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## New Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Sean Barnard Boasts Wealth of Experience

Born in Gloucester (pronounced "Gloster-sheer") England, Sean Barnard grew up in the famous town of Brighton, 50 miles south of London. This vibrant suburb of England's capital is a seaside tourist spot and home to a royal palace, dog racing, horse racing, a university, live theater and casinos.

Finishing school at 16, his first career was in the retail jewelry trade. By 20, he had traveled around England from store to store and was the

youngest manager in a chain of more than 50. Quickly realizing he was chasing what could be a dead-end career that wasn't challenging enough, he opted out.

In the summer of 1978, he found himself in a part-time job, selling cheap souvenirs to tourists in his hometown and with no planned career path. With the season coming to an end, a newspaper advertisement caught his attention: "Learn how to become a roulette dealer and earn £40



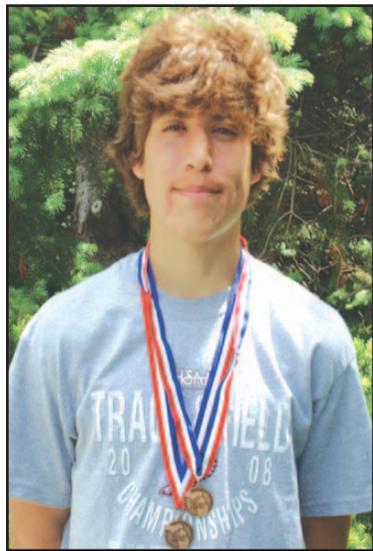
(\$80) per week." It wasn't much...but it was a permanent job, and it sounded fun.

Barnard immediately loved the excitement of the industry, but wasn't impressed with the wages. British dealers can't earn tips, and his basic wage of less than \$100 per week, once he was trained, was barely enough to live on. He added to his wages by working in valet and started to learn the administration side of the business for more hours.

In 1982, he was a table games Pit Manager, and his career was progressing well, but the opportunity to work overseas was appealing not only to him but to several of his co-workers. Cruise ships and South African and Caribbean casinos appeal to British employees with the promise of warm weather, travel, tax-free income and the opportunity to earn tips. His application took nearly two years to process and in the summer of 1984

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## Tecumseh Adams Blazes His Own Trail of Cross Country and Track and Field Success



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On the third lap of an eight lap cross country race at the East Jordan Invitational this past season, Tecumseh Adams felt his calf locking up.

Adams, a 17-year-old LTBB Tribal Citizen who lives in Harbor Springs, MI, was in second place at the time and wondered if he should pull out of the race.

He decided to stay in the race, but by the fifth lap, he fell back to fourth place. On the sixth lap, he passed two of the runners in front of him, went back into second place and held on to finish second in the race.

It's that type of competitiveness and determination that has propelled Adams to a successful cross country and track and field career at Harbor Springs High School. Adams will be a senior this fall.

"It is painful, but I remind myself, I have to be stronger than the other competitors," Adams said. "I have to tear myself down and have nothing left at the end of the race to be satisfied. My goal is to push the limits every day."

Adams did not compete in cross country his freshman year, competed at the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Division 4 Cross Country State Finals as a sophomore despite being injured a significant portion of that season and earned All-State honors after finishing fifth at the 2007 MHSAA Division 4 Cross Country State Finals. His personal best is 16:03, which he ran at regionals last season. It was the best time in northern Michigan last season. His goal is to win the state title his senior year.

"It was a surreal race; it was a blur," Adams said of the 2007 state finals. "The kid who won the race (Kevin Oblinger from Mt. Pleasant Sacred Heart at 15:49.3) was ranked 10th in the nation. I focused on staying with him. When people run in front of you, you have the urge to catch them. If you're in the lead, you tend to coast."

Adams finished fifth in the 3,200 meter run at both the 2007 MHSAA Division 4 Track and Field State Finals and the 2008 MHSAA Division 3 Track and Field State Finals, earning Second Team All-State honors both years and has competed as part of Harbor Springs' 3,200 meter relay team at both state meets.

He also qualified in the 1,600 meter run for both state meets, but chose not to compete in the event. Adams has the second-fastest times in school history in the 800 meter run at 1:57, the 1,600 meter run at 4:27 and the 3,200 meter run at 9:37.

Adams said he was surprised to make All-State as a sophomore because it was his first state meet.

"I was trying to place high in the two mile (3,200 meter run) at the last two state meets, so I just ran that individual race and competed on the relay team," Adams said. "But as a senior, I want to race both individual events and finish first. I am stronger in the one mile (1,600 meter run). It's a speed factor. In the two mile, I run with the people around me. In the one mile, I pull away from the other runners and finish strong."

Adams credits former Harbor Springs High School teammate Spencer Beatty, now a cross country and track and field athlete at Michigan State University, for helping him.

"Spencer was the leader on the team my freshman year, so I thought I would run with him because he was better than me," Adams said. "I tried to stay with him. Training with him helped me a lot."

Similar to Beatty, Adams would like to compete in both cross country and track in college. Eventually, Adams would like to compete in the Olympics.

"Michigan State is big on my list, but I am also considering Wisconsin, Oregon and Iowa," said Adams, who

looks to major in engineering in college. "If those don't work out, I would be all right going to a Division II school."

His first running experience came when he was only three or four years old. His father, LTBB Tribal Citizen John Adams, was a runner, and he took his son out with him on a two mile run. His older brothers, Obik, 24, and Aris, 21, were also competitive runners. Obik Adams and Aris Adams are also LTBB Tribal Citizens.

"He thought I would run with him for a little while, stop and wait for him to come back, but he told me I ran the whole way," Tecumseh Adams said of that first run with his father. "He (his father) helped me the most with form and breathing tech-



niques. When I was old enough, I wanted to run competitively like them."

John Adams set the Harbor Springs High School record in the 3,200 meter run in 1974 at 9:50. John Adams' best finish in the event at the state meet was third. The current record is 9:34, and Tecumseh Adams' best time is 9:37.

"I was going for that since my freshman year," Tecumseh Adams said of beating his father's time in the event.

Harbor Springs High School finished seventh at the 2007 MHSAA Division 4 Cross Country State Finals, and Tecumseh Adams was named the Team MVP. In 2008, the team returns all of its varsity runners from last season.

"With the way everyone is improving, this should be our year to contend for the state title," Tecumseh Adams said. "We have a strong team with 10 seniors, who all started running at the same time. We all push each other."

When Billy Mills, an Oglala Lakota (Sioux) who won the gold medal in the 10,000 meter run at the 1964 Summer Olympics, spoke to a group of Harbor Springs High School students in May, Tecumseh Adams was selected to introduce Mills in Anishinaabemowin. During Mills' visit, Tecumseh Adams got Mills' autograph.

"I was sort of star struck when I

"Adams" continued on page 17.

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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**

Dbendiziwin aawan maanda Odawa aaw'ing. Geyaabi gdaa'aana miinawa gda'nwemi. Anishnaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing dbendiziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendiziwin miinwa wiimnaadendiziwin. Gdabendaanaa dbendiziwin kina gwaya Odawak nasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakniwinan, maadiziwin miinwa mndidoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda dbendiziwin eyaamiing nangwa, gaanamaajidona niigaan ezhi bezhigoyiing, kinomaadwin, dbakinigewin, giigidowin miinwa naakinigewin. Gaazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabi'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadiziwinan echipiiten-daakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendmowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendiziwin miinwa debwewin. Ganakaazi-naa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishiabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwin. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

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We hope to see all of you at the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jingtamok on August 9-10.

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 September issue of *Odawa Trails* is July 21.

You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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<u>August 6</u> Carol Quinones	<u>August 17</u> Joseph Compo Leonard Mitchell Joan Ornelas Joan Robinson	<u>August 26</u> Kathryn Bartlett Richard Bottoms Judith Drogmiller
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Wednesday, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.  
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Mike Breen, Instructor

For more information, please call  
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## American Indian Liaison

Full-time, annually renewable, Extension Specialist serving as the American Indian Liaison position available October 1, 2008, with Michigan State University Extension, located in East Lansing, MI. Starting salary commensurate with training and experience. For more information and to apply, go to <http://www.msue.msu.edu/jobs>. Deadline Aug. 15, 2008. MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. MSU is committed to achieving excellence through cultural diversity. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans with disabilities.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Towards the end of the year, we will notify you for purposes of the per capita payment.

Adult verification form must be witnessed.  
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Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.

## Attention Fall 2008 Students

Please remember to complete a new Michelle Chingwa Scholarship application for the new academic year. Applications are available on the LTBB website within the Education Department page ([www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)). Students can access the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver and the Merit Scholarship applications from the webpage also.

The scholarship award levels for Fall 2008 while funds are available:	
Class 1 (LTBB sponsored courses):	\$25/credit hour
Class 2 (community colleges):	\$150/credit hour
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Class 4 (graduate level courses):	\$350/credit hour
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Please contact Melissa Colby with any questions at 231-242-1492 or [mcolby@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:mcolby@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov).

## GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program has implemented a new application process. 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 August 29, 2008. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.

## Interested in working for LTBB?

Jobs are updated every Friday at  
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- In person at our LTBB Human Resources office
- Email: [hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)
- Mail to LTBB Human Resources, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Questions? Please contact Phil J. Harmon, HR Generalist/Recruiter at 231-242-1563.

## Enroll Your Little Ones Now!

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Head Start is a great place to start your child's education. Here's why:

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<u>Head Start</u> 3-5 Years/Center Based	

For more information or to register for the 2008-2009 program year, please call 231-539-8325.

# 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.

# Health Department

## After Hours Clinics for LTBB Tribal Patients

### Weekend Urgent Care Alternatives

**Boyne Country Urgent Care**  
1937 M-119  
Petoskey, MI 49770  
231-348-9200

**Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center**  
116 W. Mitchell Street  
Petoskey, MI 49770  
231-348-2828

These clinics can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

When using one of these providers, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.



## Child Restraint Law in Michigan Effective July 1, 2008

Submitted by **Tina Shawano**,  
Maternal Child Health Nurse



Children are required to be in a car seat or booster seat UNTIL they are eight years old or 4-foot-9 tall.

**Example 1:** If your child is under eight, but over 4-9, the law does not apply.

**Example 2:** If your child is over 8, but under 4-9, the law does not apply.

**Remember:** In both cases, your child may be safer in a booster seat but it is not required by law.

### What seat should I use?

Most four to eight year old children can use a booster seat. However, some children under eight still fit in a regular car seat. Check the car seat owner's manual for the weight limit on the harness straps. If your child has reached that limit, you can get a seat with a higher weight limit or use a booster seat. Some forward-facing seats convert to booster seats.

**What types of boosters are available?**

There are two basic types of booster seats, no-back and high-back. A high-back booster provides head

and neck support and can be used in all vehicles with lap/shoulder safety belt systems. Some forward-facing car seats convert to become a high-back booster seat. A no-back booster should only be used in vehicles with built-in head rests.

**Important:** All booster seats should be used with the vehicle's lap and shoulder belt, NEVER a lap belt only.

**Where do I get a booster seat and how much do they cost?**

Booster seats are available at many retail stores. A no-back booster costs about \$15 and a high-back ranges from \$20-\$100 depending on the style.

**Where can I get more information?**

Go to [www.michigansafekids.org](http://www.michigansafekids.org)

### New Law in Effect

Children under eight and under 4-foot-9 tall must be in a car seat or booster seat.

**Commonly Asked Questions Concerning the New Law**

Does my child have to be in a seat?

# Department of Commerce

## Tribal Certificates of Exemption (TCEs)

By **Theresa Keshick**, Department of Commerce Assistant

As stated in previous *Odawa Trails* newsletters, LTBB has moved to using Tribal Certificates of Exemption (TCEs) as of January 1, 2008. Resident Tribal Members (RTMs) are exempt from sales tax on certain enumerated items such as vehicles, watercraft, and snowmobiles and other off the road vehicles. Affixations to your primary residence are also tax exempt. This portion does not include furniture. Items purchased for tribal fishing are also exempt. This would include vehicles, boats, trailers, nets, etc.

The following is the process to receive a TCE:

The RTM must request the TCE by filling out a **Request for TCE** form. This form is on the LTBB website [www.ltbbodawa-nasn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nasn.gov) and the P-drive (so any LTBB Governmental Employee should be able to print it). There are also forms at the Department of Commerce (DOC) Office at 1345

U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI, and at the main receptionist's desk at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

The RTM then fills out the form and returns it to the DOC. There, RTM status is verified as well as the item(s) being requested to make sure it/they fall within the guidelines for exemption under the Tax Agreement. The DOC will then fill in the appropriate information and make two originals for the RTM. One will go to the vendor or seller, and the other the RTM should keep in their files. One copy will be kept in the DOC Office.

When filling out the request form, please note the following:

1. When purchasing a vehicle, the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is needed prior to receiving the TCE along with Year, Make, Model and the dealership name, address and telephone number. Dealership paperwork is preferred. The same information is needed when purchasing a vehicle from an individual.
2. When making affixations to

your primary residence and you are doing the work yourself, please make a list of all the materials and supplies needed to complete the job. This will save time and stop DOC from making several phone calls.

3. When purchasing a modular or mobile home, the Mobil or Modular ID Number, Year, Make and model will be needed along with the seller's name, address and telephone number.

4. If you are using a contractor to complete the affixations to your primary residence or for new construction, the contractor will have to fill out Form 3772, **MI Sales & Use Tax Certificate of Exemption**, in addition to the TCE issued by DOC.

5. Cost of item(s) being purchased.

Please remember DOC Office hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you plan to purchase a tax-exempt item on the weekend, please contact DOC prior to doing so, so your paperwork may be completed.

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- Represent the Odawa people

**Complete Entry Requirements**

- Using the prompt, "What the title Miss Odawa Nation means to me." This essay should be 1½ - 2 pages double spaced in Times New Roman and a point size no larger than 11 pt.
- A 1 - 2 page personal biography
- Signed release forms (if under 18, include parent or guardian's signature)
- Public Speaking, Interview and Dance Exhibition

If you possess these qualities and would like to be considered for Miss Odawa Nation, please complete the registration forms. Each **COMPLETE** entry **MUST** have a completed essay and signed release forms or will not be considered. **The deadline for entry is July 20, 2008 by mail or fax only. No e-mail entries will be accepted.**

**For entry submission:**  
Miss Odawa Nation Pageant  
LTBB Governmental Center  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
231-242-1430 Fax

**For more information or to obtain registration forms:**  
Winnay Wemigwase 231-242-1400

Registration forms can also be obtained at the LTBB Governmental Center Front Desk or you can visit:  
[www.ltbbodawa-nasn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nasn.gov) and click on the Announcements tab.

