated.

### Minors/Legally Incompetent:

All minors must have an address verification form each year before a check is issued. Currently, we have 753 minors, who do not have a 2007 Address verification form on file.

### IMPORTANT

If your address is not current or your minor child does not have a 2007 address verification form on file, this will delay the 2007 per capita check in December 2007.

Verification forms can be obtained online at <http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/enrollment.htm>.

For any questions, please call us at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

Please send your completed form to:

Enrollment Office  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

# Native News

## Rehabilitated Bald Eagles Released Back into the Wild at St. Marys Cement



By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

Wings of Wonder in Empire, MI, admitted two bald eagles exhibiting symptoms of starvation and dehydration in early July.

Approximately three months later on October 7, the healthy eagles were released back into the wild near St. Marys Cement in Charlevoix, MI. A large crowd was on hand to witness their release and to take photographs of the majestic birds.

The eagles, a male named Mr. Hobbs and a female named Mary, hatched in 2007. The male was found in Manistee County and the female in Leelanau County.

Starting in early July, the eagles were nursed back to health, growing up and gaining weight. They were healthy, feather perfect and fully aerobically conditioned when they were released. The eagles had brown heads because they are immature; eagles reach full maturity around age five when they display their recognizable white heads.



The Wings of Wonder is a non-profit charitable organization whose mission is educating the public about wildlife, conservation, ecology and current environmental issues; the rehabilitation of sick, injured and orphaned raptors with the goal of releasing healthy raptors back into the wild; and increasing the overall knowledge of wildlife rehabilitation, regulations and education methods through fieldwork, networking and research. It is one of three raptor centers in Michigan. The others are in Muskegon and Ann Arbor. It has a 100-foot long flight enclosure where the birds can regain their strength and socialize.

Founder and Director Rebecca Lessard, the Northern Michigan Environmentalist of the Year in Education for 2007, has been a rehabilitator since 1990 and holds rehabilitation permits from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the United States Fish and Wildlife Services. She is also permitted to possess non-releasable raptors for use in educational programs. Lessard presents



approximately 1,000 raptor programs annually to schools, camps, zoos, libraries, community organizations and churches.

Lessard has rehabilitated approximately 20 bald eagles during the past 21 years, releasing eight of them back into the wild. She rehabilitates all birds of prey such as hawks, owls, eagles, falcons, osprey and turkey vultures at Wings of Wonder. Typically, Lessard helps 50 birds of prey annually.

St. Marys Cement was chosen as the release site because of the massive land restoration project it has undertaken. St. Marys has put up several man-made eagle nest platforms, mounted kestrel nest boxes, created ponds and replanted land with native plants.

To learn more about Wings of Wonder, please visit [www.wingsof-wonder.org](http://www.wingsof-wonder.org).

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

## LTBB AND THE GREATER COMMUNITY BIG READ PROJECT 2007 A SUCCESS

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

After months of planning and hosting activities, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and its community partners came together on October 18 to celebrate the success of the LTBB and the Greater Community Big Read Project 2007.

On October 31, 2006, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) announced it selected LTBB to be one of 72 communities nationwide to receive a \$20,000 grant for the Big Read initiative. LTBB was the only Indian tribe selected, and one of only three communities selected in the state of Michigan.

The Big Read is an initiative of the NEA designed to restore reading to the center of American culture. NEA presented the Big Read in partnership with the Institute of Museum and Library Arts Midwest. The Big Read brings together partners across the country to encourage reading for pleasure and enlightenment. It provides citizens with the opportunity to read and discuss a single book with their communities.

LTBB chose *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee because of its socioeconomic, racial and intergenerational issues. At several activities held April through June, LTBB and its community partners gave away 1,800 paperback copies of the book. Community partners in eight different communities in the northern Michigan area hosted events.

One of the more unique events was the two concerts put on by the Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra (GLCO). The Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra commissioned American composer James Grant to create a song cycle for mezzo soprano and chamber orchestra. It was titled, "Scout." The premiere performance was June 16 at

St. Francis Xavier Church in Petoskey, MI. Another performance was June 18 at the Cross in the Woods National Catholic Shrine in Indian River, MI. Mary Badham, the actress who played Scout in the 1962 movie, "To Kill a Mockingbird," provided narration for the piece.

The LTBB and the Greater Community Big Read Project 2007 was featured in the NEA Arts Newsletter Volume 3 in an article titled, "To Read a Mockingbird: Native American Tribe Hosts Big Read in Michigan."

To read the article, please visit [www.nea.gov/about/NEARTS/17-2007/vol3/index.html](http://www.nea.gov/about/NEARTS/17-2007/vol3/index.html).

In a letter written by Education Director and Project Director Melissa Claramunt, she thanked the following community partners: Great Lakes Chamber Orchestra,



Crooked Tree Arts Center, McLean & Eakins Booksellers, Michigan State University Extension, Emmanuel Episcopal Church, North Central Michigan College, Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation, Alanson-Littlefield Public Schools, Harbor Springs Public Schools, Lakeview Academy, Petoskey High School, Charlevoix Public Schools, New Horizons, Petoskey Historical Society, Mackinaw Area Public Library, Alanson Area Public Library, Jordan Valley District Library, Boyne District Library, Petoskey Public Library, Charlevoix Public Library and Crooked Tree District Library.

"For me, the best part about this project was seeing the tribe and all of these community organizations come together to work toward one common goal," said Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr., who served as the tribe's spokesperson for the project.

"It was extremely rewarding to be a part of this project."

