



ODAWA TRAILS



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LTBB TRIBAL YOUTH FROM SEVERAL MICHIGAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS ATTEND SPECIAL LAND TRAINING SESSION SPONSORED BY THE LAND AND RESERVATION COMMITTEE

Submitted by Melvin L. Kiogima, Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson and Tribal Councilor

On March 20, 2009, 35 LTBB Youths attended a special Land Training Session at the Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

With funding support from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation and from grants received through the LTBB Education Department, it was sponsored by Tribal Council's Land and Reservation Committee.

It was a condensed version of the two-day Land Training Session held in September 2008 for all LTBB Tribal Citizens.

LTBB Students from several Michigan school districts, including Petoskey, Harbor Springs, Charlevoix, Boyne City, Boyne Falls, Alanson, Pellston and Mackinac City to name a few, were invited to attend this special session through their respective Title VII programs. LTBB PEACE Coordinator Kristy Dayson with funding provided by various Ed-



ucation Department grants, coordinated the invitations and made sure as many LTBB Students as possible were able to attend. Transportation was provided by their school districts.

After an opening prayer in Anishinaabemowin by LTBB Tribal Elder Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima, ethno-historian Dr. James McClurken provided an overview of the history of the Waganakising Odawa relative to our homelands. Dr. McClurken has been working on the history of the

Waganakising Odawa for more than 30 years and has recently submitted a draft history of our people and their land to the LTBB Executive Branch. Dr. McClurken gave brief details of the voluminous research he has done to date starting with the Treaties of 1836 and 1855 and covering periods into the mid-1900s.

During this period, the LTBB Homelands were reduced from 215,000 acres to practically nothing. Today, the lands held in trust by the

federal government for LTBB and lands held in fee only total approximately 700 acres.

Following Dr. McClurken, LTBB Planning Director Bryan Gillett with assistance from LTBB Geographic Information Systems Director Alan Proctor and Natural Resource Director Doug Craven gave a PowerPoint presentation of all the current properties owned by LTBB.

These include properties such as the Odawa Casino Resort property in Petoskey, the 90-acre parcel where the LTBB Governmental Center is located in Harbor Springs, MI, to properties on Beaver Island and the St. Martin Islands in Lake Michigan.

A sumptuous lunch was provided by the Odawa Hotel with many comments received such as, "It sure beat the school lunches."

Cultural Preservation Director Winnay Wemigwase led the afternoon session. She led the students through a play-acting exercise showing how things valuable to them can be taken from them through various

justifications, real or perceived. This exercise was then used to show how our homelands, which were held very dear by our ancestors, were taken from us through some very unscrupulous means and through methods which they had no control over. This session involved some play-acting by all of the students and broke up the "sit and listen (and ask questions)" sessions in a timely manner after lunch.

To conclude the session, Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick spoke about sovereignty and pointed out LTBB is a sovereign nation. She also spoke on the need for the youth to become knowledgeable about our tribal history and how it would help them to dispel any derogatory comments they receive about who we are and why we receive perceived "special" services. She then went on to explain the significance of the Spirit Arrows each of the students received for participating in this.

"Land Training" continued on page 11.

NORTHERN SHORES LOAN FUND, INC. ASSISTS ITS FIRST AREA BUSINESSES

Submitted by Lisa McComb, Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director

Editor's note: Northern Shores Loan Fund (NSLF), Inc. is a non-profit corporation formed for charitable and educational purposes to promote economic and social development for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in the three-county reservation area of Charlevoix, Emmet and Cheboygan counties as a way of encouraging growth in the "homeland."

LTBB Tribal Citizens can apply

for a business loan and seek other financial services from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. by contacting Executive Director Lisa McComb at 231-347-6753 or visiting her at the NSLF office located at 1131 West Conway Road in Harbor Springs, MI.

Trillium, A Complete Salon, L.L.C., located at 430 East Mitchell, Petoskey, MI, was the first client to receive financing from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. for business inventory needs.

Northern Shores Loan Fund,

Inc. supplied capital to Trillium, A Complete Salon for transition to and the addition of a new, high-quality product line, Aveda. Aveda offers eco-friendly products that distinguish themselves within the industry while providing salon training, displays and advertising to salons within their family.

This new product line will enhance Trillium's already high-quality reputation while increasing its customer base through its product usage and availability.

Trillium is a full-service beauty salon offering creative color and cuts, manicures, pedicures, aesthetician and therapeutic body care. Ruth Krauss opened her doors in 2000 at a smaller downtown Petoskey location, and after years of growth, has moved to a larger location in downtown Petoskey that offers more space and the ability to expand Trillium's services and products.

Krauss is the sole owner of Trillium and has eight full-time staff and one part-time staff.

Her dedication to the beauty industry and the Petoskey community is well known throughout the area. As a



Tannery Creek Market in Petoskey, MI, used the financing it received from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. to purchase new equipment and for minimal retail renovations.

recent cancer survivor, Krauss has offered her salon services at a discount to local cancer patients and survivors through the "Beautiful Survivor" program she has created.

When asked why she approached Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. for her funding needs for expansion into Aveda, Krauss said, "I wanted to work with a community lender who supports small businesses in northern Michigan that I could develop a close relationship with and continue to turn to for support as I grow and expand."

Northern Shores Loan Fund,

Inc. is excited to have the opportunity to provide business financing to Trillium and to be a part of an established local business working to give back to the community as well.

Tannery Creek Market, L.L.C., located at 1210 North U.S. 31, Petoskey, MI, is the second business to receive financing from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. in March 2009.

Tannery Creek is owned and operated by Mary Jo and Dee Schultz, a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe

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Trillium, A Complete Salon, in Petoskey, MI, now offers the high-quality, eco-friendly Aveda product line with the financing it received from North Shores Loan Fund, Inc.

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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 mndooaadziwin 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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Happy Cinco de Mayo from the LTBB Communications Department

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 June issue of *Odawa Trails* is April 27.

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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7 inches	1 col. x 7 in. \$28	\$23.80 \$22.40 \$21.00	2 col. x 7 in. \$56	\$47.60 \$44.80 \$42.00	3 col. x 7 in. \$84	\$71.40 \$67.20 \$63.00	4 col. x 7 in. \$112	\$95.20 \$89.60 \$84.00	5 col. x 7 in. \$140	\$119.00 \$112.00 \$105.00
8 inches	1 col. x 8 in. \$32	\$27.20 \$25.60 \$24.00	2 col. x 8 in. \$64	\$54.40 \$51.20 \$48.00	3 col. x 8 in. \$96	\$81.60 \$76.80 \$72.00	4 col. x 8 in. \$128	\$108.80 \$102.40 \$96.00	5 col. x 8 in. \$160	\$136.00 \$128.00 \$120.00
9 inches	1 col. x 9 in. \$36	\$30.60 \$28.80 \$27.00	2 col. x 9 in. \$72	\$61.20 \$57.60 \$54.00	3 col. x 9 in. \$108	\$91.80 \$86.40 \$81.00	4 col. x 9 in. \$144	\$122.40 \$115.20 \$108.00	5 col. x 9 in. \$180	\$153.00 \$144.00 \$135.00
10 inches	1 col. x 10 in. \$40	\$34.00 \$32.00 \$30.00	2 col. x 10 in. \$80	\$68.00 \$64.00 \$60.00	3 col. x 10 in. \$120	\$102.00 \$96.00 \$90.00	4 col. x 10 in. \$160	\$136.00 \$128.00 \$120.00	5 col. x 10 in. \$200	\$160.00 \$150.00 \$140.00
11 inches	1 col. x 11 in. \$44	\$37.40 \$35.20 \$33.00	2 col. x 11 in. \$88	\$74.80 \$70.40 \$66.00	3 col. x 11 in. \$132	\$112.20 \$105.60 \$99.00	4 col. x 11 in. \$176	\$144.00 \$134.40 \$124.80	5 col. x 11 in. \$220	\$176.00 \$165.00 \$154.00
12 inches	1 col. x 12 in. \$48	\$40.80 \$38.40 \$36.00	2 col. x 12 in. \$96	\$81.60 \$76.80 \$72.00	3 col. x 12 in. \$144	\$122.40 \$115.20 \$108.00	4 col. x 12 in. \$192	\$153.60 \$144.00 \$135.00	5 col. x 12 in. \$240	\$192.00 \$176.00 \$165.00
13 inches	1 col. x 13 in. \$52	\$44.20 \$41.60 \$39.00	2 col. x 13 in. \$104	\$88.40 \$83.20 \$78.00	3 col. x 13 in. \$156	\$132.60 \$124.80 \$117.00	4 col. x 13 in. \$208	\$166.40 \$153.60 \$144.00	5 col. x 13 in. \$260	\$208.00 \$192.00 \$180.00
14 inches	1 col. x 14 in. \$56	\$47.60 \$44.80 \$42.00	2 col. x 14 in. \$112	\$95.20 \$89.60 \$84.00	3 col. x 14 in. \$168	\$142.80 \$134.40 \$126.00	4 col. x 14 in. \$224	\$176.00 \$165.00 \$154.00	5 col. x 14 in. \$280	\$224.00 \$207.40 \$195.20
15 inches	1 col. x 15 in. \$60	\$51.00 \$48.00 \$45.00	2 col. x 15 in. \$120	\$102.00 \$96.00 \$90.00	3 col. x 15 in. \$180	\$153.00 \$144.00 \$135.00	4 col. x 15 in. \$240	\$192.00 \$180.00 \$168.00	5 col. x 15 in. \$300	\$240.00 \$221.00 \$208.00
16 inches	1 col. x 16 in. \$64	\$54.40 \$51.20 \$48.00	2 col. x 16 in. \$128	\$108.80 \$102.40 \$96.00	3 col. x 16 in. \$192	\$163.20 \$153.60 \$144.00	4 col. x 16 in. \$256	\$204.80 \$192.00 \$180.00	5 col. x 16 in. \$320	\$256.00 \$231.00 \$216.00

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Elisabeth Kiogima
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May 2
Joseph Petoskey

May 3
Alvin Degraff
Luella Moore
Patrick Naganashe
Philip Notari
Ardene Romer

May 4
Mary Keshick
William Shananaquet, Sr.
Jerry Stromske

May 5
Joseph Petoskey, Sr.

May 6
Dale Glazier
Millard Pliier
Kathleen Reick
Nancy Wanshon

May 7
Shirley Firovich
Viola McNamara
Brenda Ybarrando

May 8
Marie Boda
Marie Deckrow
Robert Parkey
Mary Rivers
Anna Stead
Donna Vanpelt

May 9
David Weaver
Charles Zehe

May 10
Kathleen Deane
Elizabeth Gasco

May 11
Catherine Anderson

May 12
Amelia Compeaux
Norman Leo
Michael McKeown

May 13
Laura Lonchar
Della Petoskey
Rita Smith

May 14
Shirley Chippewa
Gordon Groleau
Patricia Johnson
Gloria Miller

May 15
Elizabeth Jordan
Marilyn Napont

May 16
Eileen Dennis
Geraldine Masse

May 17
John Bott, Sr.
Dorothy Sagataw
Judith Sandoz
James Weissgerber

May 18
Shirley Lark
Joseph Parkey
Lou Ann Pinheiro
Steven Potter

May 19
Joseph Nadeau, Sr.
Mary Shananaquet
Martina Starr

May 20
Elizabeth Johnson
Wilfred Sharkey
Owen Smith, Sr.

May 21
David Lacroix

May 21
Lawrence Nadeau
Lawrence Skippergosh

May 22
Dorothy Boda
Shirley Davenport

May 22
Ruth McGraw
Lucile Rich

May 23
Donna Newton
Cheryl Samuels
Charles Sessions
Diane Trafas

May 24
Mildred Laduke
Christine Shomin

May 25
Susie Searles

May 26
Mary Gasco

May 27
Gloria Chisholm
Peter Dayson
Bernard Hunting
Joyce McClellan
Gary Rieter
Rose Silvey

May 28
Jennie Hackbarth
Augustine Kiogima, Sr.
Catherine Merryman
Robert Ramage
Dwain Walker

May 30
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Business Tip of the Month:

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Encouraging Economic Opportunity & Self-sufficiency.

Moving?

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

Forms are also available at www.ltbodawa-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.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.

Waganakising SHKINIIGIK

The first photo is courtesy of Ellie Payton. The other photos are courtesy of Kathy McGraw.



Youth-Elders Dance on March 11, 2009 held at the Community Center at Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development.



Applications for elk and bear currently being accepted



ELK
Applications accepted until June 1, 2009
ELK SEASON
Contact the Natural Resource Department for dates.

Natural Resource Department 231-242-1670
Please note there is a \$5 application fee for processing.

Must have a current 2009 LTBB hunting/fishing license.

BEAR
Now accepting applications.
BEAR SEASON
September 10 through October 26



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 Dept. 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 Ste. 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.

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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.



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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-nnsn.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 Ettawageshik (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

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 NORTH 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.

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.

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.

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.

Language Program

KINA GEGO MAAJIJKIN SHKI MNOOKMIK/EVERYTHING GROWS IN EARLY SPRING

Submitted by the Language Program

Miimaanda pii kina gego maajtaamigak maajikiing maampii nikeyiing giwedindong. Kaawii geyaabi mkwamiisino nbiish, baatiinad mkwamiwaaboo nangwa etemigak. Aapiji gwa gwetaanjiwan nbiish oodi ziibiisiing, zaagaaniing ge'e nbiish gchimaangaashkaa.

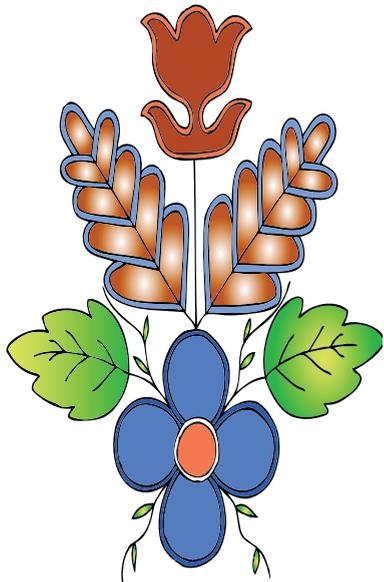
Waawaashkeshak ge'e megwaa maajishkaawok. Miigwa shkwaa jindaadiziwaad gdagaakoonhsak. Daabaatiinwok dash miinwaa dgaagik waawaashkeshak.

Miinwaa noonj ndaabaatiinwok bimaadizijik gezhaajik enji jingtamok. Kaawii aapiji gwaya giizhaasii pii biboong. Miinwaa noonj gwaaji temigad Anishinaabek waanji maawnjidiwaad pii shki mnookmik, "Anishinaabemowin Teg" bezhik zhinkaademigad.

Aapiji gimiwan ge'e pii shki mnookmik. Miidash kina gego Ishkaakmikwe doktigaaniing jimaajigiing. Kina gego damnawaabgwani. Kaawii gweta gbeyiing maajii giizh-

gaasino, eshkaam gegwa maajii giizhoowaa.

Miisa nangwa miinwaa ngwadi-



ing mnookmik, aambe miinwaa miigwechwendimidaa mndoodaagiing maaba gdo Mndoominaa.

This is the time when everything starts to grow here in this northern region. There is no more ice on the wa-

ter, now, there is lots of water from the melted ice. The water runs swiftly over there in the river, also, the water in the lake is very wavy.

