



SPARTAN MD STUDENT SPOTLIGHT - MEDICINE AND PURPOSE: FRANK ANIMIKWAM, FOURTH YEAR



ant aspect in Frank's life, ingrained in his Native American heritage and, on the verge of graduation, a big motivation.

Medicine has always been viewed as more than a career. To him, medicine is about making life better. The experiences that drew him to that conclusion were immediate.

"I was born with club feet. My feet were turned in and the doctors said that if I didn't get surgery, I'd likely need crutches or a wheelchair for the rest of my life. But orthopedic surgeons were able to correct my club feet and drastically improve my quality of life. So I had life-changing, significant events involving medicine since birth."

The procedure would have a profound influence on Frank that went beyond the physical.

"For me, that was huge. For (a physician) to have that much of an impact on my health so that I have a good quality of life just meant so much to me," he says. "I've always had that feeling, that desire to want to help in that way."

Frank grew up just north of Detroit in Mt. Clemens, MI, a blue collar town for blue collar households. His father worked at the Ford Company for years. Mom stayed at home to take care of the children and help out in the lunchroom at the local school. A typical family structure in the Detroit metro area of the times.

"I didn't have much of a medical family background, but I was always shown what hard work could accomplish. That meant providing for your family. It's about family value. So that really drove me to continue on with education and keep medicine in my mind."

By his teens, he began utilizing his resources in preparation for med school. He took it upon himself to shadow family medicine physicians, including one he happened to know well. His cousin, Dr. Terry Samuels, agreed to have him for several days at their tribe's health clinic for the Lit-



tle Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, located in Petoskey, MI.

"That was the first time I put on a white coat. It was a big, baggy white coat and I could barely fill it," he laughs.

"I didn't know anything about medicine so I was just kind of standing there. But I got the experience and I was able to see how someone from the community, a family medicine-trained physician, met with patients. Those patients were able to connect with him. I saw a lot of gratitude and appreciation...on both sides."

Deeply shaped by his Native American lineage, his cultural connections reach wide. Frank's naturally familiar with the metro area's urban Native American communities, but his tribe is in a more rural area of northern Michigan. Having familiarity with both spaces gave Frank the ability to see subtle differences between urban and rural practices.

What he also saw was a lack of funding, staff and re-

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Editor's note: The following article and photographs of Frank Animikwam, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, appear on the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Office of Admissions webpage and are reprinted here with permission.

Fourth-year student, Frank Animikwam, is fairly adamant there was never one defining moment in choosing a career in medicine. There was never a light bulb-type of scenario where he suddenly knew this was his calling. Instead, the desire to become a physician was something that steadily grew from one experience to another.

What Frank did come to find out, though, was that those experiences have always had an underlying foundation—community.

Perhaps it is no surprise that Frank would end up as a student at the nation's pioneer community-based medical school. Community, after all, has always been an import-

MY JOURNEY - BY STEVEN FORD

Below is an inspiring personal testimony of perseverance and success from a standout client of the Education Department's WIOA (Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act) program, which is funded through the U.S. Department of Labor. Steven Ford entered the WIOA program in May 2015 in an effort to receive assistance with increasing his employability. Read below to learn more about his journey to success.

There are times when life has obstacles to challenge you. It's up to you to accept the challenge. Time is built with expectations of steps - steps such as graduating, going to college, getting a career and starting a family. That was not my case at all. My journey is constructed like a Picasso piece. There seems to be no rhyme or reason, but everything works together for a reason.

Being a father at 16 was definitely not in my own interest, but it happened. This was the reason I had dropped out of school. I knew that working on the weekends was not going to support the necessities. I worked multiple jobs throughout my life. It was when I began working un-

der a chef who had taught me so many life lessons many years ago.

Afterward, I met Jessica. I wasn't sure of myself when it came to reaching out, I could only focus on my loyalty to work, where I felt I was at my best. As I met Jessica and after a few dates, our relationship grew strong- a bond second to none. I never really had someone to believe in me as much as she does. I was always wrangled in self-doubt. We eventually married and have been side by side since then.

Four years ago, she helped start another phase of my journey: Completing my education. Still with doubt lingering, Jess pushed me into unknown waters. She showed the utmost interest and unfathomable loving support. During this time, she developed an unexplained seizure disorder. I dropped out of college due to her medical condition. Once again, I stopped my education.

We eventually found a medicine that worked and has worked since then. Both of us re-entered college with determination to complete our degrees. Besides supporting my family and graduating college, I've had one goal in mind and that was to earn my GED. I enrolled in the WIOA program with the Education Department to help with the process of obtaining my GED.

Now fully committed to work, going to college and starting the GED program, home life was a three-ring circus. I'm glad to say that I was able to complete my GED within one year. I have also graduated college and



earned my A.G.S. from North Central Michigan College. Throughout this time, the support grew from my family to friends and professors.

At 32 years of age, I can look back and say that anything is possible if you really want it and are willing to put the heart and dedication into to it. I plan to continue my education by completing my Bachelors and Masters in art.

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 242-1462

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 242-1700

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 242-1475

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 242-1600

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 242-1593

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 (Transportation)
 242-1601

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement

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LTBB Mission Statement

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 own language. The freedom to share 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.

Contact ODAWA TRAILS Information



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 May 2017 issue of *Odawa Trails* is April 3, 2017.

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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- 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 10, 2017. 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.

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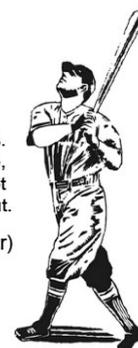
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ELDERS DEPARTMENT

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Aanii Tribal Elder,

lite, Internet

Hand written receipts, check copies or money order receipts will NOT be accepted. Grocery receipts must be originals. We will not accept any food stamp or assistance agency payments.

If bills are for services partially in 2016, we will not be able to accept them. Service dates must be provided for utility bills submitted the first 2 months of the year.

All utility bills must be for services provided in 2017, and paid for in 2017 - with proof & date of payment showing.

Step two: How to complete application:

Complete and sign the application.

Double check your 2017 grocery receipts & utility bills add up to \$400 total.

Mail to above address or drop off at the office.

Step three: How your application is processed:

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

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

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

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

LTBB Accounting Department will mail your check.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Commission ~ 2017 Meeting Schedule

April 5th, May 3rd
June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd
September 6th, October 4th
November 1st, December 6th

All meetings to be held at the LTBB
Governmental Center, Room 312, at 5 pm.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Election Board

2017 Special Election "Meet the Candidate Forum"

Primary Election Forum
Saturday, April 1, 2017 - 9 am to 3 pm

General Election Forum
Saturday, June 2, 2017 - 9 am to 3 pm

LTBB Governmental Center, Harbor Springs, MI

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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Program 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Ph: (231) 242-1423 or (231) 242-1422

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(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

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April 1

John Kenoshmeg, Sr.
Loretta Cook

April 2

Anne Cowell
Betty Peacock
Marilyn Hume
Kathleen Guzinski
Mark Wabanimkee
Vicki Emery

April 3

William A. Denemy

April 4

Viola Wood
Mary Kiogima
Sandra Tipton

April 5

Gloria Purifoy
Regina Hardwick

April 6

Steven Shenoskey
Ricky Reiter

April 7

Cynthia Kiogima
Thomas Nongueskwa
Brion Himes
Larry Cartwright
Ivan Taylor

April 8

Mitchell Baker, Sr.
Rose Newman
Kelly Lyle

April 9

Sharon Tracey
Wayne Stine
Mary Quick
Karyn Young
Melissa Moses
Dawn Malcomson

April 10

Michael Smith
Loretta Eidt
Sadi Synn
Carl Shawa
Michael Shomin

April 11

Robin Barney-Lees
Christine Haines
Karen Morrison
Lauretta Gilbert
Gerald Keller

April 12

Norman Rittenhouse, Sr.
Elaine Ramirez
LaVerne Bottoms

April 13

Janice Grooms
Willie Rawls, Jr.
Magdalene Kosequat

April 14

Kevin Barry

April 15

Karl Kilborn
Sharon Duffey
Jacqueline Myers

April 16

Claire Reinhout
Laura Morche
Frederick Perry, Sr.

April 17

Susan Grech
Kevin Gasco
Merle Hansen
Michael Crossett
Gregory Warren
Angeline Woodin

April 18

Thomas Kiogima, Sr.

April 19

Michael Cherette
Brenda Sabella
Mary Niswander
Debra Holbeck
Frank Ettawageshik
Tina Hea

April 20

Catherine Laba
Veda Estrada
Linda Steinman
Deborah Shawanibin

April 21

Richard Hays

April 22

Wanda Carr
Harold Salter

April 23

Michele Portman-LaCount
Brian Darling
Roy Miron

April 24

William Denemy
Sharon Cranick
Mary Bowers
Jacqueline Scheidler

April 25

Virgil Honson
Gary Kaestner
Susan Sloan

April 26

Kelly Wesaw
Scott Pliier

April 27

Mary Baldwin

April 28

Donald Houghton
Margaret Rodriguez
Alfred Sprague

April 29

Elsie Carson
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Richard Kewaygeshik
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April 30

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5:30 pm – 6:15 pm Martial Arts
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6:30 pm – 7:15 pm Aerobic Chair
Exercise w/Marlene Gasco

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ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

ATTENTION: 2017 PER CAPITA REQUIREMENTS

Released August 10, 2016

The Enrollment Department has begun scanning enrollment records and linking relationships in our Citizenship Database (Progeny ES). During the scanning process, the Enrollment Department staff has noticed some of the enrollment files are missing copies of social security cards. We are sending out letters to the tribal citizens who have incomplete files by U.S. mail. If you receive a letter in the mail, please update the Enrollment Department as promptly as possible to bring your file up to date. If we **do not** have a copy of your social security verification on file prior to **October 31, 2017**, (the 2017 per capita payment distribution deadline) your per capita payment may be held or delayed in 2017. This does not affect the 2016 per capita distribution.

Acceptable Verification of your Social Security

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- Copy of your Social Security Card
- Social Security Card number printed by Social Security Administration Office
- Social Security Administration Benefit Statement
- W-2 or 1099 form
- Pay stub containing your name and social security number
- Valid U.S. military ID card with photo (DD-2 or CAC card)
- Other official document/card containing your name and social security number.

Our goal is to not only get our records up to date, but to make sure by **working together** that everyone gets their 2017 per capita check. If you have any questions, call the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520.

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By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

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Hours are Sunday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

The LTBB Economic Development Commission chose the name Biindigen, which means "come in" in Anishinaabemowin, from suggestions it received.

Biindigen currently has eight employees and is run by General Manager Don Portman, an LTBB Tribal Citizen.

LTBB Tribal Citizens can purchase tax exempt gasoline, cigarettes and other tobacco products (OTP) packaged in similar fashion at Biindigen.

In addition to selling BP gasoline, Biindigen

offers a full line of snacks, beer, wine, liquor, energy drinks, pop, Native Pride hats, LTBB tribal flags, POW/MIA flags, Ty stuffed animals, BP cards and gift certificates, etc. BP cards are available in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations while gift certificates are available in any amount.

The best-selling items include candy, snacks, chocolate, hard candy, pop and energy drinks. There are in-store deals on pop and energy drinks.

On March 6, 2017, the Topaz commander cash register system was installed. The Coca-Cola fountain pop machine is also new this year. Last year, the floors were replaced, and the coffee bar/deli area was redone. After a switch to LED lighting a few years ago, Biindigen's energy bill has considerably decreased.

For more information, you may call Biindigen at 231-487-1093.

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PLEASE NOTE:

All BP Rewards Cards must be swiped in the store only. If you use the card at the pump, you will lose your tax exemption.

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• DETAILS TO FOLLOW •



ATTENTION STUDENTS

Changes are being instituted in the processing of Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Scholarships. Beginning with the **Summer 2017** session, students must provide a copy of their unofficial transcripts rather than previously required grade reports. There have been numerous submissions lacking pertinent information such as student names, school identifiers, cumulative GPA, etc. This change is being made, so the processing of scholarships is faster. Submissions not following the requirements will be rejected. Please direct any questions regarding these changes to the Education Department at 231-242-1480.

ATTENTION STUDENTS!

YOU NEED TO SUBMIT NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THE MICHELLE CHINGWA SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR THAT STARTED ON AUGUST 1, 2016

****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



"DO YOU WANT TO BECOME MORE EMPLOYABLE?"

Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act Program

Are you an enrolled American Indian, Alaskan Native or Native Hawaiian, Burt Lake Band Member or first generation descendant (1/8 Blood Quantum) of Little Traverse Bay Bands?

Are you underemployed (work 31 hours or less), unemployed, laid off, dislocated worker, need of your GED or need of retraining?

Are you 18 or older?

If so, contact: Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez, Outreach Worker for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program

Programs available in the following areas:

- * Job search & placement assistance
- * Job career assessment
- * Career/individual employment plan
- * Resume' workshops
- * Basic & higher education assistance

LTBB Education Department Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act
Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez 231-242-1488, 231-445-2625
Fax: 231-242-1490 slopez@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

"My Journey" continued from page 1.

Like I said before, my life is like a Picasso piece.

If you are interested in achieving the same success that Steven Ford has, the Education Department's WIOA program can help! We focus on assisting qualified individuals with barriers to employment. Below is an incomprehensive list of services we may provide:

- Development of individual employment plan
- Resume' writing assistance
- Job search and placement assistance
- Career planning
- Tuition and fees assistance
- Entrepreneurial and small business supplies, tools and training
- Books and supplies for training
- Testing fees, including but not limited to GED or other training related testing fees
- Payment of allowances/stipends for actual classroom and training time, including workshops and seminars related to job readiness, resume' writ-

ing, job searching, career development and skill development

- Mileage assistance, transit cards or taxi vouchers to support travel to training, certification and job searching

- Emergency rental and utility assistance
- Clothing and uniforms
- Eyeglasses and/or prescription safety goggles
- Medical costs associated with employment and training-related physicals/psychological evaluations needed by participants in relation to job searching and employment

- Child care when identified as a barrier to employment

- Referrals
- Follow-up services

For more information on services and how to quality, please contact Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez, WIOA Outreach Worker, at slopez@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or 231-242-1488.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE



By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

Aanii kina gwayah! (Hello everyone!) Greetings from the Department of Commerce (DOC).

There are a couple things I wanted to touch base on and to remind the membership about ... specifically geared towards the Tax Agreement and Resident Tribal Members (RTMs).

It's tax time. What does this mean for RTMs? As an RTM, one is exempt from Michigan Income Tax. There are two ways to consider this. The first method, and the one preferred by the State of Michigan (SOM), is to proceed with having the tax taken out of your paycheck. Then when you file your taxes, it's given back to you in the form of a refund/credit check. That's IF you don't

owe any back taxes or have any garnishments on file. The second method is to not have the Michigan Income Tax taken out of your paycheck to begin with. Some employers are not comfortable with this method, outside of working for a tribal government, tribally-owned entity or tribally-owned casino. One must fill out a Michigan W-4, and on line 8, you mark box B, and the explanation should read: RTM of a Federally Recognized Tribe. This of course, will not give any type of refund when filing Michigan Income Taxes at the end of the year as no taxes were paid in.

What else does this mean come tax time? As a RTM, there's another tax credit one would be eligible for. It's called the "MICHIGAN Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit" also known as a "4013 Tax Credit." This is for RTM's only, is capped at \$80k, is based on the number of months you were a RTM (according to DOC/Enrollment), and again, if one does not have any garnishments or owe state taxes for previous years, you'd get a check for the amount of the credit. Keep in mind this is for the RTM ONLY. If you're married, and your spouse is non-tribal or is from another tribe, it is only YOUR income this credit is based upon. It calculates to 0.9% (0.009) of a RTMs Adjusted Gross Income (AGI...which is carried

over from one's federal income tax return).

Please keep in mind you should only claim the number of months you resided within the tribe's Tax Agreement Area (TAA). IF you claim more than what the SOM has record of, your credit will either be adjusted or denied altogether.

The Tax Agreement Area does NOT encompass the entire historical reservation boundaries nor the CCE boundaries. It is actually smaller than both and is within them. Mainly, they are the TOWNSHIPS surrounding Little Traverse Bay which encompass parts of Emmet and Charlevoix Counties in Michigan. (The complete list is in another article within this newsletter along with a general map.)

Also, keep in mind if you are a RTM and you receive a "Denial" letter, an "Adjustment" letter or a "Proposed Tax Due" letter, please contact the DOC office. We will need a copy of any said letter(s), a contact number for you, and we will research the dates in question and assist the RTM in resolving the issue. Sometimes it's in favor of the RTM, but there are times when it is not.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact the DOC office at 231-242-1584 or via e-mail at tkeshick@lbbodawa-nsn.gov

Courtesy photo.

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/lbbtaxagr>

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.

Moving?

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

Forms are also available at www.lbbodawa-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.

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 2/28/2013 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.