## WILL YOUR 2008 PER CAPITA BE LATE?

**Adults: If you are 18 and up, you must have an address verification form on file. If you turn 18 by November 20, 2008, 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 not the same, you must have the address verification form notarized.**

**\*Individual tribal citizens may have their checks mailed to an address other than their own, but they 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.**

### IMPORTANT

**If your address is not current or your minor child does not have a 2008 address verification form on file, this will delay the 2008 per capita check in December 2008.**

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

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

**PLEASE SEND  
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FORMS TO:**

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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 1-866-652-5822 and ask for Human Services.**

**This is an income based program.**

### To Honor the Graduates

The Education Department and the Education Commission will host a Graduation Celebration for the LTBB tribal community on Friday, August 8, at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Dinner and ceremony begin at 6 p.m.

If you are a graduate or a family member of a graduate and would like to attend, please contact the Education Department at 231-242-1480 to RSVP.

Again, we are hoping all graduates (High School, GED, Vocational, College and Post-graduate) contact us with their graduation information.

# Archives, Records & Cultural Preservation

## THE INS AND OUTS OF HARVESTING BIRCH BARK



Yvonne Walker-Keshick

Submitted by the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department

Thirteen people attended this year's Annual Birch Bark Picking Instructional Excursion to Le Grand Ranch in Cheboygan County, MI.

This group caravanned through Indian River, MI, to a site selected by the LTBB Natural Resource Department strictly for the purpose of picking birch bark.

Learning how to properly pick the bark is an important step in collecting. After tobacco is placed near the tree and thanks is given for the gift of bark, the birch bark picker selects a tree that is 6-12 inches in diameter.

The tree should be looked at at the top to see if the tree is alive. A tree, partially dead at the top, could be infected by the Bronze borer beetle.

This infection manifests itself by having "D" shaped holes in the birch

bark and palm-sized bumps visible under the birch. Woodpecker holes are often seen on an infected tree because the woodpecker eats the borer larva.

Instructor Yvonne Walker-Keshick showed the participants how to properly remove the bark from the tree.

Once a sheet of bark is removed from a healthy tree, one does not touch the sap trunk of the white birch. This sap protects the tree until it can form a covering to protect itself. It will take eight to 10 years for a birch tree to replace the bark taken.

The bark taken from a tree can be laid on the ground to dry, then stacked and stored in a cool, dry place. Birch bark is not picked in the

rain because after it is stacked, mold and mildew could set in and damage the bark.

People who make buckets, lids, trays, bowls and other containers usually have the patterns, tools and sewing roots to cut and assemble the containers on the spot. The birch bark is extremely pliable immediately after being picked.

Some students picked one or two sheets of bark and others picked up to a dozen sheets.

The best time to pick the white birch from the trees is after a thunderstorm and the days following the storm are at least 70 degrees or more.

*Photos by Mike Lyons.*



Don Boda, the husband of LTBB Tribal Citizen Dorothy Boda.

## ANNUAL SWEET GRASS PICKING EVENT DRAWS LARGEST CROWD



Human Resources Administrative Assistant Kristy Dayson smiles in the sweet grass field.

Submitted by the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department

This year's Annual Sweet Grass picking group was the largest group ever taken at one time by the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department.

On June 18, this group of 30 individuals packed their lunches and put their tobacco down to give thanks for the opportunity to pick the sweet grass and other medicine plants growing in the Cheboygan County, MI, field.

Milk cartons served as stools as the pickers used short blade knives/scissors.

Individuals received instruction from the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation staff on how to identify, pick, clean and bundle the

sweet grass in preparation for the heat curing process of sweet grass.

"It is an honor to be able to get the sweet grass," Archives Technician Yvonne Walker-Keshick said.

Sweet grass is known as Mother Earth's hair. We pick it, clean it and often braid the grasses as gifts to special people. It is burned on special occasions and often used daily with prayers.

Walker-Keshick often expresses the danger to the field if it is sold and housing or condominiums are built at the site. The Cheboygan field is one of the largest of its kind. Walker-Keshick said the field was once twice



Language Program Instructor Isabelle Osamawick shows off her sweet grass.

way to preserve the field, protect it from development of any kind and retain its use for Native people.

*Photos by Pre-Press Graphics Specialist David K. Burks.*



Ryan Stillwell examines the sweet grass before he cuts it during the June 18 event.

its size when she first went there 37 years ago to pick with her teacher Susan Shagonaby. We need to find a



Cary Field lines up his sweet grass to make the final cut during the June 18 event.

## Corn Gather 2008

It's time for the 2008 Home Grown Project's Corn Gather at Berg Farms in Bay Shore, MI. Corn is an important crop to the Odawa, both historically and now. Bring the whole family to join in and share the fun. We will gather at the Health Park and carpool/caravan over to the farm.

**Don't forget to bring your own containers.**

Call Community Health at 231-242-1601 to sign up for this event or to get more information.

**The actual date is yet to be determined based on how the season progresses.**

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You may direct any employment questions to Recruiter Lynn Trozzo at 231-439-5380.



## Register now for WOCTEP classes!

Registration is now open for the following certificate programs:

- Phlebotomy
- Nurse Aid
- New Media
- Entrepreneurship

Classes will be held at 3 locations: the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, the LTBB Health Park and the North Central Michigan College (NCMC) Petoskey campus. The classes are part of the certificate program offered in partnership with North Central Michigan College.

**For more information or to register, please call Dawn at 231-242-1485 or Debbie at 231-242-1489.**

## Temporary Help Wanted

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

- Gain valuable work experience?
- Work in the tribal community?
- Make a little extra money?
- Gain experience in several fields?

**Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!**

Temporary 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**



Education  
Department

# Enjoy Pow Wow Related Materials Available at the LTBB Cultural Library

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

With the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jijingtamok on August 9 and 10, I thought I would highlight some of the pow wow related materials available at the LTBB Cultural Library located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the following items for three weeks.

### *We Dance Because We Can*

This book, featuring profiles written by Diane Morris Bernstein and photographs by Don Contreras, was published in 1996. The following is a description of the book from the inside cover: "Five hundred years after Columbus, the old inhabitants of the New World, are creating a Native American renaissance. At the heart of this resurgence are tribal dancers who sustain the community's spiritual and artistic traditions. Every year at hundreds of pow wows across the country, master dancers compete in exhibitions of skill and pageantry – largely out of sight of the general public. In *We Dance Because We Can*, photographer Don Contreras and writer Diane Morris Bernstein bring to light the modern practitioners of this ancient art form. Stunning full-color portraits capture more than 30 dancers in traditional regalia along with photos and profiles of selected tribal leaders, craftsmen and children. In their own words, the dancers speak of their traditions and experiences in a world most Americans never see.

*We Dance Because We Can* celebrates the rich tapestry of Native American life, a profound spirituality woven with yarn of exuberant hue."

### *Celebrating the Pow Wow*

This book, written by Bobbie Kalman and published in 1997, is intended for children 6-10 or grades one through five. The following is a description of the book that appears on the University of Manitoba website: "Following the format of most Crabtree books, *Celebrating the Powwow* is rich in illustration with this volume including beautiful photographs bounded by brilliant primary

ies and interspersed with drawings. Some of the text has an underlay of drawings or designs and is interspersed with drawings. In one example, feathers are underlaid where the text describes regalia. This approach makes the book visually exciting and attractive and will draw people into the subject. In some parts of Canada, powwows will be familiar and well-known. In others, this book will provide a wonderful introduction to the

Braine and published in 1995, is intended for children. The following is a description of the book that appears on the Meadowlark Communications website: "*Drumbeat Heartbeat* explains to young readers the meaning of a pow wow from grand entry to the end. It stresses the drum's importance at pow wows."

### *Jingle Dancer*

This book, written by Cynthia

like renderings capture the genuine affection between Jenna and these caring older women. Their easy integration of Native and standard furnishings and clothing gracefully complement Smith's heartening portrait of a harmonious meshing of old and new."

### "On the Powwow Trail"

This movie, intended for all ages, follows young Chad Killscrow and his friend, Michael Roberts, as

This book, written by Marsha MacDowell, was published in 1997 by the Michigan State University Museum in collaboration with the Nokomis Learning Center. The following is a description of the book from the Michigan State University Museum website: "*Contemporary Great Lakes Pow Wow Regalia* showcases the work of contemporary American Indian artists who make and wear pow wow dance regalia in the Great Lakes region. In addition to photographs by Minnie Wabanimkee, the publication contains a series of essays on dance and dance regalia and a glossary of terms by Cameron Wood, Charlotte Heth, Arnie Parish, Thurman Bear, Frances Vincent and Marclay Crampton."

### "Smokeytown Singers: Next Generation"

Formed in 1973 by Myron Pyawasit on the Menominee Reservation, the Smokeytown Singers have sung all over the country and in Canada at pow wows. Their distinctive melodic but strong sound is usually backed up by women singers making them an unusual and often requested drum. The group is made up of two generations of singers. Narrations are provided for each song in both their Native language and in English. Songs included are new contest songs, a chicken dance, a double solo song and traditional side step songs from previous generations.

### "The Boyz: Across America"

Recorded live from the Twin Cities of Minnesota, "Across America" features the Boyz, one of the best and oldest drum groups on the pow wow trail today. The group has served as host drum at numerous events and has won many prestigious contests. This captures their eclectic style of singing and shows viewers why the group has withstood the test of time. Included on the program is Bear Creek from Sault Ste. Marie, Minnesota.

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



spirituality, pageantry and community which characterize pow wows."

### *Powwow Country: People of the Circle*

This book, written by and photographs taken by Chris Roberts, was published in 1998. The following is a description of the book that appears on the Meadowlark Communications website: "While Chris' first book was an introduction to pow wows, this book takes an in-depth look at dance styles, the people who participate in pow wows and several other colorful elements of the pow wow. His striking photographs make this book a must have for the pow wow enthusiast."

### *Drumbeat Heartbeat: A Celebration of the Powwow*

This book, written by Susan

Leitch Smith and published in 2000, is intended for children 4-10 or kindergarten to third grade. The following is a description of the book from *Publishers Weekly* that appears on the Amazon.com website: "Smith, a mixed blood member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, convincingly juxtaposes cherished Native American tradition and contemporary lifestyle in this smooth debut. Watching a videotape of Grandma Wolfe performing a jingle dance, Jenna is determined to dance at an upcoming pow wow. But she lacks the cone-shaped, tin jingles sewn on to dancers' dresses as part of the regalia. The girl walks down a suburban sidewalk lined with modern houses as she sets out to visit her great aunt, a neighbor, a cousin and Grandma Wolfe, all of whom lend her jingles for her dress. The life-

they travel the circuit from Oklahoma to Montana from pow wow to pow wow. They recreate ceremonies as well as the traditional dress and dance of Native American customs that were established centuries before. Focus on the preservation of American Indian customs, traditional dress and dance as you follow the two teenage grass dancers on the pow wow circuit. This unique and professionally produced video by producers, Gary Rhine and Fidel Moreno (Yaqui/Huichol), mix contemporary music with pow wow music and infrared photography with interesting results. The story and music combine in such a fashion that pow wow dancers are portrayed in a very positive manner similar to sports stars."

### *Contemporary Great Lakes Pow Wow Regalia*

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# Odawa Enterprise Management

## Biindigen Offers Much Needed Relief at the Gas Pump



(Left to Right) Biindigen Assistant General Manager Don J. Portman, Biindigen General Manager Bob Bateman and Odawa Enterprise Manager Chuck Schofield at the event.

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

The Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store, located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI, hosted an open house on June 6 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring regular gasoline priced at 3.89¢.

With the reduced rate, Biindigen sold 3,000 gallons of gasoline

live report. The youth were on hand to assist with the food concessions.

Customers spun the Odawa Casino Resort prize wheel to win candy; WKLT t-shirts; an overnight stay at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey; Odawa Casino Resort t-shirts, umbrellas, coffee cups, bags and lighters; certificates for free issues of NASCAR Scene magazine; and gift certificates for B.C. Pizza and Home



Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick took advantage of the reduced fuel price. Photo by Don J. Portman.

during the event while other area gas stations sold regular gasoline at 4.09¢ or higher.

The Tannery Creek Meat Market, located at 1208 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, sold hot dogs, bratwursts, chips and pop. A hot dog or bratwurst and a pop was \$2 or \$5 combos included two hot dogs, chips and pop or a bratwurst, chips and a pop. It raised \$300 for the LTBB Youth Group.

WKLT 98.9 broadcast live from noon to 2 p.m. NASCAR Steve, who hosts KLT's Pit Stop on Mondays at 8:35 a.m. and Fridays at 5:35 p.m., gave live reports from the event and interviewed tribal youth during one



WKLT 98.9 broadcast live from the event. NASCAR Steve, a WKLT radio personality, was on hand to mingle with the public. Photo by Don J. Portman.

Shopping.

Raffle prizes included Comedy Club tickets for the O zone nightclub located inside Odawa Casino Resort, .38 Special concert tickets for July 12 at Ovation Hall located inside Odawa Casino Resort, an autographed Richard Hamilton Detroit Pistons jersey and \$20 gas vouchers.

*Photos by Annette VanDeCar unless otherwise noted.*



Tannery Creek Meat Market sold hot dogs, bratwursts, chips and pop, which raised \$300 for the LTBB Youth Group. Enjoying their hot dogs are LTBB Tribal Citizens Mary Keshick (in the middle) and her daughter, Linda Gokee (on the right).

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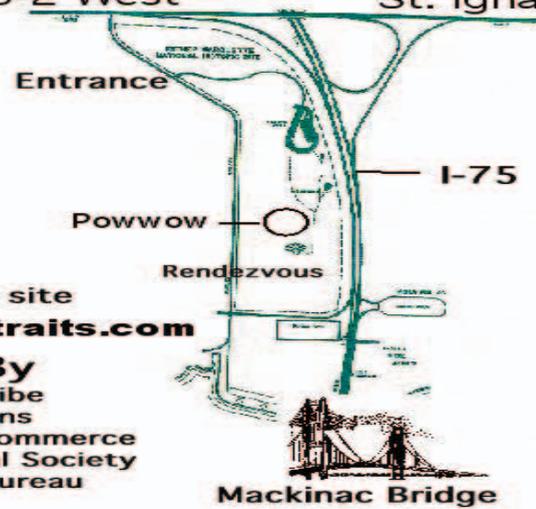
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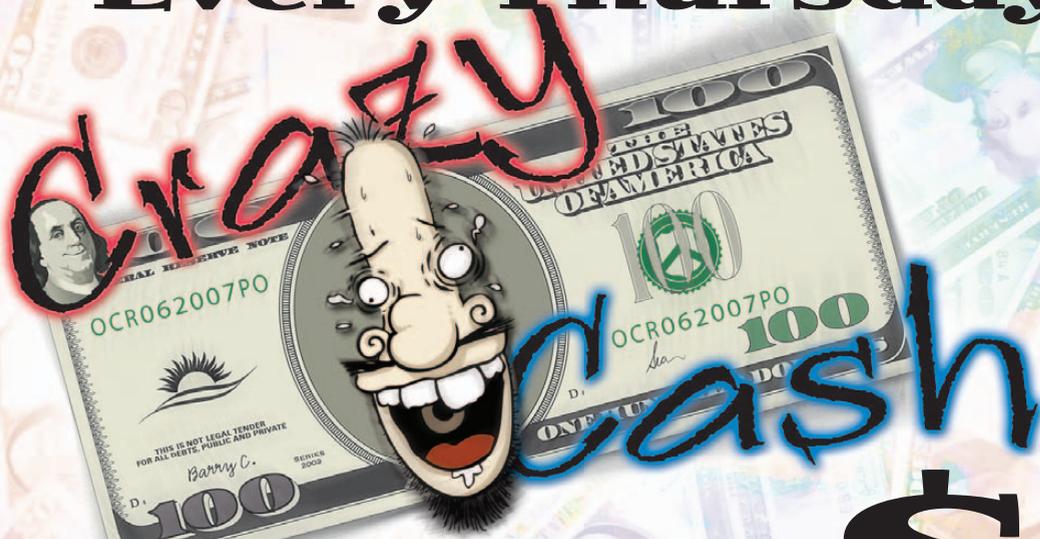
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# Housing Department

## 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.

# Department of Commerce

## How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is officially changing your address with the Enrollment Department.

