

ODAWA TRAILS

LTBB TRIBAL COMMUNITY IS IDLE NO MORE, STANDING IN SOLIDARITY ALONG WITH OUR CANADIAN RELATIVES

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



Photo by Annette VanDeCar.

Several LTBB Tribal Citizens participated, and the Elders Program transported elders to it in two shuttles. Tribal Chairman Dexter McNamara and Tribal Elder Patrick V. Naganashe held the LTBB flag during the demonstration.

Joining the Native Americans gathered for the Idle No More demonstration were environmentalists and labor union activists who were peacefully protesting. *The Lansing State Journal* reported in a January 16, 2013 article by Ken Palmer "the environmentalists from all over Michigan came to protest the policies of Snyder and the Republican-controlled legislature, and union members resumed their protest over right-to-work bills passed by the lame-duck legislature and signed by Snyder last month (December 2012)."

The LTBB Tribal Community hosted Waganakising Odawa Idle No More on January 26, 2013 in Petoskey, MI, with more than 200 people participating. Beginning at approximately 2 p.m. that day, Native and non-Native participants walked from across Sunset Park approximately two blocks to Pennsylvania Park in downtown Petoskey, MI, carrying flags, eagle staffs, hand drums, banners and signs.

Others gathered at Pennsylvania Park and waited for the procession. After the procession arrived at Pennsylvania Park,



Photo by Jannan J. Cornstalk.

Native men with hand drums sang round dance songs as participants danced, Native women with hand drums sang and individuals spoke.

Shirley Syrette Alexander, a member of the Batchewana First Nation Band of Indians in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, Canada, was one of the individuals who spoke there.

"We are grateful for all you people who are standing up for us and showing us you support our nation, too," Alexander said.

Tribal Elder Patrick V. Naganashe carried the LTBB flag in the procession and during the event.

The *Petoskey News-Review* and Native "Idle No More" continued on page 24.

HUNTERS, TRIBAL LEADERS, ANIMAL WELFARE AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS SUPPORT REFERENDUM CAMPAIGN TO STOP TROPHY HUNTING OF WOLVES

Editor's note: The following is a Keep Michigan Wolves Protected press release dated January 30, 2013.

LANSING, Mich. – Keep Michigan Wolves Protected announced a broad-based steering committee today in its referendum campaign to maintain the prohibition on trophy hunting and commercial trapping of the state's small wolf population.

"Wolves are only now starting to recover," Wayne Paccelle, President and CEO for the Humane Society of the United States, said at a Capitol news conference. "It's not right to spend decades bringing the wolf back from the brink of extinction only to turn around and allow them to be killed for sport."

Keep Michigan Wolves Protected is a coalition of animal welfare organizations, conservation groups, Native American tribes and religious leaders who are working to gather 225,000 signatures of Michigan voters by late March 2013 to qualify for the November 2014 general



election ballot. The coalition is gathering signatures in response to the Michigan legislature's last-minute approval of a bill during the lame-duck session which allows for the trophy hunting of wolves in Michigan for the first time in nearly 50 years.

Steering Committee members announced today:

Aaron A. Payment, Tribal Chairperson, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. "We support the effort to stop the planned killing of wolves in Michigan," he said. "This matter is all about the wolves and does not involve

Michigan's long tradition of hunting. American Indians are proud hunters for sustenance and not sport. A sacred animal to Native Americans, the wolf is just making a comeback and with so few in numbers, there is no rational justification for killing wolves."

George F. Schultz, member of Hunters to Keep Wolves Protected. "I've been hunting deer, ducks, geese and pheasants here in Michigan for over 50 years," he said. "Traditional hunters hunt for food and do not waste what we take. But, no one eats a wolf and that's just not right. It doesn't respect or represent our traditional hunting heritage here in Michigan."

Aaron Winters, Executive Director for Kalamazoo Humane Society. "Kalamazoo Humane Society has always opposed gratuitous and inhumane killing of animals," he said. "That's why we strongly back this referendum to prevent the use of cruel and reckless trapping and trophy hunting of the small population of wolves in our state."

Vicki Deisner, State Legislative Director for the Mid-



Photo by Dawn Sineway

west region of ASPCA. "The gray wolf of Michigan was previously on the brink of extinction, and while there has been some improvement, the wolves have not fully recovered, occupying only 5% of their historic range," she said. "Instituting a wolf hunting season, which includes not only shooting, but also cruelly trapping and using packs of dogs to kill these animals, will undermine the long-term survival of the wolf population, reversing the progress that has been made to protect these wolves."

James N. Bull, Ph.D., Board Member of the Detroit Audubon Society. "Detroit Audubon Society has supported control of mute swans and white-tailed deer that cause problems, and we support the existing mechanisms already in place for dealing with problem wolves," he said. "We have hunters in our ranks, but we are opposed to wolf

"Stop Trophy Hunting" continued on page 18.

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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

Dwendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aaw'ing. Geyaabi gdaa'ana miinawa gda'nwemi. Anishnaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing dbendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwa wiimnaadendziwin. Gdabendaanaa dbendziwin kina gwaya Odawak nasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakniewinan, maadziwin miinwa mnidoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda dbendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, gaanamaajiidona niigaan ezhi bezhigoyiing, kinomaadwin, dbakinigewin, giigidowin miinwa naakinigewin. Gaazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabi'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomadziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendmowin, aakdeewin, gwekwaadziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwa debwewin. Ganakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishiabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

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

The deadline for the April 2013 issue of *Odawa Trails* is March 4, 2013.

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 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

TRAILS WORTH EXPLORING

Submitted by the Environmental Services Program

Spring is coming soon! The Offield Preserve and Taimi Hoag Natural Area are two perfect places to get outdoors and enjoy the fresh sights of the season.

The Offield Preserve trails were recently attached to the LTBB Governmental Center property. Owned by Little Traverse Conservancy, the nearly 400-acre preserve has miles of trails which are great for hiking, biking, running, snowshoeing or skiing. The trails go through mostly forest habitats which are full of sugar maple trees. The preserve can be accessed from Odawa Circle, which is marked with a sign on the north end of the circle. Other access and parking points on the circle are on Quick Road and Hedrick Road, which are also marked with preserve signs.

Employees could try using the trails, only a 10-minute walk from the governmental center, on their breaks or fitness times. Tribal citizens could check it out when they visit the governmental center or need a change of scenery for their regular workouts or simply to enjoy nature.

The Taimi Hoag Natural Area was bought by the tribe in 2005. It was dedicated to Taimi Lynne Hoag in 2008, the late Director of Environmental Services, who was instrumental in securing the funds for the purchase of the first LTBB tribal preserve. In addition to being in memoriam of Taimi Hoag, the property is special for a few reasons. First, Susan Creek runs

Interpretive Trail Nature Hike

TAIMI HOAG NATURAL AREA

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians—LTBB

Oven Bird

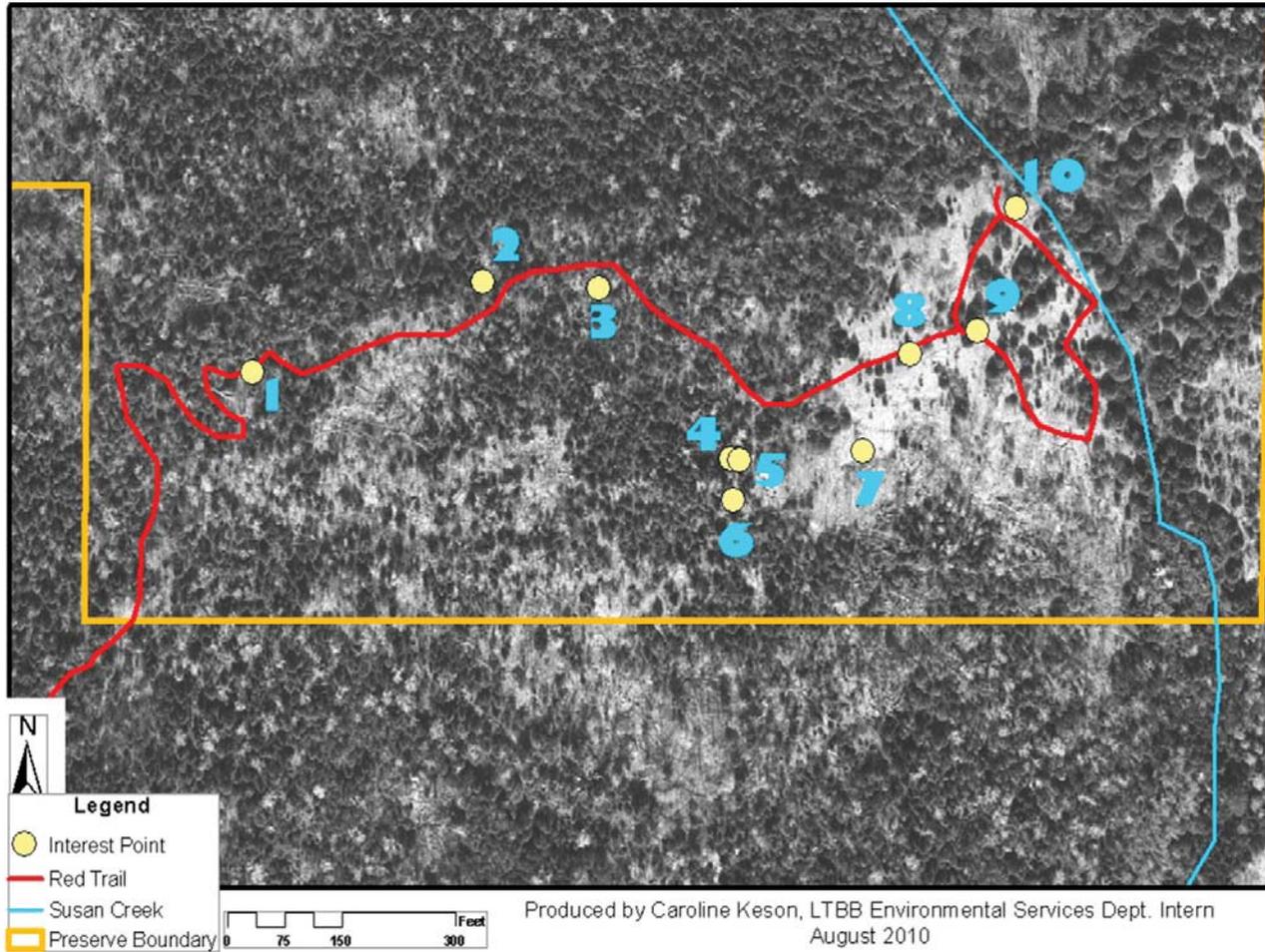
The oven bird is a small songbird with olive brown-black feathers. It has a white underside with bold, dark streaked spots and white eye rings. Its orange crown is bordered by a black stripe. The bird gets its name from its covered nest—with a dome and side entrance, it resembles a Dutch oven. Ovenbirds make their nests on the ground, where they also forage for food. Neighboring male ovenbirds sing their song "teacher, teacher, teacher" one right after the other, making it sound as if only one bird is singing.



Oven birds build their nests out of leaves on the forest floor. Photo By: Drew Walterhouse

The first page and interest point of the trail guide at Taimi Hoag Natural Area.

Points of Interest Map



Interest points corresponding to a trail guide dot the interpretive trail at Taimi Hoag Natural Area.

through it, which the Odawa historically used for fishing. Secondly, the tribe monitors water quality at two points on this creek in addition to the wetlands on the property. Thirdly, there is a variety of upland and wetland habitats to walk through, making for challenging terrain and a good place to see a variety of plants and animals.

The Taimi Hoag Natural Area must be accessed by the Little Traverse Conservancy-owned Susan Creek Preserve. The Susan Creek Preserve can be accessed from U.S. 31 between Petoskey, MI, and Charlevoix, MI. Coming from Petoskey, MI, drive approximately 12 miles south. The Susan Creek parking lot is on the left at the top of a sloping hill, approximately 1.1 miles south past the State of Michigan roadside park. If you are coming from Charlevoix, MI, drive north. Go 2.9 miles north on U.S. 31 past Boyne City

Road to find the parking lot on your right (the preserve sign is also easy to see from this way). Once you have entered the Susan Creek Preserve, the Taimi Hoag Natural Area can be accessed by taking the Susan Creek red trail. All trails are clearly marked on the preserve, and the trail which runs through Taimi Hoag has an interpretive guide, which can be found at the head of the trail.

If you would like more information on the Taimi Hoag Natural Area, stop in at the Environmental Services Program offices in Suite 205 of the governmental center. More information on the Little Traverse Conservancy preserves can be found at the Conservancy's website www.landtrust.org. All of these preserves are open to the public, and everyone is encouraged to enjoy them.

Courtesy photos.



2013
Valentine's
Elder -
Youth
Dance
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Wendy Congdon



2013
Head
Start
Visits
Elders
Luncheon
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VanDeCar





LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

MEET LEGISLATIVE BRANCH/TRIBAL COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

YVONNE McSHANE

LTBB Tribal Citizen Yvonne McShane started as a Legislative Branch/Tribal Council Administrative Assistant on January 28, 2013.

McShane, who moved to Petoskey, MI, from Manistee, MI, previously worked at Victorias Casino in Petoskey, MI, as a Surveillance Supervisor, the Licensing Manager and the Surveillance Manager. She also worked for Little River Casino

and Resort in Manistee, MI, in the Human Resources Department and in Security and as the Executive Assistant for the Hotel Director. She spent more than four years working as the Administrator for the Little River Bands of Ottawa Indians Tribal Police Department. She also has more than 25 years in Retail Loss Prevention Management.

She earned an Associate's

Degree in Law Enforcement from Suomi College, which is now called Finlandia University. She has been working towards her BA in Political Science.

Her grandfather was Mitchell J. (Mike) Kiogima, and her parents were John and Hattie (Diverney) Kiogima. She has two daughters, Aimee Sandell and Amber Sandell, and a granddaughter, Amberlynn Sandell-Suida.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Commission

Is looking for LTBB tribal citizens with an interest in Great Lakes Commercial Gill Net Fishing. The LTBB Commercial Small Boat Apprentice Program is designed to provide eligible LTBB tribal citizens with an opportunity to learn the trade of commercial fishing from an experienced LTBB Great Lakes Commercial Fishing Captain. For more information on eligibility and requirements, please stop in or contact the



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PLEASE NOTE:

The Appropriations and Finance Committee will hold the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Public Hearing: 10 am - 2 pm on March 22, 2013 in the Tribal Council Chambers located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740



ELDERS PROGRAM

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOOD AND UTILITY REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Aanii Tribal Elder,

This notice is to provide you with information about the Food and Utility Reimbursement program.

An Elder is defined as 55 years of age or older by December 31, 2013. If all requested documents are turned in to the Elders Department by the deadline, you may be able to receive a check up to \$400.00.

The deadline to submit your application and receipts is December 21, 2013. Please read this notice all the way through before sending receipts.

Step One. Application materials:

1. Fill out **2013** application that is included with this letter.
2. Send in **2013** grocery receipts that add up to \$200.00.

items allowed: groceries, household supplies

items not allowed: pet supplies, tobacco products, or alcohol.

3. Send in **2013** utility bills that add up to \$200.00.

utility bills allowed: heating, electric, water, and trash removal

utility bills not allowed: cell phone, cable, satellite, internet

4. **Hand written receipts, cancelled checks, or money order receipts will NOT be accepted.**

Step two: How to complete application:

1. Complete and sign the application.
2. Double check that your **2013** grocery receipts add up to \$200.00.
3. Double check that your **2013** utility bills add up to \$200.00.
4. Mail to above address or drop off at the office.

Step three: How your application is processed:

*** Please note that this process takes about two weeks.**

1. When we receive your application, it is stamped with the date it arrives.

2. We review the application to make sure it's complete with signature and add up the grocery receipts and utility receipts.

3. If application and receipts are complete, a check request will be submitted to LTBB Accounting department.

4. LTBB Accounting department will mail your check.

Please contact the Elders Department with any questions (231)-242-1422 or (231)-242-1423.