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:

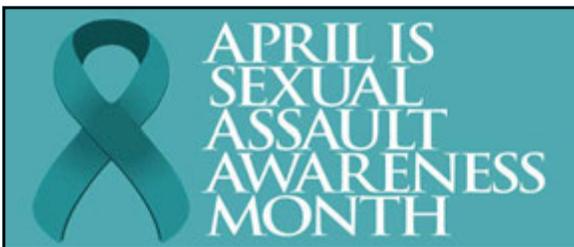
- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

Megwetch,
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

APRIL AWARENESS



Submitted by Keely Frye, Survivor Advocate

Intergenerational trauma- you may have heard it before. The abuses in boarding schools and the destruction of loving families created generations of hurting people. Some feel like they are in a never ending cycle of pain, dysfunction and shame.

Unwanted sexual experiences of all kinds can make you feel powerless or responsible for the abuse. It is important a survivor understand they are not at fault. The responsibility for harm lies with the abuser not the survivor.

Even if the assault occurred many years ago, the effects linger and can manifest themselves in destructive ways:

- Explosive or destructive anger
- Substance abuse
- Self sabotage
- Keeping everyone at an arm's length
- Rejecting others before they can possibly reject you

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"April Awareness" continued from page 7.

- Struggling with trust in your relationships
- Concerns about your ability to parent in a healthy way

This is an uncomfortable topic for many, especially for families who have offenders and survivors in their families. Even though the person who caused harm may have had their share of difficulties, it is not an excuse to harm others. It may be hard to believe someone you know and love could hurt someone in that way. This unfortunately leads to denial of the truth which can be devastating to the survivor of the sexual assault. Please start by listening and believing.

Someday we will say
Remember when rape was blamed on the victim?
Remember when people shamed victims for calling the police for help?
Remember when we called a victim a liar because the truth was too uncomfortable?
Remember when people would try to make excuses for those who abused and controlled others?
Let that someday be today.
April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month- be on the lookout for events and informational displays at all of our LTBB offices.
Courtesy graphic.



Al-Anon Meetings
LTBB Health Park,
every Wednesday
7-8 pm
Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

Al-Anon Family Groups
Strength and hope for friends and families of problem drinkers

There is no magic formula that enables you to help someone stop – or cut back - on his or her drinking. Alcoholism is a complex problem with many related issues. But, Al-Anon can help you learn how to cope with the challenges of someone else's drinking. Come ask questions, share or just listen.

231-675-7044 www.miafg.org

KIDS! ENTER THE PINWHEEL COLORING CONTEST AND YOU COULD WIN A PRIZE!

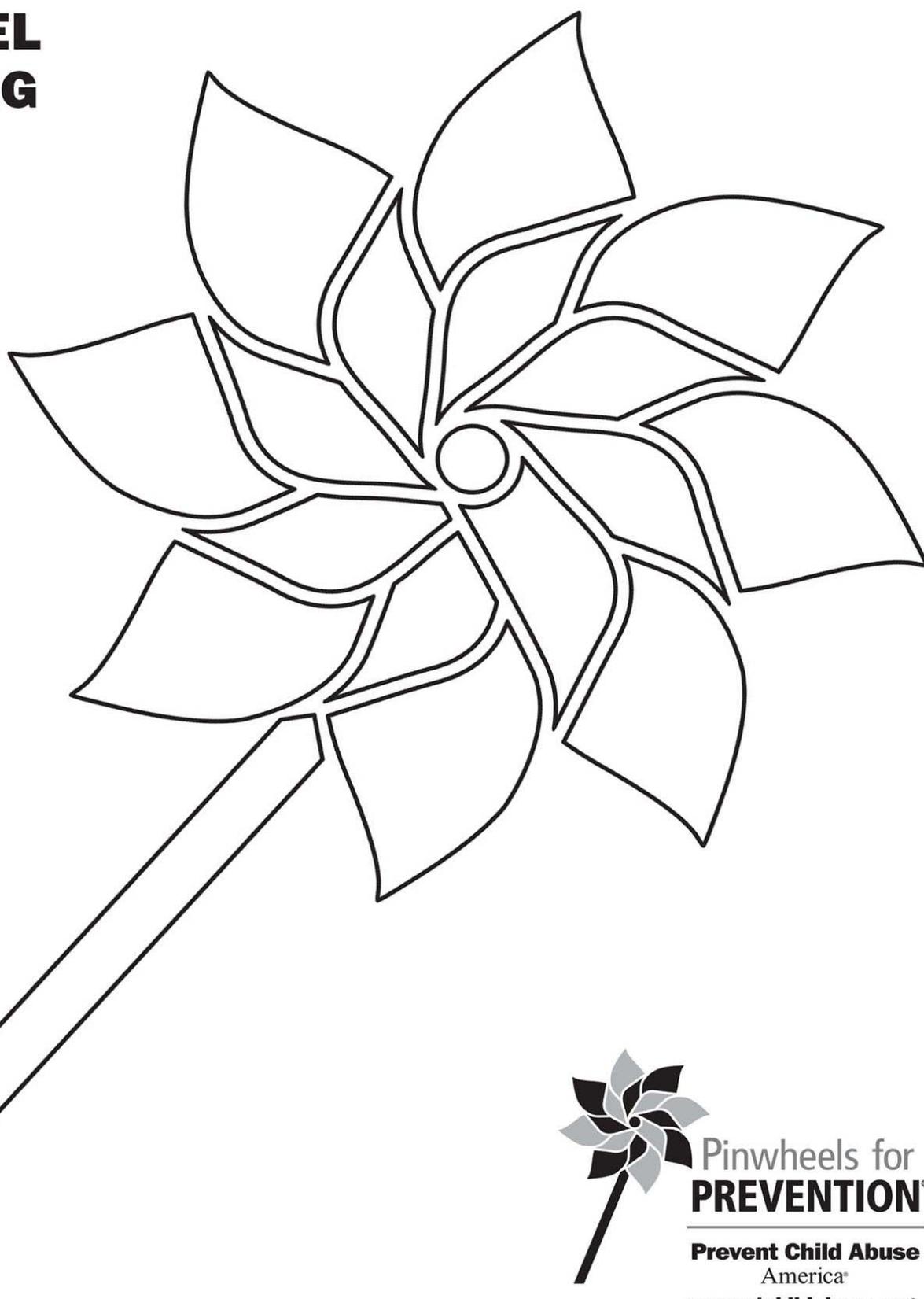
The pinwheel is the national symbol for child abuse prevention. It signifies innocence, childhood and hope. This April, *National Child Abuse Prevention Month*, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Human Services is hosting a coloring contest. The coloring contest is open to not just tribal members and their descendants, but also those children who are part of the local tribal community.

Please note the rules for the coloring contest:

Crayons * Markers * Paint * Stickers * Colored Pencils * Glitter * You choose!

- ♦ Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.
 - ♦ Limit one submission per child.
 - ♦ All entries must be the original size.
 - ♦ Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
 - ♦ Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or the DHS office at 911 Spring St. Petoskey, MI 49770. No exceptions!
 - ♦ All mailed entries must be postmarked by April 28, 2017. No exceptions!
- Two winners being selected in each age category. Each winner will receive a prize!

PINWHEEL COLORING SHEET



Name: _____
Age: _____ Phone: _____

WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help. Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get a free well and septic system or replace your current system. Please be aware it takes approximately 3 to 4 months to gain federal approval of your application.

HOME IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM CHANGE

Due to HUD guidelines, the Housing Department is required to do an environmental review regardless of the work being done. The process of these reviews can take up to three to six months; we cannot proceed until this process has been completed. Please be aware there is a possibility the review could come back with a negative impact, in which case, could be cause for denial.

NOTICE

For information on the Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) Please go to www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

APRIL 2017 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Closed on April 14th for Good Friday
 Open Distribution: 10th - 11th from 9am - 3pm
 Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week
 828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto
 Deliveries:
 Local, 5th and 6th
 Peshawbestown, 18th and 19th
 Traverse City, 21st
 For more information, contact
 Food Distribution Program
 Specialist Joe VanAlstine
 at 231-347-2573



10 tips build healthy mealtime habits

10 tips for preschoolers



Preschoolers love to copy what their parents do. They mimic your table manners, your willingness to try new foods, and your preferences. Take a break from the TV or phone and build healthy mealtime habits together.

- 1 plan meals and snacks**
 Make time for three meals and one or two snacks every day. Offer choices from each food group—fruits, vegetables, whole grains, low-fat dairy, and protein foods—throughout the day so your preschooler gets the nutrition he or she needs.
- 2 make meals enjoyable**
 Eat meals with your children whenever possible. Let them help you prepare the meal. Make conversation about something that made them laugh. Keep mealtime upbeat and stress free.
- 3 try to get two food groups in a snack**
 Pair sliced tomato with low-fat cheese or add nut butter to a 100% whole-wheat mini bagel.
- 4 keep things positive**
 Talk about the color, feel, or flavor of foods so they sound appealing to your preschooler. Discourage others from making negative comments about foods during meals.
- 5 develop taste buds**
 When preschoolers develop a taste for many foods, it's easier to plan meals. Keep in mind that it may take a dozen tries for a child to accept a new food.
- 6 visit the market**
 Shopping can teach your preschooler about food and healthy eating—talk about where foods come from and how they grow.
- 7 let children practice serving themselves**
 Include smaller cuts of fish or meat and offer small serving utensils so they get just enough during meals. Encourage them to ask for more if they are still hungry.
- 8 beverages are important, too**
 Water helps to quench your preschooler's thirst, and milk provides nutrients for growth. Offer water or fat-free or low-fat milk as beverage choices instead of sugary drinks.
- 9 help them know when they are full**
 Encourage your child to stop eating when he or she is full rather than when the plate is clean. When your child is not interested in the meal, excuse him or her from the table.
- 10 reward with attention, not treats**
 Rewarding children with sweet desserts or snacks may encourage them to think that treats are better than other foods. Comfort and reward with care and praise, not food.

Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion
 USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Go to www.ChooseMyPlate.gov for more information.

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 June 2015

NO MORE

No MORE excuses. No MORE silence. No MORE violence

- KNOW RESPECT
Mnaadendmowin - Be respectful
- SHOW LOVE
Zaagidwin - Be caring
- BE HONEST
Gwekwaadziwin - Be truthful

The 7 Grandfather Teachings
 LOVE
 RESPECT
 COURAGE
 HONESTY
 WISDOM
 HUMILITY
 TRUTH



Get involved! Support survivors.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
 Call Monday-Friday: (231) 242-1620
 Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan
 24-Hour Crisis and Information Lines: (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995

SEEKING: FOSTER HOMES

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
 Department of Human Services
 is searching for foster homes!

If you, or someone you know, have the time and desire to become a foster parent for our youth, please contact the LTBB Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620

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!
 Human Services Department - 231-242-1620

LTBB Internship Program

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians offers a wide variety of intern programs intended to provide hands-on experience and education in a tribal government setting. Human Resources will work with your college to assure your experience meets the needs and goals of your coursework. For more information, please contact Human Resources at 231-242-1555 or hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

WOCTEP Business Resource Center

Business related books, magazines, periodicals and reference resources.
 Internet based resources.
 Business counseling.

LTBB Governmental Center
 WOCTEP Computer Lab
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740
 Call Dan Hinmon for questions at 231-242-1478

Come in and get started on your business plan today!

CNC Courses available!

Call 231-439-6265 for more information.

North Central MICHIGAN COLLEGE
It's what matters!

Financial assistance is available. Contact SEEDS Project Director at 231-242-1579.

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April Celebrates Mother Earth

how can one sell the air?
 Brother Eagle, Sister Sky
 KEEPERS OF THE EARTH

Visit the LTBB Cultural Library where you will find books that teach & encourage respect & awareness for our shared planet, Mother Earth.

Remember Earth Day is April 22nd.

Sign up for a library card & also get access to thousands of e-books & audiobooks available through Great Lakes Digital Libraries. Call 231-242-1487 or stop by the Education Department.

LTBB Cultural Library

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Introducing the newest member of the SPRING team, Nanaboozhoo! Nanaboozhoo is a culturally significant shape-shifting, storyteller who has decided to aid in SPRING'S prevention efforts. Nanaboozhoo will be traveling through our seven schools and around various businesses to help spread our prevention messages. If you see him, take a picture and upload him to our LTBB Spring Prevention Facebook page. Where is Nanaboozhoo?!?



2017 GOONIGNEBIG DAMNAWIN

Submitted by Marlene Gasco, Healthy Heart Administrative Assistant

I would like to take this time to thank all volunteers, competitors and the whole community for coming together on February 18, 2017 and making this Snowsnake event one to remember.

The weather was beautiful, and people were out in record numbers to compete and spectate. It was such a blessing to see the community come together and have a great time.

Special thanks to Thomas Teuthorn for helping me with the construction of the track and Jeff Schlappi also for his help. Even though we had to rebuild a portion of the track last minute, it looked great and received a lot of compliments. I don't know how we will be able to outdo this year's Thomas, but it's something we need to start thinking about. ☺

I need to also take the time to thank my wonderful crew that without their help and support this year's Snowsnake would not have been as successful.

- My track measurers: Rebecca Fisher, Tammy Gasco and Phil Harmon. It wasn't as easy as last year, and we definitely had to move fast to keep up with the snakes this year. You guys are ROCKSTARS! CHI MIIGWECH!

- My scorekeepers and registration table: Billi Jo Head, Marcia Sutton, Regina Bentley and Sharon Sierzputowski. You ladies did a phenomenal job keeping the score sheets and scores up to date and easy to read for the awards ceremony. A round of applause for you Ladies!!

- Kitchen and miscellaneous: Carol Kiogima, Regina Brubacker-Carver, Jody Werner and Angela Carney for keeping the inside in order and helping

with the endless amount of food. A wave, a hands in the air for all of you!!!

- Snake runners: Thanks to all who took time during the competition to help fetch the snakes thrown for the competitors. There was a lot of busy bodies and blurry faces that passed by me along the track that I never caught the names.

- Soup preparers: Thanks to all soup makers for the delicious variety provided for the community. The soups were all a hit!

- Photographer: Wendy Congdon had a great set up and was able to get some great action photos from the event.

- Chi miigwech to Billy Mac, Bart Gasco and Matt Gasco for helping me in the time of need with the snowmobiler issue. Thanks for rescuing me in my time of crazy.

- Vicki Kelley did a 50/50 raffle for the Standing Rock support. We were able to raise \$125 for helping with any items needed for those still standing strong there. The winner donated his winnings back to the Standing Rock cause. I'm not sure what the gentleman's name was, but it was very generous of him. ☺

This event was by far larger than last year's event. I double checked my figures from last year, and we did have 85 participants, which is 13 more than last year's. I would have to say with the combination of competitors and spectators, there were at least 125 community members in attendance. I am still in awe at how this community came together for such a fun winter competition.

Again, CHI MIIGWECH to all who helped, participated or just spectated at this year's Snowsnake event. I had a blast, and it was a pleasure to see so many smiling faces there.

<p>Winners are as follows:</p> <p>Men's 65 and up</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Howard Martell Steve Oldman Richard Wemigwase <p>Women's 65 and up</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Shirley Garrow Sheri Patton Beth Kiogima <p>Men's 50-64</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> JD Gibson Thomas A. Teuthorn, Sr. Gerald Garrow <p>Women's 50-64</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Vicki A. Kelley Roxanne Deland-Phillips Carol Kiogima <p>Men's 35-49</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Jay Maldonado Michael Naganashe Phil Harmon <p>Women's 35-49</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Angela Carney 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Allie Maldonado Melissa Wiatrolik <p>Men's 18-34</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Michael Sutton Josh Gasco Chase Patton <p>Women's 18-34</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Cassandra Grundy Billi Jo Head Sara Brown-Gasco <p>Boys 9th-12th Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Kunu Yellowbank <p>Boys 6th-8th Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Nimkii Naganashe Brayden Patton <p>Girls 6th-8th Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Evelyn Gibson Bethany Brown Autumn Naganashe <p>Boys 3rd-5th Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Collin Sutton Haga Yellowbank Riley Maldonado 	<p>Girls 3rd-5th Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Katie Carson Brienna Brown Sophia Stein <p>Boys K-2nd Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Braden Sutton Lane Gasco Kentin Lacombe <p>Girls K-2nd Grade</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ariana Maldonado Alexis Powell <p>Boys Preschool (Ages 1-4)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Isaac Grundy Grayson Boda John Holzschu <p>Girls Preschool (Ages 1-4)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Audrey Lacombe Kaitlyn Sutton Leila Bennington
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Laugh, Learn and Live Well

When: April 4, 2017
from 4-8 pm
Location: Waasnodegamik,
5656 Appishmok Blvd.,
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
(Community Center off
State Road)

In recognition of Scottish-American Heritage Month, we will be creating with that most Scottish of fibers—wool! Learn how to use a felting needle to create colorful designs on your own pair of wrist warmers. We will have some wool fabric on hand, but if you want a particular color, contact me ahead of time for instructions on how to prepare your own wool. Everything else will be provided.

Stress, social isolation and loss of community can all contribute to diabetes, a major health concern for Anishinaabe. Come join us as we laugh, learn and create community.