All RTMs are verified through Enrollment. Enrollment in turn sends the Department of Commerce (DOC) notification of your status. Please note on your Address Verification Form (AVF) the township you reside in. This alerts the Enrollment Department for RTM status.

When you change your address with the Michigan Secretary of State's office, you will be asked if you would like to register to vote; by doing so, it will note the township you reside in. Otherwise, ask one of the Enrollment Department staff when filling out your AVF.

Your RTM status does not become effective until the first day of the following month in which you moved.

**Example:** I changed my address with the Enrollment Department on May 3. My RTM status did not go into effect until June 1.

**It is VERY important you notify Enrollment immediately when you move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA).**

It is your responsibility to notify Enrollment of any changes in address or name; the DOC cannot backtrack or backdate documents in order to qualify for RTM status.

Being an RTM exempts you from paying state sales tax on large tangible items such as vehicles, boats, snowmobiles and off the road vehicles. It also applies to affixation to your primary place of residence. There is a form that needs to be filled out to request a Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE). The **request** for

this form (Request for TCE) can be found on the LTBB website [www.ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov) or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr. and Chairman Frank Etawageshik (in the absence of DOC).

**Please note:** All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of

the month as possible. If you plan to purchase a vehicle or do any remodeling to your residence, please wait until after your RTM status is effective (after the first day of the following month in which you moved); otherwise, the State of Michigan will deny your claim for a refund.

Being an RTM also exempts you from sales/use tax on utilities such as phone, Internet, satellite, gas, electric, propane and cellular service. Please fill out the **Residency Form for Tax Agreement** and return it to the address noted on the bottom of the form.

### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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|--|------------------------------|
| Cross Village Twp. (all)                             | Readmond Twp. (all)          |
| Friendship Twp. (all)                                | West Traverse Twp. (all)     |
| Little Traverse Twp. (all)                           | City of Harbor Springs (all) |
| Resort Twp. (partial)                                | Bay Twp. (partial)           |
| Hayes Twp. (partial)                                 | Bear Creek Twp. (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) via Form 4013
2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
5. \*Motor Fuel Tax (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 Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.
  - \*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.
- Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Citizens ONLY! Purchasing tax exempt fuel and tobacco for non-tribal citizens is strictly prohibited!**
- Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit (MI Form 4013)**

The Department of Commerce mailed out Tribal 4013's (Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit) in January. Instructions were included with the form. If you have any questions regarding the form, please contact Department of Commerce Assistant Theresa Keshick at 231-242-1584. These forms were mailed only to those tribal members residing within the Tax Agreement 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 the Housing Department for more information at 231-242-1540.



**Barrier Free Units Available**  
**Equal Housing Opportunity**  
**TDD: 800-649-3777**

# Enrollment Department

## Yearly Notarized Minor Address Verification Form Necessary

All minors need to have a notarized Minor Address Verification form completed yearly before November 30. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned

address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or custodial issues, please contact the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

**Editor's note:** *The Minor Address Verification form running along with this article is only an example and may not be used. However, you can download and print the Minor Address Verification form off the LTBB website, [www.ltb-bodawa-usn.gov](http://www.ltb-bodawa-usn.gov), or call the Enrollment Department to have a form mailed to you.*

# 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.

If you have any questions, please give us a call.

**Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521**  
**Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520**



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
 Enrollment Office  
 7500 Odawa Circle  
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
 (231) 242-1520 ■ (231) 242-1521



### MINOR CHILD/WARD OF THE COURT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM

(All minor children 17 and under MUST complete his form.)

- Parents/Legal Guardians must complete this original form AND have it notarized.
- This form must be updated every year.
- DO NOT SEPARATE.
- Photocopies or Faxes are not accepted.

I am a Parent or Legal Guardian of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Tribal Membership #: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County of Residence: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand and agree that this child or ward is entitled to receive a per capita distribution check from the net gaming revenues of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. I will ensure that these funds are used for the health, education or welfare of my child or ward AND for absolutely no other purpose. I understand that I may be required to submit an accounting of the expenditure of these funds to the Tribe.

Minor children who may be wards of the Tribal Court or any other court of competent jurisdiction will have their checks forwarded to the Tribal Court and the Judge will determine to whom the funds will be disbursed for the child's health, education, welfare, and require such accounting as the Court deems appropriate.

Printed Full Name of Minor Child \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTARY PUBLIC**

Acknowledged before me in \_\_\_\_\_ County, State of \_\_\_\_\_, on \_\_\_\_\_ (month/day), 20\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

Notary Public Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Stamp/Seal \_\_\_\_\_  
 My Commission Expires on \_\_\_\_\_

TO BE COMPLETED BY LTBB STAFF-Do not write below this line.

Copy: Enrollment \_\_\_\_\_ Office \_\_\_\_\_ DOE: \_\_\_\_\_ Copy: Accounting \_\_\_\_\_

## Tax Agreement Reminder

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

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# Education Department

## Tribal Youth Enjoy Summer Camp Fun Courtesy of the Education Department



Submitted by the Education Department

The Education Department held its Annual Summer Youth Camp during the months of June and July.

The camp included Tiny Tots Week (ages 4-6), Youth Camp (ages 7-10) and special day trips for Tween Camp (ages 11-14). The camp was honored to have the involvement of staff as chaperones and as presenters from the Environmental Services Department, the Law Enforcement Department, the Youth Services Department, the Human Resources Department, the Accounting Department, the Language Program and the Cultural Preservation Department.

Chi-Miigwetch to all of those who spent their time working and volunteering to make Summer Youth Camp a success for our tribal youth and Native community.

With youth attending all three camps, the staff was thrilled to have more than 65 campers be a part of this year's Summer Youth Camp.

The days were filled with great activities, lots of movement and plenty of first-time ex-

periences.

The theme for the Tiny Tots was "Creepy Crawlers" and things got very buggy. The kids did a lot of nature exploration and found the many insect books by author Eric Carle to fit right in to each day of camp.

The theme for the Youth Camp was "Adventure," and each day was different: Underwater Adventure, Eco Adventure, Island Adventure, Food Adventure and Olympic Adventure.

Activities for the campers included art projects at Three Pines Studio in Cross Village, MI, a tour of Ziiibiwing Cultural Center in Mt. Pleasant, MI, a trip to Pond Hill Farm located north of Harbor Springs, MI, a fishing and a tour of the Oden Fish Hatchery in Alanson, MI, songs and stories at the Petoskey Public Library in Petoskey, MI, swimming at Harbor beach in Harbor Springs, golf at the First Tee of Boyne Highlands in Harbor Springs and finally . . . the ferry, biking, a scavenger hunt and ice cream. . . all on beautiful Mackinac Island.

Check out the photos and see what a great time we all had!

*Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar taken on June 19.*



# On the Pow Wow Trail

Compiled by Odawa Trails staff

<b>Michigan</b>	<b>Wow</b>	<b>ditional Pow Wow</b>
<b>August 1-3</b> 24th Annual Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Pow Wow Mt. Pleasant, MI Contact Information: Angel Loons-foot at 1-800-746-2157, ext. 55701, Melissa Montoya at 989-775-4110 or Maia Montoya at 989-775-4227	<b>Manistique, MI</b> Contact Information: 906-359-4645	<b>Mendota, MN</b> Contact Information: 651-452-4141
<b>August 8-10</b> 26th Lac Vieux Desert "The Place Where Eagles Dance" Honoring Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow Watersmeet, MI Contact Information: 906-358-4577, ext. 108 or www.lvdtribal.com	<b>September 6-7</b> 48th Annual GVAIL Traditional Pow Wow Grand Rapids, MI Contact Information: 616-364-4697	<b>August 15-17</b> Red Lake Nation Fair Traditional Pow Wow Red Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-679-3341 or zaagaate@paulbunyan.com
<b>August 9-10</b> 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Harbor Springs, MI Contact Information: Winnay Wemigwase at 231-242-1453 or Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 Vendor Information: Marci Reyes at 231-838-4172 Please see pow wow flyer on page 24.	<b>September 20-21</b> Walk in the Spirit Frank Bush Memorial Pow Wow Hastings, MI Contact Information: Annie Bush at 616-633-0029, Jessi Kimble at 269-744-1408 or www.walk-in-the-spirit.com	<b>August 15-17</b> 42nd Annual Mille Lacs Traditional Pow Wow Mille Lacs, MN Contact Information: 320-532-7496, 320-532-8800 or mj@grandcasino.com
<b>August 9-10</b> Third Black River Pow Wow and Historical Gathering Wadhams, MI Contact Information: 810-985-8669 or www.blackriverpowwow.com	<b>Wisconsin</b>	<b>August 15-17</b> Shakopee Mdewakanton Contest Pow Wow Prior Lake, MN Contact Information: 952-445-8900, 952-496-6160, www.shakopeedakota.org or www.mysticlake.com
<b>August 9-10</b> 32nd Leonard J. Pamp Traditional Pow Wow Union City, MI Contact Information: 810-459-8258	<b>August 1-3</b> 42nd Annual Menominee Nation Contest Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-799-5113 or 715-799-4849	<b>August 22-24</b> 28th Annual Cha Cha Bahning Traditional Pow Wow Inger, MN Contact Information: jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com, Donna Cloud at 218-659-2995, Dorothy Robinson at 218-659-2708 or Selma Jackson at 218-659-2704
<b>August 15-17</b> 16th Gathering of the Eagles Pow Wow Hessel, MI Contact Information: 906-484-2727 or www.saulttribe.com	<b>August 8-10</b> Neesh-La Pow Wow Baraboo, WI Contact Information: Robert Funmaker at 1-800-746-2486	<b>August 23</b> Callaway Community Kiimiiwin Traditional Pow Wow Callaway, MN Contact Information: 218-375-4900 or roymas@arvig.net
<b>August 15-17</b> Peshawbestown Traditional Pow Wow Peshawbestown, MI Contact Information: 231-534-7750 or 231-534-8410	<b>August 22-24</b> 29th Annual Bad River Traditional Pow Wow Odanah, WI Contact Information: 715-682-7151 or 715-685-9989	<b>August 29-31</b> Wee Gitchie Ne Me E Dim Contest Pow Wow Cass Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-335-7400, jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com
<b>August 23-24</b> Rendezvous at the Straits Pow Wow Sault Ste. Marie, MI Contact Information: Darryl Brown at 906-643-8717 or 1-800-338-6660 Please see pow wow flyer on page 8.	<b>September 5-7</b> 22nd Indian Summer Fest Contest Pow Wow Milwaukee, WI Contact Information: 414-604-1000 or www.indiansummer.org	<b>September 12-14</b> Battle Point Traditional Pow Wow Sugar Point, MN Contact Information: Tracy Gale at 218-760-5141, 218-335-7034, 218-335-7400 or jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com
<b>August 30-31</b> 23rd Annual Kee-Boon-Mein-Kaa (Celebrating the Huckleberry Harvest) Contest Pow Wow Dowagiac, MI Contact Information: Michaelina Magnuson at 269-591-5616 or Michaelina.magnuson@pokagon.com	<b>August 22-24</b> 34th Annual St. Croix Wild Rice Fest Traditional Pow Wow Danbury, WI Contact Information: 715-656-4406 or 1-800-236-2195, ext. 5338	<b>September 12-14</b> Nay-Tah-Waush Harvest Fest Traditional Pow Wow Naytahwaush, MN Contact Information: Terry Tibbetts at 218-935-5298 or terryt@whiteearth.com
<b>August 30-31</b> 16th Honoring Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow Hart, MI Contact Information: 231-894-8361	<b>September 5-7</b> 22nd Indian Summer Fest Contest Pow Wow Milwaukee, WI Contact Information: 414-604-1000 or www.indiansummer.org	<b>September 19-21</b> 36th Annual Mankato Traditional Pow Wow Mankato, MN Contact Information: MankatoWacipi@aol.com
<b>September 6-7</b> Seventh Great North Winds Pow	<b>August 1-3</b> 30th Annual Honoring Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow Sawyer, MN Contact Information: 218-879-6731	<b>September 21</b> Second Annual Spirit Feast Two Worlds Lodge Traditional Pow Wow Hewitt, MN Contact Information: 218-924-4018 or polttwil@wcta.net
	<b>August 8-10</b> Grand Portage Rendezvous Traditional Pow Wow Grand Portage, MN Contact Information: 218-475-2239, 218-475-2415 or www.grandportage.com	
	<b>August 8-10</b> Ninth Annual Welcome Home Tra-	

<b>Tentative Schedule</b>
<b>2009 Elections</b>
<b>Friday, January 9</b>
Call to Election sent to all eligible voters
<b>Friday, February 13</b>
Nomination Petitions due back to the Election Board by 5 p.m.
Last to register for the Primary Election
Election Board certifies the Candidate Nomination Petitions
<b>Friday, February 27</b>
Candidate information mailed to all registered voters as of February 13, 2009
<b>Tuesday, March 31</b>
Last date for candidates to withdraw from election in writing to the Election Board
Last date to register for the General Election
<b>Wednesday, April 1</b>
Election Board approves the final ballot for the Primary Election
<b>Saturday, April 4</b>
Candidates Forum in Lansing, MI
<b>Friday, April 10</b>
Primary ballots mailed to all registered voters as of February 13, 2009
<b>Saturday, April 25</b>
Candidates Forum at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI
<b>Friday, May 15</b>
Primary Election Day
<b>Friday, May 29</b>
Primary Election certified ballot for General Election mailed to all registered voters as of March 31, 2009
<b>Monday, June 29</b>
General Election Day
<b>Monday, July 13</b>
General Election certified
<b>Sunday, August 16</b>
Oath of Office for newly elected officials

## Commissions, Boards and Committees

### Notice: Current Vacancies

Commission	Term/Yrs.	Positions Open	Term Expires
Health	3 yr. term	1	2009
Housing	4 yr. term	1	2010
Education	4 yr. term	1	2010
Economic Dev.	3 yr. term	1	2011
Gaming Board	Indefinite	1	Indefinite
Citizenship	4 yr. term	1	2010
Trust Fund	4 yr. term	1	2009

The following commissions have terms ending in September 2008: Economic Development and Regulatory

The following information is provided for LTBB Tribal Citizens who are seeking nominations for an appointment to a LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee.