The deer are now pregnant. Pretty soon, the fawns will be born. There will be more deer in the fall.

And, there will be more people who will be going to the pow wow. There were not very many who went in the winter. And, there are many different places where the Anishinaabek can gather in the early spring, "Where The Native Language Is," is the name of one of them.

It is always raining in early spring. Then, everything will grow on Mother Earth's garden. Everything will be blooming well. Not only are the days growing longer, but it is also starting to get warmer.

It is now again another spring, let us also be thankful our Creator is good to us.

LTBB CONTINGENT ENJOY ANISHINAABEMOWIN TEG LANGUAGE CONFERENCE

Submitted by Carla McFall, Language Program Coordinator

Several LTBB Tribal Citizens attended the 15th Annual Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference held March 26-29 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, at the Kewadin Convention Center.

We had a good time there, and we were inspired by the number of people who attended and all the good work being done by so many Native communities to revitalize our language.

Attendance was not quite as high as last year's conference, but there were 100s of participants this year. They included people of all ages, including children and elders. Many of them came from Michigan and Ontario. Many came from much farther away. There were also many fluent Anishinaabe speakers.

The LTBB Anishinaabemowin Language Program had a vendor table set up all three days. We sold our language items, including t-shirts, greeting cards, books and audio CDs. Our materials were well received. There were at least 20 other vendor tables with a variety of Native crafts and language materials available. The conference gives us an opportunity to see what new materials are available and what other communities are accomplishing.

Both LTBB Language Instructors were presenters. Doreen Peltier presented on "Teaching Anishinaabemowin and Motivating Youth." Isabelle Osawamick's presentation was on "Immersion Storytelling." Their workshops were fun and informative for teachers and learners. They did an excellent job.

LTBB sponsored a youth trip to the conference so students from the Harbor Springs High School Anishinaabemowin class could attend. Chaperones were Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier and language

learners, Sara Lucier and Michael Smith. Not all of the class could attend, and their spots were assigned to other teens from the LTBB Youth Services Program. The students who attended were Tecumseh Adams, Emilio Benento, Sarah Schilling, Megan Keller, Michael Keshick, Nicole Laughlin, Tyler Laughlin, Becca Lynn, Tawnee Mickalacki, Hank Rowland, Brandon Shomin, Memaygwansh Shomin and Cheyenne Worthington.

Joe Lucier said he was very proud LTBB had sponsored so many youth to attend, and that it was good to see the relationship building amongst the youth.

"It was a great opportunity for them to have exposure to our language and culture at such a young age," Joe Lucier said. "The teens were very engaged in all that was happening at the conference. They especially had fun at 'Speed Dating in Anishinaabemowin' where they were shy at first, but then, really got into it and had fun."

The youth spent some time at the Big Bear Arena on the Sault Ste. Marie

reservation. Giibkwaakadakewok miinwaa giizhooshkwaadewok. (They played basketball, and they went ice skating.) Apparently, it was pretty funny because this was the first time ice skating for several of them. But not for Tyler Laughlin, who was skating like a pro and doing all kinds of tricks.

This youth trip was funded in part by the Gwekaanimad Fund of AEPOCH, which is a fund established by Winona LaDuke and named for her youngest son. Gwekaanimad means "when the wind shifts." A portion was also funded by Harbor Springs High School through an anonymous donation made to the high school for the Anishinaabemowin Language class. The remaining cost was covered by the LTBB Language Program.

Peltier commented the students were very proud of themselves to be able to understand so much. They noticed some of the words were different, but they remembered Peltier taught them this is normal, and it's all Anishinaabemowin.

The Native American Student Organization (NASO) at North Central Michigan College (NCMC) also sent a group of 10 college students to the conference. NASO did fundraising throughout the year, including their annual and successful storytelling, entertainment and fundraising dinner. Students who attended included NASO President John Swoish, Clint Boulton, Cliff Cutler, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Linda Gasco, Dollie Keway, Beatrice Lopez, Catherine Portman, Grace Zerbe and Mellisa Zellnik.

Notably, Boulton is an 11th grader at Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI. He takes the college language class as a "dual-enrolled" student. Clint Ookomisan (Clint's grandmother), Grace, also takes the class. Dollie and her son, John, both NCMC students, also take the class

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 31, 2009. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.

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If you have any questions, please call Purchasing Technician Mandy Ragland at 231-242-1439.

A descendant of Lawrence Kosequat (1913 - 1983) is searching for other relatives of either Lawrence or Samuel Kosequat.

If you have any information, please call Carl Gage at 231-758-4812 or e-mail to raccage@hotmail.com.



together. The class is taught by Orien Corbiere and meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 - 7:50 p.m. Visit the NASO group at their website, www.naso.odawa.info/.

It's so wonderful to see families spending time together doing such positive activities and experiencing intergenerational-learning.

Cathy Portman commented, "It is a great conference; we all love it. We learn so much, and it is wonderful to get with other tribes to be enlightened on their lives and past experiences. It is so uplifting, and I feel very privileged to attend. We can't thank our sponsors enough for their donations to turn our fundraising events to a success so many students can attend."

There were about 40 Anishinaabe presenters and even more topics. Some workshops are done primarily in English, some are bilingual presentations and some are done entirely in Anishinaabemowin. Nearly all topics related to language, including immersion programming, curriculum development, resource materials, crafts, songs, certification programs, storytelling, games, traditional teachings, parts of speech, the use of technology, sign language and the evolution of our language. One workshop taught traditional native medicines, what we call them and what they are used for. The presenter encouraged elders to assist by sharing the Anishinaabe names for some of the plants he wasn't sure about.

Social events accompanying the conference included a banquet where several youth and children were awarded scholarships for the conference. Many of them presented their

onstage speeches in the language. There was also a silent auction to fundraise for next year's conference. Each day began with a sunrise ceremony. There was a country ho-down dance one night; Giikchiniimiwok (they really danced vigorously.)

The Sault Ste. Marie tribal community put on a huge feast on the first evening at its cultural center building to welcome conference participants. Many, many people cooked and brought in potluck dishes; several were of traditional foods such as fish, venison, wild rice and berries. Osawamick commented on how well organized the feast was, especially when serving 100s.

Another fundraiser was a concert by rising country singer Crystal Shawanda, who is a young Anishinaabe lady from Wikwemikong, Ontario, Canada. You can find her link at CMT's website, cmt.com/artists/az/crystal_shawanda/artist.jhtml or google her on Facebook or www.myspace.com/crystal-shawanda.

The 16th Annual Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference is scheduled for March 25-28, 2010. Information will be updated in early fall at its website, www.anishinaabemowin-teg.org.

Miigwech to all the people who contributed to the event and assisted with taking our youth. It was a very successful conference, and we are, of course, already looking forward to next year. Miigwech to the families who are spending time together, learning together or just supporting each other's efforts to revitalize Anishinaabemowin. It's not always fun and easy, but most of the time it is, and it is well worth our time.

A special miigwech to the youth for being involved by learning and carrying on our language and traditions. We can be proud of how well they conducted themselves and represented the LTBB Native community.

Courtesy photos.



Education Department

LTBB EDUCATION DEPARTMENT ASSISTS COLLEGE-BOUND STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS IN APPLYING FOR FEDERAL FINANCIAL AID

Submitted by the Education Department

On February 8, 2009, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, was one of 28 sites in Michigan to open its doors to students and families looking for funding to help pay for college.

On this day across the state, high schools, colleges, libraries and even the LTBB Education Department took part in the initiative called College Goal Sunday. This event allowed students and their parents to access the expert help needed to fill out the necessary federal student aid forms.

The LTBB Education Department partnered with the North Central Michigan College (NCMC) Financial Aid Department to offer participants resources, one-on-one



help and assistance in filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (F.A.F.S.A.).

Volunteers also assisted with the event, and representatives were present from other LTBB Departments

and community agencies.

More than 25 students and their families were assisted, which exceeded the number of participants at last year's "pilot" event.

College Goal Sunday was a huge success, and the LTBB Education Department would like to say miigwetch to NCMC, MSU Extension, Petoskey-Harbor Springs Community Foundation, the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) and the many LTBB Volunteers.

If you are a student who has not yet completed your financial aid application process or would like more information about federal financial aid and scholarship funding, please contact the Higher Education Student Services Coordinator, Melissa Colby, at 231-242-1492.

Courtesy graphic.

WAGANAKISING ODAWA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM (WOCTEP) UPDATE

Submitted by the WOCTEP Program

Many students took advantage of WOCTEP's opportunity for early registration for classes at North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI, during the second week of March.

Several classes still have room available for new or returning students, so it is not too late for you to

join!

Our short certificate programs could be just what you need to gain the skills necessary to compete in the job market.

Our medical programs provide training as a Certified Nurse Aide, Phlebotomy Technician or Medical Assistant.

Are you more interested in technology or perhaps starting your own business? Then, you may want to

learn more about our Entrepreneurship or New Media and Graphic Arts programs.

For more information on these certificate programs, please call Amber Holt at 231-242-1493 regarding the business and technology programs, and please call Heidi Bosma at 231-242-1484 regarding the medical programs.

Medical Transportation

Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport.

For LTBB household members residing in the LTBB service delivery area.

For medical appointments/purposes only.

Transport must be arranged 72 hours in advance.

Contact Community Outreach at the LTBB Health Department

231-242-1601

Native Way Notices

Native Way key cards will not be issued until:

- 10 people have paid their fees (\$5-first card, \$10-replacement)
- Native Way orientation completed

The key card will then be issued after the above conditions are met.

Please remember to bring extra shoes when working out. Street shoes carry dirt which causes mechanical problems with the machines.

For more information, contact the Community Health Department at 231-242-1601.

Call for Summer Registration Information

Registration is now open for the following certificate programs:

- Phlebotomy
- Nurse Aid
- New Media
- Medical Assistant
- Entrepreneurship

Classes are held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, the LTBB Health Park and North Central Michigan College Petoskey Campus.

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

Available Scholarships

The Michigan Indian Elders Association is offering higher education scholarships. Students can find the application online at:

<http://www.michiganindianelders.org/MIEA%20students.htm>.

The deadline to submit this application to the MIEA Scholarship Committee is June 22, 2009.



For more information, please call: Marie "Tootsie" Miller at 231-242-1422 or Melissa Colby at 231-242-1492.

Avoid the headache!

Upcoming Higher Education Deadline:
June 15, 2009

Michelle Chingwa Scholarship documentation for the Summer 2009 semester



For applications or more information, please call Melissa Colby at 231-242-1492.

GED PREP CLASSES

Tuesday, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Room 312
LTBB Governmental Ctr.
Harbor Springs, MI

Wednesday, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Odawa Casino Resort
Administration Offices,
911 Spring St., Petoskey, MI

Joe Beasley, Instructor

For more information, please call the Education Office at 231-242-1480.

Waganakising SHKINIIGIK

"Young People From the Place of The Crooked Tree"

LTBB YOUTH WEDNESDAYS!

We meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.:

1st Wednesday of each month

Monthly Planning Meeting & Youth Activity

2nd Wednesday of each month

A community project decided on by youths

3rd Wednesday of each month

Youth talking circle & a cultural activity or field trip

4th Wednesday of each month

Youth Advisory Committee Meeting and guest speaker

If there's a 5th Wednesday, there will be a surprise activity!

Free to youths ages 12-19

Any tribal community member between the ages of 12-19 are welcome. Bring a friend! The grub is served at 5:30 p.m. and the activities immediately follow. We're located at the "White House," 1345 US-31 North in Petoskey.



Youth Services Coordinator
Joe Lucier
231-242-1393 office
231-838-5173 cell
jlucier@lbbodawa-nsn.gov

Graduation Announcement Deadline

All 2009 graduation announcements must be received by May 11 to be included in the June newsletter. E-mail or send your announcements along with a photo of the graduate to newsletter@lbbodawa-nsn.gov or Communications Dept., 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



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The 2nd Annual LTBB Health Fair

May 8, 2009 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the LTBB Health Park

Come join us for activities, presentations on various health topics and much more!

Enter for a chance to win a Dell Latitude laptop computer!

Images from the 20th Annual Central Michigan University (CMU) Pow

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar unless otherwise noted.



Wow held March 21 and 22 on the CMU campus in Mount Pleasant, MI

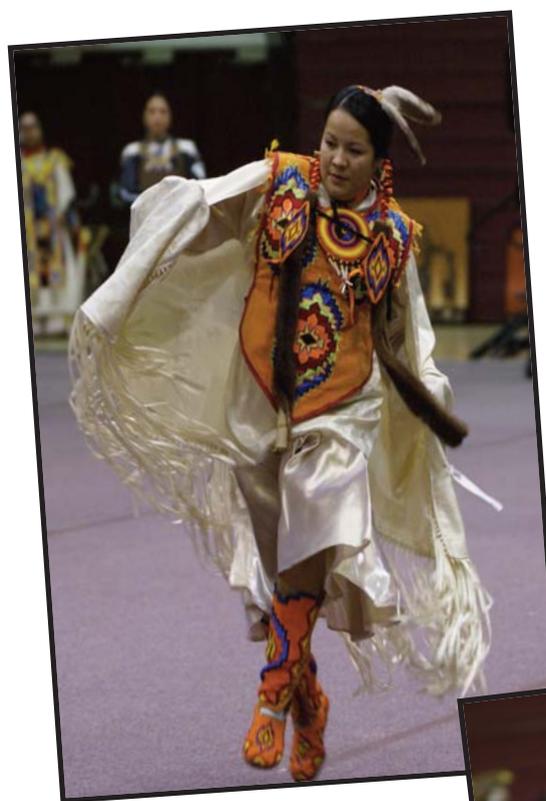


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Executive Branch

Ambassadorial Activities

White House Forum on Health Care:

On March 12, I was among those invited to attend a White House Regional Forum on Health Care Reform in Dearborn, MI. Governors (Jennifer) Granholm of Michigan and (Jim) Doyle of Wisconsin were the co-hosts. This is part of the (President Barack) Obama Administration's program to achieve serious reform of our national health care system. They have set a goal

to get this done in 2009. Several additional regional forums will be held as a part of this project. Grand Traverse Band Chairman Derek Bailey and I were invited to attend this event to represent tribal interests.

Critical Issues Conference: I serve as a board member for the Michigan Indian Education Council (MIEC). The MIEC sponsors an annual conference called, "The Critical Issues in Indian Education Conference," held this year at

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the Soaring Eagle Inn in Mt. Pleasant, MI. I presented the closing keynote address at the conference on March 14.

Northern Lakes Economic Alliance (NLEA): We held a meeting with the director and several board members of the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance on March 18. They presented us with a draft proposal for LTBB joining the alliance. We have been meeting for several months on this and expect it will take a while longer

until we find acceptable common ground for an agreement.

Youth Land Issues Training: I attended the day-long training session organized by the LTBB Tribal Council's Land and Reservation Committee on March 20 at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI. This was well attended and organized. I've had several of our tribal youth come up to me to tell me how much they appreciated what they learned on this day.

Great Lakes Wind Council: On March 25, I attended the first Michigan Great Lakes Wind Council meeting in Lansing, MI. We are assessing the placement of wind turbines in offshore locations within the Great Lakes. A final report will be prepared after our fourth and last meeting in July.

Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) Meeting: The April

"Chairman," continued on page 17.

Education Department

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

For the past few months, I have highlighted books written by a specific author.

This month, I am highlighting some of the new arrivals to the LTBB Cultural Library located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out the following new arrivals for three weeks.