*Graphic by Aaron Wayne Otto.*

## Mental Health/ Substance Abuse

### HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT THE MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE DEPARTMENT



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# On the Pow Wow Trail

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December 31 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians New Year's Celebration 525 Twelfth St. Manistee High School Manistee, MI Contact Information: Julie Wolfe at 1-888-382-8299, ext. 6632 or jwolfe@lrboi.com	December 31-January 1 Leech Lake New Year's Traditional Pow Wow Old Cass Lake High School in Leech Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-335-7400	December 31 LCO New Year's Traditional Pow Wow LCO High School Gym in Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924 or www.lcoschools.bia.edu
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December 31 New Year's Sobriety Pow Wow Chi Mukwa Recreation Center Sault Ste. Marie, MI Grand entries: 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Feast: 5 p.m. Contact Information: Laura Porterfield at 906-632-7494, ext. 26145 or lporterfield@saulttribe.net or Lindel Clement at 906-635-6050 or lclement@saulttribe.net.	December 1 24th Annual Youth on the Red Road Conference Traditional Pow Wow Bingo Hall in Hertel, WI Contact Information: 1-800-236-2195, ext. 5309, 1-800-236-2195, ext. 5310 or soulier-mark@yahoo.com	<b>Illinois</b> December 31-January 1 Third Annual New Year's Eve Pow Wow Shiloh Center Zion, IL Contact Information: Bill Brown, Jr. at 262-358-3516 or wfb78@msn.com
<b>Minnesota</b>		
December 14 St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow The American Indian Magnet in St. Paul, MN Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeduca-	December 31 Menominee New Year's Eve Traditional Pow Wow School Gym in Neopit, WI Contact Information: 715-756-2354	<b>Ohio</b> February 16-17 Native American Intertribal Pow Wow Lima, OH Contact Information: Larry Grigsby at 513-398-7441 or tbirddesigns@zoomtown.com



## Mnodaawin Peacemaking Program

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# Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Meeting  
October 07, 2007

Closed Session: Yes  
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:30 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law  
Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland.

Absent: Councilor Shirley Oldman.  
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Administrative Assistant Michael Smith.

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson, Odawa Enterprise Manager Chuck Schofield, Vice Chair Bill Denemy.

Guests: Matt Davis, Tony Miron.  
Councilor Oldman arrives at 9:34 a.m.  
Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt the agenda as amended for October 07, 2007 in honor of Tribal Elder Doris Adams. Also in honor of Cecilia Henry who walked on Saturday October 06, 2007.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Oldman to approve the minutes of September 23, 2007 with corrections.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
No Elder comments at this time.  
10:37 a.m. Recess called.  
10:51 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Tribal Government Budget Formulation Process.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor McNamara to place the Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Act on the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to place the Economic Affairs and Enterprise Management on the Legislative Calendar and to have a work session prior to next Tribal Council meeting and to be a priority.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr. & Councilor Kiogima), 1 - Abstained (Councilor Oldman), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
11:46 a.m. Public Comment opened: Tribal Citizen Matt Davis gave a verbal and written presentation with a request for support and a recommendation for - the necessity of building a healing or ceremonial structure for the Tribal community along with support for the continued repair of the structures at the Osborne road property. He would also like to see the lodge built on the government complex property such as near the Jiingtamok grounds as well as at Tribal Housing - Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank, Councilor Mulholland, Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Kiogima, Councilor McNamara, and Legislative Leader Law all expressed recommending support.

12:10 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
12:10 p.m. Councilor Harrington, Jr. departs.

12:10 p.m. Lunch recess called.  
1:31 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Tony Miron requested to the Legislative Leader, time on the agenda to speak to Tribal Council about being adopted into LTBB.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima



and supported by Councilor Mulholland to go into closed session for proprietary matters at 1:41 p.m.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 4 - No (Councilor Oldman, Councilor McNamara, Secretary Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Chingwa, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.) Motion failed

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to go into closed session for Legal matters at 1:41 p.m.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to go out of closed session at 3:17 p.m.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried.  
3:18 p.m. Recess called.  
3:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution to Authorize the Establishment of a Line-of-Credit for Inventory Purposes for Bell's Fishery.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding from Michigan Inter-Tribal Council, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians "Healthy Anishinaabe Women Project".

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Oldman to adopt Tribal Resolution to Acknowledge the Revised Building Plans for the New Holy Childhood Parish Hall and to Donate \$5000.00 to the Holy Childhood Building Fund to come from prior year funds.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-no, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorization for Agreements Needed for Lears Road Stop Light.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-no, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated for September 18, 2007 for a total of

08.  
Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion Carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to approve List B - Ineligible Citizenship dated for September 18, 2007 for total of 02.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report with confidential information as presented for October 07, 2007.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve Treasurer Chingwa's verbal and written report.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Yellowbank, Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the Tribal Government Priority Funding Allocation Plan for 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried.  
5:05 p.m. Recess called.  
5:15 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

5:15 p.m. Councilor Yellowbank departs.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Mulholland to direct the LTBB Legal Department to refile the case number C-035-0902 seeking recovery of AVT funds.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr. and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Tribal Council Reports by Councilor Oldman and Treasurer Chingwa.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept Legislative Services Attorney's verbal report.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr. and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara for Tribal Council to attend the Great Lakes Tribal Economic Development Symposium Wednesday October 31 ~ November 1, 2007 at Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort Mount Pleasant, MI.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr. and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Oldman for Tribal Council to attend Tribal Labor and Employment Seminar - Friday October 2007 at Grand Casino Mille Lacs - Onamia, Minnesota.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained,

2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr. and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn at 5:36 p.m.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr. and Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:  
Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary  
Date

**Tribal Council Meeting  
October 21, 2007**

Closed Session: none  
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:38 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law  
Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Shirley Oldman

Absent: none  
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice Chairman William Denemy  
Guests: Dean W. Samuels-Tribal Citizen, Fred Kiogima-Tribal Citizen, Carol Quinones-Election Board, Eleanor Barber-Election Board, Harriet K. Booth-Tribal Citizen, Alice Hughes-Election Board, Denise Petoskey-Election Board Chairperson, Marty VanDeCar-Election Board

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt the agenda for October 21, 2007 with additions.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Oldman to approve the minutes for October 7, 2007 as corrected.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes for October 7, 2007 as corrected.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Oldman to place the Enjinaaknegeng on the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.  
10:26 a.m. Recess called.  
10:38 Meeting reconvened.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Michele LaCount - Daycare funding.  
11:49 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
12:05 p.m. Lunch recess called.  
12:05 p.m. Secretary Gasco Bentley will be absent for the remainder of the meeting.

1:42 p.m. Meeting reconvened.  
3:26 p.m. Public Comment opened: Fred Kiogima - asked what the recourse is for denial for funding through the Housing Department.

3:28 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
3:31 p.m. Recess called  
3:38 p.m. Meeting reconvened

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Harrington for Tribal Council attendance at the Odawa Hotel for the signing of the Consent Decree for the Inland Fishing and Hunting Rights on October 25, 2007.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Harrington to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Under Section 103 of the Clean Air Act, FY 2008 Region 5 Tribal Air Grants, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Clean Air Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary

Gasco Bentley-absent, Legislative Leader Law-yes.