Those interested in an appointment, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume' to:

Tribal Chairman  
LTBB of Odawa Indians  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
Fax 231-242-1419  
E-mail [chairman@lbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:chairman@lbbodawa-nsn.gov)

The Executive Office notifies applicants when letter and resume' are received. The Chairman's nominations are forwarded to Tribal Council. Thereafter, the Legislative Office handles all interview scheduling and correspondence.

**Compensation:** Commissioners will be compensated according to LTBB Statute and current LTBB Government Policy.

## Summer Fun For Everyone At The Library!

Free programs, special events and activities for preschoolers, kids, teens and the entire family.



For details: 231.758.3112 or [www.petoskeylibrary.org](http://www.petoskeylibrary.org)

# Language Program

Illustrations by: Janelle D. Smith  
Translations by: Isabelle Osawamick  
June 2008

## The Adventures of Skaankwe

Aanii,  
Niin Skaankwe ndizhnakaas.  
Biidaasige ndoonjiba.  
Odawa ndaaw.  
Nwiidgemaagan Odawa nini.



Hi, my name is Skaankwe.  
I'm from Petoskey.  
I am Odawa.  
I'm married to an Odawa man.

Aaniish gwana enji  
mskwadonejigeyaanh?  
Zhaazhigwa niinaa ngwanaajoo.  
Zhiita Skaankwe.  
Mskwadonijige.



Why bother to put lipstick on?  
I'm already beautiful.  
Skaankwe is getting ready.  
She is putting her lipstick on.

Shkwazin! Bzagwiin!  
Shkinaa Bzagwiin!  
Skaankwe mijwebinan  
dake'eziiiman.



Wake up! Get up!  
For Pete's sake, get up!  
Skaankwe is waking up her old  
man.

Aasna ngwebendam wiimwaak  
Anishinaabe taako. (nini)  
Miigweta mikwendaman miijim! (kwe)  
Skaankwe miinwa doke'eziiiman  
midaabaango'ok jiiingtamok  
paazhaa'aad



I can hardly wait to get an Indian taco.  
(man) All you think about is food.  
(woman) Skaankwe and her husband  
are driving to the powwow.

Shtaataahaa!  
Gdotamidgwashnimi!  
Nishin! Miisa gegpii  
nidgwashniwaad enji  
jiiingtamok.



Wow! We are the first to arrive!  
Good!  
They finally arrive at the  
powwow.

Miimaanda ensaboongiziyaanh.  
He-he-he. Aanii gwanaa'iidik!  
Boozbiigewak miidash giimiin-  
gaazwaad gindaaswinan.



This is how old I am. He-he-he  
Yeah, as if. They're registering  
and are given a number.

Ntaamga Gchi-nishinaabek  
nikeyiing ezhiigaa'aad  
pii Maamwi  
Biindigegaawaad.



She dances first in the way of a  
traditional dancer at Grand  
Entry.

Maajaan nwiijikiwenh!  
Biwijiigaamshin!  
Skaankwe nimkawaan  
wiijikiwenhin.



Come my friend!  
Dance with me!  
Skaankwe is waving to her  
friend.

Wikwemikong ngiipaazhaami.  
Enh. Baatiinok  
gaawaamaa'aang bimaadzijik.  
Anishinaabek nibwaachwewak.



We went to Wikwemikong.  
Yeah! We saw a lot of people.  
Anishinaabek are visiting.

Ndakwem, Nzaagitoon  
wiijigaaminaa.  
Miisa Genii!  
Gegwa miinwa gwaji gwaya  
bekaanzid kwe gnowaabmaake.  
Gnoondo na?  
Niizho zhigaawok.



My woman, I love dancing with you. Me  
too! Do not look again at another  
woman! Hear me?  
They are dancing the two step.

Kaawiikaa nbakinaagesii gwaji.  
Mii shkintam maaba mdimoyenh  
bakinaaged! Ngiibkiniwaak  
eshkiniigijik,  
he-he-he.  
Skaankwe giibkinaage.



I never win anywhere. This is the  
first time this old lady won. I beat  
the young ones. He-he-he.  
Skaankwe won.

Nmaanaadendam  
shkwaakamigak.  
Gegwa gego nendige!  
Gapaazhaami gomiinwa gwaji  
wiiba.  
Nigiyyewok.



I feel sad that it is over.  
Don't feel bad.  
We are going again somewhere  
soon. They're going home.

### Odaawedan (Let's trade, barter)

The Anishinaabemowin Language Program is now selling products to promote language learning. So far, we have audio CDs, greeting cards, and t-shirts. All products are designed, developed and produced by the program. We use original art, photographs from our community, original songs, and the audio

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Come visit us at the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Powwow; we'll have an information table, and we will be selling our new merchandise.

Baamaa pii - Until Later  
Miigwech - Thank You



# Language Program

## Mnwendaagwazim Enji-Ji-Intamok

Ensa niibiing baatiinok Anishinaabek bipaazhaajik jingtamok. Kina gwaya gichinendam waamaad gwiji Anishinaaben. Miigweta maanda ekendimowaad aanin bimaadzijik, kaawii gwaji bkaan paazhaasiwok. Aapiji bashigendaanaa'aa nbwaaajwed-waad. Baapaabwok miinwa noonj zhibaapaabzhitaagwaziwok. Kina gwaya daminege enkamigak. Binoojiinhak gewiinwa aapiji zaag-

tonaa'aa wiidogwaawaad enji-jiingtamok wijiikiwenhwan. Kaawii kina gwaya niimsii ezhaad ode jingtamok miinwa kaawii kina gwaya ngaamsii miinwa kaawii kina gwaya dewegesii. Miisa gowe, kina gwaya mnwendaagwazi ode ezhaad jingtamok.

### Fun at the Powwow

Every summer, many Anishinaabek go to the powwow. Everybody is happy to see their fellow Anishinaabek. This is the only

thing some people know; they do not go anywhere else. They really like to visit each other. They laugh and joke around with each other. Everybody catches up with the news. The children also love to play with their powwow friends. Not everybody dances, who goes to the powwow, not everybody sings, and not everybody drums. However, everybody, who goes to the powwow, has a good time.

## Harbor Springs HS Anishinaabemowin Language Class Completes First Year



By Carla McFall, Language Program Coordinator

Offering an Anishinaabemowin language class at Harbor Springs High School was a common dream shared by LTBB elder William "Ray" Kiogima and Principal Susan Jacobs.

The timing was excellent when LTBB was contacted about the idea because we had just received our first Administration for Native Americans (ANA) language grant. Developing a high school course fit right in with the overall goals of it.

Doreen Peltier is the instructor. She does an excellent job and loves working with Eshkiniigik, young people. Orien Corbiere is our Curriculum Specialist, who is designing the structure and content of the course. He ensures state standards are met while retaining unique Odawa traditions. Both Peltier and

Corbiere are from Manitoulin Island, Ontario, Canada. We appreciate their skills and talents; we're very glad to have them.

There were 14 students, who took the class; most for all three semesters. Most plan on returning this fall for a second year.

During classtime, Peltier speaks to them in Odawa with minimal English and only when necessary. The students learn language is relevant to daily life.

Her techniques are very interactive. They learn songs, play games and really seem to enjoy learning the language.

Rochelle Etrawageshik, Glenna Kimball and Harriet Kishigo-Booth have served as "teacher assistants" at various times throughout the year.

Peltier also invited other community members as special guests to present on local Native history and to

naabemowin class.

As a Native North American, I cherish this beautiful language, and I recognize this language is the essence of who I am as an Anishnaabe kwe.

It is, therefore, extremely important for my inner being.

It has been a wonderful experience to have had the opportunity to teach these youth our precious Odawa language.

At the beginning, I wondered how the students would react, and if the interest would continue to be

Harbor Springs High School Anishinaabemowin Language Class of 2008: (Left to Right) Standing in the back row are Taylor Fisher, Max Rudolph, Chris Ronk, Alex Fisher, Wesley Thomas, Tecumseh Adams, Michael Keshick and Tyler Laughlin.

(Left to Right) Sitting in the front row are Jasmine McFall, Cheyenne Worthington, Tawnee Mickalacki and Megan Keller.

Doreen Peltier, a fluent speaker who is a member of the Wikwemikong First Nation in Manitoulin Island, Ontario, Canada, taught the class.

share cultural knowledge.

This spring, the class took a field trip to Greensky Hill Zisabaakadaking (maple sugar bush) and took a day-long Cultural Tour of the area.

The Anishinaabemowin course meets graduation requirements as a World Language credit. It's the first such class in Michigan. The class is open to students from other area high schools as well.

We anticipate the class will be offered this coming school year, and a second class will be added for the students, who completed the first year.

Miigwech to all who contributed and to all the family members, who supported their youth. Miigwech especially to the youth themselves.

there. Would they have the motivation to learn? After this year, I am no longer wondering.

I have witnessed youth are eager to learn their language. They seemed to have such an easy time with pronunciation right from the start. I am certain they can carry on a mini-conversation with a fluent speaker.

I am extremely proud of all of them; they have accomplished a lot this year.

Doreen



Doreen Peltier  
Ekinoomaged

Aanii Kina Gwiiy  
(Hello everyone)

The students have successfully completed their first year of Anishi-



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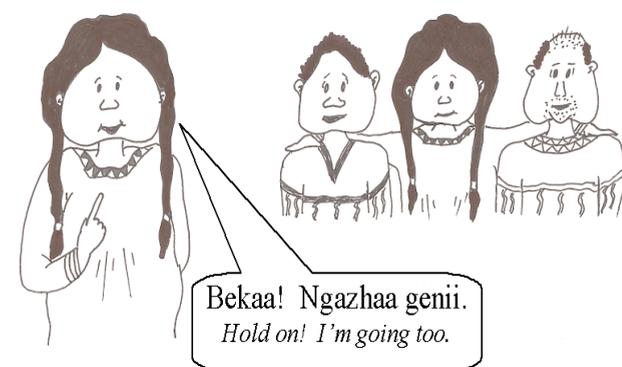
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# Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

## The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting June 8, 2008

Closed Session: yes  
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:31 a.m.

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

Absent: Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Shirley Oldman  
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik

Guests: Doug Emery, Roger Emery, Warren Petoskey, Audrey Geyer, Fred Kiogima, Marty VandeCar, Annette VandeCar

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of May 18, 2008 as corrected.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt the agenda for June 8, 2008 with amendments.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.  
10:30 a.m. Recess called.  
10:39 a.m. Meeting reconvened.  
Tribal Elders Comments: Warren

Petoskey spoke regarding a video project.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Berg Lease \$9825.00 from Prior Period Funds.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to remove Trust Fund Board Draft Statute #20080302-01 from the Legislative calendar.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Mulholland to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Trust Fund Board Statute.

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

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Doug Emery spoke regarding letters he wrote to Tribal Council regarding the term "qualified individuals" when hiring for employment reasons. Roger Emery spoke regarding the Election Board, Trust Fund Board, and Health Board minutes not being posted on the Tribal Website. Roger also spoke regarding the Election Board's initiative of taking a more proactive stance on getting people to register to vote. Roger additionally spoke regarding the lack of contact information for Commissioner's on the website as well.

12:13 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
12:30 p.m. Lunch recess called.  
1:53 p.m. Meeting reconvened.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to go into closed session for confidential or legal matters at 1:49 p.m.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to go out of closed session.

Vote: 7 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Old-

man)  
Motion carried.  
3:00 p.m. Councilor Yellowbank leaves.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Fair Employment Statute.

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

Motion carried.  
3:33 p.m. Public Comment opened: no public comment.

3:34 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to table Waganakising Odawak Statute Management and Labor Relations Draft Statute.

Vote: 3 → Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Kiogima, Councilor McNamara), 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion failed.  
4:18 p.m. Recess called.  
4:25 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to table the Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Draft Statute and Management and Labor Relations Draft Statute to the next Tribal Council agenda.

Vote: 3 → Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Kiogima, Councilor McNamara), 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion failed.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Law Enforcement Department, COPS FY 2008 Tribal Resources Grant Program.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Funding for Tribes under Title IV-B of the Social Security Act, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2008 Title IV-B Child Welfare Services Allotment.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice Edward Byrne Memorial Competitive Grant Program, Category III: Enhancing Local Courts, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2008 Criminal Justice System Collaboration Enhancement Project.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for funding from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Child Care and Development Fund Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mc-

Namara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-absent, Treasurer Chingwa-absent, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Native American Programs, Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA), Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Indian Housing Block Grant Program.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for funding from U. S. Department of Transportation, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Hazardous Materials Training Grant.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve list A- Eligible for Citizenship dated May 21, 2008 for a total of 7.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to approve Citizenship list B-Declination (Ineligible) dated May 21, 2008 for a total of 6.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept the Legislative Leader Beatrice Law verbal and written report or June 8, 2008 including confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the verbal report from Councilor Kiogima Chairperson of the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to accept Councilor Mulholland's written travel report regarding National Congress of American Indians conference.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to accept the Legislative Services Attorney's verbal report.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor McNamara for Tribal Council attendance at the Adam Walsh Summit July 2008 in Petoskey Michigan.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adjourn at 5:55 p.m.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Oldman, Councilor Yellowbank)

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

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

June 22, 2008  
Closed Session: none  
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:31 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 Marvin Mulholland  
Absent: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Shirley Oldman, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount  
Executive Officials and Staff Present: Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson

Guests: Fred Kiogima, Andrew Stich, John Kawegoma

9:34 a.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt the agenda as amended for June 22, 2008.

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

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of June 8, 2008 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.  
There were no Elder comments.  
The Legislative Meeting Procedures Policy draft was worked on and will be carried over for consideration on the next Tribal Council agenda.

The Natural Resources Protection draft and the Rules of Conduct draft proposed legislation will be carried over for consideration on the next Tribal Council agenda.

The Constitutionally Mandated Compensation draft and the Management and Labor Relations draft statutes will be brought back for consideration with the next Tribal Council agenda.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding for Elders Program for Purchase of a Shuttle Vehicle not to exceed \$55,000 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. - absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, 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 Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding for Housing Department to construct a Single Family Home in Pellston in cooperation with the Pellston School District not to exceed the amount of \$90,000.00 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. - absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution Funding for the Community Golf Program at the Chestnut Valley Golf Club, Harbor Springs in the amount of \$6,000 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. - absent, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor McNamara-no, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Law-no  
Motion failed.

10:52 a.m. Recess called.