The Rez Road Follies: Canoes, Casinos, Computers and Birch Bark Baskets

Jim Northrup, a syndicated newspaper columnist, storyteller, poet and performer, wrote this autobio-

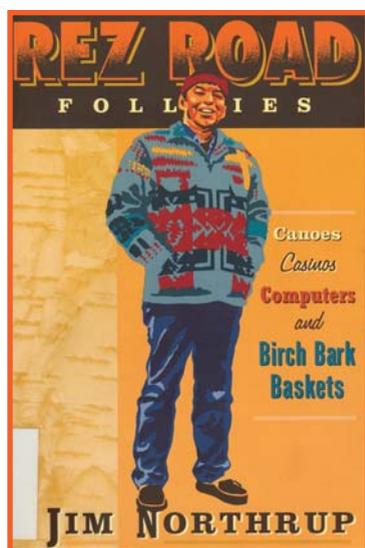
Year in syndicated columns for 2001 by the Wordcraft Circle of Native Writer's and Storytellers for his column, the Fond du Lac Follies. In addition to the two autobiographical books, Northrup has also written anthologies, poetry and plays.

The following product description appears on the University of Minnesota Press website: "*The Rez Road Follies* captures storyteller, poet and performer Jim Northrup at his shrewdest and funniest. He tells of the key events of his own life: His childhood in a government boarding school, combat in Vietnam, confronting family tragedies and becoming a grandfather or as he says, 'almost an elder.' Northrup writes with equal candor about the reservation's poverty and racism on one hand and its kinship and traditions on the other. The *Rez Road Follies*, filled with keen observations and feisty opinions, is an entertaining feast with a core of hard-earned wisdom."

"Christmas in the Clouds"

This DVD, originally released as a motion picture in 2005, is rated PG.

The following is a product description of the movie: "Ray has just returned from college to run a Native American ski lodge. The lodge is a laid-back place where the employees' children play in the lobby and the handyman has a habit of hitting on the guests. The lodge is not exactly four-star travel guide material. But, when Ray learns a travel guide representative is coming to make an inspection, he decides to make the lodge a professional place of business. Ray has to contend with his somewhat eccentric staff, which includes an emotional vegetarian chef who takes a certain pleasure in informing his diners



graphical novel nominated for a Minnesota Book Award in the Creative Non-fiction category in 1995. Northrup's other autobiographical novel, *Walking the Rez Road*, was awarded a Minnesota Book Award and a Northeast Minnesota Book Award. He was named Writer of the

The LTBB Pow Wow Committee seeks dancers to ride on a Fourth of July float in the Harbor Springs and Petoskey parades. If you are interested in volunteering for one or both of the parades, please contact Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or Winnay Wemigwase at 231-242-1453.

LTBB Tribal Directories

The Enrollment Office has LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

Qualifications:

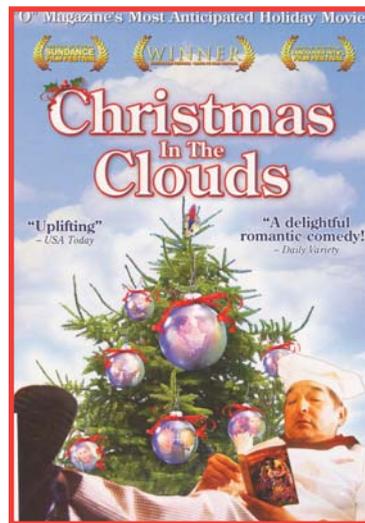
- Must include a copy of your tribal identification card
- A \$5 money order or check payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians

Mail to:

LTBB of Odawa Indians
Attn: Enrollment Office
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

CHECK OUT THESE NEW ARRIVALS TO THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

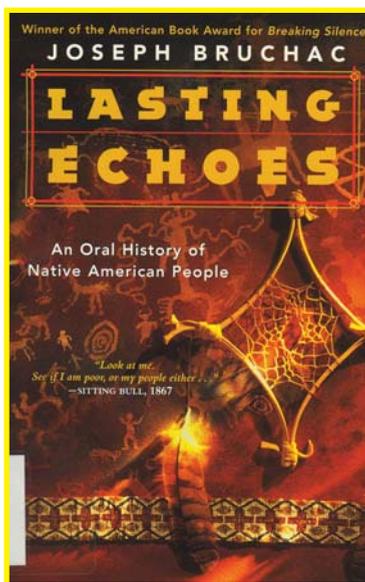


of the names he has given the animals they are about to eat. Despite Ray's exhaustive preparations, everything goes wrong. A case of mistaken identity has the real travel guide representative dealing with a hefty dose of hotel mismanagement."

Lasting Echoes: An Oral History of Native American People

The novel, written by Joseph Bruchac, is intended for children 9-12 or children in grades five and up.

The following is a *School Library Journal* editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website: "This



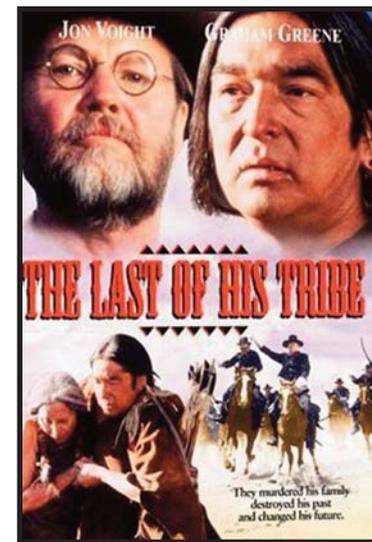
noted author and poet presents a history of the treatment afforded America's original inhabitants as seen through the eyes of American Indians from the first European settlements to the current day. The chapters are arranged to loosely correspond with the seven generations and the changes in attitudes and responses between the Native and non-Native populations. The narrative is enhanced and explicated by numerous poems, songs, speeches and writings of Native Americans from each era. The beauty of the language is on display, as well as the strength of the words and the power of the emotions, as differences between the cultures in interpretation and approaches to life,

the land, and one's own people are discussed."

"The Last of His Tribe"

This movie, rated PG-13 and starring Graham Greene, was released to DVD in 2004.

The following product description appears on the Amazon.com website: "Between 1800 and 1900, almost 30,000 Native Americans were slaughtered. It was thought none had remained in the wild until one day in 1911, a doctor and his wife discover one survivor and with him, the secrets

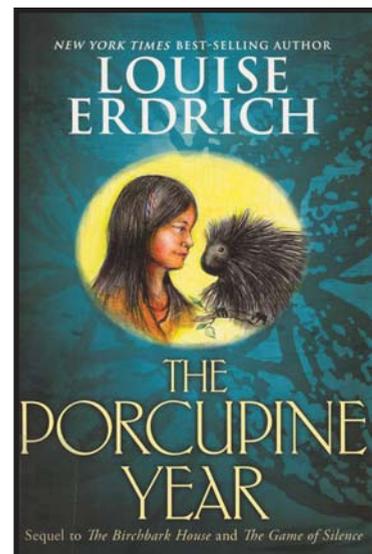


of a vanished land."

The Porcupine Year

This novel, written by Louise Erdrich, is intended for children 9-12 or children in grades four through seven.

The following product description appears on the Amazon.com website: "Here follows the story of a most extraordinary year in the life of an Ojibwe family and of a girl named 'Omakayas' or Little Frog, who lived a year of flight and adventure and pain and joy, in 1852. When Omakayas is 12 winters old, she and her family set off on a harrowing journey. They travel by canoe westward from the shores of Lake Superior along the rivers of northern Minnesota in search of a new home. While the family has

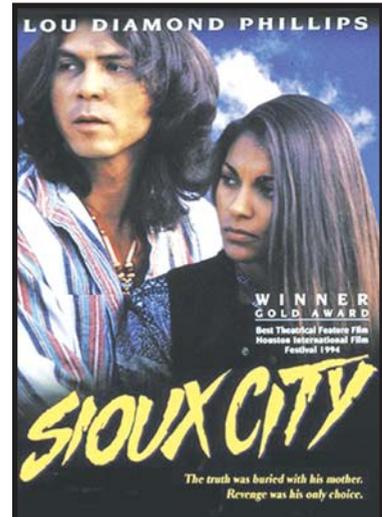


prepared well, unexpected danger, enemies and hardships will push them to the brink of survival. Omakayas continues to learn from the land and the spirits around her, and she discovers that no matter where she is or how she is living, she has the one thing she needs to carry her through. Richly imagined, full of laughter and sorrow, *The Porcupine Year* continues Louise Erdrich's celebrated series, which began with *The Birchbark House*, a National Book Award finalist, and continued with *The Game of Silence*, winner of the Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction."

"Sioux City"

This movie, rated PG-13, was released to DVD in 2005.

The following is a synopsis of the movie that appears on the MSN Movies website: "A young Lakota Sioux, adopted by a wealthy Jewish couple in Beverly Hills, gets in touch with his cultural roots and solves a mystery in this thriller. Because of his upbringing, Jesse Rainfeather Goldman knows almost nothing of Native American traditions. He is doing his internship when he suddenly receives an amulet from the Lakota reservation in Sioux City. It is from his real mother. Jesse's curiosity is piqued, and he immediately travels to his birthplace to learn why she sent it. Unfortunately, by the time he arrives, his mother's body is discovered in the



smoldering wreckage of her home. She was shot before she was burned. Jesse's investigation into her death is not welcomed by the local captain of police and his assistant. He is almost beaten to death, but is saved by his grandfather, a shaman, and a Lakota woman. The newly healed Jesse begins to explore his tribe's customs. He then contacts his mother's spirit, and she leads him to the film's conclusion."

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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

Environmental Services

BAAPAASAANDIP DEMYSTIFIES FERTILIZERS AND THEIR USES



Submitted by the Environmental Services Department

Aaniin! Welcome to Ask Baapaasaandip! Spring is here, and it is about time to get outside and do some gardening. I recently received a question from a Tribal Citizen who asked about what the numbers on fertilizer containers mean (e.g. 5-10-15) and how the different numbers affect his plants.

The numbers written on the fertilizer container indicate the N-P-K ratio of the fertilizer, -where N is nitrogen, P is phosphorus, and K is potassium. So if the ratio was 5-10-15, that would mean the fertilizer consisted of 5% nitrogen, 10% phosphorus, and 15% potassium, which means the container contained 30% fertilizer (5+10+15) and 60% of inert, or filler material. Similarly, an N-P-K ratio of 35-0-0 would contain 35% nitrogen and 0% P (phosphorus) and K (potassium).

There are all kinds of ratios/mixes out there, and it depends on the condition of the soil as well as the types of plants you want to grow as to how the different ratios will affect them. First of all, it is a good idea to determine the pH of the soil. You can test the soil with a soil test kit

which can be purchased at a local nursery or hardware store or you can call your county local MSU- Extension office to arrange to have your soil tested. For \$14 per soil sample, the MSU-Extension will not only test the pH of your soil, but can provide a more detailed analysis of your garden than soil kits would provide alone, such as information regarding additional soil amendments, micronutrients, and suggested future activities to improve the quality and output of your garden.

Choosing appropriate soil amendments and fertilizer ratios depends on not just the condition of the soil but also what you want to grow. Nitrogen is high in demand for plants developing shoots and leaves. Phosphorus is a key element involved in the photosynthesis and root growth, and influences the hardiness of a plant. Potassium helps plants to resist diseases and pests and is important for root development. It may also influence the color and extend the shelf life of fruits.

Now, don't think the only way to get a good garden is to use over-the-counter fertilizers. You can use natural, organic fertilizers, too! Some natural fertilizers include compost, manure, and wood ash. Composting

is an easy way to get essential nutrients in your soil naturally which involves saving biodegradable materials (i.e. food scraps, lawn clippings, leaves) which would otherwise end up in waste by being thrown in the garbage and sent to a landfill. You can include meat and dairy products in a hot, well-turned composting bin, but if they are left out in an open compost pile, they can attract meat-eaters such as rodents and hawks as well as give off an unpleasant odor. You can still compost with an open pile, but it takes a little longer for the materials to break down.

Contact your local MSU-Extension office or the LTBB Environmental Services Department for more information about gardening with natural fertilizers.

LTBB Environmental Services Department: 231-242-1574
MSU-Extension Emmet County Office: 231-348-1770
MSU-E Charlevoix County Office: 231-582-6232
MSU-E Cheboygan County Office: 231-627-8815

I hope that helps answer some of your gardening questions! Miigwech for your questions! Don't forget to submit your environmental questions to:

EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
or mail to:
Ask Baapaasaandip
Attn: Environmental Services
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Harbor Springs, MI
49740

Courtesy photo.

"Land Training" continued from cover.

Tribal Chairman Frank Etawageshik closed the training session by singing and drumming a special Anishinaabemowin song.

The day-long event was very well received by our students, and it was exciting to see the interest they showed by their questions and comments made throughout the day. Several comments from the students

showed this event was very enlightening, and they were grateful for having been given this opportunity.

It is the intent of the Land and Reservation Committee to have a follow-up session to both of the Land training sessions held to date. With the turnout for this event, it will be with special emphasis that the event will be held at a time and place where

the youth of our tribe will share the same event with the elders and adults of our tribe. This will allow interaction between the generations, and so first-hand knowledge can be passed on.

Miigwech!
Photo by Mike Lyons.

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Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., a new, non-profit, microenterprise loan fund located in Harbor Springs, MI, is currently seeking an **Administrative Assistant/Bookkeeper** to support the Executive Director of this emerging, Native CDFI servicing Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties. The ideal candidate will have experience in standard accounting principles and practices, the financial markets, banking and analysis with financial reporting, specifically governmental financial reporting. Non-profit knowledge and experience is preferred. Knowledge of administrative and clerical procedures and systems required with emphasis on organization, accuracy and details. Quick Books and Excel skills required. This full-time position offers health benefits. All interested parties should submit a cover letter and resume' by May 11, 2009 to: **Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., Position Announcement, 201 W. Mitchell St., PMB#183, Petoskey, MI 49770.**

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And how to help people who are grieving

Community & Staff Members Welcome

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Facilitators:
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Refreshments Provided

For more information, call 231-242-1640



ANOTHER ENVIRONMENTAL ADVENTURE OF KWIS & TIIO

Kwis & Tiio
(E.E.)

My dad said we can only play outside for a couple of hours.

Why?

The UV index is too high and we might get sunburned, or worse.

What's causing that?

Pollution is burning a hole in the ozone layer which protects us from harmful UV rays.

Can we stop it?

It doesn't really, but in New York State, hydro power accounts for only 23% of the electricity generated. 50% or more is generated by burning coal, petroleum and natural gas. To give you an idea of the scale, 12,257,000 tons of coal are burned each year to generate electricity in New York State ALONE!

We can if we find other sources of energy and stop using so much electricity.

Electricity is made of that damn over there. How does that pollute?

That's a lot of coal. An awful lot of smoke too, I bet.

Almost the same amount of smoke that comes out of your ears when you're taking a test!

Drawn By: ERIC D. LAUGHING and Created By: BRAD & DARREN BONAPARTE.
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Boozhoo,
Baapaasaandip ndizhnikaa, Waganakising Odawa ndonjiba.
Hey, I was wondering if anyone has a science question? Are you curious about what happens to recycled materials? Want to know a little more about wetland functions or the groundwater cycle? Do you have a picture of a tree or an animal that needs to be identified? Just ask me, BAAPAASAANDIP "Know it all!" If I don't know the answer, I will find someone who does!!