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Legislative Leader's verbal and written report.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Tribal Treasurer's verbal report.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Councilor Kiogima's verbal travel report regarding the Native American Finance Conference.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept Councilor McNamara's verbal report regarding Burial Assistance.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept the written Legislative Services Attorney report.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Kiogima to allow Tribal Council travel to the United Tribes of Michigan meeting in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan in October 2007 and the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes meeting in Petoskey, Michigan in December 2007.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adjourn at 5:21 p.m.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:  
Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

## Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2007

December 1 Work Session  
December 2 Council Meeting  
December 15 Work Session  
December 16 Council Meeting

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURTROOM LOCATED AT 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

## Legislative Tribal Council Members

Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader  
Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary  
Gerald Chingwa, Treasurer  
Shirley Oldman, Councilor  
Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor  
Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor  
Alice Yellowbank, Councilor  
Dexter McNamara, Councilor  
Marvin Mulholland, Councilor

# Lines From our Membership



## BIRTHDAYS

Belated birthday wishes to **Lucy Feathers**, who celebrated her 72nd birthday on September 5. Love, your children.

Belated birthday wishes to **Benjamin Wabanimkee**, who celebrated his 75th birthday on September 28. From friends and family.

Happy birthday to our wonderful mother, **Shirley Adkins**, who celebrates on December 30. From your loving children and grandchildren.

Birthday wishes to **Jeff Wiatrolik**, who celebrates on December 20. From Melissa, Alicia and Jordan.

Happy birthday to "**Lil' Brick**" **Andrew Burks** on December 26. From your bros, Twon, Poops, Teenie Wee and "Lia with an M."

Happy birthday and happy holidays to **Shirley Eaves**, who celebrates her birthday on December 16. From sisters, brothers, Lamont, Ricky and Tory.

Happy birthday to our superhero accountant, **Kristina Baller**, who celebrates on December 30. I'll let you borrow my broom so you can fly down to Florida. The flying monkeys will even escort you there. From the Wicked Witch and the Flying Monkeys.

Happy birthday to **Merle Carson** on December 26. We love you, Aunt Gina, Uncle Bill, Brittany, Elizabeth and Matt.

Happy birthday to **Allen Gasco** on December 26. From Gina, Bill, Brittany, Elizabeth and Matt.

Birthday hugs and kisses to **Andrew "Lil' Brick" Burks**, who turns a whopping eight years old on December 26. From Uncle Kenny.

Happy birthday to a great cousin, **Christopher Smith**, on December 25. Love, Brittany.

Happy birthday to **Uncle Joe Gasco** on December 9. Love, your niece, Brittany.

Happy birthday to **Steven Oldman, Sr.** and **Jesse Oldman** on December 2. With love, from your loving family.

Happy birthday **Winnay**. With love, from the Oldman family.

Happy birthday to **Grandma Nana (Suzanne Portman)** on December 3. Love, Liz and Avery.

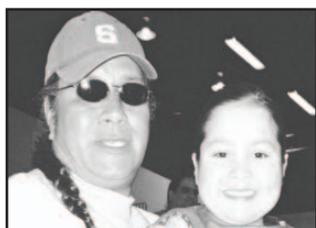
Happy birthday to my "**Twinkle Snoots**" **Andrew Burks** on December 26. I love you lots and lots and lots, Mama.

Happy 33rd birthday to **Winnay Wemigwase** on December 7. Just wait until we unveil our latest masterpiece. From the Wicked Witch and the Flying Monkeys.

## BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Don Portman** on December 27. Love, Liz and Avery.

Happy birthday to **Jazmine Anthony**. From Grandma and Aunt Shari.



Happy fifth birthday to our son, **Mkoohns Marcus Gasco**, who celebrates on December 27! We hope your day is as Super as you are! Gzaaguhn, Mommy and Daddy.

Happy birthday to a wonderful Dad and Grandpa, **Archie L. Klogima, Jr.**, whose special day is December 8! Gzaaguhn, Gina, Jimmy and Mkoohns.

Happy birthday to **one tough mama** on December 5. We won't tell how many if you won't! From, your darling daughters and loving son.

Happy birthday to my mother, **Frances Compo**, who celebrates on December 27. We love you. Love, Bernadece, Mel, Mshkoad-ekwe, Joy, Cameron and McKenzie.

Many happy returns to my sonny boy, **Brock McClatchey**, the Apache! May you have a grand year and a joyous month! Baa maam pii, gazagian, Mommy Dearest.

Happy birthday to **Yvonne Fuerte** on December 7. We hope you have a wonderful day, and many, many blessings come your way. We love you. Your sis, Theresa Christine, and your nephews, Michael and Jordan.

Happy 66th birthday to the **Old Man** on December 30. You may have slowed down some, but you still keep life interesting. From the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to **Justine Garver** on December 13! We hope you have a great day and an even better year. We love you, Mom, Matthew and your sisters.

Happy birthday to my beautiful wife, **Dawn Price**, on December 28. Dawn, you're a wonderful mother, great wife, and my best friend. Love, Derek.

Happy 28th birthday to **Aaron Keshick** on December 20. Hope you have a special day. Aunt Tootsie and Aunt Amelia.

Many happy days and many moons of happiness to **Yvonne K. Fuerte** on her birthday. Stay happy! Love Aunties Tootsie and Amelia.

## BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to **Courtney Schneider**. From Grandma and Aunt Shari.

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

Happy birthday to my Dawnie pooh, **Dawn Price**, on December 28. Love and miss you tons, Kennard-Ken Moe-Kee.

Happy birthday to **Aaron Keshick** on December 20. Love, Grandma Mary.

Happy birthday to my big, little brother, **HB3**, on December 18. You know I couldn't resist it! Hope you have a good one.

Happy birthday to my wonderful, big baby sister, **Yvonne**, on December 7. Have the very best day ever! Your sister, Lin.

Happy belated birthday to **Haydn**, who celebrated on November 12. Have a glorious Star Wars year. Love, Maime.

Happy birthday to my **Auntie "Davonne"** on December 7. Love always, Kacie Lynn.