Each session will be limited to 25 attendees. To register for the event or for more information, please contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid (Maj-tog Minowb-maude-zid) Means "A Start of a Healthy Life"

We are working towards providing services and information that 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 all families who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both parent and newborn up to the age of five years.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, but not replace obstetrical 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 after pregnancy. 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.

For more information on Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call Carol J. Sodman-Morris, Maternal Nurse Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-242-1614 or Ashley Dominic, Health Educator for Family Spirit, at 231-838-5761.

No Insurance? See if you qualify for the Healthy Michigan Plan!

The Healthy Michigan Plan provides health care benefits to Michigan residents at a low cost so that more people can have health care coverage. Individuals are eligible for the Healthy Michigan Plan if they:

- Are age 19-64 years
- Have income at or below 133% of the federal poverty level* (\$16,000 for a single person or \$33,000 for a family of four)
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in Medicare
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in other Medicaid programs
- Are not pregnant at the time of application
- Are residents of the State of Michigan

*Eligibility for the Healthy Michigan Plan is determined through the Modified Adjusted Gross Income methodology.

If you do not have insurance and would like to fill out an application, contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 or by e-mail at vglazier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to set up an appointment today!

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 LTBB Natural Resources Department

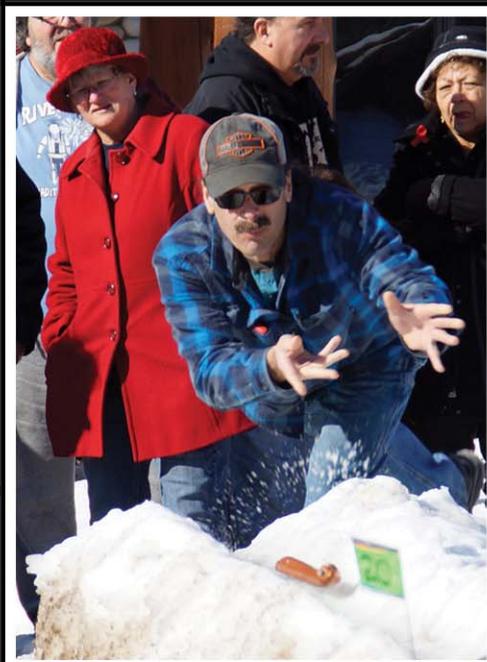
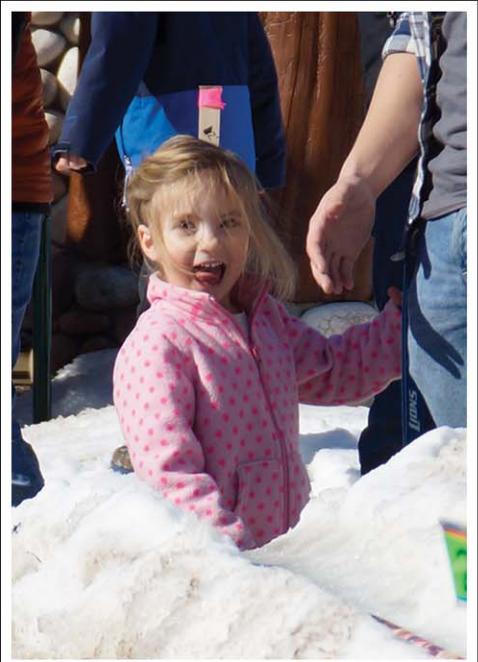
7845 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1670
dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

DON'T GET STUCK WITH THE BILL!

CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICES
NO PRIOR AUTHORIZATION
 (REFERENCE NUMBER)
 OR PRESCRIPTION PRE-APPROVAL
 =
NO CHS PAYMENT FOR BILL
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PATIENT RESPONSIBLE FOR BILL

2017 Snowsnake Games

Photos by Wendy Congdon





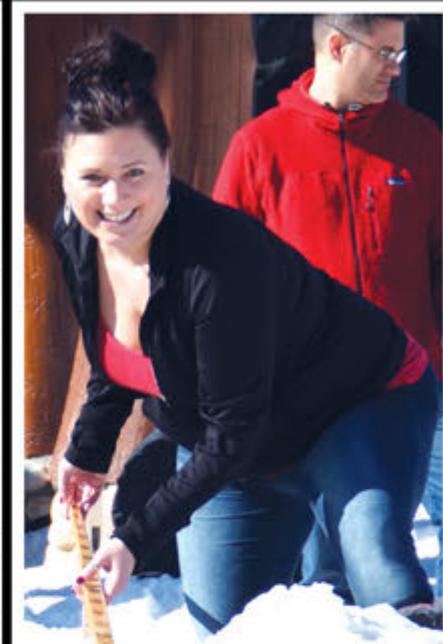
Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

We have space heaters available to tribal citizens who can show proof of the following income criteria:

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8, Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), Head Start, Income at or below 135% of Federal Poverty Guidelines, Veterans Pension and Survivor Benefit Programs, National School Lunch Program (only free lunch, not reduced) or Low Income Energy Assistance

One heater per household at this time. May change if necessary to distribute all heaters.

Available at: Human Services Department
911 Spring Street, Petoskey, MI 49770




WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2017
AL-ANON OPEN HOUSE
BRING A FRIEND
LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS HEALTH CLINIC/ACROSS FROM MEIJERS (REAR ENTRANCE, LEARS ROAD 2ND FLOOR)
6PM-7PM INFORMATIONAL FELLOWSHIP, SOUP & FRYBREAD
7pm-8pm Open mtg.
More information, call 231-242-1642

PURPOSE: AL-ANON HAS BUT ONE PURPOSE TO HELP FAMILIES OF ALCOHOLICS.



Indigenous Health and Wellness Day

Promoting Our People's Health:
Putting "WE" in Wellness
April 20-22, 2017

Middle and High School students

Thursday April 20, 2017 Madison College: Truax Campus- Afternoon Program
Information Sessions | Interactive Activities | Native Student Panel | Dinner

Friday April 21, 2017 UW-Madison Campus-All Day Program
Featuring Well For Culture co-founders Chelsey Luger and Thosh Collins | Campus tour | Lunch and more!

Saturday April 22, 2017 Madison College: Truax Campus-All Day Event
Madison College Annual Pow Wow

Register by April 6th to guarantee provided lodging.
*** <http://med.wisc.edu/ihwd2017> ***

Questions? Contact lauren.cornelius@wisc.edu or (608)262-7218

Sponsored by Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council (GLITC), Native American Center for Health Professions, UW School of Medicine and Public Health, Madison College, Wisconsin Council on Children & families, and UW Health- Health Occupations and Professions Exploration
Funded by Division of Diversity, Equity & Educational Achievement




Leech Lake Tribal College Annual:

Anwebiwin Niimi idiwin

Resting Powwow

Saturday, April 15, 2017
Cass Lake-Bena High School * Grand Entry: 1:00 & 6:30pm

FREE ADMISSION* EVERYONE WELCOME* DINNER @ 5:00pm

Contact & Vendor Information:
Flower Kingbird P: 218- 335-4224 E: flower.kingbird@lltc.edu W: www.lltc.edu

Dancers must be in full regalia to register & receive honorarium.

LLTC Committee will not tolerate any drug/alcohol use while on property. Fighting or gang activities to promote a negative atmosphere will not be allowed. Any violations will result in Removal from Powwow grounds by security and/or onsite law enforcement personnel. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.




TRIBAL ADMINISTRATION

SEEDS COMMUNITY MEETING ARTWORK

During LTBB's 2017 Community Meeting, the SEEDS project will be providing demonstrated tours in the Fab Lab. During the event, citizens and other community members will have the opportunity to come into the lab to create art on the design software and run CNC machines. We are kindly seeking culturally inspired artwork/designs from all ages to showcase during the event. Selected design(s) will be milled onto aluminum and presented onto keychains and/or other end products.

Please follow the directions below and return

artwork to the SEEDS Department (in the Elders suite) or scan and e-mail to sslomsy@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Create artwork using black ink only (pen or permanent marker).

No color and limited shading works best.

You may submit more than one design.

Present your design in one of the two larger boxes, choosing the correct orientation for your artwork.

Deadline for artwork submission is April 15, 2017.

Horizontal Design



Vertical Design



Previous artwork



Joyce Munson



Marilyn Shananaquet-Hume



Print Name _____

Signature to authorize SEEDS use of submitted artwork _____ Date _____

CNC Trained Operators in Demand

Get the training you need for jobs in this high-demand area. North Central Michigan College is offering CAM and CNC courses taught in the Mobile Digital Fab Lab and on campus in Petoskey this winter.

Get the edge in this competitive job market. Apply now or register for winter classes at www.ncmich.edu. For more information, call the CNC Career Specialist at 231-439-6265.

OFFERED THIS WINTER IN THE FAB LAB AND ON CAMPUS IN PETOSKEY:

- CAM 100 – Intro to CAM
- CNC 102 – Intro Lathe Operations
- CNC 103 – Intro Milling Operations
- CAM 110 – Operations/Work Holding
- CNC 112 – Lathe Operations
- CNC 113 – Mill Operations
- CAM 120 – Spindle Speeds & Feed Rates
- CNC 122 – Lathe Spindle Speed & Feed Rates
- CNC 123 – Mill Spindle Speed & Feed Rates
- CAM 130 – Planning for Various Materials & Processes
- CNC 132 – Lathe On-Board G-code Edit & Operation
- CNC 133 – Mill On-Board G-code Edit & Operation

Financial assistance is available. Contact SEEDS Project Director at 231-242-1579.

The production of this flyer was supported by Grant # 90NE0025-01-00 from ACF. Its content are solely the responsibility of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa-Indians and do not necessarily represent the official views of ACF.

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

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

Commission/Board	Term	Vacancies/Terms Ending
Citizenship	3 yr. term	1
Gaming Regulatory	3 yr. term	1
Liquor & Tobacco Licensing Board	2 yr. term	1
Zoning Board of Appeals	1 yr. term	1

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:

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Chairman Office
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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 Shirley Naganashe Oldman Secondary Education Completion Award recognizes your academic achievements as an LTBB tribal member. This program has been developed to promote the completion of secondary education programs. The Shirley Naganashe Oldman Completion Award, in the amount of \$100, will be awarded to LTBB tribal members who complete a secondary education program. In order to receive this award, a copy of your official transcript, copy of high school diploma, GED certificate or certificate of completion MUST be submitted.

Award applications can be found online, in person at the Education office or mailed per request (contact Education at 231-242-1480).

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE



Aanii, March was a busy month.

Our tribe had tribal representatives at various meetings and conferences. Our involvement in these conferences is crucial for the tribe and allows us to preserve relationships with others throughout Indian country. Our Vice Chair will be at-

tending Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST). I am certain she will be getting her 10,000 steps in from pounding the pavement and meeting with federal office staff and congressmen on various issues concerning our tribal government. These congressional visits and staff visits are important as they assist in our success as a sovereign nation. It is crucial now that we have a new president to commit to educating new staff and members within his administration about Native matters. We must continue to strengthen relationships we have made over the years with those in D.C. who decide on laws and policy that directly affect us as a tribe.

We have had our share of hardships endured to be where

we are today. We remain to have challenges, but please know that we, along with our tribal elected officials, fight to protect our rights as Native Americans. But, always remember, it's not just one person's decision that creates change – it takes a majority. Change happens through teamwork and by everyone working together for the betterment of the tribe. I ask that you all remember your leaders at all levels, your community, and your tribe in your prayers.

April is Health Awareness month, and I encourage you to check out our health facilities and tribal programming. Get involved in tribal events and in the community to assist your body, mind and spirit to guide you forward in a good way.

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"AFFIRMING THE RESERVATION BOUNDARY WILL CEMENT OUR ABILITY TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN, FAMILIES, ELDERS AND ANCESTRAL REMAINS"

Editor's note: On August 20, 2015, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians filed a federal court complaint against Rick Snyder, the Governor of Michigan, to confirm the tribe's treaty-protected reservation boundaries in order to best serve its citizens and to offer certainty to the local and state governmental departments with which it works. Recently, the *Petoskey News-Review* asked LTBB Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley to write a guest commentary explaining what the tribe seeks in the lawsuit against the State of Michigan. Gasco-Bentley granted the *Odawa Trails* newsletter permission to

run the following article, which first appeared in the *Petoskey News-Review* on February 21, 2017.

Our tribe, the Waganakising Odawak or Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, has endured monumental struggles to remain in our homeland and maintain our culture and traditions.

Odawa or Ottawa means "trader," and the skill and fortitude of our ancestors as hunters and trappers supported the fur trade from the 1600s-1800s, which could not have existed without us. But, as our

"Reservation Boundary" continued on page 14.

Stay up to date!

Join LTBB Higher Education Department on Twitter at: @LTBBHigherEd and Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/LTBBHigherEducation

Save on your next computer with Dell

Tribal Citizens and Employees can save money on their next computer purchase when shopping with Dell. It's easy, just log on to www.dell.com/EPP or call 1-877-289-9437 and enter Member ID#: CS25031222 to take advantage of the discount.

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



"Reservation Boundary" continued on page 13.

labors enriched the companies, we were put in debt by foreign languages and monetary systems.

During the time of President Jackson, the federal government put tremendous pressure on our ancestors to remove to Kansas, a landlocked desert. To woodlands Indians who survived on fish from the upper Great Lakes, this was unimaginable. Faced with mounting debt to the fur traders and the threat of being forcibly removed, our ancestors traveled to Washington, D.C. in 1836 to negotiate a treaty. That 1836 treaty gave the United States 14 million acres of land, almost half of the land that became the state of Michigan in 1837, in exchange for allowing us to remain on Little Traverse Bay.



To secure our right to permanently remain in our homeland, our tribe and the United States negotiated another treaty in 1855 that created our reservation, consisting of 11 townships, and Garden and High islands in what is now Emmet and Charlevoix counties.

But, after surviving the fur trading debt and threat of removal, we faced even greater challenges in the aftermath of the 1855 treaty. We lost titles to our land in the decades following the treaty, and throughout the 20th century, the federal boarding school system and the state social services structure decimated our families.

These injuries are not long-ago stories from history books. Many of our living elders and deceased

parents were coercively sent to faraway federal Indian boarding schools. They were forbidden to speak their native language or practice their native religions.

I, and many others in our tribe, attended the Holy Childhood boarding school in Harbor Springs. Attendance was rarely by choice, as state foster care workers often threatened to take children out of their home unless the families agreed to send them to the boarding school. Many of our families were torn apart by state and private social services agencies.

My vice chairperson's mother and aunts lived with their grandmother in Harbor Springs in the 1940s until all the children were taken, separated from each other, and placed far from each other in different non-Indian homes. The agency put her mother, Rita, then 8 years old, in jail for two weeks while looking for a foster care placement. It took Rita 50 years to find her baby sister.

Sadly, the vice chairperson's family history is not unique. Our tribal judge's mother was taken from her family as a small child, and she eventually ended up as a child servant to a family in Indiana. So many of our families have similar tragic stories. And yet we have endured, and many who were taken away have found their way home.

We cannot eradicate our past, but we, as a tribe, can give hope to our children to feel safe and secure in our ancestral homeland. In addition to bringing clarity to other issues, our lawsuit in federal court goes to the heart of the tribe's ability to have exclusive jurisdiction over our children so that the tribe can make decisions about how our children are cared for; not the State of Michigan.

In the treaties, the tribe carried out its part of the bargain. The lawsuit asks the court to uphold the treaty promises made to the tribe by recognizing the treaty reservation boundary. Affirming the reservation boundary will cement our ability to protect our children, families, elders and ancestral remains.

In the meantime, we will continue to forge friendships and governmental partnerships and be good neighbors within the community. We invite anyone who has questions about this lawsuit to contact us at 231-242-1418, and I maintain an open-door policy to the community.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

LTBB has received a grant through the Administration for Native Americans. This grant allows our Tribal Citizens to live-stream Tribal Council Committee Meetings. You can join the Tribal Council Committees by logging in as a "guest" at:

Appropriation and Finance Committee
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/AFC/>

Land and Reservation Committee
<http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/LandandReservation/>

Dates and times of meetings will be posted on the LTBB website and in the Odawa Trails newsletter.
 Participate through Connect!

LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS

Please note that **ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this includes Mskiki Gumik offices**

April 14, 2017 – Good Friday
 May 29, 2017 – Memorial Day
 July 4, 2017 – Independence Day
 September 4, 2017 – Lewis & Doris Adams Holiday
 September 21, 2017 – Sovereignty Day
 September 22, 2017 – Michigan Indian Day
 November 10, 2017 – Veteran's Day
 November 23, 2017 – Thanksgiving Day
 November 24, 2017 – Day after Thanksgiving
 December 25, 2017 – Christmas Eve
 December 26, 2017 – Christmas Day
 January 1, 2017 – New Year's Eve

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 Commission Full Name	Current Status	Appointment Date	Expiration Date	Serial Number
Theresa C Keshick	Active	02/18/2015	February 17, 2021	01-09
Rebecca Fisher	Active	02/22/2015	February 21, 2021	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	06/07/2011	June 07, 2017	05-09
Kathryn L. McGraw	Active	04/02/2013	April 2, 2019	06-09
Gwendolyn Gasco	Active	07/02/2013	July 2, 2019	08-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	02/22/2015	February 22, 2021	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	08/24/2015	August 23, 2021	11-09

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

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council
 General Attendance log:

DATE	February 2017	Aaron Wayne Otto	Julie Shananaquet	Marci Reyes	Dexter McNamara	Frank Bernard	David Harrington	Mike Naganashe	Beatrice A. Law	Emily Proctor
02/02/17	Tribal Council Meeting		X	X	X		X		X	X
02/06/17	Appropriations and Finance Meeting		X	X	X				X	
02/10/17	Land and Reservation Committee		X	X	X		X		X	
02/14/17	Tribal Council Work Session	X	X				X	X	X	X
02/16/17	Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X			X		X	X
02/21/17	Tribal Council Special Meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
02/22/17-02/23/17	United Tribes of Michigan-Lansing MI			X				X	X	

*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs

2018 BUDGET FORMULATION PROCESS PLANNING CALENDAR

April 3 & 5, 2017 9 am Executive Branch Budget hearings
 April 7, 2017 1:30 pm Judicial, Prosecutor, Election Board, Legislative Branch and Corporate Charters
 April 13, 2017 1 pm - 4 pm 2018 LTBB Annual Budget Public Hearing
 April 20, 2017 Final 2018 Annual Budget approved by Tribal Council
 April 21, 2017 Final 2018 Annual Budget posted to Tribal Website
 May 20, 2017 Annual Community Meeting

NATIVE WAY 2 GYM BEGINNER BOXING
 TUESDAY & THURSDAY 6:30 PM TO 7:30 PM

ADVANCED BOXING
 TUESDAY & THURSDAY 5 PM TO 6 PM

YOGA
 MONDAY 4 PM TO 5 PM
 THURSDAY 8 AM TO 9 AM

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

JIU JITSU
 WEDNESDAY 6 PM TO 7 PM

If the LTBB Governmental Offices are closed for the day, all Native Way classes will be cancelled. If the weather is uncertain, call LTBB Community Health at 231-242-1664 before 4 pm for class updates; otherwise, please err on the side of caution and stay home if you are not sure. If want to participate in tae kwon do, boxing or jiu jitsu, please call prior to going at 231-242-1616.

Native Way Two gym is located off the Harbor-Conway Road at 8730 East Commerce Court, Units 7 and 8, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

April

Sunday (Name-Giizhigat)	Monday (Ntam-Nokii Giizhigat)	Tuesday (Niizho-Giizhigat)	Wednesday (Nso-Giizhigat)	Thursday (Niiwo-Giizhigat)	Friday (Naano-Giizhigat)	Saturday (Nwebi-Giizhigat)
<p>Please Note: Meeting times and dates are subject to change.</p>	<p>NOTICE: Meetings normally held in room 312 may be relocated during the month of April. Check with the Executive Office for actual location of each meeting.</p>	<p>Elders Open Swim Odawa Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm Call 231-242-1423 for details</p>				<p>Meet the Candidate Forum 9 am - 3 pm Governmental Center</p>
2	<p>Gaming Enterprise Board Meeting 9 am - noon OCR Executive Suite</p>	<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers</p>	<p>Elder's Commission Meeting 5 pm Govt. Center Rm 312 Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St. NRC Meeting 6 pm - NRD Conference Room</p>	<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers</p>	<p>CWC Meeting 1 pm Human Services Conference Room Housing Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 1345 US-31 N, Petoskey, MI</p>	1
9		<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon AFC Meeting 1 pm Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers</p>		<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon 2018 Budget Hearings Open to public 1 pm - 4 pm Tribal Council Chambers Land and Res. Cmte Meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers Traditional Tribal Burial Inc. 5:30 pm NRD Conference Room</p>	<p>Election Board Work Session 4:30 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI Good Friday All Governmental Offices Closed</p>	15
16	<p>Citizenship Com. Meeting 5:30 pm Govt. Center Rm 118 Gaming Enterprise Board Meeting 9 am - noon OCR Executive Suite</p>	<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers</p>	<p>Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St. NRC Meeting 6 pm - NRD Conference Room</p>	<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers</p>		22
23		<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon</p>		<p>Elders Luncheon at Noon</p>	<p>Election Board Work Session 4:30 pm 407-A Michigan St. Petoskey, MI</p>	29
30						

Easter



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BODY UNDER CONSTRUCTION MIND ON A MISSION

2017 Annual LTBB Community Meeting

Date: May 20, 2017
 Time: 8 AM Registration, 9 AM - 1 PM Meeting
 8 AM-Noon Executive Departments' Information Booths and Vendors
 Where: Ovation Hall, Odawa Casino - Petoskey, MI

For more information or suggestions, please contact Annual Meeting Speaker Daugherty Johnson at djohnson@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unable to attend the LTBB Annual Meeting, join us via Adobe Connect. We will be live-streaming the Annual Meeting at: <http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/AM2013>

We will be gathering questions before the Annual Meeting, please post questions on the LTBB website, Citizens Only Portal: <http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov>



2017 LTBB COMMUNITY MEETING PLANNING SESSIONS

DATES: March 10th and March 24th
TIME: 1pm - 2pm
LOCATION: Legislative Office, Room #413
 Please contact Daugherty Johnson with any questions at 231-242-1571

Save the date for the
 LTBB Annual Community Meeting
 May 20th, 2017



Live Well Class Life Story Necklaces



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Are You:

- Currently not eligible for Medicaid?
- 19-64 years old?
- Not eligible for Medicare?
- Not pregnant?
- Making under \$15,000 for a family of 1 or making under \$34,000 for a family of 4?



If you have answered "YES" to these questions, you may qualify for Medicaid due to the Michigan Medicaid Expansion: Healthy Michigan!! Please contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 for assistance.

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.

SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families.

Assistance may include the following:
 Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance ~ Assistance with Personal Protection Orders ~ Problem Solving and Safety Planning ~ Emergency Food Vouchers ~ Advocacy and Referrals ~ Court Accompaniment ~ Relocation Assistance ~ Clothing / Toiletries

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers 1-800-275-1995.

"THIS DOCUMENT WAS DEVELOPED BY THE LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF OJAWA INDIANS SURVIVOR OUTREACH SERVICES SUPPORTED BY GRANT NO. 2012-TW-AX-0034 AWARDED BY THE OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THE OPINIONS, FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS EXPRESSED IN THIS PUBLICATION/PROGRAM/EXHIBITION ARE THOSE OF THE AUTHOR(S) AND DO NOT NECESSARILY REFLECT THE VIEWS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN."



GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

INTRODUCING RAYMOND SHENOSKEY, JR.



Jr., and my Anishinaabe name is "First Bear." I am an Odawa Anishinaabe. I am learning Anishinaabemowin, and I am learning through the program called KAP Waakinomaagejik. I am from this area, and I currently live in Bay Shore. I am currently a student at North Central Michigan College where I will be graduating this May with my Associates of Arts. I have plans to transfer over to Central Michigan University this fall to become a high school teacher teaching Anishinaabemowin as well as math and science while still attending KAP. I have worked many years for the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe with youth and several other opportunities - I enjoy working with the youth. I am a powwow and round dance singer. I have traveled from Los Angeles, California to Myrtle

Beach, North Carolina and still feel like I need to keep on traveling and exploring. Singing is one of my passions. I am also a grass dancer, chicken dancer and hoop dancer. I enjoy dancing, and like many, I design and create my own dance outfit and beadwork. My intention for this program is to become as proficient as I can in Anishinaabemowin. I believe we can save this language and revitalize it with this program. It is important that we keep that connection with those ones that were here before us, so that we may move forward as people and as individuals. Anishinaabemowin is a sacred language, as well as a funny language - I also want to learn what is so funny when I hear speakers speak Anishinaabemowin. N'haow, mii go wi.

Raymond
Courtesy photo.

Aanii!
Niin Raymond Shenoskey, miinwaa Ntam-Mko ndizhinikaazh. Odawa-Nishinaabe ndaaw. Noongom nda-kinoomaago 'Nishnaabemowin, mii sa KAP Waakinomaagejik enji-zhinkaadek nokiiyaanh.

Hello!
I am Raymond Shenoskey,

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Hundreds of interactive words and phrases with audio!

Ebiimoshin

(modern phrase to say "e-mail me")

Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List - One word at a time - E-mails sent of a single word or phrase with MP3 audio sound attached.

Anishinaabemowin E-mail List - In addition to the Bibezhik Kidwin e-mails, you'll also receive occasional e-mails regarding Anishinaabemowin Language such as announcements of Language or Cultural Activities, Classes, Events or General Information and News.

Send us an e-mail, and we'll add you to the "Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List" or the "Anishinaabemowin E-mail List." Carla Osawamick (McFall) at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Nishnaabemwin Pane Immersion Program

2017 Summer Semester Schedule

LTBB is a satellite site of NPIP, which is accredited through Bay Mills Community College.

Wegnesh? *What?*
5 Weekends Per Semester

Wenesh Pii? *When?*
May 5-7
June 2-4
June 23-25
July 21-23
August 18-20

Aaniish Epiichaak? *What time?*
Fridays 1pm - 8pm
Saturdays 8am - 8pm
Sundays 8am - noon

Aapiish? *Where?*
LTBB Governmental Center
Commons Area
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI

The NPIP program develops the Anishinaabe language learner's ability to understand fluent speakers. The environment and approach used in class is designed to put students at ease while listening to stories told in Anishinaabemowin.

NO ANXIETY OR FEELING INTIMIDATED OR EMBARRASSED.

Students will attain a high level of listening comprehension, and eventually increased ability to speak.

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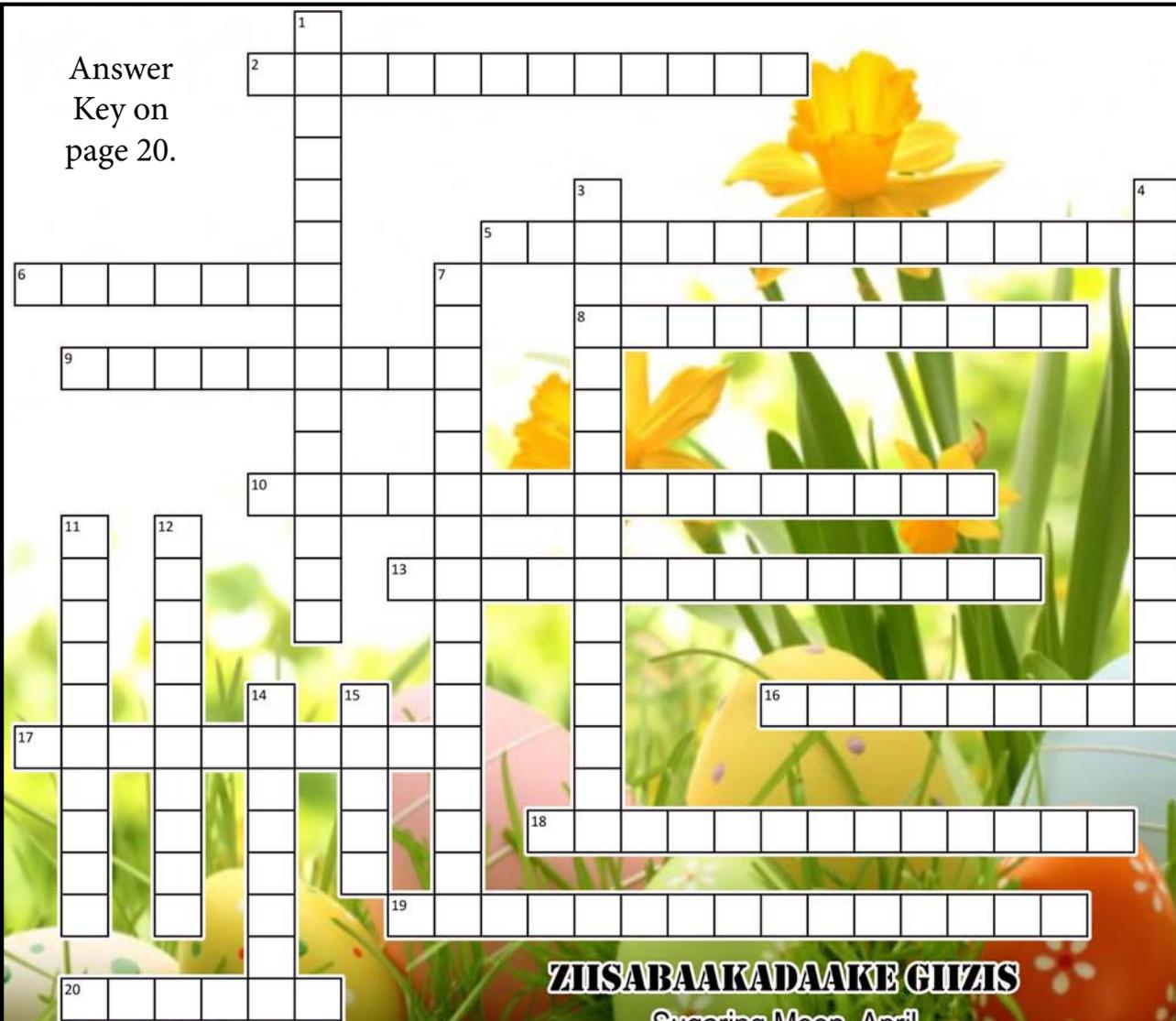
ONLINE ANISHNAABEMOWIN CLASSES BEGIN MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2017 7 PM EST



For class on MONDAY'S- enter the classroom at 7PM EST
There is no password needed.
Just enter your name or nickname.
There will be a link to the online classroom on facebook.

online anishinaabemowin

Answer Key on page 20.



ZIISABAAKADAAKE GIIZIS

Sugaring Moon, April

Across

- sugar
- S/He is making sugar.
- Spring
- S/He is boiling down sap.
- S/he is collecting sap/water.
- sap water
- syrup
- a drill
- S/He is putting wood on the fire.
- a hammer
- sugaring trough
- leaking sap, dripping sap

Down

- a saw
- Sugar Camp
- tree taps
- S/He is making syrup.
- an axe
- S/He is chopping wood.
- maple tree
- pails, pots

Word Bank

- daashigase
- nesayaawangwaan
- ziiwaagimidenhke
- ziiwaagimidenh
- bgoneigan
- onjige
- giishkiboojigan
- ziisabaakadaaboo
- ziisabaakwadoke
- ziisabaakwat
- kikok
- ziisabaakadokeng
- skigamizige
- ninaatig
- negwaakwaanan
- bgamshtigwaan
- mnookmi
- waagaakwad
- bagidinise
- naadoobii

Bezhik Gwetago



E waab shkaa zid



Nib skaa biin

E zaa waa zid



Baashk ji kaash

E ma ka dew zid



Daa pin Niizh



Daa pin Nii win



Noonj E naa zad

Em skvaa zid



Kaa ge go



Be zhik



Niizh



N swe



Nii win



Naa nan



N go dwa swe



Nii zhwa swe



N shwa swe



Zhaang swe

Daashjigazhook ntam taadwinak. (Shuffle the cards first). Niizh maage mdaaswi daadaminawok gwanda taadwinak. (Two to ten players can play with these cards). Niizhwaaswi taadwinan miijigaasok edamnajik. (Deal seven cards to the players).

Little Traverse Bay Bands Odawa, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department

Bezhik Gwetago



Taadwin Card

Taadwinak Cards

Taagewok. They are playing.

Daashjigen. Shuffle. (the cards)

Nswe'okiin. / Nswe'aaschigin. Deal.

Baashkjikaash. Skip. (turn)

Nibskaabiin. Go back. (reverse)

Bgidnigen. Discard (put down a card)

Bgidish. Discard (put down animate object)

Ngabigidnaa. I'm going to discard. (let go, offer)

Zhaazhigo ngiisaa. I already put it (there).

Kaawiin gwaya ndowaasii. I don't have any. (anyone)

Kaa maamda. Can't. (I can't, you can't, He can't)

Daapin (niizh). Pick up (two).

Daapish. Pick (it) up. (animate, imperative)

Daapinigen. Pick up.

Ngadaapinaa bezhik. I'll pick up one.

Ngadaapinaak (niizh). I'll pick up (two) - more than one.

Aaniish enaazat? What color?

Nga'aanja enaazad. I'll change the color.

_____ ndikid. I say _____. (name color)

Bezhik gwetago! One only!

Ngiizhiitaa! I'm done!

Noonj Enaandeg Different Colors (Wild Card)

Ezaawaazid the Yellow one

Emskwaazid the Red one

Emakadewzid the Black one

Ewaabshkaazid the White one

Ezhaawshkwaazid the Green one

Egiizhigowaazid the Blue one (color of the sky)

Emiinaazid the blue/purple one (color of the blueberry)

Giintam. Your turn.