Send us your questions and/or pictures by e-mail!!

Each month, we will select a question or two submitted by LTBB Citizens and Employees and will post the Q/A in the upcoming Odawa Trails!

Submit questions or pictures/images to:
EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
or mail to:
Ask Baapaasaandip
Attn: Environmental Services
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI
49740

Medicine cabinet mayhem?

The medicine cabinet is so full that there's hardly room for one new bottle. But you're not supposed to flush or throw away medicines anymore, right? Right! Don't poison your water or tempt drug abusers, bring unwanted or expired medicines to the:

FREE! Medicine Disposal Drop-off
11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Saturdays May 2, June 20, August 1, October 3, 2009
Emmet County Drop-Off Center
7363 Pleasantview Road, Harbor Springs
For more information call 231-348-0640

No meds stored on site. Qualifying medical clinics will be charged \$1/pound.
A project of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in cooperation with the Emmet County DPW, with funding from the United States EPA.

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LTBB ID CARDS

The Enrollment Office has new picture identification cards. YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARD UNLESS:

- Your tribal identification card has expired
- Your tribal identification card has no magnetic strip
- Your tribal identification card has a post office box and not a physical address

If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders.

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

On the Pow Wow Trail

Compiled by *Odawa Trails* staff

<u>Michigan</u>	May 9-10 Mother's Day Traditional Pow Wow Minneapolis, MN Contact Information: 612-724-0023	June 26-28 S. Lake Sixth Annual Traditional Pow Wow S-Lake, MN Contact Information: Gary Charwood at 218-760-7955 or maang40@yahoo.com
May 2 American Indian Festival Algonac, MI Contact Information: 810-989-2727 or e-mail slkota@yahoo.com	May 22-24 Leech Lake Veterans Memorial Traditional Pow Wow Cass Lake, MN Contact Information: Lance Kingbird at 218-335-3784, 218-335-7034 or lance.kingbird@llojibwe.com	<u>Wisconsin</u> May 2 36th A.I.R.O. Traditional Pow Wow Stevens Point, WI Contact Information: 715-346-3576 or e-mail scloud@uwsp.edu
June 6-7 Honoring Saganing Celebrating Family Traditional Pow Wow 2009 Standish, MI Contact Information: 1-800-884-6271	May 22-24 Fifth Annual Seven Clans Contest Pow Wow Thief River Falls, MN Contact Information: 218-679-3361, ext. 1404, www.sevenclan-casino.com or ralussier@sevenclan-casino.com	May 15-17 20th Gathering of Warriors Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: 608-567-9986, 715-851-4748, 920-544-9709 or e-mail westmartin@new.rr.com
June 13-14 Homecoming of the Three Fires Traditional Pow Wow Grand Rapids, MI Contact Information: N. Joe Leo at 616-458-8759 (Monday-Thursday) or grboi3fpw@yahoo.com	May 25 Veterans Memorial Day Traditional Pow Wow Mille Lacs, MN Contact Information: 320-532-3632 or www.mnhs.org	May 22 End of the School Year Celebration and Traditional Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-756-2354
June 19-21 10th Annual Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow Lansing, MI Contact Information: Robin or Eva Menefee at 517-393-7236 or Robin_Menefee@yahoo.com	June 6-7 Sixth Annual Dakota Homecoming Traditional Pow Wow Winona, MN Contact Information: 507-452-2278, 507-457-0957, www.dakota-homecoming.org or baldrich@winona.edu	May 23-25 Ho-Chunk Wazijaci Memorial Contest Pow Wow Black River Falls, WI Contact Information: 1-800-294-9343, ext. 1123 or 608-847-5694
June 19-21 Great Lakes Area Traditional Pow Wow Hannahville, MI Contact Information: Anna Larson at 906-466-2932, ext. 110 or Jessica McCollugh at 906-466-2782, ext. 243	June 12-14 White Earth Annual Celebration and Traditional Pow Wow White Earth, MN Contact Information: 218-261-1231 or hisgun2@msn.com	May 29-31 19th LCO Ojibwe School Pow Wow Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924
June 19-21 16th Two Worlds Lodge Spirit Gathering Reed City, MI Contact Information: 218-924-4018 or polttwil@wcta.net.	June 12-14 31st Annual Lower Sioux Traditional Pow Wow Morton, MN Contact Information: 507-697-6185, www.jackpotjunction.com or kokeefe@lowersioux.com	June 19-21 26th Annual Strawberry Moon Traditional Pow Wow Mole Lake, WI Contact Information: Jessica VanZile at 715-478-7677, 715-478-7520 or jvanzile@sokao-gonchippewa.com
June 26-28 18th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Pow Wow Brimley, MI Contact Information: Allyn Cameron at 906-248-8118 or aj-cameron@bmic.net	June 19-21 2009 Lake Vermilion Traditional Pow Wow Tower, MN Contact Information: Tracey Dagen at 218-753-7713, Mary Strong at 218-753-6941 or Geraldine Hanks at 218-753-4509	June 20-21 Honor the Firekeepers Traditional Pow Wow Lake Geneva, WI Contact Information: Thunder Ruthven at 708-715-5042, Shoshanna at 262-249-0289 or www.lakegeneva-powwow.org
June 27-28 Eighth Mending the Sacred Hoop Pow Wow Tecumseh, MI Contact Information: 517-263-3233, 517-436-3589 or lehnah-weh@msn.com	June 19-21 18th Annual Grand Celebration Contest Pow Wow Hinckley, MN Contact Information: Michelle Ledoux at 320-384-4556, hin-mll@grcasinos.com, hinjjo@gr-casinos.com or www.grandcasinosmn.com	June 26-28 17th Annual St. Croix Casino & Hotel Contest Pow Wow Turtle Lake, WI Contact Information: 1-800-846-8946, ext. 3203 or www.stcroix-casino.com
<u>Minnesota</u>		
May 1-3 36th Annual Council of Indian SDT Traditional Pow Wow Bemidji, MN Contact Information: 218-755-2032, 218-766-2378 or harlan.johnson@stbemidjistate.edu		

The LTBB Pow Wow Committee will hold 50/50 and quilt raffles at the Annual Tribal Membership Meeting 2009 on May 9. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. Proceeds go toward the 18th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok/Pow Wow. For more information, please contact Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or Winnay Wemigwase at 231-242-1453.

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30th Annual

Homecoming of the Three Fires Pow Wow

June 13-14, 2009
Riverside Park
Monroe Avenue NW
Grand Rapids, MI

This is an outdoor celebration featuring Anishnabek (Three Fires Native Americans).
• Music
• Dance
• Arts
• Crafts
• Food

GRAND ENTRY
SATURDAY: 1:00 PM
6:00 PM
SUNDAY: 12:00 Noon

• Public Welcome!
• Free Admission
• Free Parking
• Absolutely no drugs or alcohol

TRADERS BY INVITATION ONLY
(Refer to Indian Arts & Crafts Act of 1990: P.L. 101-644).

Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians
1261 Plainfield NE, Ste. B
PO Box 2937
Grand Rapids< MI 49601-2937
Phone: 616-458-8699
Fax: 616-458-9039

Dogs assisting disabled persons welcomed! Dogs or other pets are not allowed within the event boundaries per City ordinance. Please leave your pets home. Do not leave animals unattended in vehicles!

18TH ANNUAL GRAND CELEBRATION POW WOW

GRAND CASINO HINCKLEY

Come see the best in action. Native Americans from all around the country come to compete and honor their traditions and heritage.

Over \$85,000 in prize money!

Grand Celebration Powwow
Grand Casino Hinckley
June 19 - 21, 2009

18th Annual Odawa Homecoming Jiingtamok (pow wow)

**August 15 & 16, 2009
LTBB Pow Wow Grounds
Harbor Springs, MI**

Head Staff

Arena Director - Dave Shananaquet

Head Veteran - Walker Stonefish

MC - Sonny Smart

Host Drum - Ojibwe Park

Head Male Judge - Harvey Dreaver

Head Female Judge - Marie Dreaver

Grand Entry Times

Saturday, August 15 - 1 & 7 p.m.

Sunday, August 16 - 12 p.m.

Registration:

Friday, August 14, 5 - 8 p.m.

Saturday, August 15, 10 a.m. - noon

Registration fee \$5 per dancer

TRIBAL IDs MAY BE REQUESTED.

Tiny tots need not register.

For more information:

Winnay Wemigwase 231-242-1453

Annette VanDeCar 231-242-1427

Vendor Information:

Marci Reyes 231-838-4172 Phone

231-242-1666 Fax

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Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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

VEGETABLE GARDENING 101

Where:

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Government Center 7500 Odawa Circle off Pleasantview Rd Harbor Springs

This workshop will cover everything a beginning gardener needs to know to grow vegetables regardless of space available or present soil quality. We will help you grow healthy nutritious produce in a way that will save you time and money.

Wednesdays 6pm-8pm

April 14 Why, Where, What and How To Grow

May 20 Soil Quality-It's Not Just Dirt

June 17 Composting and Vermicomposting Take home a worm bin.



Cost of each Workshop

is \$15/person \$25/family

LTBB Member's registration will be covered by a grant.



Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling 231-242-1420 by April 10, 2009 to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements.



Registration is required by calling Melissa Wiatroluk at 231-242-1420 before April 10th.

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DAY CARE ASSISTANCE Applications for the 2008-2009 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 231-242-1620 for an application. You may also call 1-866-652-5822 and ask for Human Services. This is an income based program.

Legislative Corner

Submitted by Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader and Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney

On March 8, 2009, Tribal Council declared a vacant seat on Tribal Council.

A motion was passed providing for the posting of the vacancy (due to the passing of Shirley Oldman on February 22, 2009). The position was posted on the LTBB website and interviews were set for March 20, 2009.

Eleven candidates stepped forward hoping to fill the vacancy: Patrick Wemigwase, Theresa L. Boda, John A. Bott, Sr., Daugherty A. Johnson III, Rita Shananaquet, George Anziano, Mary Roberts, Janet Shomin, John Keshick, Jr., Emily Proctor and Valerie Biro.

The interviews were held in the morning and were open to LTBB Tribal Citizens. There was an opportunity for each of the candidates to provide an opening statement, followed by questions from the individual Tribal Council members. At Sunday's Tribal Council meeting (on March 22), after the interviews, a ballot with each of the candidates' names was passed out to Tribal Council and signed by the Tribal Council mem-

bers.

The first round of votes resulted



in three votes for Rita Shananaquet, two votes for Mary Roberts and John Keshick, Jr. and one vote for Emily Proctor. The second round of votes was narrowed to the top three candidates and resulted in three votes each for Shananaquet and Roberts, and two votes for Bott. The final vote was a run-off between the top two candidates with Shananaquet getting six votes and Roberts getting two votes.

At the Tribal Council meeting, an official motion was passed to appoint Shananaquet to the vacant position on Tribal Council.

Shananaquet's name may seem

familiar to you, and it should because she had served on Tribal Council previously, 1997-2007. She brings experience and expertise to the position.

Formerly, Shananaquet was on Tribal Council's Appropriations and Finance Committee and was instrumental in ensuring fiscal responsibility within governmental budgets.

Shananaquet was sworn in on March 25, 2009 in the Tribal Courtroom by Associate Judge Jenny Lee Kronk.

If you have not had an opportunity to congratulate Shananaquet, please stop by one of our Tribal Council meetings and do so. Tribal Council holds work sessions and Tribal Council meetings twice a month. Our calendar of work sessions and meetings is in the Odawa Trails newsletters as well as our website at www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov.

We now have our own direct toll-free phone number which is 1-866-927-0077. This number will get you directly to the Legislative Office and as always, we are interested in hearing from you.

Miigwetch. Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Health Department

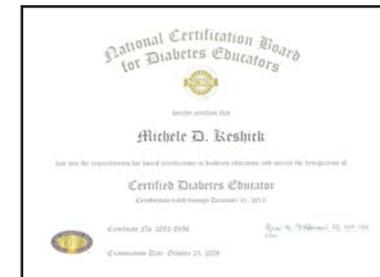
LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN EARNS NATIONAL CERTIFICATION IN DIABETES EDUCATION

Submitted by the Health Department

We would like to say congratulations to Michele Keshick, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, for earning her National Certification in Diabetes Education. This has been something Michele has worked on for many years and is a huge accomplishment. She had to log several hours performing diabetes education and had to take a national exam. She has taught



about a very complex disease and was tested on the latest treatments and recommendations. Please join us in saying we are lucky to have her in our



Community Outreach Department. Courtesy graphic and photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Learn About Preserving Fish!! FISH CANNING WORKSHOP Wednesday, May 6, 2009 5 - 9 PM (or until done) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Governmental Center Commons Area 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI Cost: \$15 Per Person or \$25 Per Family Cost will be covered for LTBB Citizens and Employees Includes one free Food Preservation cookbook per household. Participants will pick up jars later after cooling. Class size is limited to 30 - registration is required. Melissa Wiatroluk 231-242-1420 Deadline to register is April 30, 2009 Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling 231-242-1420 by April 30, 2009 to make arrangements. Requests received after that date will be fulfilled when possible. Food preservation guide is also available FREE online From National Center for Home Food Preservation www.homefoodpreservation.com This is a hands-on class. All supplies and equipment are provided. MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.

"Northern Shores" continued from cover.

of Chippewa Indians, long-time business owners in the community and founders of Tannery Creek Market, L.L.C., in 2005.

Through financing from Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., Tannery Creek Market purchased two newer frozen food jumbo island coolers/merchandisers to replace existing older units. The new coolers/merchandisers will create additional frozen food storage for more products in the center of the store. Through minimal retail renovations, also funded by Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., additional stock will be sold and new product lines available along with the ability to provide more industry-specific products such as cooking bags, fondue pots, charcoal, twine, temperature gauges, etc.

Tannery Creek Market, L.L.C. is an old-fashioned butcher shop which handcrafts all its own products. Meat is hand-wrapped and string tied just like the old days. Old-fashioned products made using modern technology to provide a product that is

clean, healthy and free of chemicals, antibiotics and hormones distinguishes Tannery Creek as a quality establishment.

Tannery Creek Market is a Certified Angus Beef Distributor and is



the only meat shop in northern Michigan with this distinction. Tannery Creek Market continues to excel in providing quality products at affordable prices.

"In these challenging times, it is reassuring to know there is a financial resource within our communities in northern Michigan helping the small business owner exist and grow,"

Mary Jo Schultz said. "Without Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc., we would not have been able to move forward and continue to meet our customers' needs."

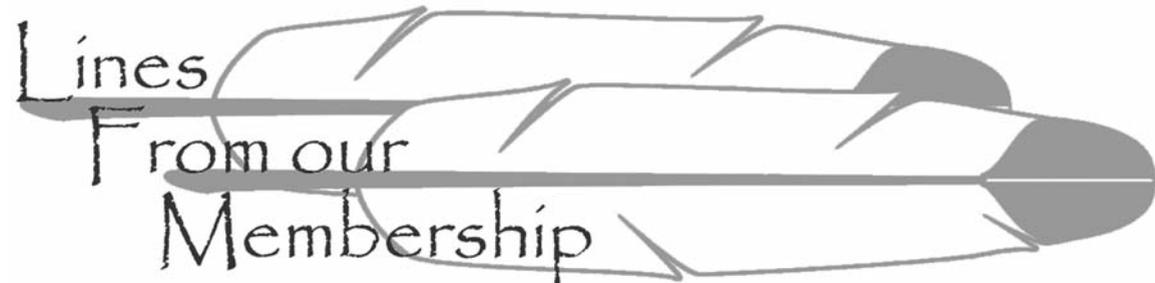
Tannery Creek Market has 11 employees with plans to expand to its production facilities and employee base in the near future.