Warm regards,
Tammy Okuly-Shananaquet R.N.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Elders Program
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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Food & Utility Reimbursement Application

Date 2013

Please **print** the following information:

Tribal Enrollment Number: _____

Name: _____
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Mailing Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

***Please remember to include original utility & grocery receipts for current calendar year**

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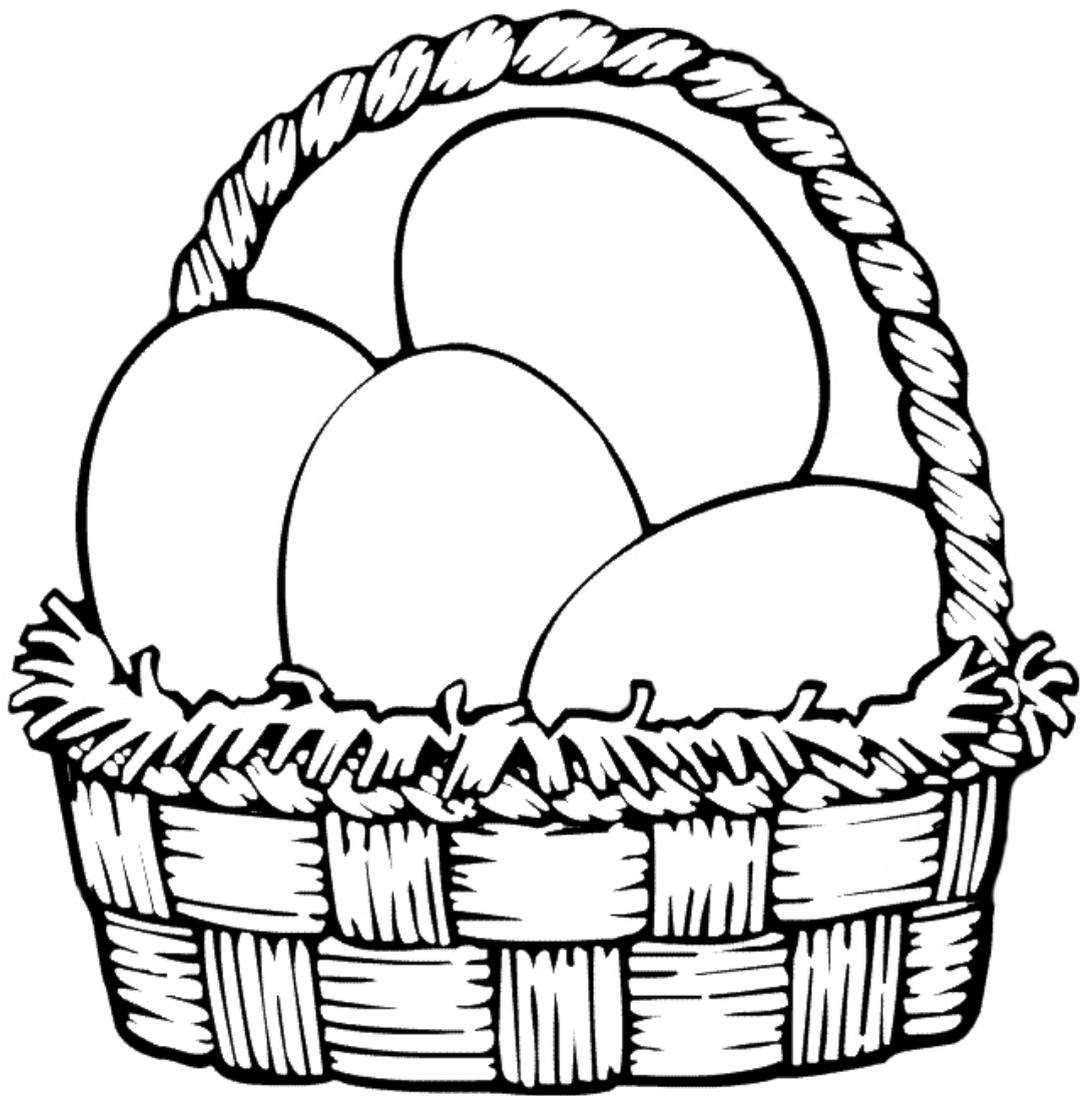
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- You may use colored pencils, crayons, markers, paint, and glitter on the picture.
 - Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). NO EXCEPTIONS!
 - All entries must be the original size.
 - All mailed entries must be postmarked by April 8, 2013. NO EXCEPTIONS!
 - Limit one submission per child.
 - Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
 - **Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.**
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category.

Mailing Address:
Easter Basket Decorating Contest
Attn: LTBB Communications Department
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740



Name: _____

Age: _____ Phone #: _____



EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FROM THE DESK OF THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN DEXTER MCNAMARA

Mackinaw City Village Council Meeting

On January 4, 2013, the Executive and Tribal Council had the privilege of giving a tour and hosting a lunch for the Mackinaw City Village Council at our LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We met in the Tribal Council Chambers for approximately 3-1/2 hours, unveiling issues we might have missed, and some we had an understanding of. After the meeting, we toured as groups to the newly remodeled 911 Spring Street building in Petoskey, MI, and Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI. The Mackinaw City Village Council was very impressed by our programs at our government and our casino.

U.S. State Representative Dan Benishek, Michigan (R)

I was invited to lunch with U.S. State Representative Dan Benishek, Michigan (R), on January 10, 2013, and we discussed the current process tribal citizens have to go through in order to possess eagle feathers. He seemed to be quite interested in this issue. Representative Benishek requested additional information and is interested in developing some legislation to address this issue. Attending the luncheon with me and having great input were our Natural Resource Director Doug Craven and our Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. Later in the week, a letter was sent to Representative Benishek to address our concerns of eagle feathers and parts use and possession.

Michigan Governor Rick Snyder's "State of the State" Address

A packed Lansing State



Capital created additional seating, which took place at Troppo's restaurant in downtown Lansing, MI, in which National Public Radio's Michael Patrick Shields and his guest on Michigan's Big Show previewed the governor's address. A big highlight of the address was transportation infrastructure funding which will more than likely be among his top priorities. Legislators were asked for billions of dollars to repair Michigan's pothole-riddled roads and aging bridges. Finding enough support for tax or fee increases in the Michigan House and Michigan Senate will be extremely difficult.

"Idle No More"

Prior to the State of the State Address given by Michigan Governor Rick Snyder in Lansing, MI, there was a peaceful demonstration on the lawn of the state capital and on the capital's steps. The peaceful demonstration, which involved drums, singing and movement around the capital, was to show opposition to C-45 legislation and others trying to overhaul the Navigable Waters Protection Act of 1882. The bill would open previously protected public lands and tribal lands in Canada to projects such as oil and gas pipelines. We

have core values. We will and are here to protect the land, the waters, the air and our creatures, and of course each and every one of us. We need to return to balance, and discontinue harming each other and Mother Earth.

Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Committee- Inaugural Meeting

I attended this meeting on January 31, 2012 at the Fifth Third Bank in Petoskey, MI. The chamber is forming an Economic Development Committee. Doug Buck of Fifth Third Bank has agreed to chair the group, and we are recruiting participants. Our goal is to work with other agencies and local units of government. What can/should we do as a committee was discussed there, and we identified early priorities. It is important to be a voice, and we depend basically on tourism in economic development. As I mentioned earlier, this was an inaugural meeting. It was a little rusty in the beginning, but we will progress. There were 20 guests invited, and 19 participated.

Wolf Update (LTBB Coalition Leader Behind The Pack)

A group opposed to killing wolves in Michigan is circulating petitions to force a referendum on a new Michigan law allowing hunting of the once-protected predators.

Organizers of the group Keep Michigan Wolves Protected is seeking to gather 225,000 signatures by late March 2013 to qualify for the November 2014 ballot. The coalition includes animal welfare, conservation and Native American tribes. Michigan has approximately 700

wolves.

Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce State of the Community Meeting

An audience heard on February 1, 2013 about the successes and challenges the Petoskey, MI, community has encountered during the Petoskey State of the Community Meeting. More than 200 people gathered in Odawa Casino's Ovation Hall to hear four featured speakers provide updates on various facets of the community. The speakers were Dr. Josh Meyerson, the Medical Director of the Health Department of Northwest Michigan on the state of health care; state of the city from Bill Fraser, the Mayor of the City of Petoskey, MI; Dr. John Scholten, the Superintendent of Public Schools of Petoskey; and Elaine Wood, CEO Northwest Michigan Council of Governments and Northwest Michigan Works, on the state of economy. Seven staff employees from the governmental building and yours truly attended this meeting.

Vanderbilt Casino Litigation Update

The U.S. Supreme Court may take the Vanderbilt casino case. On February 4, 2013, the high court issued an order asking the Obama administration to weigh in on the case before it decides to proceed. Up to this point, the federal government has not been involved. Now, the state is asking the Supreme Court to hear the case. There has been a series of legal challenges, rulings and appeals. Our tribe (LTBB) argues the Bay Mills Indian Community was operating the casino illegally as it was not on Indian land. As your Trib-

al Chairman, I will be traveling soon to visit and speak with the proper authorities to visit possible options other than having it go to the high court.

Hydraulic Fracturing

Michigan State Representative Frank Foster recently introduced in a new bill stricter requirements for hydraulic fracturing to mine resources. House Bill 4070 would set regulatory guidelines to force companies to disclose many of the chemicals being used in the wellbore process.

Representative Foster says his bill will set necessary disclosure guidelines for companies mining in Michigan without imposing an all-out ban on fracking. Among the guidelines the fracking company would be required to do is testing of natural ground water in the area, specifically, if the well is near a river or lake. Representative Foster feels the public has a right to know. However, the bill stops short of forcing them to disclose chemicals, which may be proprietary or trade secret. It's sad to know some of our elected officials agree with fracking.

Tribal Council Override

Tribal Council overrode by phone poll the VETO by the Executive for the Confirmation of the Establishment of the Capital Project Fund, Remaining Balance and Payment to Consultants and Vendors. I vetoed the resolution because it lacked information, and because I wanted to see each contract and how the tribal funds are being spent.

Migwech, speak the language and follow our traditional and cultural values to preserve our strong unified tribal identity.

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MEET PROJECT COORDINATOR/ELDERS VICTIM'S ADVOCATE PAM LUCE



Pam Luce began work in the LTBB Human Services Department on January 3, 2013. She is the Project Coordinator/Elders Victim's Advocate under an Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence Against and Abuse of Women Later in Life grant. LTBB received one of the nine grants awarded by the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) for 2013.

"It's a three-year grant to develop or enhance services to elder victims of abuse and neglect," Luce said. "It covers all forms of abuse- physical, emotional, mental and financial, and neglect by others or self. Abuse and neglect can occur in residential facilities or in the home by family members, friends, acquaintances or care providers."

In the first year of the grant, Luce will send out surveys which she will use to develop a pro-

gram based on what the elders feel is important. She will also coordinate training for LTBB Departments and Programs, the LTBB Community and the greater community. In the final two years of the grant, she will develop a service program and serve as Elders Victim's Advocate. She attended training the first week of January 2013 along with Human Services Director Denneen Smith, Chief Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Cobe, Tribal Prosecutor Matthew Lesky and Elders Coordinator Tammy Okuly-Shananaquet.

"I believe everyone deserves to be treated with respect, dignity and justice," Luce said. "We need to start at how do we support individuals and how do we assist them. It's a great position in which to learn from people. I like to listen to people; there is a lot of learning in listening. I will attend as many Elders Luncheons and elders events as possible."

LTBB also received a three-year, OVW Tribal Government grant with Stacey Ettawageshik working as the Project Coordinator and Keely Frye working as a Tribal Social Worker/Victim's Advocate under that grant.

"Stacey and Keely can serve people of all ages under that grant whereas I strictly serve elders under this grant," Luce said.

"However, we're working together to develop similar culturally-sensitive programs. Overall, our goals are to help everyone in the tribe to have healthy families and how we can heal our families to have a strong community. We will offer benefits, services, support and information to empower people. I'm honored to be a part of this."

Prior to accepting her current position, Luce worked in hospice care, as a Victim's Advocate in court systems, in non-profit advocacy, in school administration and owned her own business as a personal historian. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Spring Arbor University.

"As a personal historian, you collect personal stories and memorabilia," Luce said. "You capture personal stories and preserve personal history. I value history, tradition and stories." Luce grew up in the Lansing, MI, area, and she and her husband, Robin, moved to the Central Lake, MI, area 30 years ago to raise their sons, Ryan and Jared. She enjoys music, reading and nature. She and her husband live on 10 acres of land. "I like exploring new areas and enjoy the woods," Luce said. "There is such healing and peace in nature."

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

MEET TRIBAL SOCIAL WORKER/VICTIM'S ADVOCATE KEELY FRYE



Keely Frye started as a Tribal Social Worker/Victim's Advocate in the Human Services Department on January 23, 2013.

She and Project Coordinator Stacey Ettawageshik, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, work under a three-year, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) Tribal Government grant. The Tribal Government grant program is designed to enhance the ability of tribes to respond to violent crimes against Indian women, enhance victim safety and develop education and prevention strategies. Services are available to LTBB Tribal Citizens and Native people of any tribe as well as non-Native intimate partners and of tribal citizens and their children.

"As a victim who has decided to leave an abusive situation, you may know the resources are out there, but may not know how to find them," Frye said. "We can guide victims to resources within the tribe and outside the tribe.

We will have household, personal items and emergency supplies in a pantry at the Human Services Department to assist victims with fulfilling emergency needs. We are collaborating with the Women's Resource Center that can provide counseling, transitional housing and other services."

Ettawageshik and Frye have spoken with the elders to inform them of the grant and to get their input. Surveys will be sent out to gather more information from the 18-49 year olds.

"We talked to the elders first," Frye said. "There has been a lot of enthusiasm from everyone we have talked to and all I have met have taught me something valuable."

Prior to accepting her current position, she worked more than two years as a Victim's Advocate in the Charlevoix County Prosecutor's Office in Charlevoix County, MI, and in foster care

for Child and Family Services. Frye stated, "The tribal law for domestic violence (WOS 2006-014 Domestic Violence Protection) is much more comprehensive than my experience in other courts."

"I've always wanted to help people," Frye said. "I went on a mission trip in 1999 and discovered social work would give me the opportunity to make a living helping people. Holding someone's hand through the unknown is always rewarding."

Frye grew up in Boyne City, MI, graduated from Boyne City High School and earned a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Ferris State University. She has been married to her husband for 12 years and has a young son.

She enjoys reading, hiking, going to the beach and doing arts and crafts.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



DO YOU QUALIFY FOR THE LTBB U.S.D.A. FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you!
Call Monday - Friday
8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.

*food distribution varies depending on availability
IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW AND U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE POLICY, THIS INSTITUTION IS PROHIBITED FROM DISCRIMINATING ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, RELIGION, POLITICAL BELIEFS, OR DISABILITY. TO FILE A COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION, WRITE USDA, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS, ROOM 326-W, WHITTEN BUILDING 1400 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.W. WASHINGTON D.C. 20250-9410, OR CALL (202) 702-5964 (VOICE AND TDD). USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.

CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE!

We invite the tribal community to contact us for more details!
If you are interested, please contact the Human Services Department at
231-242-1620



The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Human Services Department is in need of foster parents!!!

Our Native children need Native foster families to care for them, ensuring that they embrace our culture and are given a chance to grow in our community.

If you have the time and desire to be a foster parent for our youth, please contact Human Services at 231-242-1620.

HELP PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES 1-855-NRD-TIPS TOLL FREE 1-855-673-8477

Please provide any information related to the tip which may include date, time, subject or vehicle description, nature of the incident, and location (Example: nearest crossroad). It is ok if you wish to remain anonymous. All tips are investigated in a timely manner.

NATIVE WAY GYM



YOGA

MONDAY & THURSDAY
8 AM TO 9 AM



BOXING

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
4 PM TO 5:30 PM

JIU JITSU

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY
& FRIDAY
6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

BEGINNER TAE KWON DO

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
6 PM TO 6:30 PM



ADVANCED TAE KWON DO
TUESDAY & THURSDAY
6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!
CALL COMMUNITY HEALTH
FOR MORE INFORMATION
231-242-1601

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!

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

McLaren
NORTHERN MICHIGAN
REGIONAL HOSPITAL
416 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770
1-800-248-6777

Charlevoix Area Hospital
14700 Lake Shore Drive,
Charlevoix, MI 49720
231-547-4024

Quick Care 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 Quick Care, 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.

Notice: Up North Medical Center, also known as Boyne Country Urgent Care, located on M-119 in Harbor Springs, MI, is no longer open after hours or on weekends, so LTBB is no longer using it as an urgent care facility. After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at Quick Care Family Medical Center, McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI or Charlevoix Area Hospital in Charlevoix, MI.

Temporary Help Wanted

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

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

Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!

Temporary assignments can last one day or as long as a month or more. Contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Human Resources Department today!

Call: 231-242-1563

MEET PROJECT COORDINATOR STACEY ETTAWAGESHIK



course of the grant, we will be educating people, increasing the resources available to victims and their families and collaborating with the LTBB Justice System (LTBB Tribal Court and LTBB Tribal Prosecutor) and the Women's Resource Center (in Petoskey, MI)."

Ettawageshik worked as a Domestic Violence Counselor at the Women's Resource Center from August 2012 until she started working for LTBB. She earned a Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Grand Valley State University after graduating from Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI. She plans to pursue Master's and doctorate degrees in Psychology.

"I have a passion for helping people, especially women and those in the tribe," Ettawageshik said. "I like to help people heal. I like knowing I'm making a positive difference in people's lives even if it's only a little bit. My uncle (former Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik) is an inspiration to do this. I want to help and serve my people."

Her parents are Tim and Wendy Ettawageshik. Tim started working at Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, in 1999 and currently works at Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, as a Casino Host.

Wendy works as a Radiological Technician at McLaren-Northern Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI. She has two older siblings, Andrew who works as a Chef at Chandler's in Petoskey, MI, and Jennifer, who works as a teller at Fifth Third Bank in Petoskey, MI. Tim, Andrew and Jennifer are all LTBB Tribal Citizens.

She enjoys watching movies and doing outdoor activities such as biking and hiking.

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CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES NOTICE

**Enrollment for Medicaid - Adult Benefits Waiver (ABW)
will be opened in APRIL 2012.**

We need all clients who have been denied Medicaid to apply within the first week of April. The LTBB Health Department can assist you with the application process or with any questions you may have. Please do not hesitate to give us a call at 231-242-1600.

In order for us to satisfy the Indian Health Services (IHS) payer of last resort criteria, all Contract Health Services (CHS) clients with no other health insurance must apply for Medicaid and furnish the CHS office with a Medicaid determination before eligibility for CHS can be established. Therefore, if you have been denied for Medicaid, you must reapply during the open enrollment period for Medicaid ABW.

What is the Medicaid ABW program?

The Medicaid ABW program provides basic health insurance coverage to residents of the State of Michigan with countable incomes at or below 35% of the federal poverty level.