Happy birthday to **Winnay**. Love you much, Neewin.

Happy birthday to **Winnay**. Love you much, Mom and Dad.

Happy birthday to **Mom (Suzanne Portman)** on December 3. Love you lots, Michele and Greg.

Happy birthday to **300 Don** on December 27. Love you brother, Michele and Greg.

Happy birthday to my loving wife, **Shirley Adkins**, on December 30. Love, Stu.

## Merry Christmas

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to my family, **Aaron, Rebeca, Dad, Mom, Tony** and **G-Ma!** I love you all. I wouldn't have made it to where I am today without you. Love, Tara.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to my babies, **Orion, Sidra** and **Damek**. I love you all as big as the sky! Love, Mom.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the **Anthony family** in Crofton, MD.

## Miigwetch

Miigwetch to **Constance Cappel** for donating 75 titles to the LTBB Cultural Library, located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. It is the largest donation the library has ever received. Librarian Francine Thuston said she was so grateful for Connie's generosity.

## CONGRATS

Congratulations to **Martin Van De Car** on his new job as the Player Development Manager at Odawa Casino Resort. We know you'll be just as successful in this new position as you were as the Hotel Director at Odawa Hotel. From the King and VanDeCar families.

## CONGRATS

Congratulations to **Andi Gasco**, who led the Petoskey High School (PHS) girls volleyball team to its first Class B district title since 2002. Gasco, a junior, led her team with 44 kills and 27 digs and added three service aces in the two district matches. PHS lost to Cadillac in a regional semifinal match, finishing 35-9-2. She led the Northmen with 16 kills and seven digs in the regional match.

Congratulations to **Tec Adams**, a Harbor Springs High School junior, for finishing fifth at the 2007 Division 4 boys cross country state meet on November 3 and helping his team finish seventh there. At the East Jordan Division 4 cross country regional on October 26, he won the race and helped his team win a second straight regional title there. At the 2006 Division 4 boys cross country state meet, Adams finished 60th and helped his team finish 11th there. At the 2006 cross country regional, he finished ninth and helped his team finish first there. At the 2007 Division 4 boys track state meet, Adams finished fifth in the 3,200.

## Birth Announcement

**Georgia LuAnn Lofquist** was born on October 15 at St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba, MI. She weighed six pounds and 13 ounces and was 20 inches long. Her parents are Tim Lofquist and Cissely (Metzger) Lofquist of Wilson, MI. Her grandparents are George and Christine Metzger of Wilson. Her great-grandmother is Lucy Feathers of Wilson. Her great-great-grandmother was the late Lavina (Sagataw) Feathers. Her siblings are Macy Lofquist and Tommy Lofquist.

## Walking On...

**William Joseph "Joe" Meshekey**, 79, of Traverse City, MI, walked on to be with the Lord on October 14, peacefully at his home. Meshekey was born in Harbor Springs, MI, on June 24, 1928, the son of William B. and Minnie (Keywagoshcum) Meshekey. After serving in the United States Air Force, he worked for the Detroit Indian Burial Affairs in the Archives Department. He is fondly remembered for his great sense of humor. He was a very proud member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. He is survived by his children, William "Bill" (Sandy) Meshekey of Traverse City and Amanda Meshekey Decoteau (Michael) of Port Richey, FL; five grandchildren, Tracy Penokie, Melanie Meshekey (Chris) Smith, William J. Meshekey IV, Jessica Penokie and Sarah Penokie; and four great-grandchildren, Kenya, Fiona, Jaquez and Kaylynn.

## Job Posting

**Job Title:** Public Information Officer  
**Organization:** Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA)

Reports To: Executive Director

### Position Summary

The Public Information Officer will be responsible for a bi-monthly newspaper, Preserving the Resource for the Seventh Generation, which entails writing news stories, taking photographs, layout and design of the newspaper. This position will also assist with general clerical duties and dealing with the public on issues that pertain to the waters of the Great Lakes under the Treaty of 1836.

### Responsibilities

Attend all Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA), CORA Committee and Executive Council meetings as needed.

Represent CORA on various inter-agency committees, which address Great Lakes fisheries and environmental issues.

Attend CORA member tribes' Conservation Committee/Natural Resources Commission meetings as needed.

Develop and generate an informative newsletter a minimum of once every other month and incorporate individual member tribe's articles with tribal input in the newsletter.

Provide news coverage and arrange for media coverage for CORA and related activities.

Develop and disseminate news releases, publications and media/information packets approved by CORA as needed to the CORA tribes and the general public.

Take photographs, maintain photo archive and develop fishery graphics.

Undertake to educate and inform the public regarding the Consent Order governing the treaty waters fishery; the treaty rights and responsibilities; the activities of CORA and the Executive Council and their programs and committees.

Assist with planning and development of special projects and activities for the expansion of natural resources services and fishery programs to member tribes.

Develop and maintain media list and professional contacts.

Develop and maintain communications plan and annual work plan.

Maintain the CORA website.

Review fishery curricula and participate in fishery education efforts.

Provide written weekly work plan to Executive Director and provide a bi-monthly written and narrative report to CORA Board.

Update and disseminate the "Salmon Net Safety," "Trap Net" and "Net Tampering" posters annually.

Responsible for the annual HACCP Training.

Typing, filing, copying and collating of correspondence, reports and other material as assigned.

Answer telephone, route messages, greet visitors and determine nature of business and provide routine information.

### Physical Requirements

While performing the duties of this job, the employee is regularly required to sit with occasional walking, standing and driving. Occasionally, the employee must bend, squat, climb heights, kneel, balance, push/pull and be able to reach above shoulder level. The employee must occasionally lift and/or move up to 25 pounds and is required to use hands for repetitive action such as key-boarding.

### Position Requirements

Associate's Degree in Journalism, English or other liberal arts.

At least one to three years experience in newspaper, public relations, media or communications.

Must have experience in clerical duties, office procedures, typing and filing.

Knowledge of word processing, newspaper and graphics software.

Must have excellent written and oral communication skills.

Greet public attentively, cheerfully, courteously and professionally.

Self-motivator and ability to organize.

Capable of working on his/her own with minimal supervision.

Reliable transportation as some travel may be required.

Must have an excellent past work record. Native American preferred.