"We exist to fill the financial needs of those local businesses throughout Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties struggling to make it in an underserved area," Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director Lisa McComb said. "We look forward to the opportunity to help other businesses like Tannery Creek Market as they continue to support the communities they serve through consistent employment and providing local products and services."

For more information, NSLF now has its own website, www.northshoresloanfund.org.

The photos appear courtesy of Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.

Hidden River 2009 Golf Grant Opportunity For LTBB Tribal Citizens Cart fee \$11 for 9 holes \$22 for 18 holes LTBB Tribal ID Required Tee times up to 1 week in advance Collared shirt required League Play May 4 through September 18, 2009 Black out dates July 3, 4 and 5, 2009 NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL No Denim Located at 7688 Maple River Rd. in Brutus, MI 1-800-325-GOLF



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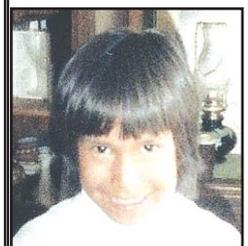
Happy belated 12th birthday to my **Beek-Bean**. Love you, Mama.

Belated birthday wishes to **Tina, Maggie** and **Tammy** from a forgetful Mom. Also, happy birthday to **Sue** on May 27.

Happy belated birthday to **Mes-siah Markosen** whose special day was April 11. She was the Big 12. We hope you had a great day. We love you. Love, Uncle Wes, Nick Nicolls, Mother Misty Blue, Brother K'den, Aunt Denise, Nakaya, Cousin Robin and Grandma Bernadine Campbell.

Happy belated birthday to my April Fools **Melissa Wiatrolik**. Love, the other Melissa.

Happy belated birthday to our **Bean**. We love you for all that you do for us as our little sis, our auntie and our friend. May we be blessed with many more years of your beautiful smile and your awesome personality. We will try not to anger the Mighty Bean who fears nothing. Love, Mammie and the rest of the crew.



Happy belated birthday **Joshbel**. Love, Nanna, Puppa, Auntie and Uncle.

Happy birthday wishes for **Mary Powell** (May 3), **Patrick Nagan Ashe** (May 3), **Lucas Shananaquet** (May 9), **Raymond Miller, Sr.** (May 10), **Nicole Laughlin** (May 21), **Dorothy Boda** (May 22), **Cheyanna King** (May 26) and **Rowdy Yates** (May 31). From Don and Dorothy Boda.

Happy birthday **Daddio!!** Hope it's a good one on May 26, just think, soon enough you're going to need a full-time cane. Ha Ha. Well, hope you enjoy your day!! Love always, your daughter, DakotahKay.

Happy birthday to **Mary Keshick** on May 4 and to **Amelia Compeaux** on May 12. May the Great Spirit bless your journey through 2009, and may you have a grand year! Go Girls! Love, Tootsie.

Happy birthday to **Viola McNamara** on May 7. Did you ever think, Mom, you would see the day when one of your children could draw social security? I won't tell how old you are. Love, from your kids, your grandkids, your brothers, your sister, your daughter and your son-in-laws (Dexter, Debbie, Derek, Shane, Billy, Gunnar, Brian, Cheryl, Manice Joe, Macklin, Jada, Mary Lou, Duane and Johnny).

Happy birthday to my Grandma, **Elizabeth Gasco**, who will be 83 years young on May 10! I love you! Veronica.

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Happy birthday to **Tavien the Great** on May 1. Hope you have a great day. From Aunt Gina and Uncle Brian.

Happy 10th birthday to **Alexis "Peanut" Harmon** on May 20! Have a great day, and we miss you! Love, Uncle Phil, Aunt Jen and Cousin Peyton.

Happy birthday to **Martina Henderson** on May 1. Love, Sara and Tavien.

Happy 20th birthday **Alicia Nowell** on May 30. From your whole family!

MinoDibishkaak Nwiitaawis **Sharon Sierzputowski** miinwa Nwijiikiwenhak **Shann Davenport** miinwa **Jannan "Ziibwaa-ganKwe" Cornstalk aka ChiGiigidoKwe!**

Happy birthday to **Leo Pontiac** on May 7 from his brother and sister. May the force be with you, bro.

Happy birthday on May 11 to my Daddy, **Bart Gasco!** With lots and lots of love, from his loving, grateful daughter, Holly Marie!

Happy 28th birthday to our Mother's Day baby, **David King**, on May 10. We hope you have a great year. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to **Cynthia aka Wild Child** on May 3. From Grandpa and Regina. Have lots of fun.

Happy first birthday to our sweet little **Oginiinhs** on May 10. Love, Nokomis, Aunties Dawn and Pauline, and Dad, Jeremy.

Happy birthday to **Nicole Laughlin**. Love, Mama.

Happy birthday to **Mary Gasco** who turns 20 on May 10. Your 20's have officially begun! We love you and miss you up here in northern Michigan. Love, Veronica, Tahir, Kiara, Alex and Avery.

Happy first birthday to **Wedaase "Brave Hunter" Gasco** whose special day is May 2!! This first year flew right by, but your smile still makes the day so much brighter. Gzaaguhn, Mommy, Daddy and big brother, Mkoohns.



We would like to wish **Barry Laughlin, Jeff Laughlin, Chris Laughlin, Valerie Biro** and **Shaina Biro** all a very happy birthday! Heck, while I'm at it, happy birthday to **Bob Seger**, too! Love, Linda BOB, Abe and Amelia Thiessen.

Happy birthday **Garzilla!** Garcia Medicine turns six on May 2.

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Happy birthday. Love, Mom.

Happy birthday to **Wayne Wilson** on May 5. Love, Aunt Gina, Uncle Bill and Brittany.

Happy birthday on May 26 **El Padre!!** I hope everything goes good for you this year, and you like being an old warrior!! I love you always, your babies, iddy biddy.

A big happy birthday to **John Bott** as he is now an official elder this year on May 17. We love you very much. You're the best husband, father and papa in the world. Love, Diane, John, Jr., Blayne, Barry, Shellie, Sara, Alisha, Darrian, Ayana, John III, Lillie, Maddison and little Whitney.

Happy 13th birthday to **Sydney Kay** on May 2. Lots of love, Sara and Mr. T.

Happy birthday to the Natural Resource Department staff with birthdays in May: **Kevin Willis** on May 12, **John Keshick III** on May 27 and **Debra Smithkey-Browne** on May 31. Have a wonderful day. From your co-workers.

Happy birthday **Mom/Grandma**. We love you, Linda, Jeffrey and Kacie.

Happy birthday to **Crazyness** on May 1. You know who you ARE. Love cuz, Pauline Boulton.

Wishing my darlin' daughter, **Jai-leah**, a wonderful and happy birthday. Have many more super days! Love, Mommy Dearest.

Happy 10th birthday to **Lexi Harmon**. You made it to double digits finally!! What a big girl you are getting to be. I wish you the best of everything in all the things you do this coming year. I hope you get to come Up North and visit this summer so we can see the beautiful sights up here. Lots of love and kisses, Grandma, Tarbaby and Sassy.

We would like to wish **Sue** a very happy birthday on the 27th! Hope your year is filled with joy and happiness. Cheers sis! The Gasco and Searles family.

Happy 15th birthday **Claus Nowell** on May 21. From your whole family!

Happy third birthday to **MskoM-gizi (Tavien) Lucier**. Thank you for making my life so much brighter. Mommy loves you.

Happy birthday to **Kiara Sanders** who turns 13 on May 30. You're officially a teenager! We love you Pookie! Mommy, Tahir, Alex and Avery.

Happy birthday to **Katie King**, our sister-in-law and aunt, who is an awesome person, not only for putting up with her husband (our brother and uncle), but for everything she has given us in the years we have known her. Have a great day!!!! Love, the King and VanDe-

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Car families.

Happy birthday **Wayne Wilson** on May 5. From your favorite cousin, Holly, and Joe, too!

Happy birthday to **Nicole Laughlin**. Love, Nanna, Puppa, Auntie and Uncle.

Happy birthday to a caring brother, **Bart Gasco**, on May 11. We love you, Gina, Bill and Brittany.

Aanii Nsy'enh, **Reginald "Karl" Dodge, Jr.**, Raggy Mjiikwis. MinoDibishkaan! Aapiji Gazaagigo, Pane. Gdanwenmaaganak, Gshimenh Carla.

Happy birthday on May 2 to **Sydney Kay**, one of the sweetest girls we know. From Aunt Gina and Uncle.

Happy birthday to the greatest **Great-Grandma** ever! We love you! Tahir, Kiara, Alex and Avery.

Many good wishes for your May birthdays: **John Keshick, Jr., Theresa Keshick, Brian Wagner** and **Bing**. Many happy returns. From your favorite Auntie.

Happy birthday! To my **Hunny** on May 26, Hope you have a great day, Love you always, Your wife (your ball and chain), Barb and son, Dalton (Potato).



Happy 90th birthday to our Mom, Grandma, Great-grandmother and Aunt, **Elizabeth T. (Wasa-gechik) Jordan** on May 15! Love, your family.



Anniversaries

Belated second anniversary wishes for **Wesley** and **Denise Nicolls** of Spread Eagle, WI, who celebrated on April 10. We all love you two. "Your Family." Robin, Messiah, K'den, Nick, Misty, Nakaya and Mom "Dino."

Happy anniversary to **Blayne** and **Sara Bott**. Love, Mom and Dad.

Happy 50th anniversary, May 9, to the best parents, **Leo** and **Ramona Delmas**. Love ya, Matt, Sue, Mark, Linda and grandchildren.



Birth Announcement

A daughter, **Julia Grace Kilpatrick**, was born to Jimmy and Tricia Kilpatrick of Levering, MI, at 5:30 a.m. on March 29, 2009, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI. Julia weighed seven pounds and six ounces and was 20 inches long at birth. Her siblings are Marissa, Kyle and Larson Kilpatrick. Grandparents are Rosanne and the late John Givens of Pellston, MI, Marve Kilpatrick of Levering and Sue Mills of Indiana.



Congratulations

Congrats to **Chuck Portman** for bowling his highest games ever at the Cheboygan Bowling Center: 237, 259 and 222 for a 718 series. Good job Chuck! You've still got your bowling coach angel on your shoulder! From all of your cousins.

Congratulations to **Jordan Tyler Kay**, son of Dave and Stella Kay, of Centerville, OH, who is graduating with honors from Centerville High School on May 30. He is a member of the National Honor Society and has been taking the Information Technology curriculum. He has also been a member of the Centerville Jazz High School Marching Band (a frequent participant at the Grand Nationals) and the Basketball Pep Band. Jordan, we are all so proud of you! Papa Flash, Aunt Gina and Uncle, Aunt Vicki and Uncle Chris and families.

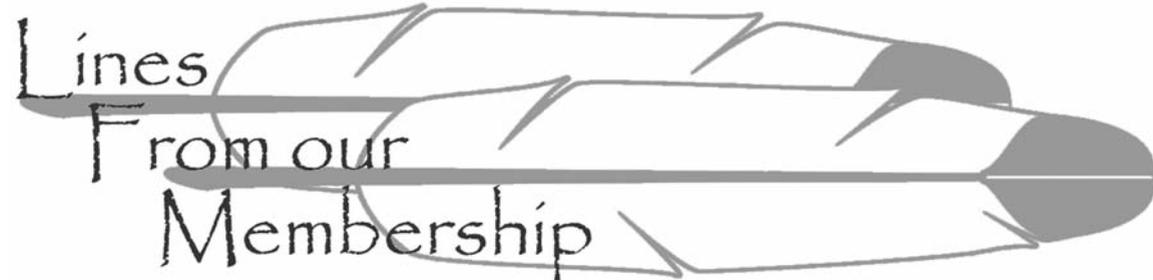
Congratulations to **Frank King** on his recent retirement from Dow Corning Corporation in Midland, MI. Now, hurry up and get started on that "honey do" list your wife has compiled. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Congrats to my brother, **Don J. Portman**, for bowling a perfect 300 game and a 774 series at the Cheboygan Bowling Center on April 5, 2009! Do it again Friday night! Michele and Greg.

Public Notice

This is a public notice to inform you Thomas Andrews passed on. If there were any outstanding debts on his behalf, there is a short time you have to submit your statement to be collected upon. You may send your statement to:

**Thomas Andrews II
171 Church Rd.
Harbor Springs, MI 49740**



Mother's Day Announcements

Happy Mother's Day to **Nancy Kiogima** from Mel, Bernie and the kids.

Happy Mother's Day to **Theresa Yoder**. Thanks for all you do for us. On this special day, we want to say we love you very much. Bud, Deb, Brenda and Sandra.

Happy Mother's Day to our Mom, **Nancy Rhome**. From Don and Shannon Portman.

Happy Mother's Day to our Aunt, **Michele LaCount**. From Donny and Isabella Portman.

Happy Mother's Day to **Vicki Lynn**. We love you and appreciate all you do. Love, Joe, Sara, Chris, Becca and Tavien.

Happy Mother's Day to **Jody Gasco**. From your loving kids, Holly, Josh and B.J.

Happy Mother's Day to the mother of the SuperFamily, **Mary Burks**. We love you lots, Andrea, Marisa, Lia, Kenny and little baby Radio.

Happy Mother's Day to our Mom, **Suzanne Portman**. From Don and Shannon Portman.

Miigwech for being a wonderful **Ngashinaa** and **Nokomis**. We love you. Love, Pauline, Dawn and Jeremy and grandchildren, Clint, Craig, Alex, Raymond, Lee, Daniel and Ogiinihns.

Happy Mother's Day to **Regina Kiogima, Sr.** You are a wonderful Mom and Grandmother; I don't know what I'd do without you. Gzaaguhn, Gina Jr.

Happy Mother's Day to our Mom, **Shannon Portman**. From Donny and Isabella Portman.

To my daughter, **Dawn**, and daughter-in-law, **Monica**: Happy Mother's Day. Thank you for giving me such beautiful grand babies. With love from Mom.

Happy Mother's Day to the **General**, the reigning Mother of the Year. Thank you for everything you have done for us over the years. You are loved and appreciated by all of your kiddies.

To **Karen Norris**: Thanks for all your help and support. You have been an inspirational partner on our journey through life, and we just wanted to say Thanks! We love you! Tim and Jeannie Ruth.

We would like to wish our wonderful Mom, **Leone Honson**, who we love so dearly, the best Mother's Day ever! Love, Dollie, Greg and Lisa.

Happy Mother's Day to our Nana, **Nancy Rhome**. From Donny and Isabella Portman.

Happy Mother's Day to the best "Mommie Dearest" in the world!



Mother's Day Announcements

Thank you for your love and pride over the years. Love, Katie, Nathan and Paul!

Happy Mother's Day **Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky!** We've added up the numbers, and you're the best! Gzhaagan! Matthew, Shanna, Justine, Jenna, Kiana and Maangaashkaa.

I would like to wish my mother, **Darlene Rowland**, a Happy Mother's Day! She and my father just moved up here to Harbor Springs from Lansing. Glad to have you here! Love you, Kaye.