If you are approved for Medicaid ABW, some counties have an ABW County Health Plan they will automatically enroll you in. You will receive a MiHealth card as well as a County Health Plan ID card.

If you do not reside in our Contract Health Service delivery area, you can still apply for Medicaid ABW in your county. Please see your local Michigan Department of Human Services office to apply.

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DON'T WAIT FOR A SHUT OFF NOTICE!! WE MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU NOW!

The Human Services Department currently has LIEAP (Low Income Energy Assistance Program) funds available to qualifying LTBB Tribal Citizens. Community Services Block Grant and Emergency funds are also available. There is also window plastic available for LTBB Tribal Citizens in need. Please go to <http://tinyurl.com/lbbhelp> or contact the Human Services Department at 231-242-1620.

10 tips

salt and sodium

10 tips to help you cut back



It's clear that Americans have a taste for salt, but salt plays a role in high blood pressure. Everyone, including kids, should reduce their sodium intake to less than 2,300 milligrams of sodium a day (about 1 teaspoon of salt). Adults age 51 and older, African Americans of any age, and individuals with high blood pressure, diabetes, or chronic kidney disease should further reduce their sodium intake to 1,500 mg a day.

1 think fresh
Most of the sodium Americans eat is found in processed foods. Eat highly processed foods less often and in smaller portions—especially cheesy foods, such as pizza; cured meats, such as bacon, sausage, hot dogs, and deli/luncheon meats; and ready-to-eat foods, like canned chili, ravioli, and soups. Fresh foods are generally lower in sodium.

2 enjoy home-prepared foods
Cook more often at home—where you are in control of what's in your food. Preparing your own foods allows you to limit the amount of salt in them.

3 fill up on veggies and fruits—they are naturally low in sodium
Eat plenty of vegetables and fruits—fresh or frozen. Eat a vegetable or fruit at every meal.

4 choose dairy and protein foods that are lower in sodium
Choose more fat-free or low-fat milk and yogurt in place of cheese, which is higher in sodium. Choose fresh beef, pork, poultry, and seafood, rather than those with salt added. Deli or luncheon meats, sausages, and canned products like corned beef are higher in sodium. Choose unsalted nuts and seeds.

5 adjust your taste buds
Cut back on salt little by little—and pay attention to the natural tastes of various foods. Your taste for salt will lessen over time.



6 skip the salt
Skip adding salt when cooking. Keep salt off the kitchen counter and the dinner table. Use spices, herbs, garlic, vinegar, or lemon juice to season foods or use no-salt seasoning mixes. Try black or red pepper, basil, curry, ginger, or rosemary.

7 read the label
Read the Nutrition Facts label and the ingredients statement to find packaged and canned foods lower in sodium. Look for foods labeled "low sodium," "reduced sodium," or "no salt added."

8 ask for low-sodium foods when you eat out
Restaurants may prepare lower sodium foods at your request and will serve sauces and salad dressings on the side so you can use less.

9 pay attention to condiments
Foods like soy sauce, ketchup, pickles, olives, salad dressings, and seasoning packets are high in sodium. Choose low-sodium soy sauce and ketchup. Have a carrot or celery stick instead of olives or pickles. Use only a sprinkling of flavoring packets instead of the entire packet.

10 boost your potassium intake
Choose foods with potassium, which may help to lower your blood pressure. Potassium is found in vegetables and fruits, such as potatoes, beet greens, tomato juice and sauce, sweet potatoes, beans (white, lima, kidney), and bananas. Other sources of potassium include yogurt, clams, halibut, orange juice, and milk.

10 tips

with protein foods, variety is key

10 tips for choosing protein



Protein foods include both animal (meat, poultry, seafood, and eggs) and plant (beans, peas, soy products, nuts, and seeds) sources. We all need protein—but most Americans eat enough, and some eat more than they need. How much is enough? Most people, ages 9 and older, should eat 5 to 7 ounces* of protein foods each day.

1 vary your protein food choices
Eat a variety of foods from the Protein Foods Group each week. Experiment with main dishes made with beans or peas, nuts, soy, and seafood.

2 choose seafood twice a week
Eat seafood in place of meat or poultry twice a week. Select a variety of seafood—include some that are higher in oils and low in mercury, such as salmon, trout, and herring.



3 make meat and poultry lean or low fat
Choose lean or low-fat cuts of meat like round or sirloin and ground beef that is at least 90% lean. Trim or drain fat from meat and remove poultry skin.

4 have an egg
One egg a day, on average, doesn't increase risk for heart disease, so make eggs part of your weekly choices. Only the egg yolk contains cholesterol and saturated fat, so have as many egg whites as you want.

5 eat plant protein foods more often
Try beans and peas (kidney, pinto, black, or white beans; split peas; chickpeas; hummus), soy products (tofu, tempeh, veggie burgers), nuts, and seeds. They are naturally low in saturated fat and high in fiber.



* What counts as an ounce of protein foods? 1 ounce lean meat, poultry, or seafood; 1 egg; ¼ cup cooked beans or peas; ½ ounce nuts or seeds; or 1 tablespoon peanut butter.

6 nuts and seeds
Choose unsalted nuts or seeds as a snack, on salads, or in main dishes to replace meat or poultry. Nuts and seeds are a concentrated source of calories, so eat small portions to keep calories in check.

7 keep it tasty and healthy
Try grilling, broiling, roasting, or baking—they don't add extra fat. Some lean meats need slow, moist cooking to be tender—try a slow cooker for them. Avoid breading meat or poultry, which adds calories.

8 make a healthy sandwich
Choose turkey, roast beef, canned tuna or salmon, or peanut butter for sandwiches. Many deli meats, such as regular bologna or salami, are high in fat and sodium—make them occasional treats only.



9 think small when it comes to meat portions
Get the flavor you crave but in a smaller portion. Make or order a smaller burger or a "petite" size steak.

10 check the sodium
Check the Nutrition Facts label to limit sodium. Salt is added to many canned foods—including beans and meats. Many processed meats—such as ham, sausage, and hot dogs—are high in sodium. Some fresh chicken, turkey, and pork are brined in a salt solution for flavor and tenderness.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Tax Agreement Information

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

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

First of all, I cannot express enough how important it is to keep your address updated.

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is to officially change your address with the Enrollment Department. This must be done in writing and as soon as possible.

The DOC cannot and will not change the estimated beginning date (EBD) (which is always the first in any given month) of a member's tax exempt status (see example below).

It is YOUR responsibility to update your address on file with the Enrollment Department. This date will affect how many months you will be able

to file the Annual Resident Tribal Member Sales Tax Credit (Tribal Form 4013). It is to your benefit to be able to file for the maximum number of months for this credit.

In addition, being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt.

There is a form that needs to be filled out called a "Request for TCE" (Tribal Certificate of Exemption), which is available in my office. Once this form is completely filled out, I will then issue the RTM the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption (Tribal Form 3998).

If you plan on purchasing any of these items, please contact me FIRST, and I will be happy to get you the form via e-mail or fax. I am also able to fax the TCEs to the dealership you are doing business with.

Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable,

gas, propane, electricity, satellite and cellular service. If you have not filled out a Utility Provider Survey, please contact the DOC, and I will be happy to get one to you.

Also, another important thing to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA), your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month.

Example: I move to Petoskey, MI, (inside the TAA) on September 5, 2010. My RTM (EBD) status begins October 1, 2010. All updates are sent to the State of Michigan as close to the end of the month as possible.

The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the State of Michigan's website at:

<http://tinyurl.com/lbttaxagr>

If you have any other questions pertaining to the Tax Agreement, I can be reached at my office at 231-242-1584 or via e-mail at tkeshick@lbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Department of Commerce

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (currently 6% of retail price) via Form 4013
2. Use Tax (currently 6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Michigan Business Tax (currently 4.95%)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (currently, 36.5 cents per gallon unleaded and 32.6 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 Members' sole consumption ONLY!

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

The current limit on tobacco purchases is four cartons per week per tribal citizen age 18 and over. The same applies to all other tobacco products (OTP) packaged in similar fashion.

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.

NEW LTBB I.D. CARDS

Tribal identification cards now have a hologram. This is an added security feature to eliminate duplication. We are phasing out the old cards. Once your Tribal identification card has expired, you will be issued the new hologram card along with a replacement fee of \$10. Replacement cost includes: address change, lost card, expired cards and minors turning 21. There will be no fee charged for: elders (55 and up), first time picture identification card, name change, defective card, faded or cracked (must bring card to office).

For more information, please contact: Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS (RTMs)

If you are planning to purchase a vehicle, ORV or plan on doing any home improvements to your principal place of residence, **YOU NEED TO CONTACT ME FIRST** before making the actual purchase(s). You must fill out the "Request for TCE" form located on the LTBB website or by contacting my office. I will then issue you a "Tribal Certificate of Exemption" for such purchases. The tribe no longer uses the Refund Method, as indicated in the monthly newsletter, as of January 1, 2008. If you've already made a purchase, there is no recourse! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you. ~ Theresa Keshick at 231-242-1584.

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.

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to Elders.	\$10
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2009 Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file \$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	\$1 each
Marriage License Application Certified Copies: \$10 Photo Copies: \$5	\$15
Tribal Notary Application If approved, Surety Bond: \$125	\$10

Services:

- > Enrollment Applications.
- > Address Change Forms.
 - o Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box.
 - o Minors require notarization annually.
- > Tribal Directory.
- > Marriage License Application.
- > Tribal Notary Application.
- > Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Certification.
- > BIA - 4432 Indian Preference Form.
- > Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form.
- > Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood.



ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

Address Verification Forms Due October 31, 2013

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before OCTOBER 31, 2013. Faxed copies are not acceptable and will not be processed. The Address Verification form must contain the original signature. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address.

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

Minors who turn 18 by OCTOBER 31, 2013 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form

must be returned by OCTOBER 31, 2013.

Address verification forms can be downloaded at www.lbbodawa-nsn.gov/Departments/Enrollment/enrollment.htm or you may call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521 to have a form mailed to you.

ATTENTION LTBB CONTRACTORS

If you would like to be considered for future LTBB projects, please contact Purchasing Technician/Contracts Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439 or e-mail at mszocinski@lbbodawa-nsn.gov



THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions:

- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

TRIBAL NOTARY INFORMATION

The tribal notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands Jurisdiction unless he/she violates section C. Revocation WOS#2008-05 Tribal Notary Statute

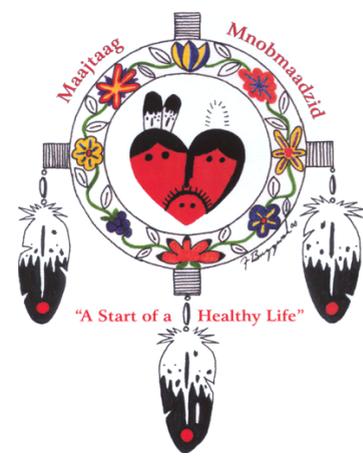
Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Appointment Date	Expiration Date	Serial Number
Theresa C. Keshick	Active	2/18/2009	February 18, 2015	01-09
Rebecca R. Fisher	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/2009	May 11, 2015	04-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	6/7/2011	June 7, 2017	05-09





HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ENROLLMENT PROCEDURE FOR THE MAAJTAAG MNOBMAADZID - HEALTHY START PROGRAM



place prenatal, postpartum and pediatric medical care. In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and between pregnancies.

We are working towards providing services and information which will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach any woman who will be bringing an Anishinabe baby into this world.

Our program is voluntary and designed to provide services needed to both mom and newborn up to the age of two years.

- Schedule an appointment to enroll in the Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid (Healthy Start Program) either through an office visit or a home visit.

- Complete a confidential enrollment form with the Healthy Start Nurse. A person can choose to not answer questions if he or she wants.

- In order to receive coordinated services, specific information may be shared with other health and human services providers. The information shared is for the purpose of providing and coordinating care and/or making referrals. All information is kept confidential.

- Healthy Start Program responsibilities:

- Perform screening to determine conditions which may adversely affect your pregnancy, delivery and postpartum period.

- Provide health education regarding pregnancy and infant care.

- Provide referrals for emotional and nutritional support and other services as necessary.

- Provide or arrange for childbirth education

- Make available transportation services for pregnancy related appointments as needed

- Report any suspected case of child abuse or neglect (we are legally mandated reporters)

- Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid enrolled client responsibilities:

- Keep all appointments with your medical provider and reschedule appointments which can't be kept

- Keep all appointments with Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, including rides, and reschedule appointments which can't be kept

- Notify Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid of any changes in address, phone number or name

- Follow through with referrals for other services.

- Notify your medical provider of any problems experienced during pregnancy or postpartum

Support services include:

- Home visits by a registered nurse as needed.

- Assistance with Medicaid and Healthy Kids applications.

- Referrals to other human service programs. e.g. Early On for development questions or issues, County Human Services, Tribal Human Services, NWMHD (Northwest Michigan Health Department), Tribal Dietitian, Tribal Community Health Programs, Early Head Start Programs, both Tribal and County, Primary HCP (Health Care Provider) as needed, Tribal Clinic, Tribal Dentist, local food pantries and other baby assistance programs.

- Transportation to appointments

- Health Information: Books, pamphlets, reliable online sites

- Injury Prevention Materials - Safe Sleep (cribs), Child Passenger Safety (car seats) are limited to availability and budget.

- Nutrition Information - Breast feeding, Making own baby food safely, Nutrition for Mothers and toddlers with assistance from Tribal Dietitian.

- Electric and manual breast pumps and tubing (Loan Program)

- Breastfeeding supplies - breast pads, milk storage bags, lanolin as available.

- Emergency infant supplies determined on an individual basis

- Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid

has limited funding and cannot be a sole supplier of disposable baby products.

A Word about Baby Formula:

It is the goal of the Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid (Healthy Start Program) to promote health and education for mothers and babies up to age two years. We believe in the concept breast milk is the first food and is traditional. It is uniquely made for the baby. Evidence has shown breastfed babies are less likely to have ear infections, diarrhea, colds and flu's. They are less likely to become obese or to develop Type 2 diabetes. Moms who have breast fed are less likely to develop breast cancer. There are many more benefits cited in the literature as well. The World Health Organization (WHO) and the Surgeon General have adopted a declaration and have issued a call to action for all governments to support breastfeeding. Both have issued recommendations on the marketing of infant formula. They do not recommend the advertising of infant formulas nor do they recommend clinics or hospitals provide free samples. Therefore, in order for us to provide the best in health education and promotion to our clients, it is not our practice to provide infant formula or assistance with the purchase of infant formula as part of our Healthy Start program.

Teen Pregnancy Prevention and Teen Pregnancy Assistance Programs (13-21 years)

A Maternal and Child Health Program supported with grant funds from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: HRSA/MCHB-Healthy Start and OPHS/OAH-Pregnancy Assistance Fund

We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan.

Healthy Start is for pregnant Native women or non-Native women who are pregnant with a Native baby and women of child bearing age.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid means "A Start of a Healthy Life."

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, not re-

WHY BREASTFEED?

Breastfeeding reduces a baby's risk of obesity by approximately one-third.

Breastfeeding promotes postpartum weight loss in the mother and reduces her risk of breast cancer.

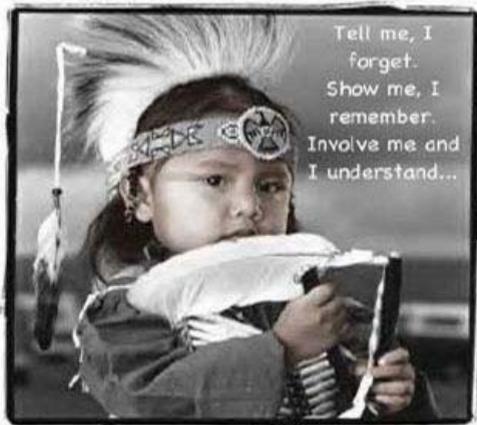
The antibodies in breast milk protect the infant from upper respiratory infections, influenza, otitis media, asthma and eczema.

Research has also shown there is a lower incidence of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome among breastfed infants.

Breastfeeding enhances infant learning, and breast milk fosters brain cell growth.

Breastfeeding eliminates the necessity for bottles, sterilization and formula, and it saves money.

Formula's main ingredient, by the way, is corn syrup. It has been associated with a higher incidence of obesity and diabetes. The current price of formula as of 1/15/2013 is: \$4.40 per day for the most economical powder "Parent's choice" brand at Walmart. That means the cost is



more than \$30/week and more than \$120 per month.

Nighttime feedings are easy. No warming of bottles in the middle of the night.

Working mothers who are breastfeeding miss fewer days of work because their babies don't get sick as often.

Breastfeeding significantly reduces the risk of Type 2 diabetes for both mother and infant.

Essential nutrients important in brain

development result in increased IQ points for breastfed children.

Breastfeeding is not only important for the health of your baby and you, but also for the community as a whole. Organizations such as the American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Association of Family Physicians recommend babies receive nothing but the breast milk during the first six months of life and continue receiving it for at least the first year and beyond.

Breastfeeding is natural, but it does not mean it comes easy to new mothers and babies. There can be difficulty with the baby latching on and the mother with sore nipples. The mother may be worried her milk supply is not adequate. However, we can provide assistance and education with these issues. Going back to work can be a concern. Many mothers will wean their babies when they return to work, but this is not necessary. Breast pumps and supplies are available as well as support from employers to assist new moms in breastfeeding their babies or getting time off to pump. In order to keep up

with milk supply while at work, a woman should pump or nurse approximately every three hours or approximately 2-3 times in an 8-hour shift depending on the age of the baby. Each pumping session should last for at least 15 minutes for milk expression, and then, travel time to get to and from the work station.

At Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, there are two lactation pumping stations for working mothers in their break area. Mothers are entitled to have time to express their milk in order to maintain their milk supply. In fact, this past year, Tribal Council passed the following: WAGANAKISING ODAWAK STATUTE 14 2012-013: RIGHT TO BREASTFEED AND CIVIL OFFENSE FOR DISCRIMINATION. This can be viewed on the LTBB website under the link for Odawa Register under statutes. **For more information or assistance, please contact Trista Paone, RN or Tina Shawano, RN at the Community Health Department-Maternal Child Health division: Phone 231-242-1601.**

COMMUNITY CRAFT NIGHT & POTLUCK DINNER

Monday nights 5:30 pm to 8 pm
March 4 and March 18
More dates to follow!

Talking Circle - Music - Crafts - Games
Storytelling - Genealogy - Quilting Bee

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(beading, sewing, needlework, etc.)
and a dish to pass!
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Contact LTBB Cultural Services for more information!
Dawn Sineway at 231-242-1485 or Theresa Chingwa at 231-242-1486

2013 Hunter Safety and IBEP Certification Class

The class is a combo class. Upon successful completion of the class, you will receive a Hunter Safety Certification as well as International Bow Education Program Certification.

The following classes will be held at the LTBB Governmental Center
Friday, June 10th from 12-3 PM
Saturday, June 12th from 12-3 PM
Friday, June 14th from 12-3 PM

The final class will be held at the Harbor Springs Outdoors Club
Saturday, June 15th from 9 AM to 4 PM

For more information,
Contact

Roger Willis at
231-242-1674
or e-mail

rwillis@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES

Transportation is available to medical appointments only.

You must exhaust all other means available to you, i.e. Friendship Center Bus, Straits Regional Transit, Char/Em Transit, Taxi or Family.

Clients of the Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Department must notify the Community Health Department 72 hours prior to their appointments.

Transportation is based on availability.

Call 231-242-1601 to set up a ride as soon as possible.

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

NEWS FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Submitted by the Health Department

We have some new faces down in our Substance Abuse/Mental Health/SPRING Department. Christopher Polasky is our new CSTA Grant Coordinator; Sue Wilson, one of our former interns, is now one of our new Licensed Masters Level Social Workers; and Michael Rogers is our new SPRING Grant Community Organizer. Welcome to our new staff.

March is National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month, which is a month set aside to raise awareness on the importance of colorectal cancer screening.

Colorectal cancer affects men and women of all racial and ethnic groups and is most often found in people aged 50 years or older. In the United States, it is the third most common cancer for men and women and the second-leading cancer killer. What is even more alarming, according to www.preventcancer.org, "Colorectal cancer incidence rates for American Indian/Alaska Native women and men are significantly higher than in non-Hispanic whites and most American Indians are less likely than non-Hispanic whites



to be screened for colorectal cancer or to be diagnosed with colorectal cancer in its earlier, easier-to-treat stages."

Screening can find precancerous polyps, so they can be removed before turning into cancer. Screening also helps find colorectal cancer at an early stage when treatment can often lead to a cure. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend colorectal cancer screening for men and women beginning at age 50, however, men and women who think they may be at high-

er than average risk for this cancer should ask their doctors about getting screened earlier than age 50. If everyone aged 50 or older had regular screening tests, as many as 60% of deaths from colorectal cancer could be prevented. Colorectal cancer screening saves lives!

The Health Department will be closed on Friday, March 29, 2013 in observance of Good Friday. Don't forget to call your medication renewals in to the Health Clinic at 231-242-1700 or medication refills in to Contract Health at 231-242-1600 the day before the closing.

March 20th is the first day of spring, so enjoy the transition out of the cold winter months!

MEET LICENSED MASTER SOCIAL WORKER SUE DOKTER



Michigan Hospital in Petoskey, MI.

"When I worked in the pharmacy, I dealt with insurance problems and put people in touch with resources and doctors, but I wanted to take it to the next level and become involved in the social work profession," Dokter said. "I was looking for a place to intern, and I was fortunate Dr. C (Dr. Cheryl Samuels, the Substance Abuse/Mental Health Director) gave me the opportunity to intern here at LTBB. I became acquainted with many tribal members working at the pharmacy and also worked with Contract Health and the Health Department staff, so it was a natural fit. The timing was perfect because I am filling Susan Yates' (who retired) position. It's a privilege to be here."

Sue Dokter started as a Licensed Master Social Worker in Substance Abuse/Mental Health on February 6, 2013.

Dokter, who lives in Central Lake, MI, had a Therapy/Social Work internship in Substance Abuse/Mental Health, starting in August 2012 and concluding when she accepted her current position. She previously worked at the Prescription Services Pharmacy, which is located inside McLaren-Northern

lege and is currently enrolled in the Master of Social Work Degree Program at Michigan State University.

"I'm all about people," Dokter said. "I want to help people reach their full potential. It's a passion of mine."

She grew up in Iowa, but has lived in Northern Michigan for 20 years. She has a 13-year-old dog named Willy.

"I took some classes in Michigan, and I liked the area, so I decided to make a home here," Dokter said. "Iowa is so flat. Michigan is so hilly, and there are so many trees here—it's beautiful. I have family in Iowa and Colorado."

She enjoys outdoor activities such as walking, kayaking, bird watching and gardening. She tries to walk a couple miles a day and is a master gardener.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

MEET SPRING COMMUNITY ORGANIZER MIKE ROGERS



SPRING is under the umbrella of Substance Abuse/Mental Health, which is a part of the Health Department.

He previously supported the D.A.R.E. program, which is a police officer led series of classroom lessons that teaches children from kindergarten through 12th grade how to resist peer pressure and live productive drug and violence-free lives.

"It's a great honor to be working in this program," Rogers said. "So far, it has exceeded my expectations. The team works together so well. Everyone is so important to the overall success of this program."

"I believe I was guided in this direction because I've always wanted to do this type of work."

Rogers graduated from Dearborn Fordson High School in Dearborn, MI, and earned a Bachelor's degree in Management and Organizational Development from Spring Arbor University. He worked more than

22 years in law enforcement and taught at Kirtland Academy, specializing in child abuse and domestic violence investigation. He taught evidence technicians how to photographically document evidence in child abuse and domestic violence cases.

He has been married to his wife, Marlene, for 35 years, and they have three grown children, Andrew, Matthew and Michelle. Andrew is a nuclear physicist at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, CA. Matthew is a Welding Engineer for the D.O.D and lives in St. Claire Shores, MI, and is expecting a son in March 2013. Michelle is attending North Central Michigan University, studying Accounting and works at First Community Bank in Harbor Springs, MI.

He enjoys outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, canoeing and kayaking.

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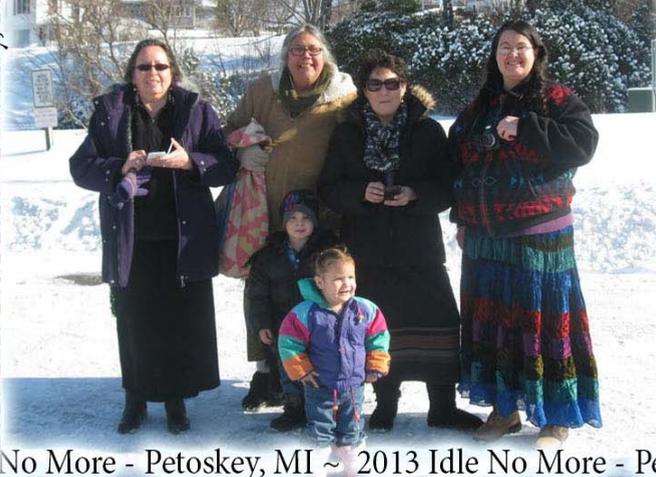
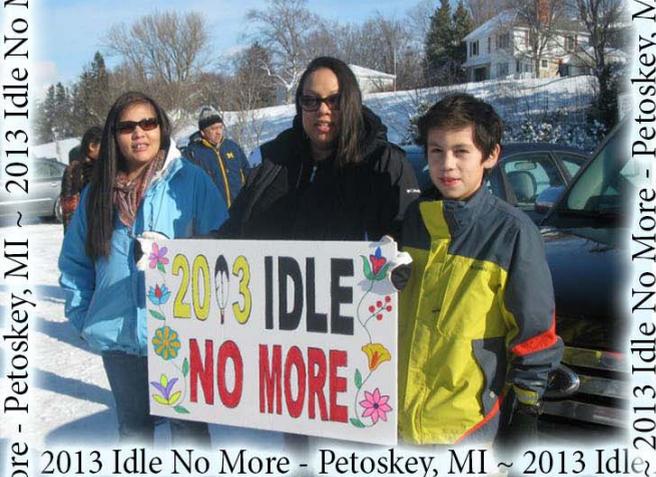


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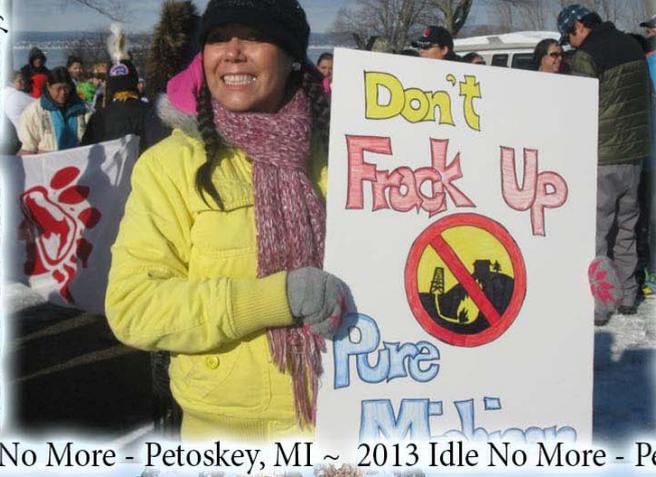
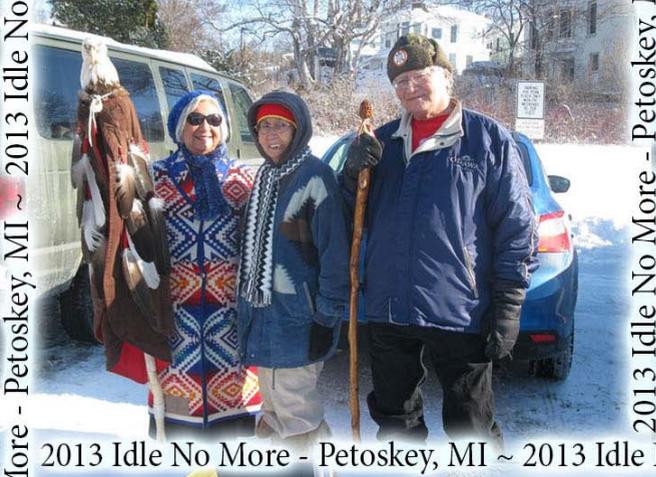
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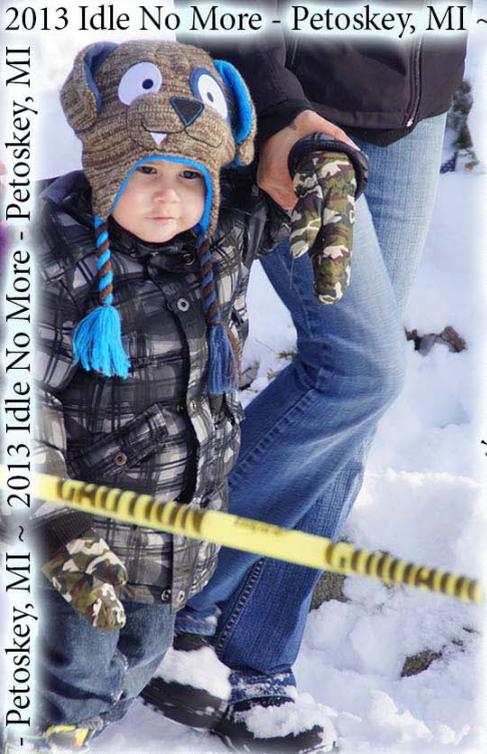
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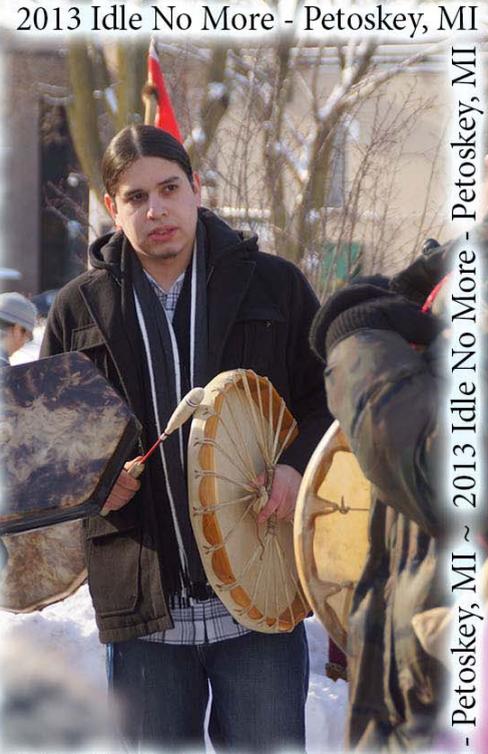
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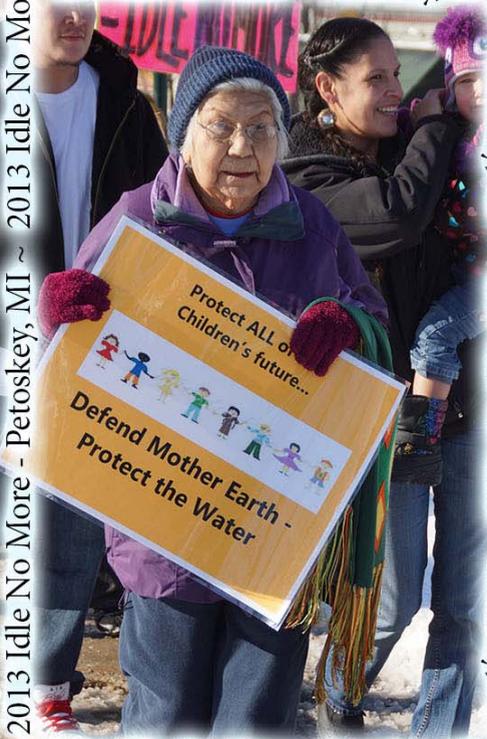
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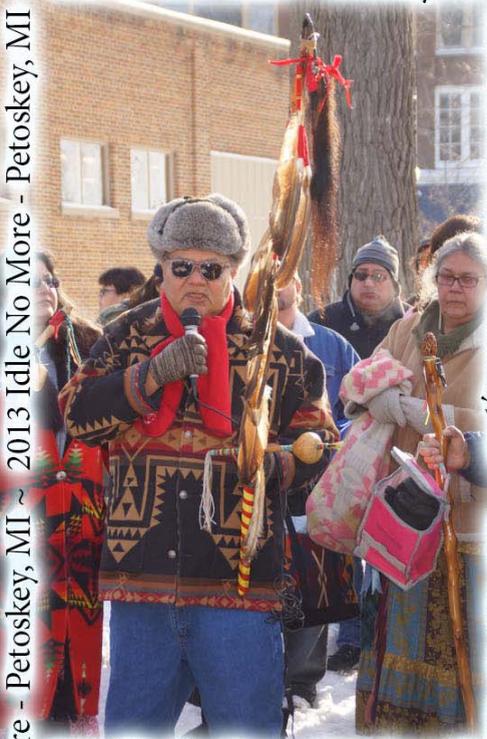
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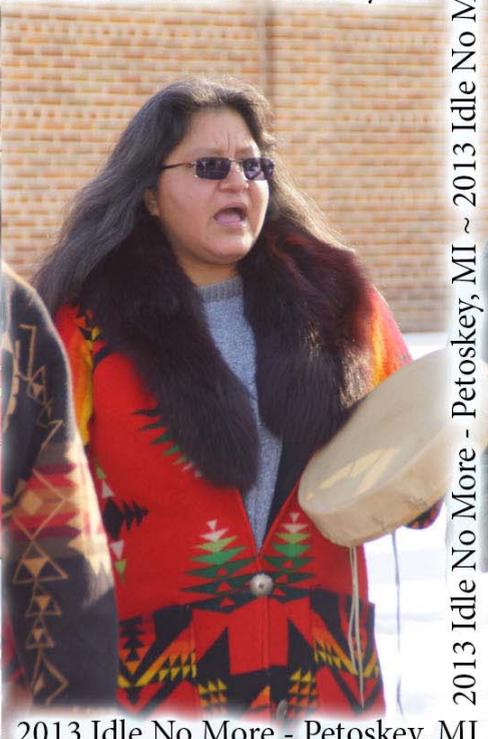
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UPCOMING DEADLINE FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2012/2013 SCHOOL YEAR

Summer (May - August) June 15th

For more information, contact Academic Services at 231-242-1480

ATTENTION STUDENTS!
IF YOU HAVEN'T SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION FOR THE 2012-2013 ACADEMIC YEAR THAT STARTED ON AUGUST 1, 2012, YOU NEED TO SUBMIT NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP

****Please Note****
Applications WILL NOT be automatically mailed to students



Applications are available online and can be downloaded from the Education Department's web-page at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or may be requested from Academic Services at 231-242-1480.