11:06 a.m. Meeting reconvened.  
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Authorizing an Additional Appropriation of \$7,000 to the 2008 Odawa Homecoming Jiiingtamok Pow-Wow Committee to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. - absent, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes  
Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Andrew Stich asked how much money was allocated for the Annual Community meeting including the cost of the trinkets given out by the programs. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding the housing appropriation resolution adopted and other types of funding projects.

12:00 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
12:00 p.m. Secretary Gasco Bentley departs

12:00 p.m. Lunch recess called.  
1:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.  
2:44 p.m. Recessed called.  
2:54 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: John Kawegoma spoke about the Tribal Health Clinic procedural changes regarding availability for picking up medication at the pharmacy. John also spoke regarding Tribal Council full disclosure with regard to closed sessions during work sessions. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding casino employee performance evaluations, Indian preference in hiring, removal of lunch hour options for some departments and the casino General Manager's suggested cost cutting.

3:25 p.m. Public Comment closed.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the verbal and written report presented by Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to recommend to Tribal Council funding in the amount of \$975.00 to cover the hotel training room cost for the Land and Reservation Committee. Funding to come from the Tribal Council budget.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank not to fund the Native American Documentary project from Warren Petoskey and Audrey Geyer.

Vote: 3 → Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Mulholland, Councilor McNamara), 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion failed.  
Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept the Treasurer's verbal report.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report.

Vote: 6 → Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Legislative Services Attorney written and verbal report.

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## Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2008

**August 2 Work Session**  
**August 3 Council Meeting**  
**August 16 Work Session**  
**August 17 Council Meeting**

**September 6 Work Session**  
**September 7 Council Meeting**  
**September 20 Work Session**  
**September 21 Council Meeting**

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**Dexter McNamara**, Councilor  
**Marvin Mulholland**, Councilor

# Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

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Vote: 6-0-0 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Tribal Council McNamara's verbal report.

Vote: 6-0-0 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima for Tribal Council attendance at the Midwest Alliance of

Sovereign Tribes (MAST) Summer Meeting in August 2008 in Oneida Wisconsin and the Native American Finance Conference in October of 2008 in Ledyard, Connecticut.

Vote: 6-0-0 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn. 5:25 p.m.

Vote: 6-0-0 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Oldman, Secretary Gasco Bentley)

Motion carried.  
These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected.

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary  
Date



## U of M Students Lend a Helping Hand at LTBB Elders Garden Plot

Submitted by Jackie Pilette, Wetlands Specialist

On June 9, Dr. Scott Herron and his spring Ethnobotany class from the University of Michigan Biological Station came out to help with the LTBB Elders Garden Plot. The plot is located in the Petoskey Community Gardens (with the gazebo) off of U.S. 31 just north of downtown Petoskey, MI.

Students from all over the country take the course to learn about the relationships between people and plants, focusing on traditional and modern cultural aspects of those relationships. They really enjoyed this event as it allowed them to give back to the local community and to get some hands-on experience working with some of the plants they had learned about in the class.

The students planted yellow, red, purple (substituting for black), and white flowers in the turtle-shaped medicine wheel and did some

much needed weeding and garden maintenance.

The garden currently has a cedar shrub, sweet grass, sage (cooking sage), wild roses, blue flag iris, strawberries, lupine, silverweed and some sedges and rushes.

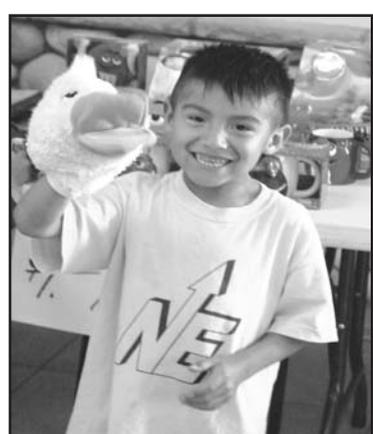
This year, we are working to get better signage for the plants as well as adding some new plants.

If you have any Native plants you would like to donate to the garden or you would like to help maintain the garden, please call Jackie Pilette at 231-242-1570 or Marie "Tootsie" Miller at 231-242-1422.



Photo by Jackie Pilette.

## LTBB Elders Association Sponsors Arts and Crafts/Flea Market on June 7



Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

## Important Information from the Trust Fund Board

The Trust Fund Board would like to inform those eligible tribal citizens turning 18 and requesting redemption of share certificates the board only mails checks once a month. If the share certificates are properly notarized and received by the end of the month in which they turn 18, the checks are usually processed within the first 10 days of the next month. If you are requesting redemption of your certificates, please make sure they are mailed to the address listed below and are received before the last day of the month in which you turn 18. **Under no circumstances will a check be is-**

**sued immediately by personally presenting your certificates to a board member at his or her place of employment.** Please also make sure your current address is on file with the Trust Fund Board.

LTBB - Trust Fund Board  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have any further questions or concerns, you can either write or call the following Trust Fund Board members: Chairperson Carol Jeffers at 269-236-6414 and Treasurer Margaret Gasco at 231-242-1241.

## Governor Granholm Meets with the 12 Federally Recognized Tribes at Annual Tribal/State Forum



Submitted by Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney

On June 13, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Ogema Larry Romanelli warmly welcomed Governor Jennifer Granholm and officials from the 12 federally recognized tribes of Michigan to the annual Tribal/State Forum, hosted by the Little River Band at the Little River Casino Conference Center in Manistee, MI.

In accordance with Executive Order 2004-5, the governor has agreed to meet annually with the tribal chairs and tribal representatives to reaffirm the state's relationship with the tribes: *WHEREAS, federally acknowledged Indian tribes are sovereign governmental entities that possess the right to self-governance and self-determination and the authority to exercise jurisdiction over their respective lands and citizens.*

The event, the fourth of its kind, opened with a full color guard and an opening prayer, followed by a brief gift exchange and pictures with the governor and tribal representatives. The forum then broke into two groups. One group of tribal representatives met with the governor to

discuss concerns relating to education, health care and environmental protection, and the second group of tribal representatives met to discuss ways to work together to increase economic development through combining resources for cost efficiency.

The meeting was very positive for both groups of representatives, and each tribe agreed the continuous open lines of communication amongst themselves and the governor were beneficial to all involved.

*Pictured from left to right in the group photo above are Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick, Tribal Councilor Dexter McNamara, Tribal Council Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Governor Jennifer Granholm, Tribal Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Tribal Councilor Alice Yellowbank and Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik.*

*Courtesy photos.*



Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik presents Governor Jennifer Granholm with traditional Indian pottery he made during the gift exchange. He also gave her a beaded tobacco pouch he and his wife, Rochelle Ettawageshik, made.

"Barnard" continued from cover.

with a \$400 loan from his parents, Barnard sold the few belongings he had and flew to Nassau, Bahamas for a job as a dealer. The next seven years were critical to his career, and he moved up to an all-games Supervisor before becoming a Pit Manager. He was promoted again in 1989 to the position of Casino Administrator for the Paradise Island Resort (now the Atlantis). Responsibilities included the hiring, training, payroll and administration for more than 200 dealers and approximately 100 Supervisors and Managers. He also played a critical role in the cultural changes taking place at that time, ensuring Bahamian citizens were for the first time being offered the chance to learn how to deal blackjack, craps or roulette – opportunities that by law had been denied them until then.

In 1991, riverboat casino gambling was just beginning to be introduced to the United States. For too long, gambling outside of Nevada and New Jersey was limited, and the tremendous growth that ultimately occurred was just the dream of a few. A former employer in the Bahamas was opening the Par-A-Dice riverboat in Peoria, IL, and offered Barnard the position of Administrator. He also made the promise of immigration support to process an application to work in the United States.

In 1993, The Isle of Capri Casino Corporation, now one of the largest operators in the U.S., was a fledgling start-up resort operator. Being recruited to open the corporation's second property was the type of challenge Barnard enjoyed, and he stayed with the company moving around from state to state and casino to casino. Over the next 10 years, Barnard held the positions of Casino Manager, Director of Player Development, Senior Director of Marketing and finally, Vice President and General Manager. He worked in the Mississippi, Louisiana and Caribbean

"Adams" continued from cover.

first met him, but after I talked to him a while, I realized he is very down to earth," Tecumseh Adams said. "It was interesting to talk to him. It was cool he showed us his Hall of Fame ring (Mills is a member of the USA Track and Field Hall of Fame). Another goal for my senior year is to post the same times Mills did in high school (Mills ran the 1,600 meter run in 4:18 and ran the 3,200 meter run in 9:01)."

Tecumseh Adams wanted to thank his Harbor Springs High School Cross Country and Track Coaches, Mike and Emily Kloss, Cheryl Halfacer, his aunt, Mary Gibson, and especially, his mother, Anahid Adams.

"She has always supported me by attending all of my meets, and she has bought me so many spikes over the years," Tecumseh Adams said of his mother, who owns Anahid's in Harbor Springs.

*The photo of Tecumseh Adams wearing his state medals is by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar. The action photo of Tecumseh Adams appears courtesy of Jesse Place of RunMichigan.com.*

markets for the Isle and established several national marketing programs.

In 1999, supported by a Bachelor of Arts Equivalency Degree in Casino Management from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, Barnard became a United States Citizen.

In 2003, a former colleague jokingly told Barnard if he ever chose to start his own marketing agency, she would hire him immediately. He didn't allow her to change her mind and talked his best friend into starting the business with him. Together, they opened The Ad Lab Marketing Group and established a Memphis-based business with seven casino clients within their first two years of operation. With a handful of creative employees, the business grew into a \$500,000 enterprise and was on the road to success until one fateful night in August 2005. Hurricane Katrina swept through the southern United States and stole 1,800 lives - \$81 billion of investment...and most of The Ad Lab's clients were forced to close. The decision was made to let the employees go, and Barnard found himself looking for work.

Luckily, everyone associated with The Ad Lab found work quickly. Barnard was recruited to work at Bally's Casino in Tunica, just 30 minutes from home. Accepting the position of Assistant General Manager for a troubled property was the challenge he needed. Resorts International had recently purchased the property and gave Barnard the financial support he needed to turn around a run down casino with damaged employee morale and inadequate and sometimes damaged equipment. Within two years, the property was a success story with employee turnover cut in half, the highest profit margins on record and millions spent on refurbishment. Success has its challenges though, and it was believed Bally's was for sale. Not wanting to be lost in the shuffle, Barnard decided to start the search

for a new challenge. His direction to the recruiters was simple: *"I'm not looking for just a job - I want a career opportunity. I'm not moving just anywhere - I want quality of life. I don't want to work for a faceless corporation - I want to work for real people. I don't want to work in a low class casino joint - I want to work at a quality resort."*

In January 2008, the opportunity to join Michigan's finest property came across Barnard's desk in Mississippi. He wasn't sure he had a chance of winning the spot and knew he'd be up against some serious competition. A telephone interview confirmed what he thought - this was what he wanted and where he wanted to be. Barnard researched the history of the tribe, its reputation in the local area and in the gaming industry. He talked to people about the property and what they had heard. Everything he had hoped for was there...a four-star reputation to match a fabulous property.

In mid-May, Barnard joined the Odawa Casino Resort team and started to settle in. He has already started establishing roots here by purchasing a home in Petoskey, MI, and is not bothered by the winters here: *"I grew up in one of the worst climates in the world. It rains nearly every day in England, and summer is usually one Thursday in May each year! Seriously though, I love to ski and everyone in Michigan knows how to deal with the snow...and it makes us appreciate the summers more."*

The photo of Sean Barnard appears courtesy of the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing Department.

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## ODAWA HOMECOMING Canopy Policies



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- Set-up begins at 5 p.m., Friday, August 8 (NO EXCEPTIONS!).
- Canopy space is limited to a 10' x 10' area.
- YOU are responsible for canopy area CLEAN UP before leaving.
- All interested parties MUST check in with Pow Wow Committee Member prior to setting up.
- Canopy is limited to ONE per FAMILY even if there are multiple participants (NO EXCEPTIONS!).

### Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Gaming Board of Directors

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### 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 weatherstripping are available for pickup at the Human Services Building during regular business hours.

Traditional Healer

## Jake Pine

is available for appointments on

Monday, August 25 from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.  
 and  
 Tuesday, August 26 from 9 a.m. – noon

All appointments at the  
**LTBB Community Health Department**  
 1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey, MI

For more information or to schedule an appointment,  
 please call 231-242-1601.

## FLOWER MAKING

Share your talent and creativity! Now is the time to start working on crepe' paper flowers for this fall's flower crowns. Crepe' paper is available for pickup any Tuesday or Thursday during the Elders Luncheon. Please contact Virginia Lewis at 231-539-8633, Harriet Kishigo-Booth at 231-838-6547 or the Elders Program at 231-242-1422 for more information.



# Natural Resource Department

## LTBB Natural Resource Department Plays a Vital Role in Protecting the Sturgeon - the King of the Fishes

Submitted by Adrienne Kral, Fisheries Technician

If you have ever seen our Great Lakes Assessment boat, the Mesh-eNahma, you know we here at the LTBB Natural Resource Department (NRD) have the utmost respect for the sturgeon – king of the fishes.

This opinion is common among tribal citizens who consider this ancient fish an important part of their history. Lake sturgeon (*Acipenser fulvescens*) were traditionally harvested for their meat, eggs, oil and hides. Their presence graces the stories, songs and memories of countless gen-

erations.

This ancient family of fishes has been recognized since the Upper Cretaceous period (136 million years ago) at a time when dinosaurs were at the height of their development. By the early 1900s, many populations of lake sturgeon had been greatly reduced or extirpated as a result of over fishing, habitat loss and the construction of dams and pollution. Lake sturgeon are listed as a threatened species in Michigan and either threatened or endangered by 19 of the 20 states within its original range in the United States.

Another obstacle to the lake



sturgeon's survival is its own life history. The typical lifespan of lake sturgeon is 55 years for males and 80-150 years for females. However, sexual maturity in females is not reached until the fish is between 14-33 years of age, and mature females only spawn once every four to nine years. Male maturity usually occurs between ages eight and 12, but may take up to 22 years, and males only spawn every two to seven years.

In the spring, lake sturgeon migrate up the rivers to spawn.

This provides an excellent chance for researchers to study the fish, but also poses a threat as the sturgeon are highly visible in the river shallows and are particularly susceptible to poaching. In Cheboygan County, MI, lake sturgeon migrate

from Black Lake to the Upper Black River to spawn.

Biological staff and Conservation Enforcement from LTBB NRD were recruited to assist in sturgeon research and protection there this spring. Through efforts of the non-profit organization, Sturgeon for Tomorrow, volunteers are organized into the Sturgeon Guard, which watches over the fish in the river to prevent illegal harvest. LTBB Conservation Enforcement participated in the Sturgeon Guard, patrolling the river banks to deter poachers.