Happy Mother's Day to **Bernadece** from Sara, Mshkoad-ekwe, Jacob, Joy, McKenzie and Cameron.

Happy Mother's Day to our Nana, **Suzanne Portman**. From Donny and Isabella Portman.

Happy Mother's Day to the best Nookmis, **Marion Smith**. You have always been there for us



through thick and thin. Everything is just a drop in the bucket! We love you so much! From your loving

Smith grandchildren, Erin, Ashley, Katie, Nathan, Paul, Nicholas, Samantha, Lukas and Hannah.

Special message for **Kathy Smithkey-Stillwell**. Happy Mother's Day. We miss you very much on this special day. May all of your dreams come true. Contact me. Love you, Mom, Deb.

Aanii Ngashi, **MkwaNaaniibi-wikwe** miinwaa Noos Kwewan, ChiMkwa: Aapiji niibna gzaaginim, Pane Gmakwenimin. Waskwane'deKwe, Carla Jean.

Happy Mother's Day to my Grandma (**Michele LaCount**), Great-Grandma Nana (**Suzanne Portman**) and Great-Aunt **Shannon**. Love, Avery (Peep)!!

Happy Mother's Day to the **General**. Thank you for your unwavering love and support. I couldn't have accomplished all that I have in my life without you. Love, General Junior.

Happy Mother's Day to our Aunt, **Kimmy Symanski**. From Donny and Isabella Portman.

Happy Mother's Day to **Mary Louise Gasco!** Thank you for always being there for all of us with loving and caring open arms. We could not have asked for anything more in a mother. You are strong and never weak; you are never ending with your love and never tire. You are simply the best ever. Thank you again and again! The

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Gasco family.

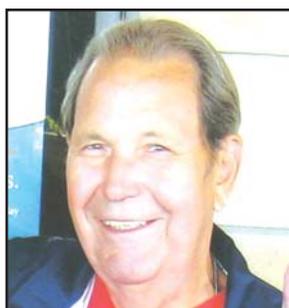
To last year's **Mother of the Year**. You deserved it! From Laurie, Cory, Tina and Renee.

Walking On...



David E. Nickles, 34

Former Petoskey (Michigan) resident David E. Nickles, 34, died on March 30, 2009, at McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint, MI. He was born May 1, 1974, in Detroit, MI. He grew up and attended school in the Flint area. He was a concrete worker, employed by various companies over the years. He is survived by his mother, Elisabeth Kiogima, of Petoskey; father, Russell Nickles of Harrison, MI; children, Adrianna, Austin and Ariah Nickles of Burton, MI, and their mother, Angelina Johnson, and Deavyn Simpson of Lapeer, MI, and mother, Stephanie Simpson; sisters, Carolyn Nickles of Troy, OH, and Barbara Nickles of Portage La Prairie, Manitoba, Canada. He was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents, Charles Kiogima and Beatrice Marino; and his paternal grandparents, Russell Nickles, Sr. and Eva Nickles.



Gene Walter Massey, Sr., 79

Gene Walter Massey, Sr., a 22-year resident of Roseville, MI, died April 4, 2009, surrounded by the love of his family in the Cleveland Clinic of Cleveland, OH. He was 79 years of age. He was born in Detroit, MI, on March 18, 1930, a son of the late Walter and Rub (Wilson) Massey and the grandson of the late Louis and Mary Massey. He was united in marriage to his beloved wife, Florence Rissman, on June 30, 1951 in Detroit where the couple made their home until moving to Roseville. He had worked in manufacturing as a buffer and polisher for many years and retired as a security guard for Saratoga Hospital at the age of 67 after serving in that capacity for more than 22 years. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Harrison Fraternal Order of Eagles. He loved the outdoors, camping, hunting and fishing. He loved singing in his younger years and lived his life to the fullest. His deepest joy was his family, and he will be deeply missed by many. He is survived by his devoted wife, Florence; his loving children, Jean (Rick) Snow, June (Mitchell) Snow, James (Louise), Gene W. (Sharon), Jr., and Jeannette (Orazio) Enea; his siblings, Carol, Judy and Wade and by 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 PROVIDES FUNDING FOR NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROJECTS

Odawa Trails staff report

On February 17, 2009, President Barack Obama signed into law the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, intended to provide a stimulus to the U.S. economy in the wake of the economic downturn. It included federal tax cuts, expansion of unemployment benefits and other social welfare provisions and domestic spending in education, health care and infrastructure, including the energy sector.

At a semi-monthly Emmet County Road Commission meeting on March 20, Emmet County Road Commission Engineer-Manager Brian Gutowski revealed Emmet County's list of 2009 planned projects.

The planned work, which is expected to be almost \$9 million, is a record for the county.

Approximately \$5.5 million will come from federal economic stimulus money with the majority of it being allocated through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Approximately \$2.5 million is for projects near the Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI. Among those projects are \$530,000 to widen and resurface Anderson Road from U.S. 131 to Lears Road, \$1.1 million to widen and reconstruct Lears Road from Anderson to U.S. 131 and install traffic lights at where Lears intersects with Anderson and Cemetery roads and \$800,000 to reconstruct a badly deteriorated section of Cemetery Road from Sheridan Road to Lears.

Federal stimulus money allocated through the BIA will also fund two road projects outside Harbor Springs, MI, where LTBB is based. One project, which is expected to cost \$550,000, involves resurfacing 2.94 miles of Pleasantview Road from M-119 to Highland's Pike, and the other project, which is expected to cost

\$255,000, involves resurfacing 2.88 miles of State Road from Harbor Springs to LaCount Road.

On March 30, 2009, Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm announced LTBB was eligible to receive \$80,200 in grants from the State of Michigan to create or further energy efficiency and conservation projects.

The funding is being made available through the \$76.6 million in block grants the state received to put toward energy efficiency and conservation projects as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

Of the \$76.6 million, \$57.6 million was allocated for 69 communities and tribal governments deemed by state officials to be eligible for the money through an existing formula.

Other tribal governments receiving funding included the Bay Mills Indian Community (\$51,300), the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (\$160,500), the Hannahville Indian Community (\$35,100), the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (\$68,900), the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians (\$25,900), the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (\$54,400), the Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians of Michigan (\$40,800), the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi (\$58,000), the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe (\$183,100), the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (\$382,400) and the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians (\$233,800).

In mid-April, LTBB learned it was one of 12 tribes that would receive \$11,000 of federal stimulus money through the Child Care and Development Fund. The funding comes from the Department of Health and Human Services, but can be used for education or job re-training for low income parents to assisting children in protective services.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENT MEMBERS OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN JOURNALISTS ASSOCIATION (NAJA)

Project Phoenix

Each year, more than a dozen high school students from around the country gather in one city to find out what it takes to put together their own newspaper.

During the course of a week, the students of Project Phoenix learn the basics of news writing and photo-journalism and produce a 12-page newspaper called "Rising Voices."

Students' work will also be posted on the Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) website.

That introduction into journalism is taught by some of the best reporters in Indian country.

Join NAJA in celebrating 25 years of service to Native American high school students across the country.

For more information, please

visit www.naja.com. Applications must be received by June 1, 2009.

NAJA Student Projects

Each year, college students majoring in journalism are given the opportunity to get hands-on experience in producing a daily newspaper, radio or television new casts or a news website through NAJA's annual Student Projects during our national convention.

This year, Student Projects will be a part of the 2009 NAJA Convention in Albuquerque, NM.

For more information, please visit www.naja.com. Applications must be received by June 1, 2009.

To join NAJA as a student member, please visit www.naja.com and click on Membership.

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23 meeting of the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority was held at the Turtle Creek Casino Hotel near Traverse City, MI. As you will recall, CORA was created within the Great Lakes Consent Decree signed in the year 2000, which is part of the ongoing federal court supervision of the U.S. vs. Michigan Great Lakes Fishing Rights Case. We have since also signed a permanent Consent Decree governing inland hunting, fishing and gathering rights within the 1836 Treaty area.

CORA is also instrumental in the cooperative management of these inland issues amongst the five CORA tribes (Bay Mills Indian Community, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, LTBB and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians).

National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC) Meeting: I had a brief meeting with Linda Durbin of the National Indian Gaming Commission regional office staff at the Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey on April 2. She was doing an onsite visit and safety tour of the facility and was following NIGC protocol in asking for a meeting with the Tribal Chairman.

Michigan Water Resources Conservation Advisory Council (MWR-CAC): I attended the Michigan Water Resources Conservation Advisory Council meeting at Mott Community College in Flint, MI, on April 3.

White House Meeting: Representatives of several Michigan tribes, including LTBB met at the White House's Old Executive Office Building in Washington, D.C. on April 14 to discuss our issues from Indian Country as they relate to the Michigan tribes. We met with Jodi Gillette, the Deputy Associate Director of the White House Office of In-

tergovernmental Affairs. Following the White House meeting, we met with David Mullon (Republican Staff Director and Chief Counsel) and Rhonda Harjo (Republican Deputy Chief Counsel) at the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs. The main issue we discussed at both meetings was Indian Health Service (IHS) funding and program management.

Letter from Department of Justice: We received a letter approving an extension for LTBB regarding our implementation of the Adam Walsh Act, which requires us to establish an online sex offender registry or else submit to the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan for the state's registry. We now have the necessary tribal laws in place, but we still need to finish the coordination with the state and federal authorities so we have the proper electronic communications in place.

Implementation of Statutes and Resolutions

Resolutions and Statutes: I have signed the resolutions passed at the last Tribal Council meeting. Additionally, I signed WOS-2009-008 Sex Offender Notification and Registration Statute.

The WOS-2009-009 Sex Offense Statute has also become enacted as of April 13, 2009. We have no further resolutions or statutes waiting Executive action at this time.

Oversight of Commissions and Programs

Commission Meetings: The Vice Chairman and I have attended many tribal commission meetings in the last month as there have been questions regarding pending statutes at Tribal Council and budget questions. We also have answered questions regarding upcoming policy issues and implementation of legislative action.

Monthly Reports: We submitted

the monthly Departments and Programs Report and the Financial Report from the Chief Financial Officer to Tribal Council for its April 19, 2009 meeting. We also submitted a copy of the final Fiscal Year 2008 Michele Chingwa Educational Assistance Act report.

Enterprise Oversight

Gaming Board Report: During this past month, we have implemented the amendment to the Gaming Board of Directors Statute which realigned the financial management within the casino. The Director of Finance now reports directly to the General Manager. We have also worked to update our banking arrangements as National City Bank has been purchased by PNC Bank.

Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. (WOD): WOD's subsidiary, Nimkee Technologies, LLC, has been pending the closeout of the White House Conference Center Remodeling Project in Washington, D.C. When this project is closed out, Nimkee will receive a portion of the proceeds as a subcontractor/mentee. Nimkee is being mentored by the Northwest Band of Shoshone Economic Development Corporation to achieve 8(a) certification under the Small Business Administration's 8(a) Program. When we complete this project successfully, we will be closer to getting certified and being able to bid directly on various government contracts.

The White House project is a construction management project. The conference center is across Pennsylvania Ave. from the White House and is the location used by the Obama Administration's Transition Team as a headquarters during the time from the election in November up to the inauguration in January.

Craft Sale

May 9
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Charlevoix, MI
231-547-2028

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Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce 231-242-1584.

Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

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You can apply once during January 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009 for each type of assistance available.

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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.

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EASTER BUNNY COLORING CONTEST WINNERS



The 3-7 age group winners: Jaide Sarchenko (top left) and Anamekwan Wemigwase (bottom left).

The 8-12 age group winners: Chloe Tollenaar (top right) and Gavin Rae Harrington (bottom right).

Native News

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS): HELPING PEOPLE HELP THE LAND

Submitted by **Bill Borgeld**, District Conservationist from NRCS Petoskey

Editor's note: This is the first of a series of articles introducing LTBB Tribal Citizens to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and the programs it offers. In this first article, you will be introduced to NRCS. In the second and third articles that will appear in the June and July issues of Odawa Trails, you will learn about the programs NRCS offers.

Quite often, many of us are unaware of the assistance which may be available in our local area or how to go about requesting the help needed.

I would like to introduce you to our agency and the types of assistance which are available to LTBB Tribal Citizens and others who may be unfamiliar with what the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is about and what it has to offer.

The NRCS came about due to a name change in 1994, formerly the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). The traditional customers of SCS were agricultural producers with the main focus being soil erosion and the conservation practices used to address erosion issues.

The name NRCS was considered to be more inclusive involving all natural resources including soil, water, air, plants and animals. The goal of NRCS is to increase the stewardship of private lands, resulting in clean water and air, improved soils and abundant wildlife habitat. This is mainly done by working with landowners to develop conservation plans which address resource concerns and meet the objectives of the landowner.

We also work with the local conservation districts to help carry out their goals of addressing local resource issues. There is one in Emmet County, MI, located in the county building across from the Harbor

Springs airport and one in Charlevoix County, MI, located in Boyne City, MI. The conservation districts have annual tree sales in both the spring and the fall. They also have various publications, and each has some equipment for the public's use for a minimal fee. The Emmet District has a no-till drill for planting hayfields or wildlife plantings and the Charlevoix District rents a no-till corn planter and a tree planter. They both have access to other resource related information. The Charlevoix District has a beach grass nursery which is sold by the bundle to property owners to stabilize sand dune areas. The Emmet District is having a native plants sale for the first time this spring.

To help the landowner carry out his or her plans for the land, we have several cost-share programs available and access to numerous amounts of technical information which is available free of charge to the general public. In these very difficult times we find ourselves in, the availability of fi-

nancial assistance can be the difference in whether trees get planted or some other conservation project gets completed. We have several cost-share programs. Applications for these programs are accepted at any time, though funding will only be available when allocations are made to the state. All applications are ranked which means it is competitive; there's no guarantee of approval, but there is usually quite a large amount of funding. We haven't seen the new 2008 Farmbill rules yet, so some of the criteria for eligibility and what practices are funded will have changed.

NRCS Contact Information

NRCS Petoskey 231-347-5255 or www.mi.nrcs.usda.gov (Michigan website)

Emmet Conservation District 231-439-8996, 231-439-8977 or www.emmetcd.org

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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN TO ATTEND JUNIOR NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.



By **Curtis Drogmiller**, LTBB Tribal Citizen

LTBB Tribal Citizen Hope Drogmiller, a 10-year-old, fifth-grade student at Wixom Elementary (a Walled Lake Consolidated School), was recently honored by her teacher David Blatt.

Blatt honored Drogmiller by nominating her to the Junior National Young Leadership Conference (JRNYLC) to be held this summer in Washington, D.C.

She was nominated based on her academic achievement and leadership potential to participate at this unique leadership program for the nation's most exceptional fifth and sixth-graders.

Blatt, a teacher with 18 years experience, said Drogmiller currently has an eighth-grade vocabulary, is at an eighth-grade reading level and is at the top of the class in all areas.

While observing Drogmiller in the classroom, Blatt noted Drogmiller's strong leadership skills and her ability to work well with her peers. Those were key reasons Blatt nominated Drogmiller.

"Hope is definitely an asset to our classroom," Blatt said. "I hope by her attending the conference this summer, it will bring out and highlight her leadership qualities and give her some network opportunities."

The Junior National Young Leaders Conference is a six-day conference. The Honorary Congressional Board of advisors included several United States Senators and

Representatives.