ATTENTION MICHELLE CHINGWA RECIPIENTS

Just a reminder, the deadline for the Summer Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Scholarship is June 15, 2013. Students must have a complete file including application, release forms, student aid report and current schedule by this date in order to receive a scholarship. Late applications will not be accepted.

Also, please remember in order to receive the second installment of your Winter award, the Education Department needs to receive your En-

rollment Verification Form before the last day of the semester. Please remember faxed Enrollment Verification Forms will not be accepted, and it is the student's responsibility to follow up to make sure the form has been received.

For more information or help with higher education, please contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or by e-mail at aswiss@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

Merit scholarships are available for students who have graduated with a certificate or degree for the 2012-2013 academic year. Students need to submit a completed form and a copy of the official transcript showing the degree received by

December 1, 2013. For more information, contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or by e-mail at aswiss@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

AANII NISHNAABEK

By Terry Spanish, Language Instructor

naa? Nahaaw miiweminik Nishnaabek

Welcome, hello, fellow Natives. How is everybody today? When you are going outside, dress for the winter weather. It is no longer summer. Okay, that is all for today, my fellow Natives.

Aanii Nishnaabek. Aaniish naa gegiinwaa? Iishkpin koojiing nizhaayiin, weni giizhook niwen. Kisnaa koojiing, gaawii niibin sino yaabi. Miiigsha,

ANISHINAABEMOWIN? THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!



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The Ojibway People and Language is a new Native language app from Ogoki Learning Systems, Inc. and is available for free on iTunes.

The program includes audio so you can listen to some common words and phrases. It also includes some information about syllabics, people, treaties and maps.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department

We'd Like Your Suggestions for Names

We're looking for names in Odawa/Anishinaabe Language. If you're not sure how to say it in the Anishinaabe language, you can give your suggestion in English:

- Appleyard Daycare – Transitioning to a Pre-School, Message: Our Future Leaders
- Commodity Food Distribution Program
- Education Department
- Community Center – Building
- Commons Area – as a meeting/gathering area

Give us your suggestions by calling or e-mailing: Carla Osawamick at 231-242-1454 or cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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Drop by for a couple of hours or stay all day!
Beginners welcome, the more you listen, the more you will begin to understand.

March 8, 9, & 10
& March 22, 23, 24

TIMES: Fridays 1pm-8pm
Saturdays 8am-8pm
Sundays 8am-noon

LOCATION: Little Traverse Bay Bands Odawa Waasnodeki Community Center, Harbor Springs, MI

BMCC Nishnaabemowin Pane Immersion Program -NPIP

For more information, contact LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department, 1-866-652-5822, Carla Osawamick, 231-242-1454, cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Wegnesh ensadabaganek? ~ What time is it?

Wegnesh ensadabaganek?	What time is it?	Aaniish epiichaak?	At what time?
<i>notice the ending 't' (or 'd' sound)</i>		<i>notice the ending 'k' (or 'g' sound)</i>	
Naakwe.	It is noon.	naakwek	at noon
Ngo-dbaganet.	It is 1.	ngo-dbaganek	at 1
Ngo-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 1:30.	ngo-dbaganek shi aabta	at 1:30
Niizho-dbaganet.	It is 2.	niizho-dbaganek	at 2
Niizho-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 2:30.	niizho-dbaganek shi aabta	at 2:30
Nso-dbaganet.	It is 3.	nso-dbaganek	at 3
Nso-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 3:30.	nso-dbaganek shi aabta	at 3:30
Niiwo-dbaganet.	It is 4.	niiwo-dbaganek	at 4
Niiwo-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 4:30.	niiwo-dbaganek shi aabta	at 4:30
Naano-dbaganet.	It is 5.	naano-dbaganek	at 5
Naano-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 5:30.	naano-dbaganek shi aabta	at 5:30
Ngodwaaso-dbaganet.	It is 6.	ngodwaaso-dbaganek	at 6
Ngodwaaso-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 6:30.	ngodwaaso-dbaganek shi aabta	at 6:30
Niizhwaaso-dbaganet.	It is 7.	niizhwaaso-dbaganek	at 7
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Nshwaaso-dbaganet.	It is 8.	nshwaaso-dbaganek	at 8
Nshwaaso-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 8:30.	nshwaaso-dbaganek shi aabta	at 8:30
Zhaangso-dbaganet.	It is 9.	zhaangso-dbaganek	at 9
Zhaangso-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 9:30.	zhaangso-dbaganek shi aabta	at 9:30
Mdaaso-dbaganet.	It is 10.	mdaaso-dbaganek	at 10
Mdaaso-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 10:30.	mdaaso-dbaganek shi aabta	at 10:30
Mdaaso-shi-bezhik-dbaganet.	It is 11.	mdaaso-shi-bezhik-dbaganek	at 11
Mdaaso-shi-bezhik-dbaganet shi aabta.	It is 11:30.	mdaaso-shi-bezhik-dbaganek shi aabta	at 11:30
Aapta-dibikat.	It is midnight.	Niiwo-dbaganek	at midnight

Review from Last Month: Numbers in the form of prefixes:	
ngo-, ngwa-, ngod-	one
niizho-, niizhi-, niizh-	two
nso-	three
niiwo-	four
naano-	five
ngodwaaso-	six
niizhwaaso-	seven
nshwaaso-	eight
zhaangso-	nine
mdaaso-	ten

Wenesh pii?	When?
dabagiiswaan	clock, an hour
dabagiiswaanenhs	watch
ngo-dbagiiswaan	one hour
niizho-dbagiiswaan	two hours
dbagiiswaanhs	minute
ngo-dbagiiswaanhs	one minute
naano-dbagiiswaanhs	five minutes
ngo-giizhik	one day
ngo-name-giizhik	one week
ngo-giizis	one month
ngo-biboon	one year

To specify a.m. or p.m., add time of day such as Kizhep (morning), Shkwaa-naakwek (in the afternoon), Naakshik (in the evening).

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Council Chambers 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 January 6, 2013

Closed Session: yes
Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Melvin L. Kiogima

Council Present: Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor John Keshick, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor Aaron Otto

Absent: Treasurer Bott, Councilor Kevin Gasco, Councilor Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount, Treasury Director Michael Garrow

Executive Officials and Staff Present: none

Public: Annette VanDeCar
Invited Guests: none

9:06 a.m. Councilor Gasco arrived.

9:14 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase and Treasurer Bott arrived.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to adopt agenda for January 6, 2013 in Honor of Joseph Gasco Tribal Elder who walked on December 29, 2012.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve the minutes of December 16, 2012 as corrected.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Legislative Leader Kiogima's verbal report for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Secretary Gasco Bentley read into the minutes the December 18, 2012 Phone Poll: To authorize Legislative Leader Kiogima to terminate the contract with Attorney Jodi Doak which authorized her to represent Tribal Council in LTBB Court case #C-120-0411; and, to sign the contract with John F. Petoskey of Fredericks Peebles & Morgan, LLP, to represent Tribal Council in the appeal of LTBB Court case #C-120-0411. The result of the phone poll was: 6 Yes, 0 No, 1 Abstained (Councilor Wemigwase), 2 Absent (Councilor Otto, Secretary Bentley)

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal report for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Councilor Bardwell's Tribal Council member report for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the Gaming Authority Committee report as presented by Councilor Gasco Committee Chairperson for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the Agricultural Work Group report as presented by Councilor Keshick for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

10:08 a.m. Recess called.

10:26 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Treasury Director Garrow's verbal report for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for January 6, 2013.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Gaming Regulations Commission Regulations REG-WOS 2011-005 121412-013.

Above motion is on hold.

11:10 a.m. Recess called.

11:19 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Above motion resumes:

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Councilor Otto, Secretary Gasco Bentley) 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve Legislative Services Attorney Budnick Memo 010613-01 from Tribal Council to Tribal Chair regarding the Gaming Regulatory Regulations, REG-WOS 2011-005 121412-013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Executive Nomination of Marvin Mulholland for Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Corporate Charter Board.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion: Request for funds as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Michigan Department of Community Health Cardiovascular Health, Nutrition and Physical Activity Section Contract # 475 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2014 4 x 4 Project.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

No Elder comments at this time.

12:12 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Keshick to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Administration for Native Americans Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship date December 19, 2012 for a total of 2.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve Enrollment List B - Declination Ineligible date December 19, 2012 for a total of 5.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Gasco to approve Enrollment list C - Voluntary Relinquishment dated December 19, 2012 for a total of 1.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Wemigwase)

Motion carried.

1:35 p.m. Councilor Otto arrived.

1:45 p.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to table the appointment process of Trent Crable to Appellate Justice pending a completed background investigation.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to appoint Susie Swadling to the Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Corporate Charter Board to fill the remainder of a 3-year term ending April 1, 2014.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to table the appointment of Marvin Mulholland to the Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc. Corporate Charter Corporate Charter Board pending a completed background investigation.

Vote: 9- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Keshick to adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorization of Government Banking Accounts and Treasury Management Documents, Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and Related Matters.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-no, Councilor Denemy-no, Councilor Gasco-no, Councilor Keshick-no, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-abstain, Treasurer Bott-no, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Kiogima-no. Motion failed.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Keshick to adopt Tribal Resolution: Funding for Odawa Fishery, Inc. in the Amount of \$150,000.00 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-no, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Kiogima-yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bard-

Tribal Council Meeting Dates

March 2 Work Session
March 3 Council Meeting
March 16 Work Session
March 17 Council Meeting

April 6 Work Session
April 7 Council Meeting
April 20 Work Session
April 21 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at
7500 Odawa Circle,
Harbor Springs, MI.

Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Melvin L. Kiogima, Legislative Leader
Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary
John Bott, Treasurer
Aaron Wayne Otto, Councilor
Kevin Gasco, Councilor
Belinda Bardwell, Councilor
John Keshick III, Councilor
Bill A. Denemy, Councilor
Winnay Wemigwase, Councilor

well and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the FY 2013 annual budget of the Gaming Authority Committee, for all projected expenses with the addition of National Indian Gaming Association dues for the amount of \$57,228.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Secretary Gasco Bentley), 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent Motion Carried.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:01 p.m. Public comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt Tribal Resolution: Confirmation of the Establishment of the Capital Project Fund, Remaining Balance, and Payment to Consults and Vendors.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-no, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Kiogima-yes. Motion Carried.

3:10 p.m. Recess called. Councilor Wemigwase left the meeting.

3:20 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:32 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for Legal purposes.

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

tion Carried.

4:31 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Wemigwase) Motion Carried.

4:34 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adjourn.

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

Motion Carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Council Chambers 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 January 20, 2013

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Bill A. Denemy

Council Present: Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor John Keshick, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Kevin Gasco

Absent: Legislative Leader Melvin L. Kiogima, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele LaCount, Treasury Director Michael Garrow, General Counsel James Bransky

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Youth Coordinator Kristy Dayson, Elder Coordinator Tammy Okuly,

Odawa Fishery Inc., Corporate Charter: Ben Banfield, Daugherty Johnson II., Odawa Fishery Manager Brian Carver

Public: Doug Emery, Marvin Mulholland, John Kawegoma, Janice Shackelford, Vicky Lynn, Regina Brubaker-Carver, Kenny Dewey, Margaret Gasco, Jamie Dayson, Anna Gasco, Trenn Conant, Alexis Knapp, Andrew Stich, Bill Denemy Sr.

Invited Guests: none

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Gasco to adopt the agenda as amended for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima, Treasurer Bott, Councilor Bardwell)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the minutes of January 6, 2013 with corrections.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima, Treasurer Bott, Councilor Bardwell)

Motion carried.

9:14 a.m. Councilor Bardwell arrived.

Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

9:17 a.m. Treasurer Bott arrived.

Waganakising Eshkiniigikik UNITY Council presentation report regarding the UNITY Mid-Year Meeting, Youth Leadership Retreat 2012, Youth Teaching Lodge Traditional Feast, Fundraisers, National UNITY Conference 2012, September 2012 Retreat, NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) National Convention, and the 4th Annual Honoring Our Veteran's Thanksgiving Feast.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Gasco to acknowledge receipt of the Waganakising Eshkiniigikik UNITY Council presentation report for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Secretary Gasco Bentley Secretary reported two phone polls: **January 08, 2013** To adopt Tribal Resolution, Authorization of Government Banking Accounts and Treasury Management Documents, Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and Related Matters. The result of the phone poll was: 8 - yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Wemigwase) and the **January 11, 2013:** To Authorize and Approve Wesley L. An-

draws, LTBB NAGPRA Representative, to execute on behalf of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indian the Memorandum of Agreement among the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan, Michigan State Housing Development Authority, Genesee County Land Bank Authority, Michigan State Historic Preservation Officer, and City Of Flint, Pursuant To 36 CFR § 800.5(B) regarding the Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 Activities At 612 West 2nd Avenue, 624 West 2nd Avenue, And 615 West University Avenue In Flint, Genesee County, Michigan. The result of the phone poll was: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco supported by to Councilor Wemigwase to accept Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal report for January 20 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal report for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Elder comments: John Kawegoma asked that postings for the Appropriations and Finance Committee budget meetings to be posted in the government building; the minutes of Tribal Council to contain all that is spoken by Citizens in public comment for benefit of youth and those who do not attend Council meetings; a legal description of what prior year funds are posted in the news letter explaining what and how they are identified/categorized; clarity of the Council meeting with Mackinaw City officials and why it was a closed meeting; if the Annual Community Meeting set for May 4, will have the annual budget report. Council commented that the Executive is responsible for preparation of the annual report. John further asked for clarity on program parameters and Council authority. Tribal Council commented programs are an Executive function. Doug Emery spoke about the Community Meeting as he is working on it with the committee on all other concerns including the meeting date. Doug also mentioned his complaints to the Executive not being considered regarding the Regulatory; Legislative Leader Kiogima's lack of communication regarding constitutional questions; his inability to secure a job in the government to at least answer phones; and other Citizen rights. Council updated Doug on his Regulatory concerns. Doug further indicated that he has been constitutionally reporting Executive neglect to Council but seems to be getting nowhere. Janice Shackelford said there needs to be some kind of procedures other than airing dirty laundry in public.

10:18 a.m. Recess called.

10:38 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to amend the agenda to include Closed Session for Personnel.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

10:56 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Councilor Bardwell to go into closed session for personnel.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

11:32 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Denemy to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Gaming Authority Committee report for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Land and Reservation Committee report: Tabled until the next regular Tribal Council meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept the Legal and Legislative Committee verbal report provided by Committee Chairperson Secretary Gasco Bentley for January 20, 2013.

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Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

11:52 a.m. Public Comment opened: Belinda Bardwell informed Tribal Council she went to the Governor's State of the State address and was present for "Idle No More".

11:54 a.m. Public Comment closed. Ethics Committee reported no complaints received.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the Agricultural Assessment Work Group update for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

11:59 a.m. Lunch recess called.

1:31 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Hearing Aid Assessment Work Group as presented by Councilor Wemigwase.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Junior Tribal Council Ad-hoc Committee as presented by Councilor Wemigwase for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Treasury Director Garrow's verbal and written report for January 20, 2013.

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

1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Keshick to adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorization for Land Purchase and Appropriation. (Second Street in Harbor Springs, MI for \$10,000.00)

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Kiogima-absent. Motion Carried.

2:07 p.m. Recess called.

2:19 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

2:28 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to go into closed session for legal matters.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

2:58 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Bardwell to return to open session.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept General Counsel Bransky verbal report for January 20, 2013.

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

1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: Andrew Stich asked why Tribal Council gave \$150,000 to the fishery and asked why the Tribe is spending so much money on it. Vicky Lynn added to what Andrew Stich said only she is for the fishery and making it work.

3:03 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Gasco to accept the Odawa Fishery, Inc., Corporate Charter 4th Quarter Report for January 20, 2013.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Bott to authorize General Counsel Bransky to execute the agreements with Michigan Indian Legal Services and Tribal Citizen Cheri Dominic for the Office of Citizen's Legal Assistance Attorney.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Keshick and supported by Councilor Gasco to appoint Trent Crable to Appellate Justice for a term expiring April 17, 2017.

Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Gasco-yes, Councilor Keshick-no, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-no, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Kiogima-absent.

Motion failed based on the need of 6-affirmative votes.

Motion made by Councilor

Bardwell and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to re-post an updated draft version of Waganakising Odawak Statute Marriage.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Keshick), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Bott to designate the LTBB Treasury Director, Michael Garrow, as the Authorized Signatory on all expenditures from budget #2000-0-13 Indirect Cost Office of the Treasury and budget #1113-0-00 TGO Treasury for the LTBB Office of Treasury, including travel for Departmental staff; further, the Legislative Leader shall serve as the Approval Signatory on all travel for the Treasury Director.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Gasco to designate General Counsel, James Bransky, as the Authorized Signatory on all expenditures from budget #1102-0-00 TGO Legal and the Indirect Cost Budget for the Enjinaaknegeng, LTBB Legal Department; further, the Legislative Leader shall be the Approval Signature on travel for the Legislative Services Attorney and to approve the payment of invoices submitted by General Counsel Bransky.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to amend the agenda for January 20, 2013

to include Certified Motions for the Basic Library Service and Fish Hatchery Maintenance.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2013 and FY 2014 Basic Library Services Grant.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY 2013 Fish Hatchery Maintenance Project.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

4:04 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to adjourn.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Kiogima) Motion carried.

Please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1403, 231-242-1404 or 231-242-1406 for additional updates and clarifications of these minutes as presented.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

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hunting. Why? Because it is unnecessary. Ecological research has clearly demonstrated that prey populations exert more control on predator populations than the other way around. Killing wolves, which are highly social animals, could upset pack structure. Wolves are an important part of ecological systems and have been protected for over 50 years. There is no compelling reason to alter that protection."