### Additional Information

The position is not limited to only the duties listed in this job description. Duties and responsibilities can be changed, reduced, expanded or deleted by the Executive Director to meet the needs of CORA and/or the CORA member tribes. In the event of any changes, the employee will be notified and given an updated copy of their position description.

### Remuneration

\$27,000 - \$30,000, Full Time (Negotiable dependent upon education and experience)

### Reply to:

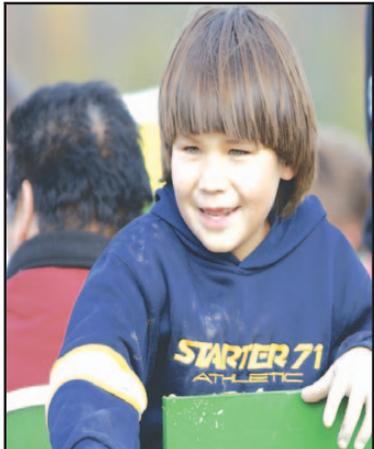
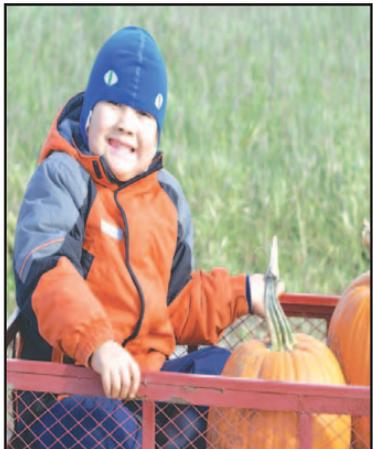
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**Application must be submitted by November 30, 2007 by 5 p.m.**

# LTBB COMMUNITY CITIZENS ENJOY FAMILY FALL GATHERING

The Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department, Education Department and Health Department sponsored the LTBB Family Fall Gathering at Just-A-Plain Farm in Carp Lake, MI, on October 20. Activities included hayrides, navigating your way through corn mazes, pumpkin/gourd picking and a feast. Approximately 400 people attended the event.

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*



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**After School Homework Lab for Grades 5-9**  
**Where:** LTBB Governmental Center, Education classroom  
**When:** Thursdays, 3:30 - 5 p.m.  
**Drop-off:** Harbor Springs Public School Bus or parent drop-off.  
**Pickup:** Parent pickup at 5 p.m., LTBB Governmental Center.  
 For more information and registration, please call K-12 Student Services Coordinator Dorothy Perry at 231-242-4482.



# LTBB ELDERS ASSOCIATION CARRIES ON TRADITION

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Elders Association sponsored crepe paper flower and wreath/crown making workshops in June, August, September and October.

There was a flower making workshop on June 23 as part of the Odawa Institute's Ninth Annual Niibin Jibaaqwe celebration.

Flower and wreath/crown making sessions were held on October 8, 10 and 12 as part of the Fall Circle of Life Informational sessions held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

On October 23 during the Elders Luncheon at the LTBB Governmental Center, the Head Start children gave the LTBB Elders Association 20 flower wreaths/crowns they made.

Approximately 150 flower wreaths/crowns were made at the workshops and sessions and donated by the Head Start children. They were placed on graves at nine locations in the northern Michigan area on October 29.

The locations were near the old Holy Childhood of Jesus School in Harbor Springs, the Holy Childhood Cemetery in Harbor Springs, Lakeview Cemetery in Harbor Springs, Five Mile Creek Cemetery northwest of Harbor Springs, St. Ignatius Cemetery in Good Hart, MI, Island View Cemetery north of Good Hart, a cemetery on Oak Road in Cross Village Township, MI, on the cross at the tribe's Osborne Road property in Readmond Township, MI, and a cemetery north of Bay Shore, MI.

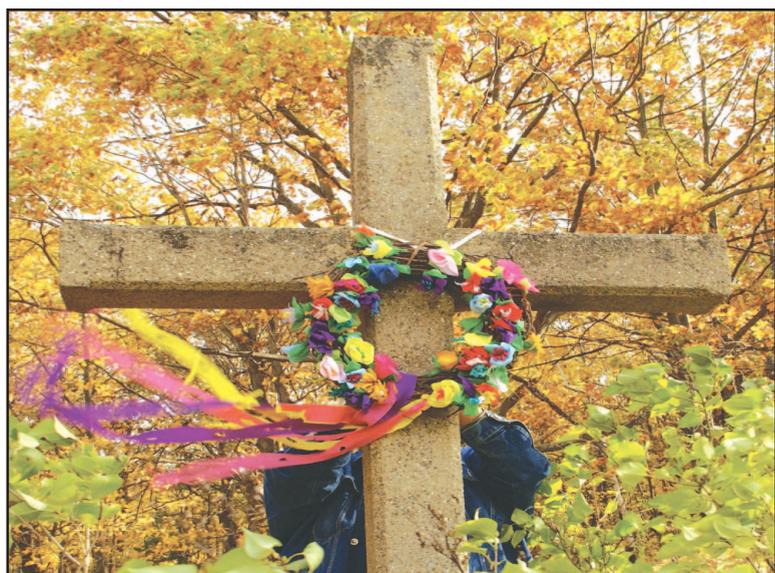
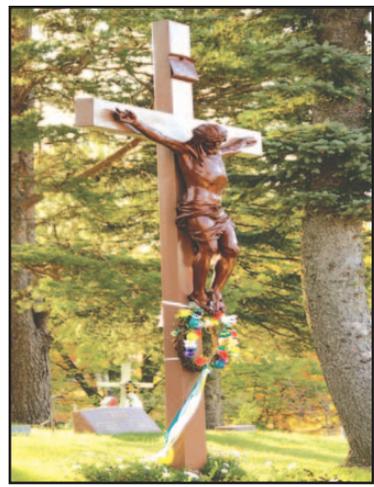
Tribal elders Virginia Lewis and Harriet Kishigo-Booth deserve much of the credit for the flower crowns/wreaths being made. They were joined by Matt Davis, Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Eric Hemenway, Hope Reines, Sharon Werner, Richard Wemigwase, Theresa Keshick and I on October 29.

We left the LTBB Governmental Center at 9:30 a.m. that day and returned on 2:30 p.m. after placing the flower wreaths/crowns on graves.

Hemenway smudged all of the flower crowns/wreaths and all of us before we left.