Some past distinguished speakers have included former Vice President and Noble Peace Prize winner Al Gore, Colin L. Powell, Janet Reno, Ralph Nader, Jesse Jackson, Helen Thomas and many others.

Scholars will return from the conference with enhanced skills and abilities, not only to understand the key concepts of leadership, but to apply them in their everyday lives. Scholars will practice their leadership skills of communication, negotiation and persuasion.

Drogmiller said she is excited about her nomination and looks forward to attending the conference. She is excited to see who the guest speakers will be. It will also be nice to meet some other students from around the country with similar interests.

"It is totally awesome to have this opportunity to represent with pride our tribe, my school and as a resident of the State of Michigan at this conference," Drogmiller said.

"To be recognized by my teacher is not only an honor to me, but also to my parents who taught me early on, all my early education teachers as well as some of my current educators at Wixom."

Drogmiller will graduate from elementary school this June and prepare for new academic challenges in middle school in the fall of 2009.

When asked what words of encouragement would you give Drogmiller as she enters a new chapter in her book of life, Blatt said with a gentle smile and an uplifting voice, "Just remember Hope, anything is possible if you just try!"

The photo of Hope Drogmiller (center), Wixom Elementary Fifth-Grade Teacher David Blatt (right) and Wixom Elementary Principal Alec Bender (left) is by Curtis Drogmiller.

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STONEFISH SISTERS FINISH 1-2 AT THE 19TH ANNUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HOOP DANCE CONTEST



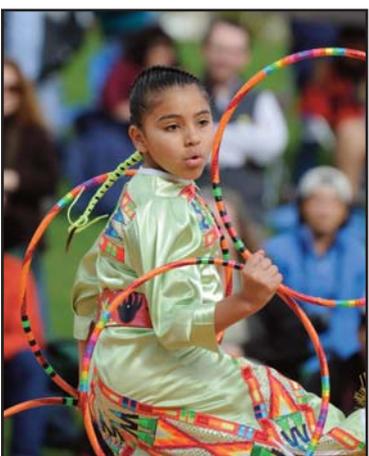
Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society Members of the Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society based in Peshawbestown, MI, competed at the Heard Museum 19th Annual World Championship Hoop Dance Contest in early February 2009.

Sisters Beedoskah Stonefish, 11, and Waskwane Stonefish, 10, of Peshawbestown finished first and second respectively in the youth division



Beedoskah Stonefish

at the event held in New River, AZ. They are Odawa/Chippewa/Delaware/Pottawotami. They travel all over the United States and Canada dancing in



Waskwane Stonefish

Chivis, 7, Mckenzie Gunderson, 11, Lillian Hague, 12, Tyra John, 7, Claudia Perez, 11, Olivia Ptak, 8, Tiana Schocko, 9, Cicilee Shriner, 10, Vanessa Schocko, 10, Quinten Schwander, 14, Jewel Walker, 11 and Jewel Wonegeshik, 9.

Monica Raphael is the Director of the Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society Project.

The Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society is an experimental learning program for girls and boys age 6-17. It focuses on the seven sacred teachings of the Anishinaabe,



Aanzhenii Starr Bigjohn

wisdom, love, respect, bravery, honesty, humility and truth. It has been said by our ancestors that achieving balance in these principles is to have harmony in body, mind and spirit. Native people from the beginning of time have celebrated life through song and dance.

In its most spiritual application, it is used in ceremonies for healing and blessing. As part of a dancer's training, spiritual teachings are learned. Primary among these principles is self-respect.

The hoop dancer uses a number of hoops to represent the sacred circle of life with no beginning and no ending. Depending on the region, style and tribal culture, a dancer may use four to 30 hoops to fashion into a kaleidoscopic array of images. The symbols, colors, hoops and the dancer's regalia honor these beings.

The Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society curriculum was designed to promote thoughtful behavior choices, to provide youth with information and skills to reduce risk behaviors and to develop a greater sense of self-esteem through learning, practicing, performing and living the Anishinaabe culture.

The photo of Raymond Shenoskey appears courtesy of Grace Zerbe. The photo of Beedoskah Stonefish appears courtesy of Joyce Petoskey. The rest of the photos appear courtesy of the GTB News, a membership publication of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

pow wows. Beedoskah Stonefish is a fancy dancer, and Waskwane is a jingle dancer. Waskwane Stonefish is a two-time Youth World Champion Hoop Dance Champion, having won titles in 2006 and 2008. Beedoskah Stonefish finished second in the youth division at the event last year.

Their older sister, Cheyenne Petoskey, Miss Odawa Nation 2008-2009, finished third in the teen division at the event last year. She was the first female to place in the teen division.

Raymond Shenoskey, 16, of Charlevoix, MI, made it to the second round at this year's event. Shenoskey



Raymond Shenoskey

is the grandson of LTBB Tribal Citizen Grace Zerbe.

We are very proud of you. Love, Nokomis.

Aanzhenii Starr Bigjohn, 12, of Peshawbestown also competed at this year's event. Bigjohn, the 2005 World Youth Hoop Dance Champion, is the daughter of LTBB Tribal Citizen Cody Bigjohn, Jr., the granddaughter of LTBB Tribal Citizen Carla McFall and the great-granddaughter of LTBB Tribal Citizen Alice Yellowbank.

Aanzhenii Starr Bigjohn is a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. In addition to being a hoop dancer, she has been a fancy and jingle dancer.

Other Mino Biimaadziwin Hoop Dance Society members who competed at this year's event included Jonathan Anderson, 11, Andrew

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Odawa Casino Resort

ODAWA CASINO RESORT ANNOUNCES MARK AIELLO AS NEW DIRECTOR OF PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

For Immediate Release
March 27, 2009

Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, has named Mark Aiello, a seasoned gaming executive with more than 30 years of gaming experience, to the position of Director of Player Development.

Aiello has held many executive positions in the gaming/hospitality sector, including Vice President & General Manager for the Isle of Capri Casino in the Bahamas, the Regional Director of Marketing for Harrah's Entertainment and Vice President of Player Development for the Paradise Island Resort & Casino, Nassau, Bahamas.

Mark has strong experience introducing new VIP players to gaming properties, training of existing host personnel and directing special events.

"Mark is joining our team at a critical time for our business. He has a proven track record of accomplishments in player development strategies and communication, and we're going to use that expertise to grow our business here," Odawa Casino

Resort General Manager Sean Barnard said.

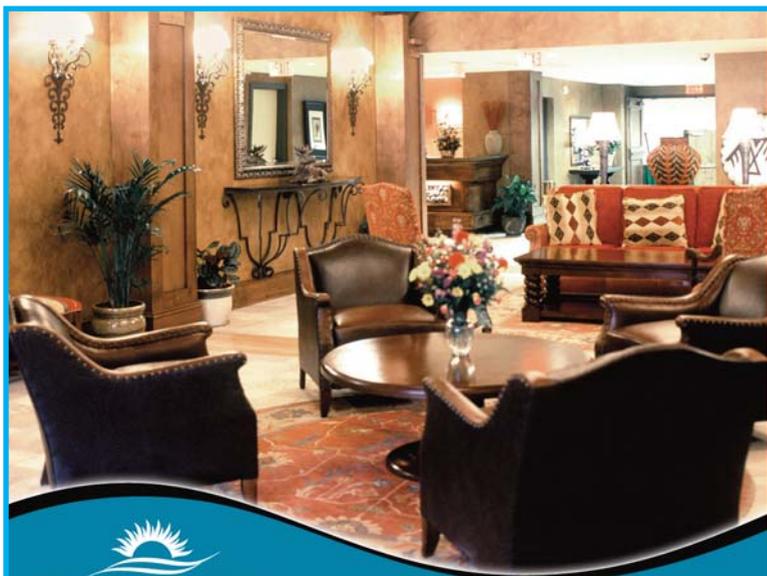
In his new position, Aiello will work with Barnard to develop and implement new programs specifically designed to attract new players from other gaming markets like Detroit and Chicago.

Barnard said, "Mark's expertise in building customer service and loyalty will be an asset to us as we continue to build upon our successes and maintain market leadership here in Northern Michigan. He will also oversee how we take care of our loyal players who have continued to support this property."

Aiello stated, "I am very excited to become a part of the success story at the Odawa Casino Resort. This is clearly one of the most beautiful casino properties in the United States, and I'm very proud to be joining the team. Just looking around Petoskey, I know that this is where I'm really looking forward to bringing my family to live."

Mark began his duties on Monday, March 30, 2009.

The photo of Mark Aiello appears courtesy of the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing Department.



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ODAWA CASINO RESORT UNVEILS "ENTERTAINMENT 2009" LINEUP

For Immediate Release
March 27, 2009

Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, announced today the lineup of celebrities already booked to appear in Ovation Hall this year.

Designed to appeal to all generations and tastes, the list includes country artists, pop, comedy and cabaret style entertainers.

"To appeal to today's guest, we have to be more than just a casino. We continue to position this beautiful property as a destination resort that provides the best in slots, table games, dining and entertainment," Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Sean Barnard said. "This year, we committed ourselves to booking the top names in entertainment and combined that with providing great value for money for everyone.

"We're kicking off the show season with legendary Little Richard on May 2, 2009. It's a high energy, rock-and-roll show that you won't want to miss."

Speaking to the need to provide value for money, Odawa Casino Resort Director of Marketing Phil Gonzales commented, "We're booking 90-minute shows, pricing the tickets at just \$35 and \$45 for Little Richard and giving discounts to our Optimum Rewards players. We're also giving



away \$10 in free slot play offers with all ticket purchases this year."

Other acts for the Odawa Casino Resort in 2009 include Starship with Mickey Thomas, whose new album is due this spring, along with comedy, QVC and Celebrity Apprentice star; Joan Rivers, platinum country group; Lonestar, American Idol star; Kellie

Pickler, Las Vegas legend; Wayne Newton, contemporary Native American band; Brulé and AIRO and the popular new wave band, the B-52's.

When asked about the completion of its entertainment schedule, Barnard said, "Odawa Casino Resort is presently negotiating a couple more dates and planning on a big name for this season's closing act. We'll release that information as soon as contracts have been signed, sealed and delivered."

Tickets can be purchased and more information on each of these appearances can be found on the Odawa Casino Resort website at www.odawacasino.com. Visitors to the casino can also purchase tickets from the Qui! Box gift shop. Out of town guests can purchase their tickets at starticket-plus.com or by calling Star Tickets Plus at 1-800-585-3737, at all Meijer Stores and on the day of the show at the Odawa Casino Resort Box Office.

Courtesy photo.

Annual Tribal Membership Meeting 2009

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Any qualified tribal citizen interested in purchasing this home should apply to the LTBB Housing Department or call 231-242-1540.

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 8, 2009

Closed Session: yes
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:42 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 Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Vice-Chairman William Denemy, Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson, Chief Financial Officer Valerie Tweedie, Human Resource Director Jodi Werner

Guests: Richard Wemigwase, Tootsie Keshick Miller, Sharon Sierzputowski, Roger Emery, Ken Harrington, Fred Kiogima, Carol McFall, Sheran Patton, John Keshick, Cathy Portman, Heidi Bosma, Mary Powers, Rita Shananaquet, Carla McFall. Dollie Keway

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt the agenda with amendments for March 8, 2009.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Kiogima)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve the minutes of February 22, 2009 with corrections.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Kiogima)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated February 23, 2009 to Approve Confidential Memo #022209-01 presented to Tribal Council from Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick because of immediate deadline. The Phone Poll passed by a vote of 5-yes, 3-absent.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Kiogima)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor McNamara to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated March 6, 2009 to approve the report provided to Tribal Council on March 7, 2009 at 9:34 a.m., to be submitted to Bank of America regarding upcoming meeting on March 10, 2009 to meet for purpose of an immediate deadline. The Phone Poll passed by a vote of 6 yes and 2 absent.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr.), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Kiogima)

Motion carried.
Tribal Elders Comments: Richard Wemigwase spoke regarding the Tribal Logo use on jackets for the Elder's Association with regard to requesting the permission for use from Tribal Council.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution: To License the Elder's Association to Use the Tribal Logo.

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to declare a vacancy on Tribal Council.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Kiogima)

Motion carried.
10:29 a.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to post the vacancy to the Tribal Council position until March 20, 2009 in consideration for receipt of letters of interest.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
10:36 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor McNamara to go into closed session for confidential business.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
11:38 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to return to open session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Carla McFall spoke regarding the Tribal Citizen lay off situation in the Tribal Government. Roger Emery spoke regarding his respect for Shirley Oldman and the hard task of filling the vacancy. Rita Shananaquet thanked all people who have served on Tribal Council.

11:52 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
12:02 p.m. Lunch recess called.
1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
Councilor Kiogima absent.
1:39 p.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor McNamara to acknowledge receipt of the Chairman's budget reduction plan and shelve this plan as long as the casino can make its monthly payments to the Tribal Government.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to accept Secretary Bentley's verbal report for March 8, 2009.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Tribal Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee Chairperson Chingwa's verbal report for March 8, 2009.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for March 8, 2009.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer

Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report for March 8, 2009.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to pass Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2004-008 Gaming Board of Directors.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-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 Secretary Gasco Bentley to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Land Use, Building

commodate it. Rita Shananaquet spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman utilizing the Sinking Fund for the Executive budget.

3:32 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:32 p.m. Recess called.
3:45 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to pass the Sex Offender Notification and Registration Statute.

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor McNamara to pass the Sex Offense Statute.

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to pass the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department Statute.

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa to pass the Educations Appeals Board Statute.

Motion dies due to lack of support.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution: The Tribal Chairman stated copies of the executive travel documents cannot be released therefore the line item for the Tribal Chairman travel shall be reduced to zero for the FY 2009.

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

Motion failed.
Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: The Odawa Casino Resort is in Default on Payments to the Tribal Government.

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

Motion carried.
Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to remove the Amendment to the Housing Commission draft Statute from the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
4:55 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland)

Motion carried.
These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:
Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary
Date

March 22, 2009

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May 3 Council Meeting
May 16 Work Session
May 17 Council Meeting

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

Legislative Tribal Council Members

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

Regulation, and Zoning.

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

Motion carried.
3:01 p.m. Public Comment: John Keshick spoke regarding the housing guidelines for the Elder's and other individual's housing restrictions. John also spoke regarding the Economic Development Commission draft Statute with regard to Bell's Fishery. John further spoke regarding the Natural Resource Commission budget restraint regarding travel. Heidi Bosma spoke her concern regarding the recently Tribal Council passed Child Welfare Statute. Rita Shananaquet spoke regarding reduction of the Chief Financial Officer's duties and authority. Rita also spoke regarding the posting of the Tribal Chairman's proposed budget especially regarding the Burial Fund. Rita further asked if Shirley Oldman's complaint regarding snow day closure of the health clinic was looked into. Roger Emery spoke regarding the possible removal of snow days with possibility to increase PTO (personal time off) carryover allowance to ac-

Closed Session: yes
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:33 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Alice Yellowbank

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

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Vice-Chairman William Denemy, Executive Assistant Rebecca Atkinson

Guests: John Bott, Debra DeLeon, Mary Roberts, Ken Roberts, Rita Shananaquet, Ken Harrington, Roger Emery, Julie Shananaquet, Janet Shomin, Marcia Sutton, Fred Kiogima, George Anziano, Andrew Stich, Christine Shomin

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda for March 22, 2009 as amended.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

11:04 a.m. Recess called.