Niintam. My turn.

Wiintam. Her (or his) turn.

Kaagego 0

Bezhik 1

Niizh 2

Nswe 3

Niiwin 4

Naanan 5

Ngodwaaswe 6

Niizhwaaswe 7

Nshwaaswe 8

Zhaangsw 9



Little Traverse Bay Bands Odawa, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department

LTBB Anishinaabemowin

Find us on facebook

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Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department hosts Facebook Group called "LTBB Anishinaabemowin."

We will post materials for language learning, announcements and flyers. Materials will be accessible on the group page under the "Photos" tab or the "Files" tab. PowerPoints with audio and PDF's are downloadable.

- Search our name and "Join."
- Add your family and friends.
- Post Comments and Language Items.

For more information, contact Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department at 231-242-1457 or toll free 1-866-652-5822 or e-mail LangTech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Untitled - Message (Rich Text)

To: GHN (YOU)

Subject: Bibezhik Kidwin

Bibezhik Kidwin ~ One Word at a Time. AUDIO ATTACHED

LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department would like to add you to our Bibezhik Kidwin e-mail list. A word or phrase is sent each work day and includes mp3 audio, so you can hear the word sounded out. Just another little tool to learn and practice Anishinaabe Language! To be added to the list, e-mail Carla Osawamick at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

You've Got Mail

NRD Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Program

Summer 2017

Program Description:
The YCC program provides LTBB youth with a summer job opportunity while familiarizing the youth with biological, environmental and conservation enforcement professions of the Tribe. The YCC will consist of a Youth Conservation Corps Leader and a youth work crew of 4-6 individuals between the ages of 14 and 18 yrs. old. The YCC will be charged with completing natural resource related projects which will assist in the protection and implementation of treaty rights. Potential projects or activities may include invasive species removal (sapling removal), agriculture activities, trail clearing, forest improvement and providing assistance on field work to the NRD on various assessments.

Goals:

- 1) Provide youth summer employment.
- 2) Foster an interest in science and math.
- 3) Foster an interest in pursuing higher education related to a natural resource/environmental field.
- 4) Complete actual on the ground projects.
- 5) Instill a good work ethic and self-confidence in participating youth.
- 6) Assist the NRD in achieving Strategic Plan goals and objectives.

Parents, do you have a youth who are interested? Join us at our Youth Conservation Corp Informational Meeting on May 10th, 2017 at 6 pm in the LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area

Applications for Youth Conservation Corp Workers will be accepted from April 24, 2017 - May 15, 2017
Applications for Youth Conservation Corp Leader will be accepted from March 6, 2017- March 27, 2017

WAGANAKISING ODAWA

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS HOUSING DEPARTMENT
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
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Now accepting applications

- Must belong to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
- Must be 55 or older or disabled of any age
- Rents are based on income
- Accept very low, low and moderate income applicants
- All units are 2 bedroom and 1 bath
- Bedrooms are approximately 121 sq. feet and 94 sq. feet
- Located in a quiet country setting, but only 4 miles from Harbor Springs, MI
- Barrier free units are available
- LTBB Housing office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Tribal Village is approximately 4 miles north of Harbor Springs, MI

Contact person: LTBB Housing Department 231-242-1540

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If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form found online at http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, at any USDA office or call 866-632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax 202-690-7442 or e-mail at program.intake@usda.gov.

NATIVE NEWS

PRESENTERS CALL FOR THE 24TH ANNUAL ANISHINAABE FAMILY LANGUAGE AND CULTURE CAMP 2017

Aanii. We are looking for presenters for this year's camp; this will allow for plenty of time for everyone. This year's camp will be held on July 28, 29 and 30, 2017. If you are interested in being a presenter, we will need a presentation outline and a biography.

We will need two different presentation outlines, and some presenters may be asked to present up to three different times. Each presentation should be approximately 1½ hours long, but if you have a presentation that requires a longer amount of time, please let us know in order to accommodate your workshop. Please also let us know if your presentation is meant to target a particular age group or other demographic.

We also need to know if your workshop is total Anishinaabemowin immersion, if you will have a translator or if you will be presenting in the English language with some Anishinaabemowin. Please note if you

have handouts for your presentation, you are responsible for making sure you have enough copies because there are no copiers onsite.

Just as a note, most of our guests do not speak Anishinaabemowin, and some understand it, but do not speak it yet. For some of our guests, this is the only time they get to hear Anishinaabemowin being used. It would be appreciated for all of the presenters to remain visible throughout the camp and to be available to speak in Anishinaabemowin. We have had successful camps because of the good presenters who have participated. We attend one another's presentations and socialize with the guests; we support one another and love our language.

Along with your presentation outline and biography, we will also need to know if you require lodging. Please send all of your information by e-mail as soon as possible and do not wait until the last minute, otherwise,

you may not make it on the presenter list. It would be appreciated if your presentation outline and biography could be sent as separately attached documents in the e-mail. It's just easier for us when we process our program book. (Phone calls are accepted to state your interest in presenting, but the written information is required by the deadline for consideration.)

If you know anyone who may be interested in presenting at the camp, by all means, please forward this letter to them and have them state in their e-mail who recommended them to present.

The deadline for all of this information is May 10, 2017.

Here is my contact information:
 kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov
 231-398-6892
 Aa miigwech
 Gaabaabaabiyin wiibizhi-biimoyin
 Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant

Interested in working for LTBB?

Jobs are updated daily at www.ltbodawa-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.

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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.

**The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
 Invites you to the 24th Annual
 2017 Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp**



Friday, July 28:
 Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
 12:00pm Lunch
 1:15pm - 5:00pm Presentations/Workshops
 5:00pm Dinner
 7:00pm Talent Show

Saturday, July 29:
 Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
 8:00am Breakfast
 9:00am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
 12:00pm Lunch
 1:15pm - 5:00pm Presentations/Workshops
 5:00pm Dinner
 7:00pm Jiingtamok (Pow wow)
 -Dedicated to the memory of our Emcee Doris Boissoneau'ba, who has been our Emcee since the camp started.

Sunday, July 30:
 Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
 8:00am Breakfast
 9:00am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
 12:00pm Lunch, Giveaway & Closing

- No Registration Fee
- Meals Provided
- Camping available (first come, first serve)
- On-site Restrooms & Bath house
- Location: 2596 Loon Drive, Manistee, MI Corner of US-31 & M-22, across from the Little River Casino Resort
 => (Little River Casino Resort 2700 Orchard Hwy, Manistee, MI 49660) 1(231)723-1535

- "Celebrating the Unity of Our Language & Culture"
- For the sunrise ceremony, please dress appropriately (women wear long skirts) and respectfully for all.
- We politely ask that English be the second language used at this camp.
- Bring your Nation's Flag and a Giveaway Gift
- The agenda and other information will be posted as soon as possible; please visit www.lrboi-nsn.gov or www.anishinaabemdaa.com for updates. Some presentations/workshops may include: cultural teachings, traditional medicines, craft making, games, language learning, etc.

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Call us to register, so we can prepare the meals accordingly.

For more information, please contact:
 (888)723-8288
 Kenny Pheasant: 231-398-6892, 231-590-1187 or Wyatt Szpliet: 231-398-6891
 Email: kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov or wytatlszpliet@lrboi-nsn.gov

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**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.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS ELDERS ASSOCIATION - MEETING MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 2, 2017

Meeting Called to Order: February 2, 2017. Time: 1:10 p.m. at the LTBB Government Center.

Board of Directors Roll Call: Chairperson-Richard Wemigwase P; Vice Chairperson-Carol McFall A; Secretary Virginia Lewis P; Treasurer-Marcia Sutton A; Board Member-Rochelle Ettawageshik P; Board Member-Grace Zerbe A.

Others present: Bill Denemy, Fran Holdorph, Melissa Moses, Debra Smithkey-Browne, Deleta Smith and Joann Carey (she did not sign in).

Minutes -Minutes taken at October 2016, November 2016 and December 2016 meeting by Marcia Sutton were not available. (Note that Secretary Virginia Lewis and other members did not know monthly meetings were held, when and where).

Treasurer Report (file copy with minutes): Treasurer absent, no report.

Elders Department Report: Arlene Naganashe, Elders Department Manager, reported the appreciation by the LTBB Citizens living in the Grand Rapids, MI, area for the food and fish delivered there.

Old Business

Motion by Rochelle Ettawageshik, seconded by Fran Holdorph to put an announcement in the *Odawa Trails* re: Status of the association and the scheduled meeting days. "Announcement that meetings were resumed to monthly status and would be meeting the 1st Thursday of each month at 1:30 p.m. in the Government Building." Motion passed.

By-laws were again brought up and which version was being followed.

The Chairman had a copy dated 2001. Deleta Smith brought a copy of a new revision presented in September 2015. Minutes needed to confirm this. Fran Holdorph made a motion seconded by Rochelle Ettawageshik to ask Attorney Cherie Dominic from the Office of Citizens Legal Assistance to look at the by-laws. Motion passed by vote. Cherie said she did not know anything about by-laws, but that the new revision needed to be dated at the end of the document. Deleta said she would do that as she has it on her computer.

New Business

Joann Carey said she had heard negative rumors being spread by an Association Board Member, Virginia Lewis, and she asked for her to be removed. She said she had heard that Virginia was saying the association was dissolved and she believed Virginia wanted to steal the association funds for herself. She also heard rumors Virginia had accused Richard Wemigwase and Marcia Sutton of taking the funds. Joann Carey was very adamant about the dishonesty and unfaithfulness of Virginia Lewis. Joann Carey also brought up that Virginia Lewis had helped Tammy from the Elders Department fill bags for the shut-ins at Christmas and assumed that Virginia Lewis would present a bill. (No mention that Fran Holdorph, Melissa Moses, Bea Law and Mike Smith also helped Tammy).

Public Comment

Deleta Smith stated she was proud to be a member of an association that did so much good for the community. Rich-

ard Wemigwase said even though he is no longer an employee of LTBB Housing, he still gets many calls after hours or on weekends from residents of LTBB Housing area when things break, don't work or snow needs shoveling. Rochelle Ettawageshik wanted clarification if the association had anything to do with the craft sale on February 25 per the flyer. Richard Wemigwase said he would find out.

Drawing: None.

Next meeting: March 2, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. at the LTBB Government Center unless a special meeting is called by the Chairman.

Motion to adjourn was made by Fran Holdorph and seconded by Bill Denemy.

Motion passed.

Elders Association Board Members

Chairperson-
Richard Wemigwase
231-526-5784

Vice Chairperson -
Carol McFall

Secretary-
Virginia Lewis
231-539-7234

Treasurer-
Marcia Sutton
231-373-0867

Board Member-
Rochelle Ettawageshik
231-242-0957

Board Member
Grace Zerbe
MIEA DELEGATES
AND ALTERNATE

John Kawegoma
Richard Wemigwase
231-526-5784

Emily Harrington
Approved by the membership on March 2, 2017.

LTBB Association Secretary

Virginia Lewis
2/3/2017

LTBB ELDERS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The LTBB Elders Association meetings are the first Thursday of every month at 1:30 p.m. at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

Officers are Chairperson Richard Wemigwase, Vice Chairperson Carol McFall, Secretary Virginia Lewis, Treasurer Marcia Sutton and Board Members Rochelle Ettawageshik and Grace Zerbe.

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- ❖ **Family Law**
 - Divorce
 - Child Custody
 - Child Support
 - Guardianships
 - Parentage/Paternity
- ❖ **Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act**
- ❖ **Setting Aside a Conviction**
- ❖ **Driver License Restoration**
- ❖ **Estate Planning**
 - Wills
 - Health Care Directives
 - Powers of Attorney
- ❖ **Probate**
- ❖ **Landlord/Tenant**
 - Evictions
 - Tenant Rights
- ❖ **Consumer**
 - Debt Collection

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments,
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231-242-1433

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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.

Across

2. sugar / **ziisabaakwat**
5. S/He is making sugar. / **Ziisabaakwadoke.**
6. Spring / **Mnookmi**
8. S/He is boiling down sap. / **Skigamizige.**
9. S/he is collecting sap/water. / **Naadoobii.**
10. sap water / **ziisabaakadaaboo**
13. syrup / **ziiwaagamidenh**
16. a drill / **bgoneigan**
17. S/He is putting wood on the fire. / **Bagidinise.**
18. a hammer / **bgamshtigwaan**
19. sugaring trough / **nesayaawangwaan**
20. leaking sap, dripping sap / **onjige**

Down

1. a saw / **giishkiboojigan**
3. Sugar Camp / **Ziisabaakadokeng**
4. tree taps / **negwaakwaan**
7. S/He is making syrup. / **Ziiwaagamidenhke.**
11. an axe / **waagaakwad**
12. S/He is chopping wood. / **Daashigase.**
14. maple tree / **ninaatig**
15. pails, pots / **kikok**

Puzzle on page 17.

OHIO UNIVERSITY TO HOST 2017 HIGH SCHOOL JOURNALISM WORKSHOP

The workshop will include faculty from the School of Journalism, the School of Visual Communication and the staff from Woub as well as several visiting professionals. Diversity scholarships are available to students through support from the Scripps Howard Foundation.

Ohio University's 2017 High School Journalism Workshop will include:

- Opportunities to experience the latest journalism techniques
- Diversity scholarships covering up to 100% of the cost of the workshop for students*
- An opportunity to spend time on Ohio University's historic Athens campus
- And the chance to earn college credit

Registration opens March 1, 2017. For more information, visit: <http://www.scrippsjschool.org/hsjw/>

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RAYMOND FERNHOLZ SWORN IN AS A LTBB LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER



On March 8, 2017, Raymond Fernholz took his oath of office as a LTBB Law Enforcement Officer from LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado. Courtesy photo.

LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN STEVE SOCHAY APPOINTED TO LTBB CHILD WELFARE COMMISSION



On March 3, 2017, LTBB Tribal Citizen Steve Sochay took his oath of office as a member of the LTBB Child Welfare Commission from LTBB Appellate Justice Bill Denemy. Sochay is serving a three-year term ending September 21, 2019. The Executive nominated Sochay, and Tribal Council appointed him at its February 2, 2017 meeting. Courtesy photo.

LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!

For more information, contact Don Portman at biindigen@gmail.com or 231-487-1093

Your Child's Early Development is a Journey
Check off the milestones your child has reached and share your child's progress with the doctor at every visit.

6 MONTHS

- Starts here
- Copies sounds
- Begins to sit without support
- Likes to play with others, especially parents
- Responds to own name
- Strings vowels together when babbling ("ah," "eh," "oh")
- Uses simple gestures such as shaking head for "no" or waving "bye bye"
- Copies gestures

12 MONTHS (1 YEAR)

- Responds to simple spoken requests
- Says "mama" and "dada"
- Pulls up to stand

18 MONTHS (1 1/2 YEARS)

- Says sentences with 2 to 4 words
- Gets excited when with other children
- Says several single words
- Walks alone
- Knows what ordinary things are for; for example, telephone, brush, spoon
- Plays simple pretend, such as feeding a doll
- Points to show others something interesting

2 YEARS

- Follows simple instructions
- Kicks a ball
- Points to things or pictures when they're named
- Copies adults and friends (like running when other children run)

3 YEARS

- Carries on a conversation using 2 to 3 sentences
- Climbs well
- Plays make-believe with dolls, animals and people
- Shows affection for friends without prompting

4 YEARS

- Hops and stands on one foot for up to 2 seconds
- Would rather play with other children than alone
- Tells stories
- Draws a person with 2 to 4 body parts
- Plays cooperatively

These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For more complete checklists by age, visit www.cdc.gov/ActEarly or call 1-800-CDC-INFO.

FAMILY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT LTBB MINA MSIKI GUMIK 231-242-1721

We welcome everyone to visit our Official Facebook Page at <https://www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA>. Please be respectful in your comments.

2017 LTBB HOMECOMING POW WOW T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Deadline: Must be received by the LTBB Pow Wow Committee by Friday, April 14, 2017.
Theme: Minodaapinogewin - Respecting All Walks of Life.

Open to Native Americans only, you must provide a copy of your Tribal ID. Please also provide your name and contact information.

All entries must be submitted in person to the LTBB Communications Department, located at 1345 U.S. 31 North, Petoskey, MI, mailed to LTBB Communications Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI, 49740 or e-mailed to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Entries must be 8" x 8" and 5 colors maximum. Black and white are to be counted as colors. Two winning designs will be selected by the Pow Wow Committee in the following categories: Youth (9-17) and Adult (18 and up). The youth winner will receive \$100 while the adult winner will receive \$200. Original submissions only.

All designs submitted become the sole property of the LTBB Pow Wow Committee and may be used in current or future promotional material for the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. By submitting a design and participating in the contest, each artist confirms that the design submitted is original and does not infringe on any copyright. Each artist agrees that in return for the opportunity to participate in the contest, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians shall have the right, without further payment, to use the design on the 26th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow t-shirts, and on related promotional materials. By submitting a design, each artist forever waives any royalty or other payment for the use of the design.