The Black Lake watershed offers a unique research opportunity because it is a closed system with a dam blocking its only out flowing river. Researchers from Michigan State University as well as Central Michi-

gan University have partnered with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to take advantage of this opportunity. Lack of funding due to a transition year between research projects led to researchers being shorthanded, and the LTBB NRD Biological Staff was asked to help in the annual capturing and tagging of the spawning sturgeon. More than 200 fish were captured from late April to early June. Data was taken from each fish, including length, weight, girth, sex and spawning condition. Fish were scanned for internal tags from previous years with identification numbers recorded and untagged fish being tagged. Floy tags, which are spaghetti shaped tags located on the back by the dorsal fin, were removed if present and replaced. All of this information is used to track these fish over time, monitor their growth rates and follow their spawning habits in the hopes of perpetuating this species for the next seven generations. It was a pleasure assisting in the protection and monitoring of these majestic fish, and we look forward to a similar coordination of efforts in the future.

*Courtesy photos.*



# Environmental Services

## Tribal Water Quality Survey Results

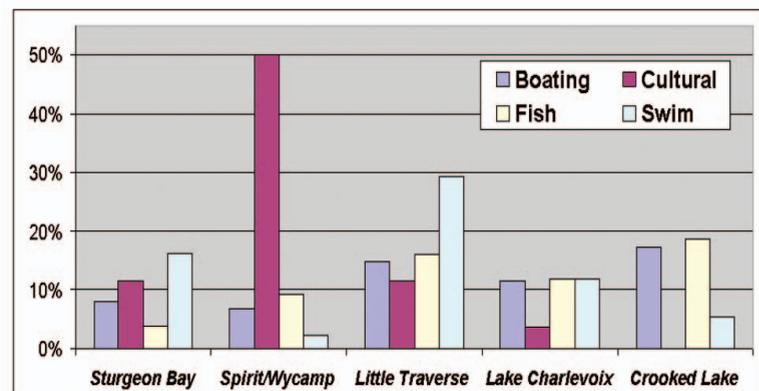
Submitted by the Environmental Services Department

The following section of the "Tribal Water Quality Survey Results" article that appeared in the July 2008 issue of *Odawa Trails* had the incorrect bar graph run with it.

The LTBB Communications Department regrets the error.

The following is how the section should have run in the article:

The following chart is a percentage breakdown of the uses (boating, cultural, fishing and/or swimming) among the top five lakes. Spirit/Wycamp Lake had the highest percentage of these five lakes by tribal citizens who use local lakes for cultural/ceremonial purposes. Little Traverse Bay was used the most by swimmers followed by Sturgeon Bay. Crooked Lake was used the most by local boaters and fisherman.



**Kwis # Trio IN THE FIRE (Recycle)**

OH MAN! THOSE FIREFIGHTERS WERE MAD AT US!

YEAH! THAT WAS SOME GRASS FIRE YOUR BURN BARREL STARTED.

I KNOW, EVEN OLD MAN TURKEY'S outhouse BURNED

WHAT WAS IN THAT BARREL ANYWAY?

LET'S SEE... PAPER, PLASTIC BOTTLES. EVEN STUFF THAT DOESN'T BURN LIKE DIAPERS, GLASS BOTTLES, TIN AND ALUMINUM CANS AND FOOD SCRAPS.

WOAH! PLASTIC PUTS CANCER CAUSING DIOXINS, VOC'S, LEAD, FORMALDEHYDE AND OTHER HARMFUL CHEMICALS IN THE AIR WHEN IT BURNS. THE OTHER STUFF IS BAD TOO, ESPECIALLY YOUR LITTLE BROTHER'S DIAPERS!!

YEAH, AND MOST OF THIS COULD BE RECYCLED AND THE FOOD SCRAPS CAN BE COMPOSTED.

WE BETTER CLEAN THIS UP AND GET RID OF THIS BARREL

I KNOW, THIS IS DANGEROUS FOR THE ENVIRONMENT?

FOR OUR BUTTS! THOSE FIREBOOTS LOOK LIKE THEY PACK A WALLOP!

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## Executive Branch

# From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik

### Ambassadorial Activities

**National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Mid-Year:** I attended the Mid-Year Meeting for NCAI in Reno, NV, May 31-June 4. As the Alternate Vice President for the Midwest Area, I serve on the Executive Board for NCAI. Our board meeting was in the morning on June 1. In the afternoon, I chaired the NCAI Federal Acknowledgement Task Force meeting from 1-5 p.m. The general sessions were held on Monday (June 2) and Tuesday (June 3). I traveled home on Wednesday, June 4.

There was an organizational meeting for the Native Vote project on Sunday (June 1) attended by Su Lantz who I have designated to work for LTBB on this issue. Lantz is the State Lead for Michigan for Native Vote with Valerie Biro serving as our tribal Native Vote Coordinator.

A session was held on the Real ID issue with specifics on the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative and how our tribal identification cards will be treated at the borders of Canada and Mexico. I dropped in during the Sunday afternoon general session and then, I had a tribally specific meeting for LTBB with the Homeland Security team conducting these sessions. I brought back to the office a packet of information we are considering in the Legal Department and in the Enrollment Office. Due to diligent work by NCAI staff and others, we have secured approval for tribal ID's to be accepted at the borders until next June. At that time, we will need to have a new agreement and updated ID's in place for them to be accepted at the borders. We have recently upgraded our Enrollment Office software and have ensured the new software vendor is in direct communication with the Department of Homeland Security in order to minimize our citizens' issues when crossing into and back from Canada or Mexico. We may need to propose some statutory changes in the next year in order to fully implement these new ID's, and we will have a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that needs to be negotiated and sub-

mitted to Tribal Council for approval as well.

**White Bison, Inc.:** On June 5, the 100 Eagle Feather Hoop and staff came to our administration building for a presentation and ceremony. I first became associated with this community healing project in June 1996 at a Native American Men's Gathering in the mountains west of Colorado Springs, CO. The hoop has traveled to many communities throughout the United States as a way of helping to bring attention to the many needs our tribal communities have in regards to substance abuse and mental health. White Bison, Inc. is a non-profit organization working in Indian Country for the healing of our communities and is based in Colorado.

**Association for Communication Excellence (ACE) Conference:** I was the morning keynote speaker for the ACE Conference in Traverse City, MI, on June 11. This association has members from the land grant institutions across the country with Michigan State University School of Agriculture and Natural Resources hosting this year's meeting. I spoke on "Tribal Sovereignty: Treaties Past and Present."

**United Tribes of Michigan:** This meeting was hosted on June 12 by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians at its conference center at its casino. A highlight of this meeting was the tornado warning that occurred in the evening that closed down the casino operations while we were all moved to a secure location in the middle of the casino.

We had a presentation from the Secretary of State's office that coordinated with the information we received at NCAI on the Real ID issue. We provided a copy of the LTBB Memorandum of Agreement regarding the State of Michigan's acceptance of our ID's for obtaining a driver's license.

**Tribal State Summit:** The day after the United Tribes of Michigan meeting on June 13, the tribal leaders met with Governor (Jennifer) Granholm at Little River Casino Resort. During the gift exchange, on be-

half of LTBB, I presented the governor with a small piece of traditional Indian pottery I made and with a beaded tobacco pouch my wife Rochelle (Ettawageshik) and I made. I also presented Little River Band Ogema Larry Romanelli with a beaded tobacco pouch as well.

The discussion with the governor was wide-ranging covering economic development, tuition waiver funding, thanking her for her support of Anishinaabemowin instruction in high schools, Indian Child Welfare issues and general health and welfare issues. But the one topic addressed most strongly by various tribal leaders was the issue of protecting our waters. Specifically, we presented her with a letter from Chairman (Robert) Kewaygoshgum from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians accompanied by a United Tribes of Michigan resolution supporting the letter. This letter made three major points: 1. It again raised the treaty rights issue as it relates to the taking of fish; 2. It requested the tie-bar be broken, so the Interstate Compact approval legislation can move forward independently from any implementation legislation and 3. It stated strongly the language allowing water to be considered a commodity or a product be removed from legislation.

(Subsequent to the summit on June 25, the water bills were approved by the Michigan Legislature without these changes. They were then sent to the Governor's Office, and she has signed them into law. Her comments to us at the summit were she feels we need to take these bills as passed as an incremental step to good water legislation and work in the future for making them better.)

**Woldumar Nature Center Fundraiser:** Following the June 13 summit in Manistee, MI, Rochelle (Ettawageshik) and I drove to Lansing, MI, for a fundraiser for Woldumar Nature Center. I was the honorary host for the event which was held at Jim McClurken's residence in Lansing. While at this event, I had a chance to speak with Lansing Mayor Virgil Bernero about a pro-

posed economic development project. This event provided many opportunities for networking on various tribal issues. I was asked to attend primarily because of environmental issues. My presentation during the evening was on the importance of raising awareness for the multitude of natural resource and climate issues impacting all of us.

**Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA):** On June 18, we continued our discussion with NLEA Director Andy Hayes and the Alliance Board President regarding a possible alliance with the tribe. Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr., Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law and I have now had two meetings, and we are planning a third to work out a plan for what this alliance might look like.

**Great Lakes Regional Collaboration (GLRC):** The Executive Committee of the GLRC met by conference call in the morning on June 19. We approved the *Mercury in Products Phase-Down Strategy* and the *Wetland Habitat Strategy* that have been in the works for more than a year. We also discussed the upcoming Emergency Response Drill for Aquatic Invasive Species that was scheduled for late July in Pennsylvania. We continue to support funding at the federal level for the priorities as outlined in the final report of the collaboration.

**Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA):** The June 19 meeting of CORA was held at the Charlevoix Country Club. All of our tribal facilities were booked for the day. (Executive Assistant) Rebecca (Atkinson) was able to get us a good deal at the country club. Several of the CORA reps marveled at how far we have come since the early U.S. vs. MI days!

**Bear Creek Township:** I met with Dennis Keiser, the Supervisor of Bear Creek Township, regarding the Hager Drive Construction project, the Revenue Sharing Board priorities, and we had a general discussion on tribal and township issues. We try to meet every couple of months or so.

**Turtle Creek Casino Grand**

**Opening:** On June 23 and 24, the Vice Chairman (Bill Denemy, Sr.) and I attended the grand opening along with several Tribal Council members. We congratulated our neighboring tribe and its leaders on the new facility. Tribal leaders from nearly all of the Michigan tribes were in attendance as well as the National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) President Ernie Stevens.

The day after this opening, an article went out over the Associated Press wire service concerning the environmental concerns for several new casinos. Turtle Creek is featured and Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, is also mentioned.

### Implementation of Statutes and Resolutions

**Signing:** I have signed all the resolutions sent to the Executive Office from Tribal Council since the last meeting. I vetoed the Fair Employment Statute and sent it back to Tribal Council with suggestions for changes. I have signed the revised Trust Fund Board Statute.

### Enterprise Oversight

**Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. (WOD, Inc.):** We will be sending a quarterly report to Tribal Council as of the next monthly report. So far, we have little to report as we are still in the preliminary stages. Nimkee Technologies, LLC has a weekly conference call meeting, and WOD, Inc. has a monthly meeting. We have no income as of yet but Nimkee Technologies Chief Operating Officer Michael Devine has participated in a State of Michigan trade mission to Sweden in regards to alternative energies (paid by the State of Michigan). Our assets for both WOD, Inc. and Nimkee Technologies, LLC at this time consist of the \$5,000 invested by Tribal Council when we were formed minus several small organizational expenditures.

**Report from our Owners Representative on the Odawa Casino Resort:** In the past month, we have had two meetings with top management and owners of Clark Construction to facilitate the closeout of this construction project including a presentation at the last workgroup meeting.



## Legislative Corner

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According to the LTBB Constitution adopted on February 2, 2005, the Tribal Council appropriates funds for the various departments and programs within the Legislative, Executive and Judiciary branches of government.

Part of the budgeting process is the accumulation of unspent funds after the budget closeout of the fiscal year. These funds are deposited into the "Prior Period Fund" and can be allocated for specific purchases or programs.

As follows is a sample of this year's allocations by Tribal Council from Prior Period Funds:

►The Natural Resource Department has developed a site plan, initial construction cost estimate and the Hatchery Capital Project fund for a fish hatchery with a total cost of \$1,257,908. The department has obtained \$1,057,984 towards the construction project through grants and funding, leaving a remaining balance of \$299,924 to complete the construction phase of the project. Recognizing the importance of treaty rights, Tribal Council allocated up to \$300,000 for the completion of the fish hatchery.

►The Tribal Council funds the Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Act that provides scholarships

for LTBB Students. Currently, the levels and rates of scholarships are as follows: LTBB Sponsored courses \$25, Junior/Community College \$150, Four Year College/University \$250, Graduate \$350, free courses \$15. In order to continue this program for the fall semester, Tribal Council allocated a supplement of \$163,630 of additional funds.

►The Elders Program provides shuttle transportation services to our elder tribal citizens for socialized meals, shopping, cultural-related events, Annual Community meeting, funerals and other needs. This transportation program provided shuttle services for our elders more than

2,250 times this past year. The elders are in need of a new shuttle, and \$55,000 was allocated for this purchase.

►The Pellston School District has a vocational education program where students provide the bulk of the general labor on a residential home construction, minimizing the cost of a home construction. The Pellston School Board has approached the tribe and has expressed an interest in building a residential home for the tribe. The students would provide the labor for the construction, and the tribe would provide for the construction materials. The Tribal Council allocated

\$90,050 for the construction of the home.

Once again, the LTBB website has been updated. It now has a new "Search" feature to assist you in navigating the Odawa website and Odawa Registry. You can find full text of Resolutions and Statutes, up-to-date meeting minutes, Tribal Council policies and much more at <http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov>.

If you have any thoughts or suggestions you would like to share, please feel free to use our direct toll free phone number, 1-866-927-0077.  
*Miigwetch Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law and Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick.*

# Native News

## Preserving the Tradition of Black Ash Basket Making



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

After receiving a LTBB Small Grant award, LTBB Tribal Citizens Renee Wasson Dillard and Isaac Dillard offered three black ash basket workshops on June 5, 6 and 7.

The day-long workshops, held at the Community Center at the Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development in Harbor Springs, MI, and the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, were free of charge, and the first 25 people signed up per day made a basket. Those not signed up for the class were free to watch and learn.

A potluck lunch was provided, and a black ash basket raffle prize was awarded each workshop.

Participants experienced 25% of the black ash basket making process, weaving. The other 75% of the process involves preparing the wood

and splitting the wood into long, thin, flexible splints.

Wasson Dillard has been making black ash baskets since she was nine and learned from watching the adults



and elders in her family. Isaac Dillard grew up watching his mother make baskets. Wasson Dillard travels teaching people how to make baskets and sells her own baskets. Her long-time friend, Edward J. Peterson, a member

The basketmaking class instructors pictured from left to right are Renee Wasson Dillard, Isaac Dillard, Todd Parker and Edward J. Peterson.

The instructors generously donated their time and expertise to assist the participants at the three workshops. Participants experienced 25% of the black ash basket making process.