It's already legal in Michigan to kill wolves to protect livestock or dogs. Allowing the killing of wolves just for sport is unnecessary and will accomplish nothing. People don't eat wolves, and it's

just pointless trophy hunting for no good purpose.

Wolf hunting may involve especially cruel and unfair practices such as painful steel-jawed leg hold traps, hunting over bait and even using packs of dogs to chase down and kill wolves.

On January 17, 2013, the State Board of Canners approved petition language to stop wolf hunting. Grassroots organizing meetings are being held across the state to train volunteers to gather petition signatures.

For a listing of other endorsements, more information on Keep Michigan Wolves Protected and to volunteer, visit keepwolvesprotected.com.

WILDLIFE PROTECTION GROUPS FILE SUIT TO RESTORE FEDERAL PROTECTION FOR GREAT LAKES WOLVES



Editor's note: The following is a Humane Society of the United States press release dated February 12, 2013.

A coalition of wildlife protection groups, including the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), Born Free USA, Help Our Wolves Live and Friends of Animals and Their Environment, filed suit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service over its decision to remove the protections of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) from gray wolves living in the western Great Lakes region.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) most recent decision to delist wolves became effective last year after multiple previous attempts to delist wolves were struck down by the courts over the course of the last decade. The decision threatens the fragile remnants of the gray wolf population by confining wolves to a small area in the Great Lakes region - where state wildlife managers have rushed forward with reckless killing programs which threaten wolves with the very same practices which pushed them to the brink of extinction in the first place.

"In the short time since federal protections have been removed, trophy hunters and trappers have killed hundreds of Great Lakes wolves under hostile state management programs that en-

courage dramatic reductions in wolf populations," said Jonathan Lovvorn, Senior Vice President and Chief Counsel for animal protection litigation at the HSUS. "This decision rolls back the only line of defense for wolf populations and paves the way for the same state-sponsored eradication policies that pushed this species to the brink of extinction in the first place."

"The Endangered Species Act is popularly considered one of the most powerful conservation laws on the books, but it is rendered impotent if species are not allowed to recover fully across the breadth of their range before delisting," said Adam Roberts, Executive Vice President of Born Free USA. "Simply put, the gray wolf still requires protection under the Act."

"Wolf populations are just at the threshold of rebounding in many areas across the Great Lakes Region," said Linda Hatfield, Executive Director of Help Our Wolves Live. "The recent delisting has taken the wolf back to the old days, days before the ESA, the days of state-sponsored bounty payments to hunters and trappers that were intended to eliminate wolves from the landscape."

Following federal delisting, Wisconsin and Minnesota rushed to enact emergency regulations to allow the first public hunting and trapping seasons in the Great Lakes region in more than 40 years. The states authorized some of the most abusive and unsporting practices, including hound hunting, snares, baiting, night hunting and the use of steel-jawed leg hold traps. Together, hunters and trappers killed more than 500 wolves in these two states in less than four months. These losses are in addition to natural limiting factors and a wide range of other human-caused impacts such as the killing of wolves by damage control agents, poachers and, inadvertently, by automobile drivers.

The Michigan legislature recently amended state law to designate wolves as a game species, which would allow the state to authorize a trophy

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**Little Traverse Bay Bands
of Odawa Indians**



**NOTICE: Sex Offender
Registration Requirements**

All persons who have been convicted as a sex offender are required by the LTBB Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statute to register with LTBB Law Enforcement if any of the following circumstances are true:

1. If your residence is on Tribally owned land;
2. If you will be visiting and staying on Tribally owned land for more than seven (7) days;
3. If you are enrolled in any classes or schools located in Tribal buildings; or
4. If you are employed on Tribally owned lands.

LTBB Law Enforcement is located at:

911 Spring Street, Petoskey, MI 49770
231-242-1500

For more information regarding Sex Offender Registry you can visit the LTBB Website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and choose the Law Enforcement link on the right side of the page.

Interested in working for LTBB?

Jobs are updated daily at
www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
Job Hotline toll free 1-866-582-2562

Submit your applications, resumes, and cover letters:

- In person at our LTBB Human Resources office
- E-mail: hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Mail to LTBB Human Resources, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Questions? Please contact the Human Resources Department at 231-242-1563.

MICHIGAN INDIAN LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION UPDATE

Submitted by the Trust Fund Board

It has been more than a decade since the original Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement certificates were issued.

All adults have been paid or they have deferred payment to a later date, however, tribal children who were enrolled before December 16, 1997 but had not yet turned 18 are still in the process of redeeming their certificates.

The following steps are intended to aid in this process. Redeeming certificates from the Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 105-143, are as follows:

1. Determine your eligibility: Tribal citizens who were enrolled, but had not reached the age of 18 on December 16, 1997 are eligible to redeem their certificates upon reaching the age of 18.
2. Sign your certificates with a notary: The tribal citizen redeeming his or her certificates must have a notarized signature.
3. Copy two pieces of identification: One piece of identification (e.g. Driver's license) must have a picture, and the second piece needs at least your signature.
4. Mail your signed certificates, the mailing address you would like your check sent to and two pieces of identification to the following address

Note: The address on the certificates is not correct:

LTBB Trust Fund Board

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

If you have lost your certificates or need further assistance, call Trust Fund Board Member Steve Schmidt at 734-717-4406.

On the Pow Wow Trail

Michigan

Minnesota

Thompson at 218-308-3680

Wisconsin

March 16
30th Annual MSU Pow Wow of Love
Jenison Fieldhouse
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI
Contact Information: Elaina Leureaux at leurea4@msu.edu

March 8
St. Paul Public Schools
Indian Education Pow Wow
The American Indian Magnet
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191

March 8-10
22nd Annual Indian Summer Festival Winter Pow Wow Products Pavilion
Wisconsin State Fair Park
West Allis, WI
Contact Information: 414-774-7119 or www.indiansummer.org

March 23-24
23rd Annual Central Michigan University Pow Wow
McGuirk Arena in CMU Events Center
Central Michigan University
Mt. Pleasant, MI
Contact Information: Sarah Avery and Colleen Green at 989-774-2508 or nap@cmich.edu

March 23
Augsburg College 5th Traditional Pow Wow
Si Melby Gymnasium
Augsburg College
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: Jennifer Simon at 612-330-1144 or www.augsburg.edu/about/mps_map.html

April 13
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay 16th Annual Pow Wow
Kress Event Center
University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
Green Bay, WI
Contact Information: Lisa Annamitta at 920-465-2720 or Annalm21@uwgb.edu

April 6-7
41st Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow
Crisler Arena
The University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI
Contact Information: 734-408-1581, www.umich.edu/~powwow or danceformotherearth@gmail.com

April 6
29th Annual Circle of Nations Pow Wow
P.E. Center
University of Minnesota, Morris
Morris, MN
Contact Information: Tracy R. Peterson at 320-589-6097

April 20
The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Traditional Pow Wow
105 Garfield Avenue
Eau Claire, WI
Contact Information: O. White at 715-836-3367

May 24-26
Leech Lake Memorial Pow Wow
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Contact Information: LaVonne



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2nd Place - \$2,000
3rd Place - \$1,000
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2nd Place - \$300
3rd Place - \$200
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1st Place - \$500

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MC - Jason Whitehouse
Arena Director - Dave Shananaquet
Head Veteran - George Martin
Host Drum - TBA
Head Dancers - To be picked daily
Dancer Judges - Female Head Judge - Bernadette Shawanda
Male Head Judge - Mahegun Shawanda

TRIBAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION PROGRAM COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Teaching our children is the job of not only "certified" teachers, but also our elders, parents of children of any age, aunts, uncles, cousins, and neighbors, and we are seeking input from all of the above to help in developing our tribal early childhood education program. ALL ARE ENCOURAGED AND WELCOME to join us to help support our children to learn how to walk in two worlds! The meetings will cover programming topics including:

- Program Philosophy, Vision, Mission
- Inclusion of culture and language - avoiding cultural overlay model (I.E. Western ways of teaching and learning are the focus and culture is added as an afterthought. Teaching merely an appreciation of culture)
- Traditional ways of teaching and learning
- Classroom design
- Staff
- Food
- Transportation

We will meet at the Governmental Center on the following dates:

- March 28, 2013 6pm-8:30pm
- April 25, 2013 6pm-8:30pm

For more information, please contact the Education Department at 231-242-1480

GRANTS & DONATIONS PROGRAM

Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for both Native and non-Native organizations. If you would like an application, please call 231-242-1420. The deadline for submitting an application is March 29, 2013. Please note that the Grants and Donations program is NOT intended for small business purposes.

CULTURAL SERVICES IS LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN WHO ARE INTERESTED IN MAKING CRADLEBOARDS

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Teens 13-17
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Anishinabe Events Co-ordinator
margaret.neveau@algoma.ca
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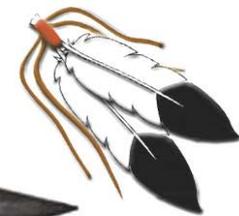
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Easter 31		Last Day to Register for General Election Election Board Work Session 5pm		Tribal Early Childhood Education Program Meeting 6:30 pm-8:30 pm Govt. Center	Good Friday Governmental Offices Closed	

NATIVE NEWS



SAGINAW CHIPPEWA INDIAN TRIBE TO EXPAND SAGANING EAGLES LANDING CASINO



Editor's note: The following is a Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe press release dated February 11, 2013.

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's Council on January 15, 2013 voted to expand our offerings in Standish Michigan. The Saganing Eagles Landing Casino will soon be under construction as work begins on an expansion of what is currently offered.

"The time has come to make the changes necessary to ensure we have continued growth and development within the Saganing area," Arenac County District II Tribal Council Member Ron Nelson said.

Saganing Eagles Landing Casino will soon be able to offer hotel accommodations, dining options, additional slot machines and table games such as roulette, black jack and craps. Design and development is not quite finished on the expansion.

"We are hoping to turn soil

on this modest addition between April and May of this year with an expected completion date of early spring 2014," Tribal Chief Dennis Kequom said.

Currently, plans include 150 hotel rooms, approximately 12 various table games and a diner fashioned to replicate the Legends Diner within the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort in Mt. Pleasant, MI. Plans for these amenities are tentative until design and development are complete. Construction is expected to take all of 10 months. When complete, this expansion is expected to provide an additional 251 mixed part- and full-time jobs.

Courtesy graphic

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

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE
Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

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

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

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

Please contact the Housing Department for more information at 231-242-1540.

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TDD: 800-649-3777

ODAWA CASINO HOSTS FOURTH QUARTER SUPER STAR BANQUET



Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, recently hosted its 4th Quarter Super Star banquet in Ovation Hall for the 2012 year. Congratulations to the quarterly winners and winners of the year. The team members of the year each received a personalized plaque and \$1,000.

Team Member of the Year – Tim W. (Slots)
 Supervisor of the Year – Mark P. (Beverage)
 Managers of the Year – Rob

S. and Rob S. (Sage)
 The following team members were nominated by their peers, and the Directors agreed they exemplify the 10 Key Attributes of the Picture Perfect Service program. Each team member received a personalized plaque and \$100.

They included Wesley K. (Skilled Trades), Bruce K. (Skilled Trades), Virgil S. (Housekeeping), Mandy O. (Human Resources), Tara O.-B. (Human Resources), Sabrina H. (Human Resources), Julie W. (Housekeeping), Kris U. (Housekeeping), Tim W. (Slots), Jeff K. (Copper Café), Amanda F. (Hotel Food and Beverage), Jessica B. (Hotel Food and Beverage),

Nancy M. (Players Club), Cheryl G. (Marketing), Dora F. (Marketing), Molly M. (Marketing), Chloe S. (Hotel), Rob S. (Sage) and Rob S. (Sage).

The following team members were honored for their five years of service to Odawa Casino and Hotel. Each team member received a jacket for his/her dedication and commitment.

They included Allison H. (Sage), Bethany R. (Revenue Audit), Bobbie H. (Cage), Brian R. (Buffet), Carrie W. (Hotel), Debra D. (Sage), Jackie H. (Housekeeping), Karl F. (Maintenance), Larry S. (Maintenance), Scott S. (Beverage) and William M. (Cage).

Courtesy graphic.

ODAWA CASINO HOSTS SUCCESSFUL BLOOD DRIVE

Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, hosted a blood drive at Ovation Hall on February 7, 2013.

Here are the results:
 Goal Units to be Collected: 42
 Total Units Collected: 36

While we did not meet our goal, Odawa Casino Team Members, LTBB Governmental Employees and the public donated enough blood to help save the lives of up to 108 people!

Odawa Casino Team Members Cathy C. of Table Games and Tom K. of Hospitality each won

a night's stay at Turtle Creek Casino and Hotel in Williamsburg, MI, Doug C. of the LTBB Natural Resource Department won a stay and dine package at Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Acme, MI, and Pat D. won a stay and dine package at the Holiday Inn-West Bay in Traverse City, MI.

All who donated or attempted to donate received a limited edition American Red Cross key chain.

Thanks to all involved for making this a successful event!

2013 NATIVE AMERICAN CRITICAL ISSUES CONFERENCE



The Michigan Indian Education Council will host the 2013 Native American Critical Issues Conference March 14-16, 2013 at the Marriott East Lansing at University

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. He earned his Bachelor of Science and Doctor of Pharmacy degrees from the University of Michigan, College of Pharmacy, and completed his residency at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Dr. Rickert is a member of the Michigan Women's Hall of Fame, being inducted for her work relating to American Indian health issues, and was the first female American Indian dentist in the country upon graduating from the University of Michigan – School of Dentistry in 1975. She is a member of the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation and is a direct descendant of the Indian chief Wahbememe (Whitepigeon) for whom a village in Michigan is named.

Conference presenters with LTBB ties include Frank Ettawageshik, United Tribes of Michigan Executive Director and former LTBB Tribal Chairman; Eric Hemenway, Director of Archives, Records and Repatriation; Emily Proctor, MSU Extension Tribal Extension Educator; and Belinda Bardwell, LTBB Tribal Councilor. Ettawageshik, Proctor and Bardwell are all LTBB Tribal Citizens.

Courtesy graphic.

Place in East Lansing, MI.

This year's theme is Technology and Its Impact on American Indian Culture & Education. Registration is \$150 per person. Please visit www.miec.org for a registration form and for complete information about the conference.

Richard M. Church, Pharm. D, and Jessica Rickert, DDS, serve as the conference's keynote speakers.

Dr. Church is the Director of the Office of Public Health Support for Indian Health Services, a native of Michigan and is an enrolled member of the

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 can NOT exceed 35% of the household gross 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 \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

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 Rental Housing Program: The LTBB Housing Department offers 29 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

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.

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540



Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777

MICHIGAN INDIAN ELDERS ASSOCIATION STUDENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM 2012/2013

Instructions

A student incentive program is being offered by the Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) to recognize students who achieve all "A's" for a marking period as well as students who achieve perfect attendance for a marking period.

There will be a minimum of \$3,000 available to fund this program this year. \$25 will be awarded for each qualified entry up to the minimum available funds in the program. In the event the number of qualified entries exceeds the funds available, the winners will be determined by lottery.

Here are the conditions to qualify:

- The student must be an enrolled member or be a direct descendant of an enrolled member of one of the MIEA constituent tribes/bands.
- The student must be in grades K-12 at a public or private school. (home schooling not eligible)
- A student must be in grades 4-12 to qualify for the straight "A" award. (A-, A, A+)
- For a school system which uses a grading system based on numbers, the equivalent to straight "A's" will be acceptable.
- A student must be in grades K-12 to qualify for the



perfect attendance award.

- Perfect attendance means exactly that. A student must be **in school or at a school sponsored function** each day of the marking period. Excused absences for anything other than a school sponsored/approved function do not constitute perfect attendance.
- The first two marking periods of this 2012/2013 school year will be used to determine the winners for this lottery.
- A student can qualify for both the perfect attendance and straight "A's" for both marking periods. For example, straight "A's" and perfect attendance for both marking periods would mean four chances to win.
- A parent of the student must **complete** and **sign** the Student Incentive Program Application Form in order for the

student to qualify for an award.

- A copy of the child's report card signed by the parent or a letter from an administrator of the student's school must be submitted with the completed application form to verify the achievement of straight "A's" and perfect attendance.

The drawing to determine the winners will be held at the April 2013 meeting of the Michigan Indian Elders Association hosted by the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of Potawatomi in Battle Creek, MI.

The Michigan Indian Elders Association 2012/2013 Student Incentive Program Application form can be downloaded at www.odawatrails.com

VERY IMPORTANT - NECESSARY !!!

You must follow these directions for your child to be considered for an award. The completed application form (this is a different document than this notice), a signed report card or verification letter of achievement from a school administrator and a copy of student's or parent's tribal identification card must be received at the following address not later than **5 PM on April 1, 2013:**

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

SPRING ENCAMPMENT 2013
It's Ziinzibaakwadwaaboo (Maple Sap) time!

Actually, it will be time for syring soon. Due to the vagaries of the weather, we cannot arbitrarily pick a date for the encampment at this time, but we will be keeping an eye on the weather and sending out an announcement as soon as the time is right and the sap is flowing!

If you are interested in taking part in this ancient tradition, contact Arlene Naganashe at 231-242-1647 to be put on the notification list. If you have equipment such as taps or buckets that you could donate or loan, please contact us as well.

The location for the encampment has not been decided on at this time, but we will send out an announcement as soon as we have one determined.