For more information, please contact Annette VanDeCar at avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

COMMON NUTRIENT DEFICIENCIES & low cost fixes

- IRON**
dried beans
cooking with a cast iron skillet
canned salmon
fortified cereal
- FIBER**
brown rice
dried beans
dried lentils
oatmeal
- FOLATE**
enriched cereal
black-eyed peas
peanuts
- IODINE**
iodized salt
enriched bread
- VITAMIN A**
mixed vegetables

On the Pow Wow Trail

MICHIGAN

April 1-2
45th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow
Skyline High School
Ann Arbor, MI
Contact Information: danceformotherearth@gmail.com

April 8-9
19th Annual Celebrating All Walks of Life Traditional Pow Wow
Grand Valley State University Fieldhouse
Allendale, MI
Contact Information: Office of Multicultural Affairs at 616-331-2177

April 15
MSU NAISO's 34th Annual Pow Wow of Life
Jenison Fieldhouse
Michigan State University
East Lansing, MI
Contact Information: Ashley Ryerse at 517-304-2377 or ryerseas@gmail.com

May 21-22
Teaching Our Traditions
Howell, MI
Contact Information: Wayne Hardwick at 810-224-0424

June 23-25
26th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Pow Wow
Brimley, MI
Contact Information: Sarah Bedell at 906-248-8300

July 7-9
36th Annual Sault Tribe Traditional Pow Wow and Summer Gathering
Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Contact Information: Jackie Minton at 906-635-6050 or 906-203-4977

July 28-30
33rd Annual Saginaw Chippewa Pow Wow
Mt. Pleasant, MI
Contact Information: 989-775-4942 or www.sagchip.org

August 12
14th Annual Youth Empowerment Pow Wow

Rexton, MI
Contact Information: Patty Teeples at 906-341-3362 or Lisa Burnside at 906-484-2298

August 12
Kitchi Miniss Munising Pow Wow
Munising, MI
Contact Information: Kris LeVeque at 906-387-2368 or Deb McNeil at 989-751-9682

August 12-13
26th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow
LTBB Pow Wow Grounds
Harbor Springs, MI
Contact Information: Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427, avandecar@ltbbodawa.nsn.gov, Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow on Facebook and www.odawahomecoming.com

August 25-27
11th Annual Rendezvous at the Straits Pow Wow
St. Ignace, MI
Contact Information: St. Ignace Events Committee at 906-643-8717 or Darryl Brown at 906-984-2083

November 11
14th Annual Honoring Our Anishinabe Veterans Pow Wow
Kinross, MI
Contact Information: Jackie Minton at 906-635-6050 or 906-203-4977

December 31
2017 Sobriety Pow Wow
Sault Ste. Marie, MI
Contact Information: Jackie Minton at 906-203-4977

MINNESOTA

April 1
28th Annual Woodlands and High Plains Pow Wow
Moorhead, MN
Contact Information: Jody Steile at 218-477-4272

April 8
33rd Annual CNIA Pow Wow
Morris, MN
Contact Information: Keyah Stone at 605-690-7749

April 8
24th Annual AIC Pow Wow
St. Cloud, MN
Contact Information: www.stcloudstate.edu/aic/ or jkolodzne@stcloudstate.edu

April 8-9
19th Annual Cherish the Children Traditional Pow Wow
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: Ain Dah Yung Center at 651-227-4184

April 15
LLTC Anwebiwin Niimi'idiwin
Cass Lake, MN
Contact Information: Flower Kingbird at 218-335-4224

April 28
Remember the Elders Wacipi
Prior Lake, MN
Contact Information: M. Cermak at cermak300@gmail.com

May 6
Pow Wow For Hope
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: American Indian Cancer Foundation at 612-314-4848

June 2
American Indian Magnet School Pow Wow
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191

June 2-4
Saa Gii Ba Gaa Traditional Pow Wow
Orr, MN
Contact Information: Louise Isham at 218-757-3261

June 23-25
Lake Vermilion Pow Wow
Lake Vermilion, MN
Contact Information: Muriel Deegan at 218-750-7772

WISCONSIN

April 1-2
On Wisconsin Annual Spring Pow Wow
Madison, WI
Contact Information: Mariah Skenandore at 608-265-3420

45th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Powwow April 1st & 2nd, 2017

Saturday Hours
10:30am - 9:00pm
Saturday Grand Entry
12:00pm & 7:00pm
Sunday Hours
10:30am - 5:00pm
Sunday Grand Entry
12:00pm

Admissions Rates
General: \$10
Students: \$7
Children 6-12: \$5
Seniors 60+: \$7
Family: \$29
Group Rates Available

Skyline High School
2552 N. Maple Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Head Vet
Chris Franklin

Host Drum
Bear River Singers

Co-Host
Wind Eagle

Story Teller
Panoka Walker

Head Dancers

Paul Syrette and Renee Diehlman

Jefferson Ballew and Beth Moody

Johnny Petosky and Brittany Anstead



Hosted by the Native American Student Association
powwow.umich.edu

Ain Dah Yung Center's 19th Annual Cherish the Children Traditional Pow Wow

Central High School, 275 Lexington Ave. St. Paul, MN 55104

April 8th-9th, 2017

Doors Open at 11:00am
Registration at 11:00am



Grand Entries:

Saturday 1:00 & 7:00pm
Feast: 5:00pm
Sunday 1:00pm



INDIANA UNIVERSITY 6TH ANNUAL POWWOW Saturday, April 8, 2017

Amber Old Horn
(Apsáalooke)
Billings, Montana

Juaquin Hamilton
(Sac & Fox/Cheyenne)
Shawnee, Oklahoma



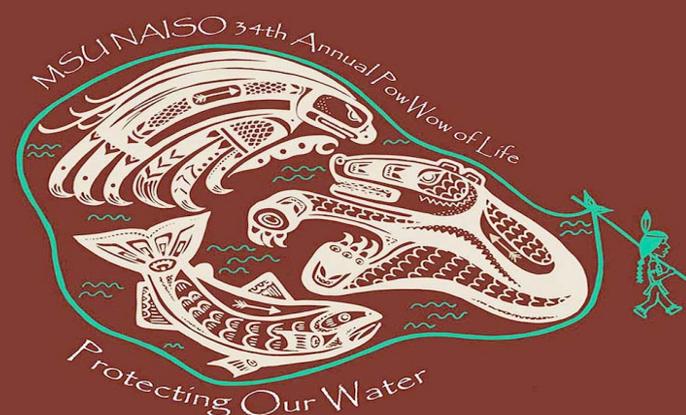
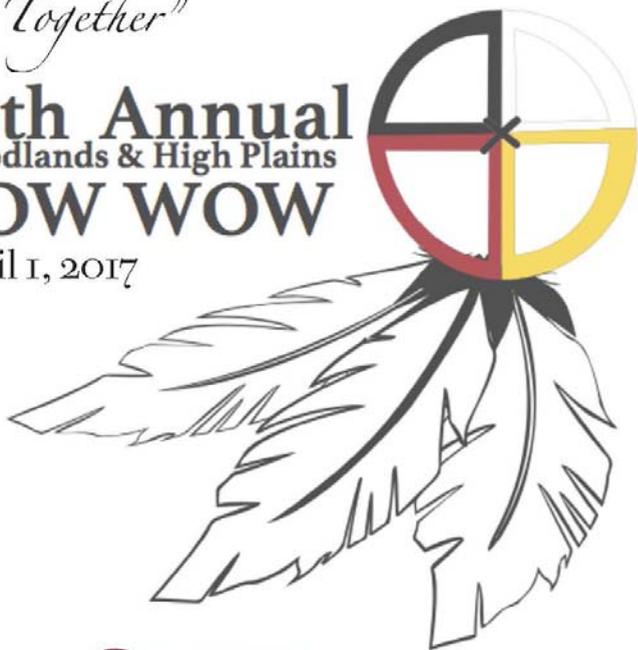
HEAD DANCERS

Ψ FIRST NATIONS EDUCATIONAL & CULTURAL CENTER
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS

"Mni Wiconi: Standing Together"

"Water is Life"

28th Annual Woodlands & High Plains POW WOW
April 1, 2017



TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



In accordance with law and policy, Elders Comment/Public Comment as recorded in the minutes will contain the name of the Citizen or "Immediate Family" or "Family member" and only the subject matter brought by the individual. No attempt will be made by the Legislative Branch to summarize the comments. Written public comments will be accepted by the Legislative Office. Written comments shall be attached to the official approved minutes housed in the Legislative Branch. Written comments are not published, however shall be open to review within the Legislative Office in accordance with any laws regarding such documents.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
Tribal Council Chambers
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Tribal Council Regular Meeting
January 19, 2017

Call to Order: 9:09 a.m.

Opening ceremony: Frank Bernard
Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Legislative Leader Aaron Otto, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor David Harrington

Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Michael Naganashe, Councilor Emily Proctor
Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick,

Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) – Wesley Andrews, General Counsel James Bransky
Corporate Charters: Ziibimijwang Board Members -Joe VanAlstine, Blayne Bott; Burial Board Vice-Chair Patrick Wemigwase

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay, Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon, Law Enforcement Chief Cobe, Natural Resources Department Noah Jansen

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Kevin Donner, Regina Brubaker-Carver, Tamela Okuly Shananaquet

Invited Guest: Odawa Casino Resort: General Manager Eric McLester, Property Management Director Barry Laughlin, Waste Water Treatment Plant Jon Trammell; Emmet County Recycling: Lindsey Walker and Kate Melby

Agenda:

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the agenda of January 19 2017 as amended.

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

Dedication:

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Treasurer Reyes to dedicate this meeting in honor of our Tribal Citizens that have walked on in December 2016: Elaine Marie LeClaire, and Vernon Duane Lasley.

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

Minutes:

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve the minutes of December 1, 2016, as corrected and let the record reflect the December 15, 2016, and January 5, 2017 meeting was cancelled due to weather.

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

9:15 a.m.-9:30 p.m.

Odawa Casino Resort (OCR) –Property Management Director, Barry Laughlin with Emmet County Recycling liaisons, Lindsey Walker and Kate Melby.

Discussion: **14th recipient of Recycler of the year award.** "Food scrap" program a success as well as all recycling programs. Costs reduced by \$22,000/year.

Executive Report:

Discussion: Memorandum of Understanding between LTBB and Charlevoix-Antrim-Kalkaska-Emmet Counties Cooperative Invasive Species Management areas- signed. LTBB federal lobbyist Lydia Hoffer updates, ongoing Casino litigation, status of Elder's Food and Utility. Odawa Fishery fish giveaway misunderstanding.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of December 2016 and January 2017 Executive Oversight Report (EOR), Executive Office Financial Report and verbal Executive updates as presented by Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley and Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay and Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon on January 19, 2017.

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

10:21 a.m. Break

10:41 a.m. Resume

Legislative Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report

Discussion: Updates regarding THPO job description, emailed Sr. Financial Analyst applications, expanding hours for in-office hours, Legislative Officer's meetings, Strategic Plans established for

new Council members.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the January 19, 2017 verbal Legislative Leader Report as presented by Legislative Leader Otto.

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

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to Executive Tribal Resolution 121916-01; Budget Modification for Employee Appreciation Delivered to the Executive Department on 12-19-16 and signed on 12-19-16.

Tribal Resolution 121916-02; Authorizing the Re-Financing and Conversion of the Loan from Wells Fargo Bank, National Association

Delivered to the Executive Department on 12-19-16 and signed on 12-19-16.

Vetoes: none

Phone Polls:

12-15-16 Reason for Phone Poll:

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting of 12/15/16 was cancelled due to inclement weather and the following Action Items require immediate attention: (each Action Item will be listed and voted upon individually)

Adopt Tribal Resolution; Budget Modification for Employee Appreciation (Gas Card).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Legislative Leader Otto) Phone Poll passed.

Adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorizing the Re-Financing and Conversion of the Loan from Wells Fargo Bank, National Association.

Vote: 6-yes, 1-no (Councilor McNamara), 1-abstained (Councilor Harrington, 1-absent (Legislative Leader Otto) Phone Poll passed.

Approve Odawa Casino Resort five (5) year Strategic Economic Development Plan as revised on 12/2016 that includes OCR refinancing, Mackinaw casino expansion and other related activities.

Vote: 5-yes, 2-No (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) 1-abstained (Councilor Harrington) 1-absent (Legislative Leader Otto) Phone Poll passed.

Join an inter-tribal amicus brief in the case of Murray Energy Corporation, et al. v EPA and the American Lung Association, et al, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Case No. 16-1127 in support of the EPA's Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) Rule."

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent (Legislative Leader Otto) Phone Poll passed.

12-21-16 Reason for Phone Poll:

Motion to authorize Odawa Casino to enter into a contract with Givex to allow acceptance of gift cards with choice of law and dispute resolution as stated in the contract.

Vote: 6-yes, 0-no, 1-abstained (Councilor Harrington) 2-absent (Councilor Naganashe, Councilor Proctor) Phone Poll Passed.

01-05-17 Reason for Phone Poll:

The regularly scheduled Tribal Council Meeting of 01/05/17 was cancelled due to inclement weather.

The following Action Items were addressed: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Phone Poll passed.

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-01** Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Service Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 2016 Annual Funding Agreement, Award Increase Mod 16-6.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-02** Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2017 Tribal Youth Initiative LTBB Youth Conservation Corps.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-03** Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fish Hatchery Maintenance Project FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-04** Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Endangered Species Project FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-05** Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, In-

vasive Species Project FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-06** Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding Project FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-07** Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior or Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding, Tribal Capacity Funding FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-08** Request for Funding from U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Invasive Species Control.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-09** Funding from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs IRR Tribal Transportation Program – Funding for FY 2017 Funds.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

Motion to approve **CERTIFIED MOTION # 010517-10** Request for Funding

in the next couple of weeks. She is available for questions.

Two policies drafted: Legislative Travel Policy and Emergency Closure Policy.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to accept the January 19, 2017 verbal Secretary Report as presented by Secretary Shananaquet.

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

Treasurer Report

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to accept the verbal report of the Appropriations and Finance Committee (AFC) meeting held on January 10, 2017, as presented by AFC Committee Chairperson, Treasurer Reyes on January 19, 2017.

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

Appropriations and Finance Committee

Last meeting: January 10, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Next meeting: February 6, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Tribal Council Travel Reports:

Councilor Beatrice Law – Inter-Tribal Work Group re: Violence Against Women (VAWA)

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Law's verbal and written travel report for attendance at the Violence Against Women (VAWA) Inter Tribal Work Group Meeting held December 4-7, 2016.

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

Motion carried.

Councilor Frank Bernard - Michigan Economic Development Association

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Bernard's verbal and written travel report for attendance at the Michigan Economic Development Association meeting held December 1, 2016.

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

Public Comment:

11:44 a.m. Opens Councilor Bernard thanks fellow Councilors for all their good work.

11:45 a.m. Closes

Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) – 2016 4th Quarter Report

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of the written and verbal 2016 4th Quarter THPO Report with attachments including the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) Annual Significant Preservation Accomplishments Report, Historic Preservation Fund Grants to THPO's Grant Products Summary Form and updates of other projects and assessments as presented by Wesley Andrews, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer on January 19, 2017.

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

12:11 p.m. Lunch Break

1:35 p.m. Meeting Resumes

1:41 p.m. Legislator Leader Otto returns

1:35 p.m.- Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge written and verbal report of Ziibimijwang, Inc as presented by Joe VanAlstine, Blayne Bott and Kevin Donner on January 19, 2017.

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

Motion carried

Tribal Council Member Reports - None

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Land and Reservation Committee

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: January 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Next meeting: February 10, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Law to accept the verbal report for the Land and Reservation Committee meeting held on January 13, 2017, as presented by Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson, Treasurer Reyes on January 19, 2017.

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

Public Comment

3:01 p.m. Open and Closes

3:02 p.m. Break

3:19 p.m. Resume

3:19 p.m. Traditional Tribal Burial Board

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor

to acknowledge receipt of the written and verbal 2016 4th Quarter Traditional Tribal Burial Board, Inc. Report as presented by Patrick Wemigwase, Board Vice-Chairperson on January 19, 2017.

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

Ethics Committee – No Report

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: December 20, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m. – Cancelled due to lack of quorum

Next meeting: To be determined

Legislative Staff Reports:

Legislative Services Attorney Report

Discussion: Will not be available January 21 - 29, 2017

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for December 2016 and January 2017, as presented by Legal Services Attorney Donna Budnick on January 19, 2017.

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

Enjinaaknegeng Report

4:01 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to go into closed session for legal matters.

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

Motion carried.

4:25 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to return to open session

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

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the January 19, 2017 Enjinaaknegeng written and verbal report as presented by General Counsel Bransky.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to retain Fredericks Peebles & Morgan LLP to serve as legal counsel for the refinancing of the Odawa Casino Resort with Wells Fargo.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve Certified Motion: Request for Trust Acquisition of "Wycamp Creek Access 24-05-04-35-101-003" Parcel in Emmet County, Michigan.