Lewis said she hopes the LTBB Elders Association starts having flower making workshops in February because there are still many more graves where wreaths/crowns should be put.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



# LTBB ID CARDS

If you live out of the state of Michigan 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 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.

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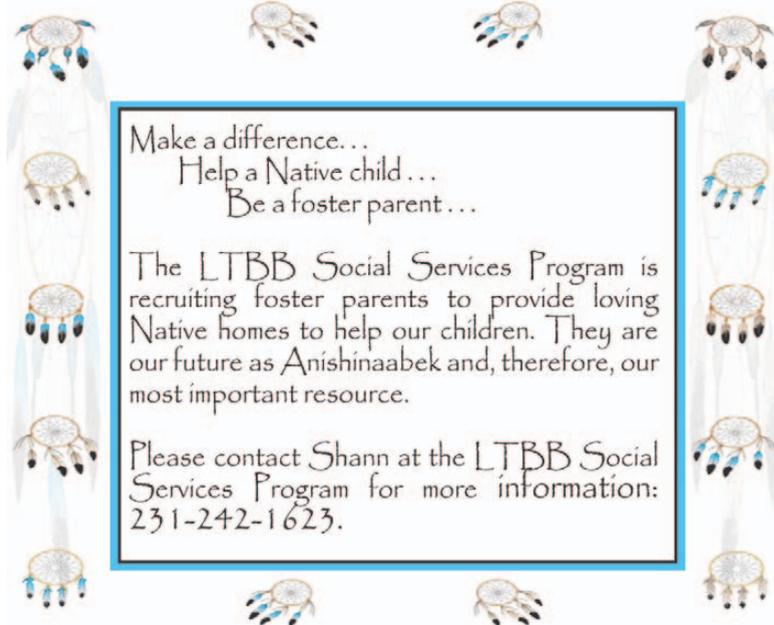
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## HEAD START CHILDREN ENTERTAIN AND ASSIST ELDERS

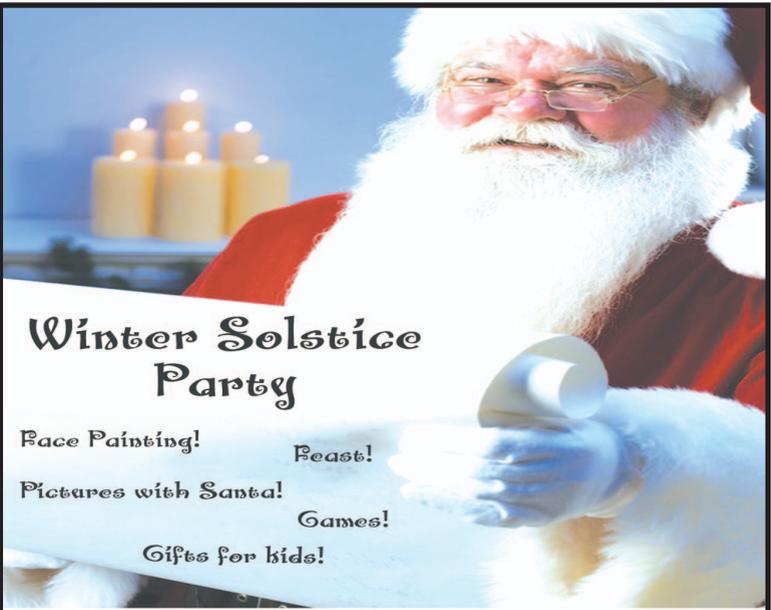
On October 23 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, the Head Start children sang songs to the elders in attendance at the Elders Luncheon and presented the LTBB Elders Association with 20 flower crowns/wreaths.

The LTBB Elders Association hosted flower making, flower assembling and wreath/crown assembling work sessions earlier this year.

The flower crowns/wreaths were placed on tribal community citizens' graves in northern Michigan area cemeteries on October 29.

The Head Start children made and donated the 20 flower crowns for this purpose.

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*



## Winter Solstice Party

- Face Painting!
- Feast!
- Pictures with Santa!
- Games!
- Gifts for kids!

**When: December 8 Time: 12 - 4 p.m.**  
**Place: Knights of Columbus Hall at 1106 Charlevoix Ave., Petoskey, MI.**  
**Right across from the Emmet County Fairgrounds.**  
 For more information, please contact the Human Services Department at 231-242-1632.

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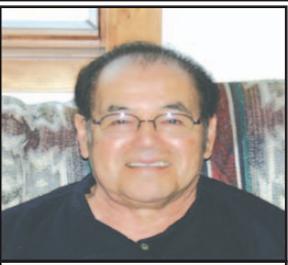
- Gain experience?
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Temp. assignments can last one day or as long as a month or more. Contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians' Human Resources Department Today!  
 Call: 231-242-1563



**Frank Ettawageshik**



**Ray Kiogima**



**JoAnne Gasco**



**Wenona Singel**

## LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS AND JUDGES PRESENTERS AT INDIGENOUS LAW CONFERENCE

*Odawa Trails staff report*

The Indigenous Law and Policy Center at Michigan State University (MSU) College of Law sponsored the Fourth Annual Indigenous Law Conference – American Indian Law and Literature from October 18 to 20 in East Lansing, MI.

The conference featured presenters from all over the United States. They included judges, attorneys, professors, authors and lecturers.

Among the LTBB presenters were Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Chief Judge JoAnne Gasco, Ray “Zeebee” Kiogima and Appellate Judge Wenona T. Singel.

All are LTBB Tribal Citizens except for Gasco, who is a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (GTB).

Kiogima was invited to speak about the Odawa language, customs and life. They asked him to talk about how he became a fluent speaker of the Odawa language. Many of the other speakers had heard the Odawa language is an indigenous language.

His presentation was at 9 a.m. on October 20. Whereas the other presentations had small crowds, his presentation had a full house. He ended it with the statement the Odawa language would not be an indigenous language as long as he could speak and write it. This brought a standing ovation from the crowd.

Many of them came up and shook his hand and gave him pats on the back.

A banquet was held on October 19, and Kiogima was asked to give the meal prayer and blessing, which he did. The keynote speaker for the banquet was Ettawageshik.