The other 75% of the process involves preparing the wood and splitting the wood into long, thin, flexible splints.

of the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians,



processes the ash wood into splints.

Last April, the Circle of Life Planning Committee sponsored three similar workshops where Wasson Dillard taught LTBB Governmental Employees, elders and youth.

Last June, Wasson Dillard hosted a workshop as part of the Odawa Institute's Ninth Annual Niibin Jiibaakwe.



Elders Program Coordinator Marie "Tootsie" Miller works on her black ash basket.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Renee Wasson Dillard (pictured), a LTBB Tribal Citizen, along with her son, Isaac Dillard, offered three black ash basket workshops for LTBB Tribal Citizens free of charge.

Land and Reservation Two-Day Training Sessions  
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 Sponsored by the Tribal Council and the Indian Land Tenure Foundation

September 8 and 9, 2008  
 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
 Odawa Hotel  
 1444 U.S. 131 South  
 Petoskey, Michigan 49770

This workshop will focus on the history of our land, current land resources and future acquisitions. Guest Speakers: Dr. James McClurken, Attorney William Brooks, Michigan State University's Nick Reo and many others.

Tribal Citizens are welcome to join the Tribal Council in a two-day special training on tribal land issues.

Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided

**Limited sitting; please register by mail or fax by September 4, 2008:**

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## The Second Annual Three Fires Message Run/Relay

August 17, 7 a.m.

Kitchigame Masbiganing (Lake Michigan)

The Odawa Institute would like to announce the Second Annual Three Fires Message Run/Relay from Harbor Springs to Charlevoix. Our message Run is reminiscent of a time when messages along with a stick were passed between villages via runners and the message would then be passed on to the next runner.

This is an open race and participants may compete solo or as a team. The course is 26.2 miles along Blackbird Path. Water and first aid stations will be provided. Pre-registration is encouraged.

For more information, please contact Matt Lesky at [lesky1mw@hotmail.com](mailto:lesky1mw@hotmail.com) or visit [www.marathon.odawa.info](http://www.marathon.odawa.info).



**BIRTHDAYS**

Belated birthday wishes for **Richard Wemigwase**, who celebrated his big day on July 23, and Ron Wemigwase, who celebrated his big day on July 28. Love, your forgetful older sister.

Happy birthday to **Rosemary Baldon** on August 10. Have a great day. From your nieces and nephews.

Happy birthday **Mom**. We love you so much. Love, Klayton, Kelsey and Junior.

Happy \_th birthday to my big sister, **Vicki Lynn**, on August 24. You've always blazed the trail for me, and I just want you to know how much I appreciate it. Regina.

**Karen Brewer-Snake** turns 53 on August 15. Happy birthday to the best Mom and Grandma ever! Thank you for always being there for me. I love you! Veronica.

Happy birthday to **Caren Kay** on August 18. Lots of love, Sara and Tavien.

We wish a happy birthday to cuz **Joe Naganashe, Carrie Shananaquet, Tony Boda, Steve Boda, Lindsay Shananaquet, Bradly Powell, Diane Naganashe, Rhonda Ellis, Pat Naganashe, Tyler Laughlin, Sherry Boda** and **Chris Uleski**.

Happy birthday to **Tom Kolodgy** on August 7. Have a great day. We love you, Aunt Gina, Uncle Bill, Brittany and Elizabeth.

Happy birthday to **Abbie Ferella**, who turns six on August 8. Love, Aunt Liz and Avery.

Happy birthday to "**The Black Widder**" **Lia Burks** on August 23. Love, Ken.

Happy birthday to my "musical" boy! Have a great 10th birthday **Orion!** We love you very much! Love, Mom, Dad, Sidra and Damek.

Wishing a very happy second birthday to **Joseph Vernon Lee Gasco** on August 13. With all of Nokomis' love and Mommy and Daddy.

Happy birthday **Roy Smithkey, Jr.** You are a wonderful son and grandson, good husband and the best dad in the world! Have a great day. We love you very much. From your mother, Debra, and your grandmother, Theresa Yoder.

Wow, my **baby girl** turns 40 this year on August 23, have a great birthday! Love, Pops.

**BIRTHDAYS**

Birthday wishes are being sent to my nephew, **Ryan Keshick**, who celebrates his special day on August 16. We hope you have a great time. Be careful and safe. Love Aunt Linda, Jeff and Kacie.

Happy birthday to our **Auntie Alice** on August 16! We love you lots and lots and lots. . . The Burks kids.

Happy birthday to my Dad and Papa, **John Keshick II**, on August 21. We love you very much! Love, Sue and Kacie Gokee.

MnoDibishkaak Ndanwenmaaganak - Nwiji kiwenh **Michele Keshick**; Noos **Buddy Gene**; Niningoniskwewok **Tubba Doo** (Jii Naanhs ) miinwa **Jasmine Mc-Fall**; miinwa nBazigim **Lionel!** Gzaaginim.

Even though you're turning 55 on August 28, you'll still always be **Baby Frank** to us. You're not too old to navigate your way through and enjoy the scenery on Middle Village Road. Hope you have a great day. From the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to "Little" **Donny Portman** on August 11. Love, your cousins, Liz and Avery.

Happy birthday to a great brother, **Harry Gasco**, on August 2. Love, Gina, Bill, Brittany and Liz.

Happy birthday to the best baby sister in the world. **Alice Arthur** celebrates on August 16. Love, Big Sis, Mary Burks

Wishing a very happy birthday to my sons, **John Lewis** and **Andrew Lewis**, on August 16. August birthday wishes to my grandsons, **Cody** on the 30th and **Matthew** on the 24th. Sending the very best wishes from your Mom and Grandma, Virginia Lewis.

Happy birthday to the youngest of the Slick Sisters, **Lia Burks**, on August 23. May you enjoy many, many more.

Happy, happy birthday to **Richard Bottoms** on August 26. Wishing you happiness on your special day. From your brothers, sisters, wife, sons and family.

Happy birthday to my Auntie Pooh **Alice Arthur** on August 16. Hope you have many returns of the day. Love, Kenny.

Happy birthday to cousin **John Kewaygoshkum** on August 16 and extend best wishes to Pauline Worthington on August 16. Love, Mary Burks and Family.

Best birthday wishes on August 24 to a wonderful mother and even better Gamma. (**Vicki Lynn** hits the big 50!!!). Love, Joe, Sara, Chris, Becca and Tavien.

**BIRTHDAYS**

Happy birthday to my baby girl, **Lia Burks**, on August 23. I love you, Mama.

Happy birthday **Grandma Karen!** We love you lots!! Tahir, Kiara and Alex.

Happy birthday to **Sara Lucier** on August 21. It's been a pleasure watching you grow into the beautiful person you are! Love, from Aunt Gina.

Happy birthday, **baby sister**, from Shirley Adkins and Stu.

Happy birthday to **Caren Kay** on August 18. The sun surely shone when you came into our lives. Love, from Aunt Gina.

Happy birthday to **Kara** on August 10. I love you so much. Love, Jeff.

Happy birthday to **Tammy (Willis) Bowers**. From your favorite little sister.

Happy birthday to **Kati Danaher**, who turns 15, on August 13. Love, your family.

**ANNIVERSARIES**

Happy anniversary this month to **Chris and Vicki Lynn**; the adventure continues!

Happy anniversary to **Mary and Gary Powell, John and Glana Naganashe** and **Matt and Sam Roberts**. Love, Dorothy and Don Boda.

Happy 16th anniversary to **Chris and Vicki Lynn** on August 31. Love, your kids.

*Congratulations*

Congratulations to Petoskey High School pitcher **Andi Gasco** for earning Honorable Mention Division II All-State softball honors and being named to both the *Traverse City Record-Eagle* All-Region Softball Dream Team and the *Petoskey News-Review* All-Area Softball Team after a successful junior season. She will be a senior in the fall at Petoskey High School.

Congratulations to **Carly Searles**, who will be a sophomore at Petoskey High School in the fall, for receiving the annual Emily Hoffman Memorial Volleyball Camp Scholarship award, which allowed her to attend setters camp at Northwood University from July 29-31.

*Walking on...*

The family of **Adeline Noack** requested this poem be printed in her memory.

**I Am Not Here**

I am not here, don't stand by my grave and weep for I am not there, I do not sleep. I am 1,000 winds that blow, I am the diamonds glistened on snow, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle Autumn rain, when you awaken in morning's hush, I am the swift uplifting rush. Of quiet birds in circle flight, I am the soft stars that shine at night, do not stand by my grave and cry, I am not there. I did not die.

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**Rita Marie Gasco-Shepard, 68** Rita Marie Gasco-Shepard, 68, walked on May 21.

She is survived by her beloved husband, Gordon "Flash," and two sisters, Ruth Ann McGraw of Westland, MI, and Linda Lou Henderson of Cleveland, Ohio. She was the loving mother of four children, daughters Vicki (Chris) Lynn, Gina (Brian) Brubacker-Carver, Stella (Dave) Kay and son, Harvey Brubacker; and three stepchildren, Carrie (Toney) Kerns, Michelle (Peter) Hernek and Gordon (Angela) Shepard. She had eight grandchildren of whom she was very proud, Joseph (Cassie) Lucier, Sara Lucier, Christopher Lynn, Becca Lynn, Dianna Kay, Jordan Kay, Caren Kay and Sydney Kay; and one great-grandson, Tavien Lucier. Also within the extended family are six step-grandchildren, Stephen, Robert, Jenah, Sergei, Madison and Kaitlyn.

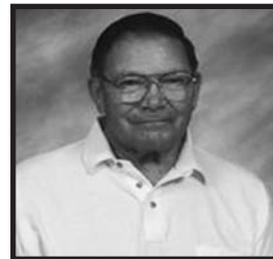
She was born on December 5, 1939, in Harbor Springs, MI. She later moved to Petoskey, MI, where she raised her children. Her work career began as a legal secretary for several area law firms, and later in life, she became the probate court registrar for Emmet County under Judge Mulhauser.

As a full blood Native American, she was a member of the Waaganakising Odawa (LTBB) and was known by her Odawa name of Waawaasgoneh-kwe or Little Flower Woman. In retirement, she became very active in tribal affairs and was appointed an appellate justice within the LTBB Tribal Court. As a justice, she prepared briefs on tribal law and worked on the tribal constitution, performed marriage ceremonies and conducted swearing-ins. More recently, she was a team member of the Odawa Youth Healing to Wellness Court where she was a positive influence on many of the tribal youth. She was also an active member of the LTBB Elders Association.

She lived life to the fullest every single day. She was an avid competitive golfer, playing in tournaments on a regular basis and was proud to have had two holes-in-one. She enjoyed playing pinochle with her club. She was also a very creative person, versatile with all sorts of needlework such as sewing, knitting and crochet. She painted watercolors with many of her works being displayed under the name of "R. Flynn." Over the past six to seven years, she taught herself to bead and made exquisite work, and

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had been recognized by the community as a premier bead artist. Her greatest legacy is the living proof adversity does not have to ruin a life. Her concern and compassion for others will be missed by all who knew her. The family would like to thank those who kept us in their prayers in the last few months.



**Cecil J. Taylor, 74**

Cecil J. Taylor, 74, of Newberry, MI, walked on June 6 at Marquette General Hospital in Marquette, MI. He was born in Petoskey on January 29, 1934, the eldest of 11 children to Cecil F. and Marcella (Stradling) Taylor. While a youngster, he attended Holy Childhood Schools in Harbor Springs, but graduated from Newberry High School, the class of 1952. At Newberry High, he enjoyed participating in track.

Following his high school graduation, he became a seasonal employee as a towerman for the State of Michigan. In the offseason, he worked downstate at Motorwheel. He was a veteran serving in the U.S. Army from 1955-1957. Following his service obligation, he returned to his employment with the State of Michigan, this time as a full-time towerman in the Fire Division of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). He served in this capacity at the Hamilton Lake Tower and the Paradise Tower. In 1971, he transferred to the Law Enforcement Division and became a Conservation Officer.

In May 1970, he earned a Student Pilot certificate. He earned his Commercial Pilot rating in June 1971, his Instrument rating in 1973 and began instructing students in VFR and Instrument Flying. He became one of only a few individuals to earn the title Conservation Officer Pilot. He retired in this capacity from the DNR in 1992.

He created Cecil J. Taylor Custom Reloading, a reloading company for himself and other individuals, in the mid 1960s and created Taylor Flying Service in 1980. He sold his flying service in 2001.

He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, St. Gregory Catholic Church in Newberry and the Knights of Columbus.

He was an avid hunter. He especially enjoyed turkey hunts, but also hunted deer and bear. He enjoyed sailing at his cottage at Round Lake, and spending time at his camp.

Survivors include his wife, the former Doris Matelski, whom he mar-

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died on September 18, 1954 in Newberry and children, Joe (Linda) of St. Johns, MI; Jean Shaffer of Tullahoma, TN; Rita (Terry) Jutila of Marquette; Pete (Kathy) of Ishpeming, MI, and Sandy (Ken) Gill of Newberry. Also surviving are eight grandchildren, one great-grandchild, four step grandchildren, three step great-grandchildren and siblings, Ivan, Bobby, Shirley, Helene and Catherine.

He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings, Clyde, Donnie, Theresa, Alice and Ruthie.

## Margaret Joan Pontiac, 65

Cherished Odawa mother, sister, wife, grandmother, aunt, great aunt and loyal friend, Margaret Joan Pontiac, 65, walked on June 16. She was born on February 28, 1943, in Harbor Springs, MI. She was the youngest of eight children. She was preceded in death by her parents, Sampson Anawabe Leo and Cecilia Nanegos Leo, brothers, Robert Leo and Leon Richard Leo. She is survived by her brothers and sisters, Gloria Chisholm, Sam Leo, Ruth Eagelman, Rose Star Chief, and N. Joseph Leo; her husband of nearly 40 years, Rudy Garland Pontiac of McBain, MI; and her children, James, Leo, Bryan and Mary. She was blessed with five grandchildren, Andrea, Alliyah, Victoria, Vincent and Andrew. She also had many nieces, nephews and cousins.

When she was approximately three years old, she and her family moved to the Grand Rapids, MI, area where she attended grade school at St. Alphonsus and graduated from Catholic Central High School in 1961. Known amongst close family and friends as a great and passionate dancer, she married Rudy Pontiac in 1969 and began to raise her family. She once lived in Denver, CO, but came back to her native Michigan and became an active and proud member of the local Anishinabe Indian community by becoming a North American Indian tutor. She wholeheartedly enjoyed working and spending time with the Anishinabe youth. She also starting attending community college around the same time she became a tutor. She was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

When she spent time with her family and friends, she loved to travel, see movies, play bingo and dance. She wanted to see as much of the world as she possibly could. Her favorite places to retreat were Peshawbestown, MI, and Harbor Springs. She is deeply loved, profoundly missed and will always be remembered as the mother extraordinaire she was.