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

Motion carried

Legislative Office Manager Report

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the January 19, 2017 Legislative Office Manager's verbal and written report as presented by Legislative Office Manager, Michele Portman-LaCount.

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

Office of Finance and Revenue Report

- Position currently vacant.

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. No Report

Action Items: (Motions)

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to appoint Kevin Hesselink to the position of Special Prosecutor for a 2-year term ending December 15, 2018. (need an affirmative vote of 6 of 9 Tribal Council)

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

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Steve Sochay for the Child Welfare Commission and set up an interview.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Christina Kellogg for the Child Welfare Commission and set up an interview.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt and accept the Bureau of Indian Affairs Contract Support Costs Settlement from Ramah versus Jewell in the amount of \$2,689,356.49 as received

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Tribal Council Meeting Dates

April 4 Work Session
April 6 Council Meeting
April 18 Work Session
April 20 Council Meeting

May 2 Work Session
May 4 Council Meeting
May 16 Work Session
May 18 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

Aaron Wayne Otto, Legislative Leader
Julie Shananaquet, Secretary
Marci Reyes, Treasurer
Dexter McNamara, Councilor
Frank Bernard, Councilor
David Harrington, Councilor
Mike Naganashe, Councilor
Beatrice A. Law, Councilor
Emily Proctor, Councilor

from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Circle of Flight Program FY 2017.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent, Passed

01-09-17 Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve LTBB Minimum Internal Control Standards Amendment REG-Waganakising Odawak Statute 2011-005 121416-017.

Vote: 6-yes, 2-no (Councilor Naganashe, Legislative Leader Otto) 1-abstained (Councilor Harrington), 0-absent Phone Poll passed.

Secretary Shananaquet acknowledges receipt of the following Tribal Citizen correspondence:

12/21/16 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled "22 years"

12/29/16 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled "Mandatory"

01/06/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled " Warning – Crime Stoppers"

01/09/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled "Our Dentist"

01/13/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled "The Idol"

01/14/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, Email titled "A call to prayer"

01/17/17 Citizen Shawnna Wemigwase, Email titled "Complaint"

Update on General Welfare Statute: Kim Dunn, Tax Law Specialist, Indian Tribal Governments is currently reviewing our Statute and should get back with

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on December 1, 2016 and deposited into the general fund.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the Merrill Lynch Authorized Representatives BIA/WCMA Change Form for account designation removing previous Legislative Leader Regina Gasco Bentley's signing authority and authorize Legislative Leader Aaron Otto to sign.

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

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve the Short-Term Investment / Cash Policy.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Charlevoix, Antrim, Kalkaska and Emmet Counties (CAKE) for the Cooperative Invasive Species Management Area (CISMA) as requested by the Executive dated January 13, 2017.

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

5:01 p.m. Councilor Bernard exits meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to assign Shiloh Slomsky to the Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. for a 3-year term, ending January 19, 2020.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 3 - No (Legislative Leader Otto, Councilor Harrington, Councilor McNamara) 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bernard)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to assign Netawn Kiogima to the Tribal Traditional Burial Board, Inc. for a 4-year term, ending January 19, 2021.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Tribal Council travel to United Tribes of Michigan February 22 and 23, 2017 in Lansing, MI.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Proctor to post to the Legislative Calendar on the Odawa Register, General Welfare Exclusion draft Statute as sponsored by Secretary Shananaquet.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to re-post to the Legislative Calendar on the Odawa Register the Housing Department draft Statute as sponsored by Councilor Law.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the Policy and Procedures to Apoint Members to Fill a Vacancy on a Tribal Council Standing Committee.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge receipt of Kevin Donner's letter of interest for the Ziibimijwang, Inc. and set up an interview.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve Enrollment List A-Eligible for Citizenship dated December 21, 2016 for a total of 4.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve Enrollment List B-Ineligible for Citizenship dated December 21, 2016 for a total of 1.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to post the 2018 Budget Calendar, in accordance with WOS 2015-016 Tribal Government Budget Formulation and Modification Statute with Public Hearing to be held April 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Certified Motion # 011917-01 Request for Funding from Great Lakes Fishery Trust Ecological and Biological Research to Inform Management Lake Sturgeon Rehabilitation Funds FY 2017.

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

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Certified Motion # 011917-02 Request for Funding from United States Department of Justice, FY 2017 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS).

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve Certified Motion # 011917-03 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2017 Rights Protection Implementation.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve Certified Motion #011917-04 Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2017 Non-Recurring Fund.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve Certified Motion # 011917-05 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Forestry Development.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve Certified Motion #011917-06 Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services FY 2017 Law Enforcement Services Non-Recurring Funds.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and approved by Councilor Proctor to approve Certified Motion 011917-07 General Fund Allocation for FY2018, in accordance with WOS 2015-016 Tribal Government Budget Formulation and Modification Statute.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of Rebeca Otto's letter of interest for the Ziibimijwang, Inc., and set up an interview.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to request the Executive attendance at a work-session to review and update the Land Use, Building and Zoning Regulations and have the Planning Director and the Archive/Records Director also attend per the Land and Reservation Committee's recommendation.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Harrington to request that the Executive forward/submit any condemnation notices and/or determinations that have been made regarding 414 Monroe Street property Petoskey, MI per the Land and Reservation Committee.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve Tribal Council attendance at the Michael Hughes workshop regarding the Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2017 Funding for Human Services Programs and the Governmental Performance and Results Act, February 7-9, 2017 in Tempe Arizona. Motion withdrawn

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Harrington to amend the agenda for the Hesselink contract.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to authorize and approve Legislative Leader Otto to sign the contract with Special Prosecu-

tor Hesselink for a 3-year term.

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

Motion carried.

5:57 p.m. Break

6:07 p.m. Resume

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Policy and Procedures for Hiring of Specific Individuals with The Legislative Office

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Proctor) Motion carried.

Action Items - (Roll Call Votes) - None

Adjournment:

6:19 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Harrington to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Proctor) Motion carried.

Next Tribal Council Meeting

Regular: February 2, 2017

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Julie Shananaquet, 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 Tribal Council Regular Meeting February 2, 2017

Call to Order: 9:14 a.m.

Opening ceremony: Beatrice Law

Closed Session: none

Council Present: Legislative Leader Aaron Otto, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor David Harrington, Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Michael Naganashe, Councilor Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor Frank Bernard

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, General Counsel James Bransky, Administrative Assistant Tamara Kiogima

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay, Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon, MIS Director - Mark Tracy, Law Enforcement Chief Cobe

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Renee' Dillard

Invited Guest: none

Agenda:

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to approve the agenda of February 2, 2017 as amended.

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

Motion carried.

Minutes:

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve the minutes of January 19, 2017, as corrected.

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

Motion carried

Executive Report:

Discussion: Strong passwords needed for Tribal computers. Exchange Server and software becoming obsolete, looking into other options. Updated on estimated 2016 Year-end spending. SEEDS, SPRING and WOCTEP receiving accolades for excellent program models. Update on 414 Monroe Street storage items. Update on 911 Spring Street: Elevator will soon undergo construction and repair, need for additional parking, behavioral health construction to be completed soon.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the February 2, 2017 verbal Executive updates as presented by Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay and Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon.

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

Motion carried

10:48 a.m. Break

11:06 a.m. Resume

Legislative Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report

Discussion: Working with Wes Andrews on Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) position, additional hours spent in office, thank you to all Councilors for a very productive work session. Tentative in-house training regarding Indian Child Welfare

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the February 2, 2017 verbal Legislative Leader Report as presented by Legislative Leader Otto.

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

Motion carried.

Secretary Report - FYI

Documents Delivered to Executive:

none

Veto: none

Phone Polls: none

Secretary Shananaquet acknowledges receipt of the following correspondence: Steve Kline 01/23/16

Treasurer Report

Discussion: PNC bank representative will be attending Appropriations and Finance Committee (AFC) meeting. THPO collection fees. Budget Formulation will begin shortly and schedule was sent to Tribal Council members.

Appropriations and Finance Committee

Last meeting: January 10, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

Next meeting: February 6, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to accept the verbal report of the Treasurer Reyes as presented on February 2, 2017.

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Council Travel Reports: None

Tribal Council Member Reports -

None

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Land and Reservation Committee

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: January 13, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Next meeting: February 10, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Ethics Committee - No Report

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: December 20, 2016 @ 9:00 a.m. - Cancelled due to lack of quorum

Next meeting: To be determined

Public Comment: No comments

11:45 a.m. Opens

11:46 a.m. Closes

Legislative Staff Reports:

Legislative Services Attorney Report

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Proctor to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report as presented by Legal Services Attorney Donna Budnick on February 2, 2017.

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

Motion carried.

Legislative Office Manager Report

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the February 2, 2017 Legislative Office Manager's verbal and written report as presented by Legislative Office Manager, Michele Portman-LaCount.

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

Motion carried.

11:59 a.m. Lunch Break

1:33 p.m. Resume Meeting

Office of Finance and Revenue Report

- Position currently vacant.

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - 2016 4th Quarter

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge receipt of 2016 4th Quarter Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. written report.

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

Motion carried.

Traditional Tribal Burial Board, Inc. - No Report

Ziibimijwang, Inc. - No Report

Gaming Enterprise Board - No Report

Action Items: (Motions)

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor McNamara to assign Kevin Donner to the Ziibimijwang, Inc., for a 4 year-term ending February 2, 2021.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to assign Rebeca Otto to the Ziibimijwang, Inc. for a 4 year -term ending February 2, 2021.

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

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the Letter of Interest to serve on the Board of Ziibimijwang, Inc. from Doug Schlappi and set up an interview.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 2 - No (Secretary Shananaquet, Councilor Law), 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor Bernard)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Legislative Leader Otto to approve the Corporate Charter Assignment Policy.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to reschedule the Disenrollment hearing for Tribal Citizen Marcia Lynn Van Der Ploeg that was originally scheduled for February 2, 2017 and will now be held on March 23, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in accordance with Constitution, Article V. Membership H. Disenrollment; and authorize and approve the Tribal Council Legislative Leader to send out the notice of the rescheduled hearing.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Treasurer Reyes travel to the 35th Annual Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) Conference April 24-25, 2017.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve and authorize the Legislative Leader to send a letter to Chief Judge Maldonado to request a meeting to discuss the Appellate Court back-log of cases.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve and authorize the Legislative Leader to set up an interview with Candidate #2 for the Senior Financial Analyst position.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Proctor

to approve Certified Motion 020217-01; Ziibimijwang, Inc. Request for Funding from the First Nations Native Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Enrollment List A-Eligible for Citizenship dated February 1, 2017 for a total of 1.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Naganashe

to approve Enrollment List B-Deduction (Ineligible) for Citizenship dated February 1, 2017 for a total of 1.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to post Ethics for Government Officials draft Statute on the Legislative Calendar in the Odawa Register.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to post the draft Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government and the Ethics Committee Policy and Procedures on The Legislative Calendar in the Odawa Register.

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

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sent, Councilor Harrington – yes, Councilor Law- yes, Councilor McNamara – yes Councilor Naganashe – yes, Councilor Proctor – yes, Legislative Leader Otto – yes, Secretary Shananaquet – yes, Treasurer Reyes – yes.

2:59 p.m. Public Comment opens:

Waganakising kwe Renee ‘Wasson’ Dillard giibidabaajmo pii shkiniigishan gaakinoomaaan giikchimaamiikwenmin. Aapiji kichitwaagwat Anishnaabemaadziing.

(translation in English below)

Citizen Renee Dillard told a story in our language of her experience of joy, pride and respect when teaching language to the youth. Sharing the sacred sounds of the language.

3:13 p.m. Public Comment closes.

3:13 p.m. Break

3:38 p.m. Resume

3:13 p.m. Councilor Naganashe exits meeting

4:00 p.m. Other Items of Business

Child Welfare Commission interview for re-appointment with Steve Sochay was cancelled.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to re-appoint Steven Sochay to the Child Welfare Commission for the 3-year term ending September 21, 2019.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington

to amend the agenda to include Tribal Resolution: Rescission and Repeal of Resolution #041804-03 Request for Trust Acquisition. and the Certified Motion: Withdrawal of Request for Trust Acquisition of Parcel in Cheboygan County, Michigan.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to pass Tribal Resolution: Rescission and Repeal of Resolution #041804-03 Request for Trust Acquisition.

Roll Call: Councilor Bernard-absent, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Naganashe – absent, Councilor Proctor – yes, Legislative Leader Otto- yes, Secretary Shananaquet- yes, Treasurer Reyes- yes. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Certified Motion 020217-02; Withdrawal of Request for Trust Acquisition of Parcel in Cheboygan County, Michigan

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Adjournment:

4:11 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Harrington to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor Naganashe)

Next Tribal Council Meeting

Regular: February 16, 2017

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected

Julie Shananaquet, 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 Tribal Council Regular Meeting February 16, 2017

Call to Order: 9:10 a.m.

Opening ceremony: Beatrice Law

Closed Session: yes

Council Present: Legislative Leader Aaron Otto, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor David Harrington, Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Michael Naganashe, Councilor Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor Dexter McNamara

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, General Counsel James Bransky

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Renee’ Dillard

Invited Guest: none

Agenda:

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to approve the agenda of February 16, 2017 as amended.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Dedication:

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to dedicate this meeting in honor of those Tribal Citizens as noted that have recently walked on: Irene Marie Howard, Virginia Rose Adams, and Marshall Andrew Pierce

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Minutes:

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve the minutes of February 2, 2017, as corrected.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Executive Report:

Discussion: LaCrosse rumor and clarification, Recycling, Vice-Chair Stella Kay in Washington, DC, Federal Bill to do away with EPA, which will result in no more funding. Budget process well under way, Health construction is progressing well, pharmacy is targeted to be complete in May. Huge increase in level of degrees in Education, Snow Snake will occur this coming weekend, Natural Resources Department will be sponsoring ice fishing.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of the February 2017 Executive Oversight Report and Executive updates as presented by Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, and Direct Services Administrator Phil Harmon.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Legislative Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report

Discussion: Tribal practices that may affect Reservation litigation (i.e.: Indian Child Welfare, and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act)

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the February 16, 2017 verbal Legislative Leader Report as presented by Legislative Leader Otto.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

9:59 a.m. Break

10:13 a.m. Resume

Secretary Report -

Documents Delivered to Executive:

Tribal Resolution #020217-01; Support for Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority Litigation Support Request for FY 2018 delivered to the Executive on 02-06-17 and signed on 02-07-017.

Tribal Resolution #020217-02; Rescission and Repeal of Resolution #041804-03 Request for Trust Acquisition delivered to the Executive on 02-06-17 and signed on 02-07-017.

Waganakising Odawak Statute Housing Department delivered to the Executive on 02-06-17 and still pending.

Vetoes: none

Phone Polls:

02/14/17 Motion to approve and authorize the Legislative Leader to sign and submit the letter to Prosecutor Castagne regarding the Tribe’s Indian Child Welfare Jurisdiction.

Phone Poll passed: 9-yes

02/15/17 Motion to schedule a Special Meeting for Tuesday February 21, 2017 at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers, for the purpose of Indian Child Welfare jurisdiction discussion with Prosecutor Castagne.

Phone Poll passed: 9-yes

Correspondence acknowledgement:

02/15/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, e-mail titled, Part III, Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

02/15/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, e-mail titled, *he “Damned” Boarding Schools*

02/15/17 Citizen Warren Petoskey, e-mail titled, *I, a runner*

02/10/17 Citizen Andrea Pierce, e-mail titled, *Refinance of Loan (attached Letter)*

Discussion: Travois. Invite for on-site training. Legislative Office Manager will check into cost.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes accept the verbal report of Secretary Shananaquet as presented on February 16, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Discussion:

Appropriations and Finance Committee

Last meeting: February 5, at 9:00 a.m.

Next meeting: March 14, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to accept the verbal report of the Appropriation and Finance Committee (AFC) as presented by Treasurer Reyes on February 16, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Tribal Council Travel Reports: None
Tribal Council Member Reports

Councilor Harrington - North American Wetlands – Warren Petoskey

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to authorize Councilor Harrington to draft correspondence to David Graber declining partnership for the Schell Osage Wetland Renovation located in Missouri.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Land and Reservation Committee

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: February 10, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Next meeting: March 17, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Naganashe to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Report as presented by Committee Chairperson -Treasurer Reyes on February 16, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Ethics Committee – No Report

Meeting dates:

Last meeting: December 20, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. – Cancelled due to lack of quorum

Next meeting: To be determined

Legislative Staff Reports:

Legislative Services Attorney Report

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Proctor to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick’s verbal and written report for February 16, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Legislative Office Manager Report

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to accept the February 16, 2017 Legislative Office Manager’s verbal and written report as presented by Legislative Office Manager, Michele Portman-LaCount.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Office of Finance and Revenue Report

- Position currently vacant.