Questions or Comments? We'd love to hear from you!

2013 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP/COMMUNITY MEETING

The Planning Committee for this year's Community Meeting would like input from the membership as to what you'd like to see or have at the meeting this year. Please e-mail any suggestions or comments to Chairperson Kaye Rowland at:

krowland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
Also, the committee has decided to do something new this year. We would like to acknowledge/honor the newborn members of the community. Children aged one year and under will be recognized when the meeting convenes after lunch. Please contact Jannan Cornstalk at: jcornstalk@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD
P.O. BOX 160 CONWAY, MI 49722 PHONE (616) 774-9534 FAX (231) 242-0587

VOTER REGISTRATION FORM

- IMPORTANT NOTICE -

The Voter Registration Form must be signed by the Tribal member and verified by the seal and signature of a notary public OR including a legible copy of one of the following forms of identification: a valid Tribal Identification card, Driver's License, State issued Identification Card, or Passport, provided that such identification bears the signature of the Tribal member.

YOUR VOTER REGISTRATION FORM WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IF THESE REQUIREMENTS ARE NOT MET.

THIS FORM MUST BE:

1. SIGNED
2. AND ACCOMPANIED BY A LEGIBLE FORM OF IDENTIFICATION (see above notice) OR NOTARIZED BY A NOTARY PUBLIC TO BE ACCEPTED.

Please fill out the form below completely. This address will be used to mail your ballot. Thank you.

PLEASE PRINT

LAST NAME _____ GENERATION (Sr., Jr., etc.) _____ MAIDEN NAME _____

FIRST NAME _____ MIDDLE NAME _____

STREET OR POST OFFICE ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

ROLL NUMBER _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further affirm that I am at least or will be 18 years of age on or prior to the date of the next election and am not enrolled with any other federally recognized tribe.

Signature of Voter _____

Date _____

Signature of Notary _____

My Commission Expires _____

2013 Annual LTBB Community Meeting

Date: May 4, 2013
Time: 8 AM registration
9 AM Meeting
Where: Ovation Hall
Odawa Casino

More details to be announced later.

For more information or suggestions, please contact Linda "Kaye" Rowland at 231-242-1545 or at: krowland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

19th Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Conference

March 28 – March 31, 2013
Kewadin Casino and Resort ~ Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Visit <http://www.anishinaabemowin-teg.org/conference> to view complete information and schedule.

SAIGE Announces Youth Program at 10th Annual National Training Program

Editor's note: The following is a 2013 SAIGE Youth Program press release.

The Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) is a national non-profit organization that advocates for American Indian and Alaska Native Government employees. SAIGE will host their 10th annual National Training Program, *Guiding Our Destiny with Heritage and Traditions*, June 3-7, 2013 in Spokane, Washington, at the Northern Quest Resort & Casino, owned by the Kalispel Tribe.

As part of the Training Program, SAIGE will also host the annual Native Youth Program. This program is designed to provide Native American students an opportunity to learn about careers within the federal government, to participate in professional and personal development workshops and leadership training, and to network with Native American professionals.

SAIGE encourages Native American youth to realize their potential to become leaders in their communities and schools, continue their educations by obtaining a college degree, and ultimately, to seek a career in the government sector in one of the multitude of civil service professions. Federal agency representatives attending the conference will have the opportunity to participate as Exhibitors, meet students, and promote career opportunities within



their respective agencies.

SAIGE is offering a limited number of scholarships for Native students to attend the 2013 Training Conference June 3-7, 2013 in Spokane, Washington. The scholarships will include conference fee, airfare, hotel accommodations and meals.

The Youth Program is open to Native Students between the ages of 18 and 25 who can demonstrate they are currently enrolled in good standing at an accredited high school, college or university.

Students must be interested in gaining a professional degree and in the possibility of pursuing a career with the federal government. SAIGE invites American Indian/Alaska Native students to submit their application form, letter of reference, proof of school enrollment, and completed emergency medical information form for consideration to attend the conference. A short essay about their interest in government careers and information about themselves is also required. Completed application packets must be postmarked or electronic copies sent no later than **April 1, 2013**. To obtain a complete application visit our website at: www.saige.org under Youth Program.

We look forward to you joining us in Spokane, Washington

Contact: JoAnn Brant Youth Program Coordinator (202) 564-0375 brant.joann@epa.gov

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hunting and trapping season for wolves. There is a referendum campaign, launched by animal welfare and conservation groups and Native American tribes, in progress to place the measure on the ballot and nullify the action of the legislature.

The plaintiffs are represented in the case by Schiff Hardin, LLP and attorneys within the HSUS' Animal Protection Litigation section. The complaint was filed in the federal district court for the District of Columbia.

Timeline

October 2012 - January 2013 - More than 500 wolves killed by hunters and trappers in Wisconsin and Minnesota.

November 3, 2012 - Minnesota's hunting and trapping season begins.

October 15, 2012 - Wisconsin's wolf hunting and trapping season begins, marking the first public hunting and trapping season in the Great Lakes region in nearly 40 years. The HSUS and others send notice of their intent to sue the USFWS over its unlawful decision to delist wolves in the Great Lakes region.

December 2012 - Michigan enacts legislation declaring

the gray wolf a game animal to allow a trophy hunting season.

April 2012 - July 2012 - Wisconsin enacts legislation mandating a wolf hunting and trapping season, requiring the state wildlife agency to authorize the use of dogs, night hunting and snare and leg-hold traps. The state wildlife agency adopts regulations for the hunting and trapping of wolves in 2012-2013 via emergency rules.

July 2011 - August 2012 - Minnesota enacts legislation allowing a wolf hunting and trapping season once wolves are delisted. The state wildlife agency adopts regulations for the hunting and trapping of wolves in 2012-2013 via emergency rules.

December 2011 - The USFWS issues a final rule delisting the gray wolf population in the western Great Lakes.

September 2010 - The USFWS issues a finding that petitions to delist wolves in the Great Lakes region "may be warranted."

July 2009 - The HSUS enters into a court-approved settlement agreement with the USFWS which reinstated federal protections for wolves in the Great Lakes region.

June 2009 - The HSUS files suit in federal court to block the delisting decision.

April 2009 - The USFWS issues a final rule delisting the gray wolf population in the western Great Lakes.

September 2008 - In response to litigation filed by the HSUS and other organizations, a federal court overturned the USFWS' Great Lakes delisting decision, thereby, reinstating federal protections for gray wolves in the region.

February 2007 - The USFWS issues a final rule delisting the gray wolf population in the western Great Lakes.

2005 - 2006 - The USFWS tries to strip wolves of protection by issuing blanket permits to the state of Wisconsin which authorize state officials to kill dozens of wolves. These permits are thrown out by a federal court in response to a lawsuit by The HSUS.

January 2005 - A federal court rules the 2003 down listing was arbitrary and capricious, returning the wolf to endangered status.

2003 - The USFWS issues a final rule downgrading most of the gray wolves living in the lower 48 states from endangered to threatened, making it easier for people to lethally take wolves.

1978 - Gray wolf listed at the species level under the Endangered Species Act as endangered throughout the coterminous United States and Mexico, except in Minnesota, where gray wolves were listed as threatened.

1974 - Various subspecies of wolves listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act.

1967 - Wolves listed under the Endangered Species Preservation Act of 1966 - the precursor to the Endangered Species Act.

Charlevoix Public Schools Title VII Indian Education presents...

An Evening of Food and Entertainment

Tuesday, March 12, 2013, 5-8 p.m.

Tickets: \$7 for the public or \$5 for students/elders (Children 10 and under eat for free)

- Dinner includes Indian Taco, Corn Soup and Fry bread (Beverages available at additional cost)
- We will also hold an onsite raffle with tickets available for \$1 a piece or 6/\$5

Location: The dinner will be held at the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Tribal Building on Ranney Rd. (Located between East Jordan, MI, and Charlevoix, MI)

Directions:
Coming from Charlevoix, MI: Take M-66 South to East Jordan. After 7 miles, you will come to Ranney Rd. on the right. Take Ranney Rd. 1.3 miles, and then turn right onto Wa Ba Noo Mi Kun Rd. The GTB tribal building is up the driveway on the right.
Coming from East Jordan, MI: Take M-66 North to Charlevoix. Go 5 miles until you come to Phelps Rd., and make a left. Take Phelps Rd. about a half mile until you come to Ranney Rd., and then make a left. Take Ranney Rd. 1.3 miles, and then turn right onto Wa Ba Noo Mi Kun Rd. The GTB tribal building is up the driveway on the right.

Everyone is invited to come and enjoy!

All proceeds from the dinner go to future Title VII activities and events
 Contact person: Larry Denemy Phone: 231-547-8190 E-mail: ldenemy@rayder.net

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Commission, Board and Committee Vacancies

Current Vacancies:

Commission/Board	Term	Vacancies/Terms Ending
Child Welfare	3 yr. term	3
Economic Development	3 yr. term	3
Housing	4 yr. term	3
Gaming Regulatory	3 yr. term	1
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	4
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc.	3 yr. term	3
Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.	3 yr./5 yr. term	2
Odawa Fishery, Inc.	3 yr. term	3

The following information is provided for Tribal Members who are seeking nominations for an appointment to an LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Those interested, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume to:

Tribal Chairman
 LTBB of Odawa Indians
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49770
 Phone (231) 242-1418 Fax (231) 242-1411
 Email: chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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

The Executive Office is also accepting resumes for nominations for the appointed positions of:

Judicial Postings:
Appellate Judge, 6 year term, expiring February 2018
 Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility, Terms, see Article IX of The Constitution of the LTBB of Odawa Indians. Refer to the WOS 2010-016 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for Judges and Justices for compensation.
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2013 TRIBAL ELECTION SCHEDULE

- FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2013 ~ LAST DATE FOR THE CANDIDATES TO WITHDRAW IN WRITING FROM THE ELECTION
- MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2013 ~ CANDIDATE BIO'S MAILED TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS AS OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2013
- TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013 ~ LAST DATE TO REGISTER FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION
- TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013 ~ 1 P.M. TO 5 P.M. 915 EMMET STREET PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN - OFFICE HOURS TO ACCEPT VOTER REGISTRATIONS FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION
- FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2013 ~ PRIMARY BALLOTS MAILED TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS AS OF FEBRUARY 5, 2013
- SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 2013 ~ 1 P.M. TO 6 P.M. "MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM" AT ODAWA HOTEL, PETOSKEY, MI
- MONDAY, MAY 6, 2013 ~ PRIMARY ELECTION DAY 8 A.M. TO 7 P.M.
- MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013 ~ PRIMARY ELECTION CERTIFIED AT 5 P.M. AND THE BALLOT FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION APPROVED.
- FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2013 ~ BALLOTS FOR GENERAL ELECTION MAILED TO ALL REGISTERED VOTERS AS OF MARCH 26, 2013
- SATURDAY, JUNE 1, 2013 ~ 1 P.M. TO 6 P.M. "MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM" AT THE SOARING EAGLE CASINO RESORT HOTEL IN MT. PLEASANT, MI.
- MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2013 ~ GENERAL ELECTION DAY 8 A.M. TO 7 P.M.
- TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2013 ~ GENERAL ELECTION CERTIFIED AT 5 P.M.
- SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2013 OATH OF OFFICE FOR TRIBAL CHAIRMAN / VICE CHAIRMAN AND TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

"Idle No More" continued from page 1.

News Network covered the peaceful demonstration which was approved by the City of Petoskey, MI.

Participants then gathered at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, for soup, fry bread and refreshments.

More than 200 people gathered for an Idle No More demonstration on January 28, 2012 - the Idle No More Global Day of Action - at the Capitol Building in Lansing, MI. LTBB Tribal Citizens from the Northern Michigan area traveled there to participate. Similar demonstrations were held throughout Canada, the United States and globally. For more information about the Idle No More movement, please visit <http://idlenomore.ca/> or visit the Idle No More page on Facebook.

The following LTBB Tribal Citizens offered their comments regarding the Idle No More movement:

Renee Wasson Dillard, who helped organize Waganakising Odawa Idle No More in Petoskey, MI, on January 26, 2013 and has participated in other Idle No More demonstrations, said, "Our Canadian relatives have been awakened through the grassroots movement of IDLE NO MORE. Here in the United States, we share the pain of what will come unless change happens. I support our Canadian brothers and sisters, but also at the same time, I don't think we are merely an echo of the issues there. This movement has spoken to my heart as well as to thousands of other U.S. Native peoples. So, I am now IDLE NO MORE. I am ready to evolve into this consciousness with U.S. Native people and our supporters as we move forward with a PLEDGE of SOLIDARITY with our relatives in Canada. While at the same time, I carry the poster, and I will sing my songs for IDLE NO MORE where I live on this scared Earth Mother. One Earth, one life, I feel we have a decent chance to bring about awareness of the dire states of environment to the masses. My ancestors trusted we would continue to be the caretakers of this Earth, and I will NOT let them down. I love who I am, and I know what is expected of me. I am IDLE NO MORE, and I am evolving."

Andrea Pierce, who has participated in five Idle No More demonstrations with her boyfriend, BlackCrow Mejia, who is Eastern Band Cherokee, said, "When I heard about Idle No More, it really struck my heart. I kept thinking about all the natural resources that were being destroyed. Also, of all the First Nations people that would not be able to hunt and fish; all the basic necessities of life would be gone. The water would be destroyed, and then, I thought if Canada destroys their water, we are downstream and the Great Lakes would be affected. It is time to clean up our own backyard. I read something that said when your grandchild looks at you and says, 'Grandma, when you saw the water turning brown, what did you do? When you saw them destroying the environment, what did you do to stop it? That got me to thinking. All this started in Canada by the First Nations peoples, but it is also our responsibility to protect and care for Mother Earth. She needs us to stand up together in unity. We do not have the boundaries that mainstream society does. We have family and people on both ends of the border, and we all need to stand together as one people and make the changes that are needed, and there are many changes. Idle No More is not just about the Mother Earth, the water, fracking, Native rights, Native fishing rights or about treaty rights, it is also about the missing and murdered women and the Native stereotypes that exist. Natives have so many issues that need to be worked

on and we are finally getting heard by dancing and singing, showing our strength and love for our world and the seven generations that are coming. Going to the round dances is just a part of Idle No More. You have to do something to make a change. I already work with Michigan Coalition against Racism in Sports and Media; we are trying to rid the world of the Native American sporting mascots and the stereotypes that are associated with them. Since Idle No More, I am also working to protect the wolves. I am helping to get 225,000 signatures to get protecting the wolves on the ballot to be voted on. This way when my Grandson, Noah, looks at me and asks 'Grandma what did you do to stop this?' I can look him in the face and tell him, 'I fought it.'"

Dan Hinmon, who participated in Waganakising Odawa Idle No More, said, "I think it important for us as a tribe to be active in the community and to remind people that we are still here and we still have our treaty rights. That's the reason I was there. We need more people getting active."

Mike Naganashe, who has drummed at several Idle No More demonstrations, said: "When I first heard about the Idle No More, round dance flash mobs, I immediately went to Facebook, then to YouTube, to check it out. What I saw was people singing and dancing like my family has done for as long as I can remember. I attended a round dance flash mob in Indiana at a mall; what I experienced there was not at all what I expected, to say the least. The other Anishnabek and non-Natives participants, that ranged in age from baby to elder, were pushed, hands torn from one another while dancing in a circle around us singers, whose drums were being ripped from our hands and the whole time being told, 'Stop what you are doing, and leave immediately!' by law enforcement and mall security. I realized they had no idea what we were doing. The major news networks all over the world are not telling the story straightforward and are manipulating facts fed to them by the Canadian government to make it okay for the Canadian government to not honor treaties and to take away land from our Anishnabe cousins in Canada. The treaties were made to protect Mother Earth, our way of life, our traditions. I see what could happen if they get this land. I see this by looking around America, Our Mother Earth, has been mined, tore up and left disrespected. I don't want what happened here to the Odawa's and other tribes here to happen there. I think 'Idle No More' is important here just like it says, 'Don't sit idle anymore, bring back more of our old traditions from those who still carry those stories.' Time to share our creation stories to present day stories, share why and how dance styles started while the world is listening on social media and Idle No More events. I know this will make our community stronger. The people who wrote laws into existence 100 years ago are not here anymore, so new talks should have been happening. These gatherings are an awakening of the spirit; the beat of the drum and the pounding of feet while dancing in rhythm on Mother Earth is both healing and moving on many levels. This is how we are taught to bring the people together. So, we can heal and council, share our stories. We need stories from one another to survive life."