### Background Information about the Presenters

Kiogima was a highly skilled carpenter for 40 years in the Harbor Springs (Michigan) area and has taught the Odawa language for many years. His book *Odawa Language and Legends: Andrew J. Blackbird and Raymond Kiogima* was published in 2006, and he is working on his second book, which will be a complete guide to the Odawa language and grammar. Kiogima's portion of the 2006 book is devoted to the Odawa language along with some legends. He was one of 24 nominees for “Linguist of the Year” in 2006 by Intranet, a multilingual network of professional interpreters in more than 40 countries.

Kiogima has been a member of the board at the Andrew J. Blackbird Museum in Harbor Springs for nine years, serving as the Board President for three years. He is a Housing Commissioner and works as a consultant for the Language Program.

Singel's presentation was titled, “Rebellious Judging.” Singel, a member of the Michigan Indian Judicial Association, is an Associate Professor at MSU and the Associate Director of

the Indigenous Law and Policy Center at MSU. She teaches Federal Indian Law, Advanced Topics in Indian Law and an experimental class in which students participate in completing research and writing assignments for tribal governments, judiciaries and other organizations representing tribal interests. She is also Of Counsel with Kanji and Katzen, PLLC, a firm representing tribes across the country on a wide variety of Indian law issues.

Ettawageshik, who opened Pipigwa Pottery and Gallery in 1974 in Traverse City, MI, has worked to revive the makings of traditional Indian pottery in the Great Lakes area through giving lectures, trainings and workshops throughout Michigan. In addition to creating pottery, he is a storyteller following the tradition passed down from his father. He has worked for the advancement of LTBB and Indian people in general.

Gasco's presentation was titled, “The Love of Migizi.” She was a GTB Associate Judge for five years and the GTB Chief Judge for almost four years. Gasco has taught at Northwestern Michigan College as an adjunct instructor.

*Ray “Zeebee” Kiogima contributed to this article.*

Photos by Annette VanDeCar except for the head shot of Frank Ettawageshik. Ettawageshik's head shot was taken by Tina Peterson.

## WAGANAKISING MARTIAL ARTS CLUB UPDATE

Submitted by **Regina Brubacker-Carver**, Health Educator

On September 29 at Native Way II gym in Harbor Springs, MI, nine members of the Waganakising Martial Arts Club held another test to advance ranking.

Congratulations to the following individuals on their promotions:

- Terry Samuels:** -----Third-degree black belt.
- John Naganashe:** -----Second-degree black belt.
- Eric Keller:** -----Black-brown belt.
- Christopher Lynn:** -----Black-brown belt.
- Belinda Joy:** -----Green belt.
- Glen Joy:** -----Green belt.
- Lizzie Engle:** -----Green belt.
- Tonaleah Engle:** -----Green belt.
- Marshall Schoolcraft:** -----Yellow belt.

On October 27, **Alex Fisher** competed in a tae kwon do tournament in Whitmore Lake, MI. It was his first competition as a black belt. He finished first in sparring, competing against advanced competitors such as a seventh-degree black belt. Fisher also finished third in forms. Congratulations to Alex from the rest of the WMA!

The martial arts club is open to all tribal community members over the age of five, and welcomes new students of any level. There is no cost to attend the classes held at Native Way II gym. The beginner classes are every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:45 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The advanced classes are every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If you would like more information, please call 231-242-1601.





The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (GTB) hosted the Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) meeting October 11-12 at the Leelanau Sands Casino in Peshawbestown, MI. As part of the entertainment on October 11, Ruby John played the fiddle along with her mentor, Lee Sloan, who accompanied her on guitar. The Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society, based in Peshawbestown, also performed.

*Photos by Tina Peterson.*



*Love Lines Sought*

**BE MINE**

We will include Love Lines in the February issue of Odawa Trails to celebrate Valentine's Day. Submit your Love Lines by December 17. Please e-mail them to [newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov). They must be no longer than 15 words, no photographs will be included, and they must be signed. No secret admirers or unsigned Love Lines will be published.

# Greensky Hill Christmas Party!

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is available for appointments on  
**December 27 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.**  
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WHERE: GREENSKY HILL, SUSAN HALL**

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## Old Holy Childhood of Jesus School Building Demolished

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

Demolition of the Old Holy Childhood of Jesus School in Harbor Springs, MI, commenced on October 23.

The weekend prior to the start of demolition, the stone cross and the sign with the date the building was erected were removed and saved.

The demolition started with what used to be the convent on the eastern end of the building and proceeded west. The demolition took approximately three weeks.

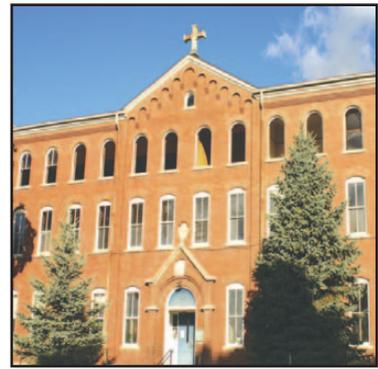
The building was demolished to

make way for a \$4 million church addition that will include a parish hall, kitchen, a faith formation center with four rooms for classes or meetings and a parish library.

There will also be a 2,320 square foot addition added to Holy Childhood Church that will include a gathering space and possible additional seating.

Church leaders and LTBB tribal leaders met in hopes of reaching a compromise regarding the building. At press time, a compromise had not been announced.

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Day Care Assistance

Applications for the 2007-2008 Day Care Assistance Program are now available.

If you live in Emmet, Charlevoix or Cheboygan County and would like more information, please stop in at Human Services, 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, MI, or call 231-242-1626 for an application. You may also call 1-888-309-5822 and ask for Human Services. **This is an income based program.**

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## LTBB GOVERNMENTAL EMPLOYEES SHOW THEIR HALLOWEEN SPIRIT



Odawa Trails staff report

### Halloween Costume Contest winners

- Gilligan's Island** (Joe Lucier as the Skipper, Beverly Wemigwase as Mrs. Howell, Melissa Claramunt as Ginger, Dorothy Perry as Mary Ann and Francine Thuston as Gilligan) received 19 votes.
- Wizard of Oz** (Melissa Wiatrolik as Dorothy, Marie "Tootsie" Miller as the Tin Man, David K. Burks as the Flying Monkey and Annette VanDeCar as the Wicked Witch) received 17 votes.
- Hunter and baby deer** (Phil Harmon and his son, Peyton) received 16 votes.