## Walking On...

She was a natural caregiver, and she affected the hearts and minds of many.



## Adeline Noack, 66

Adeline Noack, 66, of Green Bay, WI, walked on June 29 at her home.

She was born January 23, 1942 in Manistique, MI, to the late George and Elizabeth (Feathers) Sharkey. She married Ron Noack, Sr. on October 11, 1958.

She was known for making sweet grass baskets and was called the sweet grass lady.

She was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Her Indian name translates into Ceremonial Feather Woman. She was a member of the Oconto River Bowmen.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Noack, Sr.; three sons, William (Yvette) Noack, Ronald Noack, Jr., Robert "Bobby" (Melanie) Noack; and two daughters, Lynn (Kevin) Martin and Dawn Noack. She is also survived by many brothers and sisters, 15 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, two step-grandchildren and five step great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son, James Noack, a grandson, Austin Noack, and brothers and sisters. She will be greatly missed by her family.



## Marion "Mary" Perry, 80

Marion "Mary" Perry, 80, of Kentwood, MI, walked on June 28. Surviving are her children, Melinda C. Engstrom, Michael J. (Lynn) Perry, Sandra L. (Michael) Parm, Frederick S. (Tina) Perry; 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren; brothers, John (Maryjane) Engstrom, Theodore Engstrom, William Engstrom; sisters, Gloria (Forrest) Miles, Agnes (Ronald) Weber, Betty (Harland) Peacock; and several nieces and nephews. She was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.



## Native News Briefs from Across Indian Country

### Young LTBB Tribal Citizen Makes a Difference



**Hope Drogmiller**, a nine-year-old LTBB Tribal Citizen who lives in Wixom, MI, successfully walked in the Novi Relay for Life held at Novi Middle School in Novi, MI, on June 7 and 8.

She walked with her mother, LTBB Tribal Citizen Kathy Drogmiller, an eight-year breast cancer survivor.

Hope Drogmiller raised more than \$500 for cancer research.

The following was written by Hope Drogmiller, and it is titled, "I Can Make a Difference By..."

"I can make a difference by... Trying to find a cure for cancer because children and adults should not have to suffer because of this horrible disease. The reason why I want to find a cure for cancer is because in my lifetime of eight years, I have known many people that have been diagnosed with cancer. My uncle Brian died of leukemia when he was just 38 years old. Unfortunately, another person who I loved very much also died because of cancer, except her cancer was called lung cancer, she was my grandma. It upsets me when I hear that little kids and adults die everyday because of this terrible disease. It seems that everyday all I hear on TV is the word cancer. I see it mostly on the news when I watch it with my daddy.

Even at night time, I see it on TV. Children with cancer, they are from St. Jude's Hospital. I currently know a girl who just had her leg amputated because of cancer; she was only nine years old. About a year after I was born, my mommy was diagnosed with breast cancer. Everyday I would see my mommy with a pale face, a bald head and dark bags under her eyes, sick and tired. Even though it's been seven years since my mommy was diagnosed with breast cancer nobody has ever said she was cured. I'm afraid that one day the cancer could return. This is why when I get older I would like to find a cure for cancer. This would make a difference in the world."

*Photo by C.G. Drogmiller.*

### Waganakising Martial Arts Club Update

On May 31 at the Native Way II gym in Harbor Springs, MI, members of the Waganakising Martial Arts Club tested and advanced. Congratulations to the following individuals on their promotions: **Mikayla Miller** (black belt), **Dylan Keller** (green belt), **Tyler Keller** (green belt), **Roger Marsh** (green belt), **Chucky Thompson** (green belt), **Mark Tracy** (green belt), **Glen Joy** (blue belt), **Belinda Joy** (blue belt) and **Ian Marsh** (yellow belt).

### Albino Whitetail Deer on Display at LTBB Governmental Center



On October 12, 2007, the Natural Resource Department received a donated albino whitetail deer from an Emmet County resident. The deer was, unfortunately, struck by a vehicle on M-68 east of Alanson, MI. LTBB

Tribal Citizen and Master Taxidermist Robert Parkey of Parkey's Taxidermy located in Indian River, MI, worked on the deer. On June 27, 2008, the deer was put on display at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs.

*Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.*

### GTB Opens New Turtle Creek Hotel and Casino

The grand opening of the new Turtle Creek Hotel and Casino, owned and operated by the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (GTB), was held June 24.

The \$114 million complex, located in Williamsburg, MI, features an eight-story, 137-room hotel and a three-story casino with a 74,000 square foot gaming floor with approximately 1,300 slot machines, video poker, a poker room and table games. Also included in the new facility is the "Level 3" lounge, a 200-seat night club; Bourbons, an upscale 120-seat restaurant; Seasons, a 300-seat buffet restaurant; and a "Cultural Corridor," a sky-lit walkway connecting the casino and hotel to feature artwork, displays and historical information about the tribe.

### Native Michigan State University Alumnus Sought

Are you or a Native family member a Michigan State University alumnus?

If so, I would like to hear from you. I am searching for American Indians (both undergraduate and graduate) who received a degree so we can begin documenting the history of American Indian students.

The reason it is being done is because there is very little information from 1855-1960 when no racial categories existed.

If you can assist with this, it would be very much appreciated.

Please contact Pat Dyer-Deckrow at [muhkwapat@yahoo.com](mailto:muhkwapat@yahoo.com). I look forward to hearing from you; miigwetch and bamapii.

## Tenth Annual Niibin Jiibaakwe Celebration Sponsored by the Odawa Institute Held June 18-22

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar taken on June 22.



# Understanding the Sights and Sounds at the Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

Before the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow on August 9-10 in Harbor Springs, MI, I thought it would be helpful to explain the meaning and symbolism associated with the event.

The dance arena is a sacred circle which represents life. This circle of life symbolizes the continual flow of life and death. Like a circle, all people are connected to one another.

A pow wow always begins with a grand entry in which the dancers enter the dance arena in a single line and fill the sacred circle. Male veteran dancers carry various flags and eagle staffs. The eagle is a symbol of power and strength, and it is believed eagles are messengers between the Creator and Man. The eagle staffs are offered to the Creator for this reason. The veteran dancers are followed by the head male and female dancers.

A flag song immediately follows the grand entry and is similar to pledging allegiance to the flag. The song is a symbol of respect for sovereign nations and for those who died protecting them.

A drumbeat calls the dancers to the circle and symbolizes their heartbeat. The beat directs their dance steps and accompanies all the dances. The majority of the singers are men, and their songs are a form of oral history sung in the group's Native language. The singers learn through apprenticeship from respected elders, and they eventually will continue to teach these songs to future generations.

Legends tell us the drums were once living creatures who sacrificed themselves for man to use. Drums are made from animal hides, wood and clay from the earth. The materials on the drum pay homage to the life forces: Animal hides, wood to honor the growing things, pottery from earth and water, the most precious element.

Each drum possesses a spirit and each drummer moves these spirits to come out for the dancers. The drum

brings out various emotions and calls everyone to dance in unity. The singers use sweetgrass and eagle feathers to ask Father Sun and Mother Earth to release the spirit of the drum. The dancers add strength to the dance rhythms with bells, rattles of deer hooves, bones and bits of metal on their regalia.

Each unique dance style has a distinctive regalia and distinctive dance steps associated with it. Regalia is the formal term used to describe the clothing worn during the dances.

Traditional male and female dancers preserve the oldest style of dancing.

Male dancers have two eagle-feathered bustles, and traditional war-

riors wear simple buckskin with eagle feathers. These feathers represent the Creator and the One against the Creator. The porcupine quill hair ornament supports the feathers and symbolizes all existence.

Female traditional dancers wear buckskin or cloth dresses. The buckskin dresses with long, flowing fringes represent a waterfall and are decorated with bright, intricate beadwork. The dancers always carry a shawl on their arms into the sacred circle. Spectators stand to honor these women, who possess the gift of life.

While the traditional dances are the oldest style, the fancy dances are the most modern and physically demanding. The female fancy shawl dance is thought to have originated as the Butterfly Dance. When her mate is killed in battle, the female butterfly mourns and goes into her cocoon symbolized by the shawl. She travels all over the world looking for happiness, stepping on every rock until she finally finds beauty in just one. Her emergence from the cocoon celebrates freedom and a new life. The regalia consists of

a shawl worn around the shoulders and a cloth dress. The male fancy dance is based on the traditional and Warrior Society dances and has evolved into a competitive dance for modern warriors. Dancers express themselves by intricate footwork, spins and colorful regalia. The regalia is similar to the traditional dancers', however, it contains two colorful feather bustles.

The men's grass dance is an ancient dance and is the basis for many others. It originated in the Northern Plains of the United States. The elders would ask young men to stomp down tall grass to prepare a clearing for a ceremony. Early grass dancers wore tufts of sweet grass which later evolved into feather bustles.

Currently, dancers use strips of leather and yarn to achieve a rippling grass effect. The women's jingle dress dancers wear cloth dresses which contain 365 small metal cones, a prayer for each day. Jingle dresses are frequently passed down by generation, and an eagle fan is carried by the dancer. The cones help to add beauty to the music and to enhance it.

There is a story about a young Ojibwe girl approximately 12 years of age who began the jingle dress tradition. She lived in a village crippled with great sickness. She longed to help her people and had a dream of the jingle dress for four nights. After the fourth night, she asked her grandmother what the dream meant. The grandmother told her to make the dress because it would stop the sickness. The first jingle dress was made using deer toes instead of the tobacco lids used today.

There are usually seven rows of cones, one to represent each of the seven teachings. Depending on the area the dancer comes from, these seven teachings vary greatly. The fan and fanning represent the fanning away of sickness. The scarf the dancer carries also represents the wiping away of sickness.

*Photo by Aaron Wayne Otto.*



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**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
 Natural Resource Department**

**2008 Annual Hunting and Fishing Meeting  
 August 23  
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn West located at 7501 W. Saginaw Hwy, Lansing, MI 48917

Please come and join the Natural Resource Commission for its annual hunting and fishing meeting. Lunch will be served at noon. Door prizes will be given out throughout the meeting. Public comment is always welcome.

**Highlights**

- Review Inland Consent Decree
- Elk and Bear Permits
- Walleye Spearfishing
- Small Boat Policies
- Forest Service MOU

Contact the Natural Resource Department for more information at 231-242-1670.

## LTBB Pow Wow Committee Encourages the Public to Attend the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok

Submitted by the 2008 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee



Submitted by the 2008 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee build the float and/or participating in the parades: Patrick Wemigwase, Richard Wemigwase, Shannon Wemigwase, Winnay Wemigwase, David K. Burks, Juanita Rogers and Annette VanDeCar.

A special miigwetch to David K. Burks, who burnt the CD with pow wow music and hooked up the committee's sound equipment to Patrick Wemigwase's truck thereby eliminating the cost of getting a drum to provide music.

The music sounded great, and the dancers looked great.

Finally, thank you to everyone who clapped for us and waved to us during the parades. We appreciate your support. We hope to see all of you at the pow wow on August 9 and 10.



*Group photos by Annette VanDeCar. The bottom photo is by Winnay Wemigwase.*

The 2008 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee promoted the 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok by participating in the annual Fourth of July parades in Harbor Springs, MI, and Petoskey, MI.

The Pow Wow Committee would like to thank the following dancers who volunteered their time to be a part of the committee's float in the parades: Theresa Keshick, Rosanna Givens, Kiana Wood, Alexa Oldman, Mary Burks, Anna Wemigwase, Shirley Adkins, Eva Oldman, Winnay Wemigwase, Janan Cornstalk and Nicole Laughlin.

Thank you to Tim Thomas, who handed out pow wow flyers during the Petoskey parade.

Miigwetch to the following committee members for helping



## Sometimes, Indian People and Man's Best Friend Must Walk Separate Paths

Submitted by the 2008 Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee

In traditional Anishinaabe teachings, our people have always had a close relationship with Ma'iingan (the wolf).

When Nanaboozhoo (First Man) first walked the earth, he realized all the beings of creation had others like themselves. This made Nanaboozhoo lonely, and he longed for a companion.

Therefore, he talked to the Creator about it. The Creator agreed that, like the other beings, Nanaboozhoo needed others like himself, so the Creator promised to send down to Nanaboozhoo someone to be his best friend.

Together, Nanaboozoo and his best friend, Ma'iingan, were given the

important job of naming all of creation. While doing this important work, and while playing together, they became brothers. Once their job was done, the Creator told them they would always have a strong bond and live parallel lives. However, it was time for them to part ways and walk separate paths.

We still have a unique relationship with the wolf and modern, domestic dogs. "Man's Best Friend" has descended from Ma'iingan. It is believed both the positive and negative things that have happened to wolf populations have also happened to the Anishinaabek at the same time.

For example, our social structures are the same (villages/bands and packs), we both choose one mate for life, our traditional homelands have been encroached upon, and we have developed similar health problems

with the introduction of foreign disease and lifestyles. We have always shared similar life paths throughout history.

However, we must always keep in mind the teachings of the Creator when holding ceremonies and keep in mind the promise made by First Man and Ma'iingan. Not only is this practice an important spiritual belief of our people, it is also an important safety issue for our friends.

The second weekend in August is often a very hot one, and no one wants a pet to suffer in a swelteringly hot car because it is not allowed to be near our ceremony.

This is why dogs, even though they may be an important part of our families, are asked to refrain from joining us at pow wow time, during sacred fires, at feasts or at other cultural/spiritual gatherings.

# 17th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok (pow wow)

## August 9 & 10, 2008

### LTBB Pow Wow Grounds Harbor Springs, MI

**Grand Entry Times**  
Saturday, August 9 - 1 & 7 p.m.  
Sunday, August 10 - 12 p.m.



### Head Staff

Host Drum  
Buffalo Horse

Arena Director  
David Shananaquet

MC  
Sonny Smart

Head Female Judge  
Jane Schwander

Head Veteran  
Walker Stonefish

Head Male Judge  
Steve Schwander

Head Dancers  
TBD each session

**Registration:**  
Friday, August 8, 5 - 8 p.m.  
Saturday, August 9, 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
Registration fee \$5 per dancer/singer.  
Tribal IDs may be requested.  
Tiny tots do not need to register.

### Prize Money

#### Drum

1st - \$3,000  
2nd - \$2,000  
3rd - \$1,000

(the first 6 non-placing registered  
drums will receive \$300 each)

#### **Golden Age (50+) & Adult (18-49)**

1st - \$600  
2nd - \$500  
3rd - \$400

#### **Teen (13-17)**

1st - \$300  
2nd - \$200  
3rd - \$150

#### **Boy/Girl (6-12)**

1st - \$100  
2nd - \$75  
3rd - \$50

**Free!**  
Open to the public!  
Bring the whole  
family!

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Odawa Indians  
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Absolutely no politics, drugs,  
alcohol or pets allowed at this  
event.  
Not responsible for loss of  
property or accidents.