11:21 a.m. Meeting reconvened.
Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve Procedures for Appointment for Vacancy to Tribal Council.

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

Motion carried.
11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Ken Harrington spoke with regard to the process for the Tribal Council vacancy.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to appoint Rita Shananaquet to fill the Tribal Council vacancy.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Harrington, Jr., Councilor Kiogima, Councilor McNamara), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of March 8, 2009 with corrections.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the letter in response to complaint dated February 12, 2009 filed by Yvonne McShane against Executive/Chairman, Frank Ettawageshik for non compliance with the "Waganakising Odawak Constitutionally Mandated Rules and Procedures Disclosure of Public Documents" Section VI. Violations; Hearings, and Consequence.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Kiogima), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.
Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal report for March 22, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.
Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept Tribal Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee Chairperson Chingwa's verbal report for March 22, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.
3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.
3:00 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Mul-

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holland and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Land and Reservation Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for March 22, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report for March 22, 2009.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

3:53 p.m. Recess called.

4:04 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Executive Oversight Report including confidential items contained therein.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Treasurer Chingwa 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 COPS FY 2009 Tribal Resources Grant Program.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Resource Conservation Challenge Grant Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, 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 Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs' Sex Offender Sentencing, Monitoring, Apprehending, Registering, and Tracking (SMART) Office; Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians SMART Office FY 2009 Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -no, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Coun-

cil Mulholland-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Center for Mental Health Services Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention Grant.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Inland Lake Bathymetric Mapping Project.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the Policy for Payment to Minors for Tribal Revenue Allocation #POL-Res 061106-22-032209-001.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated February 26, 2009 for a total of 17.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve Enrollment list B - Declination ineligible dated February 26, 2009 for a total of 4.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorization for Cooperative Conservation Law Enforcement Agreements with Little River Band of Odawa Indians, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa and

Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Provide for a Payment Schedule for the Remaining Balance Due on the Line-of-Credit for Bell's Fishery.

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

Motion carried.

5:02 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried.

5:23 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: The Odawa Casino Resort is in Default on Payments to the Tribal Government.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the Welfare of Adults Regulations.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the Tribal Council Hearing Procedures.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor McNamara to post to the Legislative Calendar the Gaming Board of Directors Draft Statute,

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to post the Investment Draft Statute to the Legislative calendar.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

5:45 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor McNamara to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written.

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date

2009 GOONIGEBIG WINNERS

Men's Divisions

1st Place - Bill McIlrath 358'
2nd Place - John Shano 329' 3"
3rd Place - Hank Rowland 320'

1st Place - Brian Carver 548'
2nd Place - Jon Hoaglund 353'
3rd Place - Patrick Naganashe 348' 7"

1st Place - Frankie Schanema 7' 2"
2nd Place - Nicholas Ellis 6'
3rd Place - Waasmowin Craven 84"

1st Place - Michael Brockette 114'
2nd Place - Nimkii Naganashe 113' 8"
3rd Place - Jackson Hollacker 80' 6"

1st Place - Nicholas Sleeman 137' 8"
2nd Place - Zachery Sleeman 115'
3rd Place - Weengush Craven 97'

1st Place - Claus Nowell 164'
2nd Place - Mitchell Sleeman 129'
3rd Place - Vincent Paone 122'

1st Place - Michael Keshick 189' 5"
2nd Place - Little Hank Rowland 168' 2"
3rd Place - Tony McGrath 167' 3"

1st Place - Mike Naganashe 166' 4"
2nd Place - Nate Gibson 166' 3"
3rd Place - Doug Craven 135' 5"

1st Place - Todd Parker 199' 9"
2nd Place - Virgil Honson 195' 3"
3rd Place - John Naganashe 185'

Women's Division

65 + over

1st Place - Darlene Rowland 271' 2"
2nd Place - Marion Ghering 184' 10"
3rd Place - Rosie Deland 160'

Ages 50 - 64

1st Place - Cindy McIlrath-Parker 305'
2nd Place - Rochelle Ettawageshik 304'
3rd Place - Yvonne McShane 250'

Preschool Ages 1 - 4

1st Place - Bird Williams 101' 8"
2nd Place - Evelyn Gibson 62' 2"
3rd Place - Kaiah Eedy 27' 3"

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

1st Place - Autumn Naganashe 58'
2nd Place - Sandy Naganashe 36' 5"

3rd - 5th Grade

1st Place - Lily Parker 101' 2"
2nd Place - Kelsey Phillips 93' 9"
3rd Place - Alyssa King 90' 6"

6th - 8th Grade

1st Place - Kristine D. Phillips 133'
2nd Place - Christina Dewey 130' 7"
3rd Place - Yarrow Nowell 113'

9th - 12th Grade

1st Place - Cassandra Gibson 198' 9"
2nd Place - Rebecca Lynn 165' 6"
3rd Place - Andrea Reese 110'

Ages 18 - 34

1st Place - Tyrae Williams 131' 6"
2nd Place - Jenny Brewer 129' 2"
3rd Place - Kim Naganashe 100' 8"

Ages 35 - 49

1st Place - Roxanne D. Phillips 186' 1"
2nd Place - Allie Maldonado 185' 1"
3rd Place - Linda K. Rowland 162' 8"

Raffle Winners

1st Place - Women's Regalia - Ken Harrington
2nd Place - Men's Regalia - Donna Budnick
3rd Place - Snowsnake Carrying Bag - Katie Danaher
4th Place - Black Velvet Ribbon Shirt - Jane Martell
5th Place - Green Ribbon Shirt - Bill McIlrath

CONGRATULATIONS, BAKANAAGEJIK!!

LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH/DIABETES DEPARTMENT



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OFFICIAL CANDIDATE LISTING
LTBB PRIMARY LISTING
MAY 11
CHAIRPERSON/VICE-CHAIRPERSON
TEAMS

- Frank Ettawageshik/William Denemy
- Warren Petoskey/Roger Emery
- Patricia Dyer-Deckrow/Timothy LaCroix
- Ken Harrington/Dexter McNamara

Tribal Council

- Beatrice Law
- Yvonne McShane
- Alice Yellowbank
- Christine Shomin
- Catherine Laba
- Belinda Bardwell
- John Bott
- Julie Shananaquet
- Melvin Kiogima
- Audrey Atkinson
- Angeline Woodin
- Aaron Otto
- Roy Smithkey
- Paul Eames

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Native News Briefs

LTBB Tribal Citizen Enjoys Successful Ice Hockey Season

Congratulations to LTBB Tribal Citizen **Bryan Pontiac** on a successful ice hockey season. His team, Teddy Griffin's Roadhouse, finished first in Division 1 with an 18-7-3 record in the Char-Em Adult Hockey League at



Griffin Arena in Harbor Springs, MI. Pontiac, a forward, recorded 12 goals and 11 assists.

Courtesy photo.

LTBB Tribal Citizens Poetry Contest Winners

Harbor Springs Blackbird and Shay Elementary School students recently took part in a poetry contest.

Among the winners were LTBB Tribal Citizens **Andrea** and **Jacob Young**.

Andrea Young, a fifth-grader, was one of seven poetry winners from the third to fifth grades at Shay.



Her poem titled, "Summer," reads as follows: "Summer just around the corner. Ice and winter getting



older. Sun shining today; it's getting warmer. Tulips popping up all over. Long summer days will bring swimming and sailing. Lazy days on the beach where I don't do anything."

Jacob Young, a third-grader, was also one of seven poetry winners from the third to fifth grades at Shay.

His poem titled, "My Pet Cat," reads as follows: "I have a pet cat, her name is Fluffy. But I'm allergic to cats, and my eyes get all puffy. I like little Fluffy. Her fur is silky white, so it's hard to see her in the snowy woods at night. Yes I have a pet cat, she likes to catch mice. I'll keep her forever 'cause she's really nice."

Andrea and Jacob Young are the children of Gary and Debbie Young.

Courtesy photos.

"Transcending Tradition" Porcupine Quill Box Display Has a New Home

The "Transcending Tradition" display featuring porcupine quill



boxes made by Pauline Walker, Yvonne Walker-Keshick, Kevin Worthington, Arnold Walker, Rodney Worthington, Pauline Worthington and Bernard Parkey has been moved from the Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

In the future, the quill box display will be available for viewing at

the Harbor Springs History Museum located in the old City Hall Building on Main St. in Harbor Springs.

Museum hours are Thursday 1-7 p.m., Friday 1-5 p.m. and Saturday 1-5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children and seniors unless you are a member of the Harbor Springs Area Historical Society (HSAHS). If you are a HSAHS member, admission is free.

Porcupine quill boxes are an art form unique to the Anishinaabek people of northern Michigan. The Odawa continue to carry on this tradition although the number of quill box artists today is small compared to the past.

The Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department is currently working on a new display for the hotel which will feature traditional clothing.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Odawa Casino Resort Sponsors Blood Drive

Odawa Casino Resort sponsored a blood drive at Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey on April 1 where 35 units of blood were collected.

Odawa Casino Resort wanted to thank the Odawa Casino Resort Team Members, LTBB Governmental Employees and the public who donated blood at the drive.

Anyone who donated or attempted to donate blood was entered into a drawing for a chance to win a casino stay, play and dine package. Patsy Clink of the Odawa Casino Resort Human Resources Department won a stay, play and dine package to Bay Mills Casino and Resort in Brimley, MI, Linda Stone of Table Games won a stay, play and dine package to Kewadin Casinos and LTBB Natural Resource Department Director Doug Craven won a stay, play and dine package to the Little River Casino Resort in Manistee, MI.

For more information on the American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter which serves Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties, please visit www.ar-cnmlm.org.

Emmet County MSU Extension Office Offers Tree Grafting Workshop

On May 29 and 30, the Emmet

County MSU Extension Office will conduct a hands-on "Tree Grafting Workshop" with Dennis Fulbright and Mario Mandujano at the Emmet County Fairground's T-Barn. The times are 6-7 p.m. on May 29 and 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on May 30.

Cost is \$50 which includes lunch on Saturday and a grafted apple tree. Grafting kits are available for \$30 if ordered at the time of registration. If kits are bought at the door, they will be \$35. For a detailed informational brochure with a registration form, please call 231-348-1770.

Coca-Cola First Generation Scholarships Available to Native Students

The American Indian College Fund sponsors the Coca-Cola First Generation Scholarship Program. The \$5,000 scholarships are given based on financial need to American Indian students who will be freshmen in the 2009-2010 term and who are the first in their immediate family to pursue a higher education at a tribal college or university.

To be eligible, you must have at least a 3.0 grade point average; be in your first or second semester in college; be the first in your immediate family to attend college; be American Indian or Alaskan Native with proof of enrollment or descendency; be enrolled full-time at an eligible tribal college for the 2009-2010 academic year; and have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement and financial need.

You can download the application at www.collegefund.org/scholarships/schol_tcu.html. Deadline is May 31, 2009. For more information, please contact Debra L. Reed at 1-800-776-3863 or dreed@collegefund.org.

Hiawatha Plays Research Project Comes to LTBB



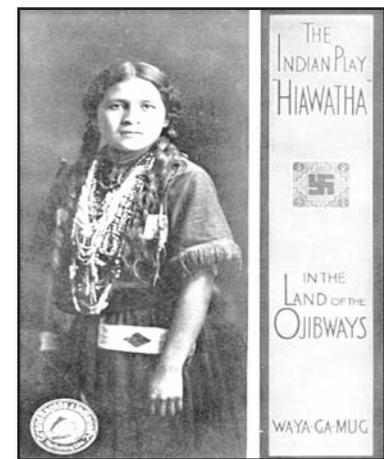
Cory Willmott, an Assistant Anthropology Professor at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and a

member of the Great Lakes Research Alliance for the Study of Aboriginal Arts and Cultures (GRASAC), is working on a research project on the Hiawatha plays held in the northern Michigan area.

The Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department sponsored her LTBB visit, March 9-12.

During her visit, Willmott interviewed people about the Hiawatha plays at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs and at Bortz's Health Care of Petoskey, gave presentations about her research on March 10 and 12 at the governmental center, met with University of Western Ontario Assistant Professor Karl Hele and trained the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department staff and Language Instructor Isabelle Osawamick to use the GRASAC Knowledge Sharing Database.

A tour of the Hiawatha play sites was also scheduled, but was canceled due to inclement weather.



GRASAC is an international collaborative research partnership of Aboriginal community researchers, museum and archival scholars and university researchers. Members contribute insight and knowledge from their area of understanding and benefit from the insights and knowledge of others.

GRASAC consists of two key components, the network of people who meet, work together on research projects and exchange ideas and the web-based software tools being developed to enable remote collaboration and sharing.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar and courtesy graphic.

EASTER BUNNY VISITS LTBB COMMUNITY



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Chilled Peel and Eat Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce

Roast Prime Rib of Beef

Hickory Smoked Ham
Rum Raisin Sauce

Cajun Fried Shrimp Batter Fried Pollock

Grilled Great Lakes Whitefish Almandine

Sauté Chicken Dijon

Stuffed Roast Loin of Pork Sauce Robert

Asparagus with Hollandaise Cauliflower & Broccoli Au gratin

Red Skin Mashed Potatoes Maple Glazed Sweet Potatoes

Poached Salmon with Hollandaise Sauce

Country Style Pork Ribs

Grilled Italian Sausage with Peppers Assorted Pizzas

Garlic Rubbed Rotisserie Chicken

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June 6
8am - 8pm

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The location is the LTBB Pow Wow upper parking lot on Pleasantview Rd.

For more information, please e-mail the Odawa crafters at odawacrafters@yahoo.com or call 231-242-1610.

Attention LTBB Contractors

If you would like to be considered for future LTBB projects, please contact Purchasing Technician/Contracts Mandy Ragland at 231-242-1439 (phone) or mragland@ltbbodawa-nasn.gov (e-mail).

Mother's Day Brunch at the Sage Restaurant at Odawa Casino Resort

\$40

Amuse

Roasted Tomato Quiche
Basil, Spinach & Cheddar Cheese

Starters

Boston Bibb Wedge Salad
Sliced Brie Cheese, Cucumbers & Strawberries
Marcona Almonds & Balsamic Vinaigrette

Seared Crab Cakes

Bacon Sweet Corn Relish, Watercress
Lemon Oil & Remoulade

Mushroom Crepes

Sweet Onion Soubise, Chevre Cheese, Frisee & Dijon Vinaigrette

Main

Roasted Stuffed Pork Loin

Wild Mushroom Sausage, Stewed Lentils & Wilted Swiss Chard
Shallot Jus

Sage Benedict

Poached Eggs, Roasted Portabella Mushroom, Wilted Arugula
House Made Corned Beef Hash & Truffle Hollandaise

Pan Roasted Boneless Chicken

Herb Gnocchi, Caramelized Onions, Roasted Tomatoes, Basil
Arugula & Olive Oil

Seared Scallops

Sautéed Zucchini, Summer Squash & Carrot "Noodles"
Chive Israeli Couscous Timbale & Roasted Red Pepper Emulsion

Herb Roasted Prime Rib

Cheddar Scalloped Potatoes, Roasted Mushrooms & Grilled Asparagus
Cabernet Jus Lie & Horseradish Sauce

Desserts

Blueberry Financier

Crème Fraiche Ice-Cream, Candied Ginger
Almond Pralines & Ginger Syrup

Vanilla Crème Brûlée

White Chocolate & Macadamia Shortbread

Mother's Day Chocolates & Cordials for all Moms