### Honorable mention

**Little Mermaid** (Tammy Bowers as the Little Mermaid, Valerie Williams as a starfish, Regina Brubacker-Carver as a green fish and Cathy Gibson as a yellow fish) with 14 votes.  
**Trees** (Robin Clark, Rachel Schwarz and Jackie Pilette) with nine votes.  
**Total votes:** 100

### Halloween Decorating Contest Winner

Tribal Court's Haunted House.

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar except for the Wizard of Oz and hunter and baby deer photos. They were taken by Tina Peterson.*



## Native News Briefs

Odawa Trails staff report

### AIM Leader Vernon Bellecourt Walks On

Vernon Bellecourt walked on at age 75 on October 13 at Abbott Northwestern Hospital in Minneapolis, MN, of complications from pneumonia.

Bellecourt was a long-time leader of the American Indian Movement (AIM). Bellecourt, whose Ojibwe name WanBun-Inini means Man of Dawn, was a member of Minnesota's White Earth Band and was an international spokesman for the AIM Grand Governing Council based in Minneapolis. He was active in the campaign to free AIM activist Leonard Peltier, who was convicted of killing two Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) agents during a shootout in 1975 on the Pine Ridge reservation in South Dakota.

Bellecourt was involved as a negotiator in AIM's 1972 occupation of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) headquarters in Washington as part of the Trail of Broken Treaties caravan. He was briefly at the 1973 occupation of Wounded Knee on the Pine Ridge reservation. Bellecourt was also active in the fight against American Indian nicknames for sports teams as president of the National Coalition on Racism in Sports and Media.

### Ancient Remains Returned to Tlingit Tribes

Human remains estimated to be more than 10,000 years old will be returned to southeast Alaska Tlingit tribes after they were found in a cave in the Tongass National Forest in 1996.

U.S. Forest Service officials said it was the first time a federal agency has conveyed custody of such ancient remains to indigenous groups under the 1990 Native American Graves and Repatriation Act.

Vertebrae, ribs, teeth, a mandible and a pelvic bone were among the remains discovered during a Forest Service archaeological survey for a proposed timber sale on northern Prince of Wales Island. The area is the aboriginal homeland for Tlingit Tribes. Stone tools were also found inside On Your Knees Cave, an extensive limestone network.

Through testing, it was determined the remains were 10,300 years old, and researchers identified the remains as belonging to an indigenous man in his early 20s, who subsisted primarily on seafood. The remains are being held by the Forest Service while the tribes plan a ceremonial burial at the discovery site.

### Archaeologists Discover Pre-Columbian Site

U.S. and Puerto Rican archaeologists reported they found a preserved pre-

Columbian site in the Caribbean, which could shed light on virtually every aspect of Indian life in the region from sacred rituals to eating habits.

Archaeologists believe the site, located in southern Puerto Rico, may have belonged to the Taino or pre-Taino people, who inhabited the island before European colonization although other tribes are a possibility.

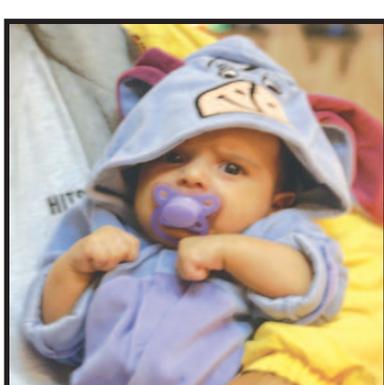
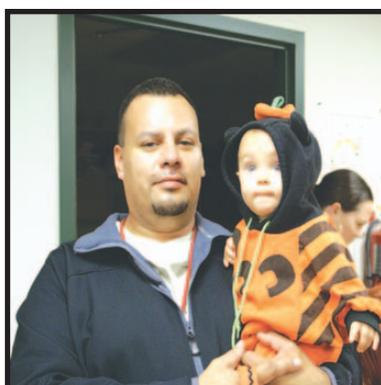
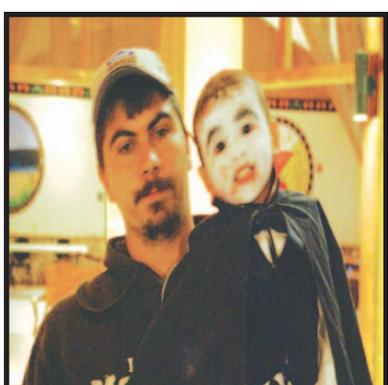
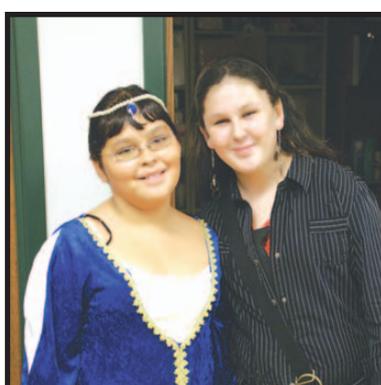
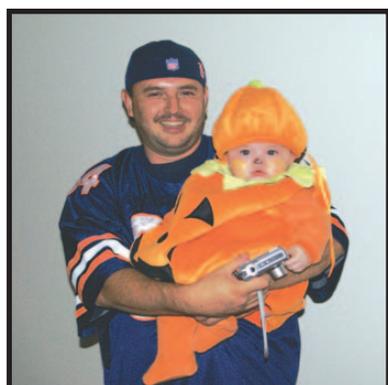
The Tainos were a subgroup of the Arawak Indians, who migrated to the Caribbean from Mexico's Yucatan centuries before European colonizers arrived.

It contains stones etched with ancient petroglyphs that form a large plaza measuring 130 feet by 160 feet, which could have been used for ball games or ceremonial rites. The petroglyphs include the carving of a human figure with masculine features and frog legs.

Several uncovered graves were found with bodies buried face down with the legs bent at the knees, a style never seen before in this region.

The plaza may contain other artifacts dating from 600 to 1500 A.D. Archaeologists have known since 1985 the area contained indigenous artifacts, but the extent and significance only became clear in October when the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers started work on removing them, so the land could be used for a dam project.

# 2007 HALLOWEEN FESTIVITIES AT THE LTBB GOVERNMENTAL CENTER



**Photos taken by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar on October 31 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.**