Carla Osawamick, who helped organize Waganakising Odawa Idle No More and has participated in Idle No More demonstrations, said, "The Idle No More movement is very important to everyone, not only Native peoples and not only Canadians. The indigenous First Nations in Canada

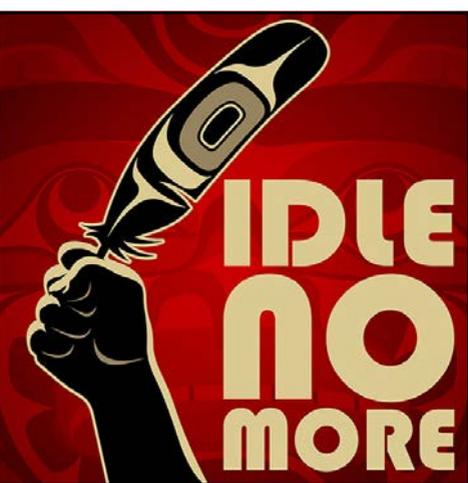
are contesting the Prime Minister and federal government's actions to eradicate treaty law. Actions which are meant to weaken sovereignty. Many people believe that if the Canadian government begins to eliminate the factors that define First Nations as sovereign nations, this will lead to continued deterioration of sovereign rights and aboriginal law. And, that the Canadian government would set standards as a model to how the United States manages its relationships with sovereign Native American nations. But, the issues are not only about sovereignty. There are very important environmental issues that concern us all. Because their tactics are to gain access to minerals and resources on Native reserves and reservation lands, the policies that the Canadian government is adopting are extremely damaging to the environment. We all share the air, the waterways and the Great Lakes basin. Their environmental policy affects us as well. Idle No More is a multi-dimensional movement. The main issues are the sovereign law of First Nations and environmental protection. Several related concerns are interwoven within those issues such as Jay Treaty Dual Citizenship rights, water protection, prohibition of fracking and protection of the wolf. At the very least, the Idle No More movement will bring awareness to some very important issues, will engage our young people and will inspire folks to get involved. I believe the gatherings need to be followed up with increased, active participation. Outcomes, results, progress. Organizations and individuals can take part in whichever area of interest they have and do something to make a difference. For me personally, I have been reflecting on what I see is my part to pitch in. Like many people, I have limited time, limited money and limited energy. Yet, I am committed to helping with change because we each can make a difference a little bit at a time."

Jannan J. Cornstalk, who participated in the two Idle No More demonstrations in Lansing, MI, said, "(It is important) to support the First Nations and their struggle to be heard and have their sovereign rights recognized. Secondly, the Native nations in the U.S. have many of the same issues and concerns when it comes to protecting our land, water and environment. Also, it is a non-threatening peaceful way to protest. It is important to stand up and be heard for the future generations and those who are unable to speak up or are afraid to. A lot of it boils down to capitalism, and if the industry is unable to make money, it is considered less valuable to not essential at all. We have to support other Natives on issues that affect us in similar ways. A long time ago, we didn't have borders, and there was no dividing line or manmade separation such as a border. I saw lots of photos and videos of young men on social media step up and pick up their drums to encourage people to dance and make their voices heard. Beautiful! It is nice to see our youth take such a significant, political role for our people. I believe the impact (on the Canadian and the U.S. governments) is very little and is often times due to a misunderstanding or not knowing how we feel. I have seen on social media a lot of non-Natives express anger and wish we would go quietly in the background and leave the mainstream society to do as it will. When the society at large is questioned about ethics and morals, it gets defensive. For example, soon, we shall see the impact of a water shortage, and already in other countries around the world, they are having large companies in control of water usage and disbursement. Ever had your water cut off?"

Please see www.odawatrails.com to view Tribal Council's declaration of support for the Idle No More movement.

IDLE NO MORE MOVEMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE INTRODUCTION OF BILL C-45 IN THE CANADIAN PARLIAMENT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



On December 14, 2012, the Canadian Parliament passed Bill C-45, which overhauled the Navigable Waters Protection Act (NWPA) of 1882 and renamed it the Navigation Protection Act (NPA).

The NWPA had mandated an extensive approval and consultation process before construction of any kind could take place in or around any water which could in principle be navigated by any kind of floating craft.

Under the new NPA, the approval process would only be required for development around one of a vastly cir-

cumscribed list of waterways set by the Minister of Transportation. Many of the newly deregulated waterways passed through traditional First Nations land.

According to Ecojustice, "The overall deregulatory impact (of Bill C-45) is to weaken Canadians' public right of navigation. In essence, the (Canadian) federal government did its upmost to 'get out of the business' of protecting navigable waterways across the country except for three oceans, 97 lakes and portions of 62 rivers. The majority of Canada's waterways are not subject to statutory navigation protections, leaving citizens clinging to the leaky lifeboat of common law in the fast-moving currents of economic growth."

In response to the introduction of Bill C-45, Nina Wilson, Sheelah Mclean, Sylvia McAdam and Jessica Gordon started organizing "teach-ins" in November 2012 to start bringing awareness to Bill C-45. This was the start of the "Idle No More" movement. The movement quickly spread throughout Canada and the United States before going global.

The National Day of Solidarity & Resurgence was called for on December 10, 2012, to oppose all legislation and to build solidarity while asserting inherent rights and nationhood while protecting the lands for all Canadian people. The

protests on December 10, 2012 were timed to coincide with the announcement Chief Theresa Spence of Attawapiskat was launching a hunger strike (no solid foods, limited to tea, water and broth) to demand a meeting with Prime Minister Harper and the Governor General of Canada to discuss aboriginal rights.

The Assembly of First Nations then issued an open letter December 16, 2012 to Governor General David Johnston, calling for a meeting to discuss Spence's demand. On December 17, 2012, the Confederacy of Treaty No. 6 First Nations issued a press release saying they did not recognize the legality of any laws passed by the federal parliament, "including but not limited to Bill C-45, which do not fulfill their constitutionally recognized and affirmed treaty and aboriginal rights; as well as the Crown's legal obligations to meaningfully consult and accommodate First Nations."

As of January 4, 2013, the main goals have been narrowed down to (1) the establishment of a nation-to-nation relationship between First Nations and the Government of Canada, rather than a relationship as defined in the Indian Act to address issues and (2) social and environmental sustainability.

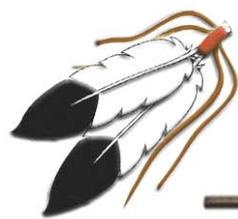
Other bills - Bill C-27 First Na-

tions Financial Transparency Act, Bill S-2 Family Homes on Reserve and Matrimonial Interests or Right Act, Bill S-6 First Nations Elections Act, Bill S-8 Safe Drinking Water for First Nations, Bill C-428 Indian Act Amendment and Replacement Act, Bill S-207 An Act to Amend the Interpretation Act and Bill S-212 First Nations Self-Government Recognition Bill and the "First Nations" Private Ownership Act - are on their way through the legislative process, and they will all directly affect First Nation people if passed.

On February 13, 2013, the Canadian Senate had a second reading of Bill C-27. Opponents of Bill C-27 say it undermines treaties, the treaty relationship and indigenous sovereignty. When the treaties were first forged between the First Nations peoples and representatives of the Queen (and later on, agents of the Government of Canada), it was understood these agreements were between nations. Bill C-27 intends to strip this fact completely from the agreements, effectively marginalizing and then negating indigenous sovereignty.

To continue to follow the Idle No More Movement and pending legislation, please visit <http://idlenomore.ca/> or visit the Idle No More page on Facebook.

Courtesy graphic.



LINEs FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP



Birthdays

Happy belated 1st birthday **Mzhakwod John**. We love you, Uncle Pete, Aunt T'T, Big D, P, B and Grandma!

Happy belated birthday to **Gayla Keshick** who celebrated her special day on February 25. Love, Mom.



Mno Dibishkaan to my twins, **Nizu "Dee Deenze"** (The Sentinel Guardian, The Messenger That Shares Knowledge) and **Haga "Manitou Mkwá Neebowl"** (Spirit Bear Standing, Ho Chunk Mide Lodge Spirit Keeper and Protector) Yellowbank! I'm very proud of you for trying your best this year in 1st grade, having good sportsmanship, being such great big brothers to your little sister, Suzi, and good little brothers to your big brother, Kunu. Gzaaginim Mom, Ryan, Suzi & Kunu.

Sending special birthday wishes to our awesome snowmobile racing nephew, **Collin Sutton**. Collin celebrates his day March 6. Love & miss you lots! Aunt Tina & Uncle Jason.

The family wishes **Raymond Bottoms**, a terrific brother, a very happy birthday on March 19.

Wishing **Sharon Sanders** a birthday full of smiles on March 24. From your family.

It's your birthday **Jo Ann Seay** on March 30. Have the happiest one ever! From brothers, sisters and family.

Happy birthday to **Jarrett Shananaquet, Ian Uleski, Wyn-ee Jo Boda, Martin Crampton, Sarah Holmes, Elaina Naganashe, Arlene Naganashe, Gary Miller, Jr., Mark Shenoskey, Francis Boda and Michelle Shenoskey**. Happy St. Patty's Day to everyone! From Don and Dorothy Boda.

Happy birthday to **Virginia Lewis** on March 12. Love you sis. From your traveling companion.

Wishing **Jeffrey** a happy birthday on March 7th and **Marlene** a happy birthday on the 31st. From their "roomie."

Happy birthday to my husband, **Jason Peterson**, on March 12. ~Love Wifi.

Happy birthday to my dear **Uncle Tub** (aka Herbert)! Wishing you a fantastic day! Wished you didn't live so far away! All my love, Judy.

Birthdays

Let it be known that March 8 shall now and forever be an official, annual holiday at "Camp Runamuck" in honor of **Beverly Wemigwase**, our "Alpha Female" and the best Gramma, ever! Love you, Homey, Choo-choo, Bungee-Boy, Baby (Powwow, the Indian Dog) and Toby T-Bone.

Happy birthday **Mom (Grandma)**. We love you, Pete, Terri, Big D and P & B.

Mno dibishkaan Ndaanis **Jannan Wahkuna Cotto**, baby Cornstalk, Jannanaaz, March 11! If you see her, wish her a Happy B-Day! Keep up the Good Works! Love, Gashi Jannan J. Cornstalk!

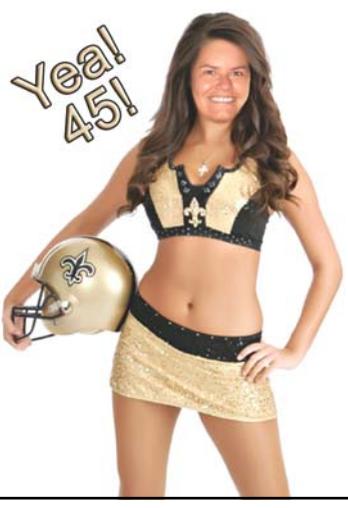
Happy birthday #33 to **Celestine (Worthington) Petoskey** over in Rogers City, MI, on March 7th. Love you lots, your family. ☺

Happy March 1st birthday **Lizzylou**, we love you! Mom and Greg.

Happy birthday on March 6th to **Collin Sutton**. Hope your day is as special as you are. Love you, Great Grandma and Grandpa Petoskey.

Happy February 25th birthday **Peep!** And, Happy March 10th birthday #2 **Livilou!** Grandma Peep and Grandpa Guido love you!

Happy birthday on March 28 **Jenny-penny!** We love you-Mom and Greg.



Happy 45th birthday to **Cherie Dominic** on March 15. Congratulations on your new job helping your fellow tribal citizens. Keep cheering on those New Orleans Saints! From the Wicked Witch and the Flying Monkeys.

Happy birthday on March 29 **Chrissy-do-bissy!** Lol. We love you-Mom and Greg.

We would like to wish our mother, **Ashlee Alexandra Gasco**, a happy birthday on March 19th from the boys of the home-Love, Joey & Jason.

Wishing **Keith Petoskey** a happy birthday on March 15. From Denise and Garcia.

Happy 70th birthday to **Doug Sprague** on March 23.

Birthdays

Happy 54th birthday **Bo (Paul) Booth** on the 3rd! From your whole family.

Birthday wishes for **Zack Feathers** on March 1 and for his dad, **Derek Feathers**, on March 10. From your family.

Happy birthday **Lizard Breath!** Hope you have a wonderful day! Love, Chrissy.

On March 3rd, my youngest son was born 23 years ago. I have loved him, held him and laughed with him. A good kid and a funny kid with a big, infectious smile. We have gone through rough patches, and we have come through on the other side with a smile. You have done a good job in life. Continued good luck and love as you take on a wife. Many blessings and much love. Happy birthday **Eli**, you make me proud. MoM. ☺

Happy birthday to my sister, **Jen Yuhn!** So proud of you and all your accomplishments this past year. Love you, Chrissy.

Happy birthday **Miss Alivia Rice.....Love, ABBIE & ABBISON.** (hahaha)

Happy 7th birthday to **Collin Sutton** on March 6th. You are a special boy, and we enjoy watching you grow. Love, Grandpa and Grandma (Granny) Sutton.

Happy birthday to my son, **Skippy**, on March 29th. Wishing you a great birthday and the beginning of a new direction in your life! So hard to believe that 23 years have already passed!!!! You will always be my baby boy!!! Ha Ha!! All my love, Mom.

Happy birthday to my gymnastics champ, **Jayden Young!!!** Wishing you a great birthday, and glad I will be there to help you celebrate!!!! YIP-PEEEEE!!!! All my love, Grandma Judy.

Happy birthday to my precious Mommy, **Anne Field**, who would have been 87 years old on March 18th. You are gone, but never forgotten! Thank you for all your love and support over the years! Love and miss you every day!! Judy.

Happy birthday to my sweet Auntie, **Joyce Jensen!** Hope you have a great birthday, and know you are deeply loved! All my love, Judy.

Happy birthday to Grandma's little pill, **Hailey Field**, who is growing up way too fast! Seems like yesterday, you came into our lives and have brought lots of love, joy, laughter and precious memories!!! All my love, Grandma Judy.

Wishing my only daughter, **Ashlee A. Gasco**, a very happy birthday on March 19th, and for many more to come. Love, your mama.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Enrollment Office
(231) 242-1520 or (231) 242-1521
Fax (231) 242-1526

Preparation of 2013 Tribal Directory

The Enrollment Office is preparing a Tribal Directory which will include the name and addresses of each adult citizen, 18 and over, as of February 28, 2013. Those listed as undeliverable will not be included in the Tribal Directory.

If you do not want your name included in the Tribal Directory, please sign and return this card by March 31, 2013, 5 PM EST.

Tribal Citizen's Printed Name _____ Date _____

Tribal Citizen Signature _____

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~ Attention ~

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Monday, March 18, 2013
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Women's Divisions

65 & Over

- 1st - Mary Jane Kiogima - 218 ft. 5 in.
- 2nd - Arlene Naganashe - 186 ft. 1 in.
- 3rd - Diane Naganashe - 170 ft. 4 in.

Ages 50 - 64

- 1st - Carol Kiogima - 405 ft. 1 in.
- 2nd - Sherri Patton - 298 ft.
- 3rd - Valissa Naganashe - 296 ft. 1 in.

Preschool Ages 1 - 4

- 1st - Wassey Wemigwase - 119 ft.
- 2nd - Suzi Stillwell - 116 ft.
- 3rd - Whitney Bott - 110 ft.

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

- 1st - Emily Naganashe - 255 ft.
- 2nd - Evelyn Gibson - 250 ft. 4 in.
- 3rd - Karle Exelby - 140 ft. 9 in.

3rd - 5th Grade

- 1st - Ashley Ellis - 254 ft.
- 2nd - Sierra Dillard - 197 ft. 2 in.
- 3rd - Sandy Naganashe - 186 ft. 7 in.

6th - 8th Grade

- 1st - Anna Wemigwase - 272 ft. 10 in.
- 2nd - Lilly Parker - 271 ft. 2 in.

9th - 12th Grade

- 1st - Kristina Deland-Phillips - 580 ft. 7 in.
- 2nd - Jamie Dayson - 399 ft. 2 in.
- 3rd - Megan Gilbert - 397 ft.

Ages 18 - 34

- 1st - Carolyn Deland-Phillips - 411 ft. 11 in.
- 2nd - Rebecca Naganashe - 315 ft. 7 in.
- 3rd - Bobbie Dillard - 310 ft.

Ages 35 - 49

- 1st - Theresa Keshick - 535 ft. 5 in.
- 2nd - Roxanne Deland-Phillips - 425 ft. 9 in.
- 3rd - Tina Dominic - 414 ft. 8 in.

65 & Over/Longest Throw

Mary Jane Kiogima

18 - 64 Years Old Longest Throw

Theresa Keshick

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Men's Divisions

65 & Over

- 1st - Patrick Naganashe - 279 ft.
- 2nd - Hank Rowland - 266 ft.
- 3rd - James Naganashe - 164 ft. 5 in.

Ages 50 - 64

- 1st - John Naganashe - 400 ft. 5 in.
- 2nd - Bob Phillips - 384 ft. 7 in.
- 3rd - JD Gibson - 309 ft. 4 in.

Preschool Ages 1 - 4

- 1st - Kaleb Carver - 162 ft.
- 2nd - Gabe Keshick - 124 ft. 5 in.
- 3rd - Isaac Dillard - 67 ft.

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

- 1st - Haga Yellowbank - 275 ft.
- 2nd - Tavien Lucier - 264 ft. 6 in.
- 3rd - Nizhu Yellowbank - 256 ft.

3rd - 5th Grade

- 1st - Kunu Yellowbank - 307 ft. 6 in.
- 2nd - Jordan Bussey - 297 ft.
- 3rd - Nimkii Naganashe - 256 ft.

6th - 8th Grade

- 1st - Stanley Dewey - 308 ft. 3 in.
- 2nd - Aaron Brookins - 298 ft. 6 in.
- 3rd - Xander Becenti - 298 ft. 2 in.

9th - 12th Grade

- 1st - Tristan Clark - 417 ft. 7 in.
- 2nd - Kenny Dewey - 415 ft. 6 in.
- 3rd - Marcus Garrow - 414 ft. 6 in.

Ages 18 - 34

- 1st - Leroy Shenoskey - 418 ft.
- 2nd - Jonathan Lonchar - 416 ft.
- 3rd - Mike Naganashe - 411 ft. 5 in.

Ages 35 - 49

- 1st - Todd Parker - 428 ft. 7 in.
- 2nd - Brian Gibson - 424 ft. 9 in.
- 3rd - Clatus Clyne - 409 ft. 11 in.

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