Traditional Tribal Burial Board, Inc. – No Report

Ziibimijwang, Inc. – No Report

Odawa Economic - Development Management, Inc.

Action Items: (Motions)

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to approve two Tribal Councilors to attend the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes Impact Week in Washington D.C March 21-24, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the receipt of the Prosecutor’s 2018 Budget as submitted to Tribal Council on February 13, 2017.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Certified Motion #021617-01; Request for Funding from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Fisheries Program Fiscal Year 2017 Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Aquatic Invasive Species Grants to Great Lakes Tribes.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Proctor to approve Certified Motion #021617-02; Request for Funding from Enbridge Energy Partners, Safe Community Grant Protecting Tribal Properties: Oil Spill Response Supplies.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Public Comment:

11:49 a.m. Public Comment Opens: No comments

11:50 a.m. Public Comment Closes

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve Certified Motion #021317-03; Request for Funding from First Nation Development Institute Native Youth & Culture Fund FY 2017 Land-Based Education Program.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to pursue Land Parcel #106 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Naganashe to repost the Tribal Historic Preservation Deputy Officer Job Description.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Law to pass the Constitutionally Mandated Rules of Conduct for Officials of Tribal Government.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Naganashe to post the Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-019 Amendment to Administrative Procedures on the Legislative Calendar the Odawa Register as sponsored by Legislative Leader Otto.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

12:03 p.m. Lunch Break

1:34 p.m. Meeting Resumes

Action Items: (Roll Call)

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to adopt Tribal Resolution: Ziibimijwang request for funding in the amount of \$63,632.00 to come from General Fund, Fund Balance-Economic Development Fund.

Roll Call: Councilor Bernard-absent, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-absent, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Proctor –yes, Legislative Leader Otto-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Ethics Committee Statute.

Roll Call: Councilor Bernard-absent, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Law-yes, Councilor McNamara-absent, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Proctor –yes, Legislative Leader Otto-no, Secretary Shananaquet-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes Motion carried.

2:02 p.m. Break for Odawa Casino Resort Check presentation to Emmet County Treasurer.

2:09 p.m. Resume

2:11 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 4 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor David Harrington, councilor Michael Naganashe) Motion carried.

2:12 p.m. Councilor Naganashe and Councilor Harrington returned.

3:02 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to return to open session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Councilor David Harrington), 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Law to acknowledge the written and verbal 2016 4th Quarter Gaming Enterprise Report as presented by Gaming Enterprise Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey and General Manager Eric McLester on February 16, 2017.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Councilor David Harrington), 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to acknowledge receipt of the Gaming Enterprise Board December 2016 Budget and Expenditures report.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 – Abstained (Councilor David Harrington), 2 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara) Motion carried.

Public Comment

3:05 p.m. Public comment opens Renee Dillard presented Weather teachings in Anishinaabemowin.

3:17 p.m. Public comment closes

3:17 p.m. Councilor Naganashe exits

3:18 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. Resume

Enjinaaknegeng Report

Motion made by Councilor Har-

ington and supported by Councilor Law to approve Certified Motion 021617-04 Authorization of Perpetual Right-of-Way for Odawa Circle Extension Parking Lot to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Transportation Program.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to approved Certified Motion 021617-05 Authorization of Perpetual Right-of-Way for Odawa Circle Extension to the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept the February 16, 2017 Enjinaaknegeng verbal report as presented by General Counsel Bransky.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

4:00 p.m. Other Items of Business - Closed Session Employment Interview.

4:16 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to go into closed session for personnel matters.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 4 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe, Councilor David Harrington) Motion carried.

5:56 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to return to open session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Harrington to table the Tribal Resolution Ad-hoc Land Management Office Committee.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Adjournment:

6:06 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Proctor to adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 – Absent (Councilor Bernard, Councilor McNamara, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Next Tribal Council Meeting Regular: March 9, 2017

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Julie Shananaquet, 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 Tribal Council Special Meeting February 21, 2017

Call to Order: 1:32 p.m.

Opening ceremony: Beatrice Law

Closed Session: no

Council Present: Legislative Leader Aaron Otto, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Frank Bernard, Councilor David Harrington, Councilor Beatrice Law, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Michael Naganashe

Absent: Councilor Emily Proctor

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, General Counsel James Bransky

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley

Judicial Officials and Staff: Prosecutor Catherine Castagne

Public:

Invited Guest: none

Agenda:

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve the agenda of February 21, 2017.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Proctor) Motion carried.

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sources across the board for Natives. He says that most federally recognized tribes, which include a good amount of urban Indian populations and health clinics, receive funding through Indian Health Services (IHS), a federal program that funds medical services to Natives across the country. He concludes the general amount of dollars allowed to each person for IHS services is less than someone who receives Medicaid or Medicare.

While Frank feels fortunate that he was able to grow up with a health care provider, he fully understands that wasn't a given for everyone. In fact, his initial exposure to Native American health care began as he got older and was no longer covered under his parents as an undergrad. Frank went to a non-profit urban health center in southwest Detroit called American Indian Health & Family Services.

He came to learn that some Native communities don't have a physician who is genuinely from that community. Some tribes may not have a physician at all and need its residents to travel out for care.

"I want to be able to help the community address these disparities. And I think primary care is one of the integral parts in achieving that. Having that primary care doctor available can really help that community work towards their health and wellness."

Disparities like those are why he's always appreciated his family's support for his career choice. They, too, understand the holes Frank's aiming to fill.

It is why Frank has worked hard to make that dream a reality. He studied biology and Native American Studies at the University of Michigan with a keen eye on those premedical requirements. Beyond the books, he also jumped at opportunities to obtain more exposure.

In 2007, he participated in what was then-called the Native American Pacific Islander Research Experience, a program for underrepresented minority undergraduate students held in Costa Rica. He worked with a team assessing the water quality of the Guyami de Coto Brus, one of eight indigenous peoples of Costa Rica.

The following summer, he did some research with the Four Directions Summer Research Program (FDSRP), an "opportunity at Harvard Medical School and Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH) for undergraduate students with a commitment to the health of Native American communities."

He did pulmonology bench research looking at cigarette smoke's effects on lung cells in Boston while taking the opportunity to shadow five different doctors. They served in several specialties, including ear-nose-throat, internal medicine, cardiology, emergency medicine and intensive care.

"I pretty much went through the whole hospital. I was just like, 'Oh my gosh, there is so much more to this than I thought there was.' Seeing such variety of medicine was amazing."

Taking an early peek at those specialties was great for Frank, but the pull towards family medicine was further reinforced after being invited to shadow another Native physician in 2010. He traveled to Minnesota to stay with the physician's family for a week. The opportunity gave Frank an intimate look into the daily life of a practicing physician. It also showed Frank that having a comfortable family life is possible, as Frank had already discussed children with his then-fiancée.

Balance is important. Primarily focused on the sciences up to this point, Frank also felt it was a necessary part of his journey to minor in Native American studies.

"I was able to learn a lot about history and the pre-contact era. I was also able to learn a lot about the boarding school era and the effects it has had on Native communities. That's played a big part in how our health care has been affected—there are generational effects, including system bias and racism. So that was interesting to me."

Frank says that those classes, like the three years of Ojibwe Language he took, really helped level out his consistent schedule of "rigorous and intense" science courses.

"I learned the language of my ancestors, of my family. It had skipped two generations, so I told myself that I wanted to learn the language so that I could bring it back. I made an effort to do it and that was really rewarding in my undergraduate experience."

But balance wasn't the only issue he was hav-

ing at the time. While learning about himself in one way, he also felt unworthy in another.

"As a person of color, I understand that oftentimes, we don't see role models whom look like us in these institutions, in these roles. So it can be tough," he admits. "It was kind of strange. Going through undergrad was actually a really trying time for me."

There were times when Frank was filled with self-discouragement in college. He asked himself time and again whether he could really pull this off. What really helped him overcome those insecurities was something he'd always been able to lean on. His community was always there.

Along with the shadowing, he looked into conferences and workshops that specifically catered to Native American pre-health students and groups like the Association of American Indian Physicians.

"That's what really helped me in my experience was to see others like me from the community who'd actually done it."

In the process of assuring himself, he wanted to assure others of their value, too. He wanted to give back to his community in the Detroit area. One of his primary volunteering experiences while an undergrad was with the American Indian Health and Family Services' youth program. The program focuses on alcohol, tobacco and drug abuse prevention as well as reinforcing and supporting Native American culture and tradition.

All those experiences—from the shadowing to the research, from the conferences to volunteering—really strengthened his resolve. Those experiences showed him it was possible.

Still, his struggles in school had made a dent in his grades. He needed to re-strategize after graduation. To address the weakness before applying to medical school, Frank enrolled in upper-level science courses at Wayne State University as part of an informal post-bachelor's non-degree program.

"I did that and I did really well there. I was proud of my grades and I felt good. But it always came down to that standardized test!"

The standardized test Frank refers to is the MCAT, or Medical College Admissions Test.

He failed the MCAT twice before passing on his third try. Routinely meeting with an advisor for support helped. Consistently engaged community and family members also helped Frank to focus during those difficult times. So close to medical school, the birth of his first daughter in 2011 gave Frank a final push to keep pushing towards his ultimate goal. He had a family of his own now.

"I was persistent and I was resilient. I think those are two qualities that were really brought out through preparing to apply. On a larger scale, those qualities helped me get over those discouragements."

Once comfortable and assured, it was time to enter the admissions cycle. He felt that being trained at a medical school in Michigan would prepare him best for working with his communities here. It was only logical.

"I also wanted to look for a school that was supportive of several different things," he says. "One is that they promote, embrace, and appreciate diversity, inclusion and culture. Also, I wanted to go to a school that could prepare me for working for my community, working for underserved communities."

The College of Human Medicine, with wide networks and partnerships in communities across the state, was appealing. He researched many of the schools in the state and some across the Midwest, but upon reviewing the College of Human Medicine's mission statement, he knew which school was the best option for him.

Plus, Frank wanted to be somewhere his family would feel comfortable. Frank and his then-fiancée received the phone call from Dr. Joel Maurer, Assistant Dean for Admissions, that he had been accepted into the College of Human Medicine. They burst into tears.

"It was a match. I had really connected with the people here and they must've felt that I was a good match for the program as well."

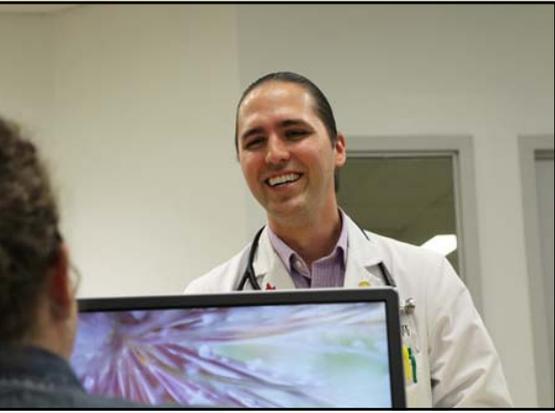
Frank officially received a white coat of his own—it fit him perfectly this time around—as a member of the college's 2013 entering class. Just the symbolism and visualization of attaining what he had only dreamed of for so long was enough to overwhelm him and his family.

"There were a lot of tears, (there was) a lot of joy. All that sacrifice and hard work...it was emotional."

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Frank rolled up his sleeves and continued working, diving into the rigors of medical school. Yet while med school has not been easy, he's appreciated every step of the way in his pursuit to provide for his family, his culture.



"My experience here has been rewarding. The support for my culture and my needs, I feel like, have been met for the most part."

He found support and comradery through his participation in the college's chapter of the Latin American and Native American Medical Association (LANAMA), which helped give him a strong connection to the hub of Latina medical students as well.

"I felt like a part of a group. Everyone was really supportive of one another. Everyone has a strong sense of culture and pride, their spirituality, and so I felt a part of that."

The friendships he has gained in LANAMA are no surprise to Frank, considering everyone is supportive of one another. He says that while you may get a couple people who are competitive, everyone shares a comfortable and appreciative comradery. The people that he's really connected with have been just like family.

Yet in terms of spiritual need, Frank once again found himself needing an outlet to balance the stresses of academia. Whenever there was free time, Frank would pile up cars with family and friends to trek through the state to meet up with some of the closer tribes. In particular, there is the Saginaw Chippewa Tribe in Mt. Pleasant, MI, as well as several bands of Potawatomi in Southwest Michigan.

"After an exam, if it fit the timing or if there was a round dance, a pow wow scheduled, especially during the summer, we made that drive. I would sing with my brothers and really get that outlet that I needed. That really helped with balancing the stress and meeting the commitments of medical school."

But for Frank, it's not always been about what he's received, but what he gives as well. Initially placed in Lansing, MI, for his first two years, he then decided to stay in Lansing, MI, for his final two years, where he's worked directly with those who need the care most.

"Lansing has been great. You get a lot of experience working with underserved communities," he declares.

"I had an experience in family medicine here, a clerkship, where I got to work in south Lansing at the Care Free Medical clinic. Their focus is almost 100% underserved patients and those without insurance. About 80% of their population is on Medicaid, so that was a rewarding experience as well. I felt like that helped prepare me to work in my community."

He's on his way. As graduation approaches, Frank has been sending out his application for family medicine programs. A residency match is on the horizon.

Wherever he matches, he'd preferably like to stay there for a bit even after residency. Stability is more important for Frank and his family, which is now up to four. The Animikwams had a second daughter over the last year.

The stability, he hopes, is also going to help him garner another four or five years of work and training experience after residency.

"I feel like I'll be more prepared to provide better service," he says. "That would be the plan; work (in residency) for a little bit and come back to Petoskey to work for our tribal clinic there."

To think, the dream he's had for decades now is finally coming to fruition. Frank's story is one of resilience, sure, but it's also one of consistent execution. His dream never wavered amid setbacks and doubt. And it was his family and community that allowed him to feel assured he was taking the right path, even when the path ran out of his comfort zone.

While he looks ahead to where he may possibly match, he likes to think back to a story within the shadowing trip he took to join his cousin in Petoskey, MI. On the first day's lunch break, Dr. Samuels took Frank on a quick side trip to see some of the elders. In the government center, there's a community gathering space where many of the elders would join on Tuesdays and Thursdays for an elder's luncheon. Together, they entered the event still wearing their white coats and greeted all in attendance.

"We came and (my cousin) got on the microphone. He shared, 'Good afternoon. I just wanted to let all of you know that we have a student here,'" Frank reminisces.

"They all know me so he goes, 'Frank is going to be working with me for a week in the clinic. Some of you may see him. He's interested in working for us one day in our tribe's clinic.' And everyone cheered. They were so proud and happy," he adds.

"That's one of the times I really felt this was my calling. While we were driving back, it was quiet in the car. We were in our thoughts and I looked over to him and I said, 'It feels different.' He then looked over at me and he said, 'Of course, it should.'"

"He goes, 'You're finding your sense of purpose in life. There is nothing greater than that.'"

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ODAWA CASINO RESORT UPDATE



Have you had a chance to participate in a Preferred, Premier or Elite Member tier day? If not, during the month of April, Preferred Members will receive 2X points on April 17th, Premier Members will receive 3X points on April 18th and Elite Members will have an opportunity to play a kiosk game to win prizes on April 20th. We hope you are enjoying the benefits that the new four tiered Pure Rewards Club has to offer!

Tournament Tuesdays is still going strong. Many guests are

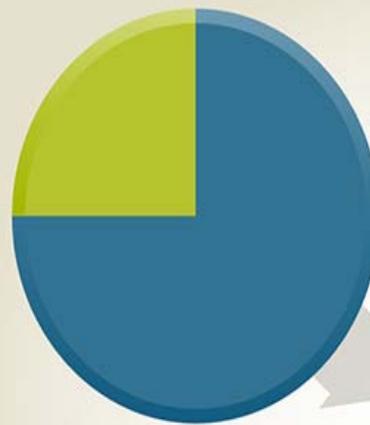
enjoying the free slot and table games tournaments offered and participation continues to grow. If you are looking to participate, please stop by on Tuesday; registration begins at 7pm.

During the month of April, the Waas No de will be hosting an Easter Brunch on Sunday, April 16th and the Funny Business Comedy Show will continue in the Ozone every Saturday night.

The first quarter Town-Hall Meeting was held for Team Members at the end of March, where three Team Members were recognized for their outstanding service and received a SuperStar award. Additionally, two Team Members were recognized for five years of service, two Team Members for ten years of service and three Team Members for 15 years of service. Thank you again to all Team Members for your hard work and dedication at Odawa Casino!

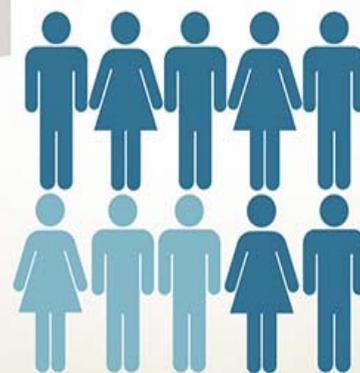
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Eric McLester, General Manager

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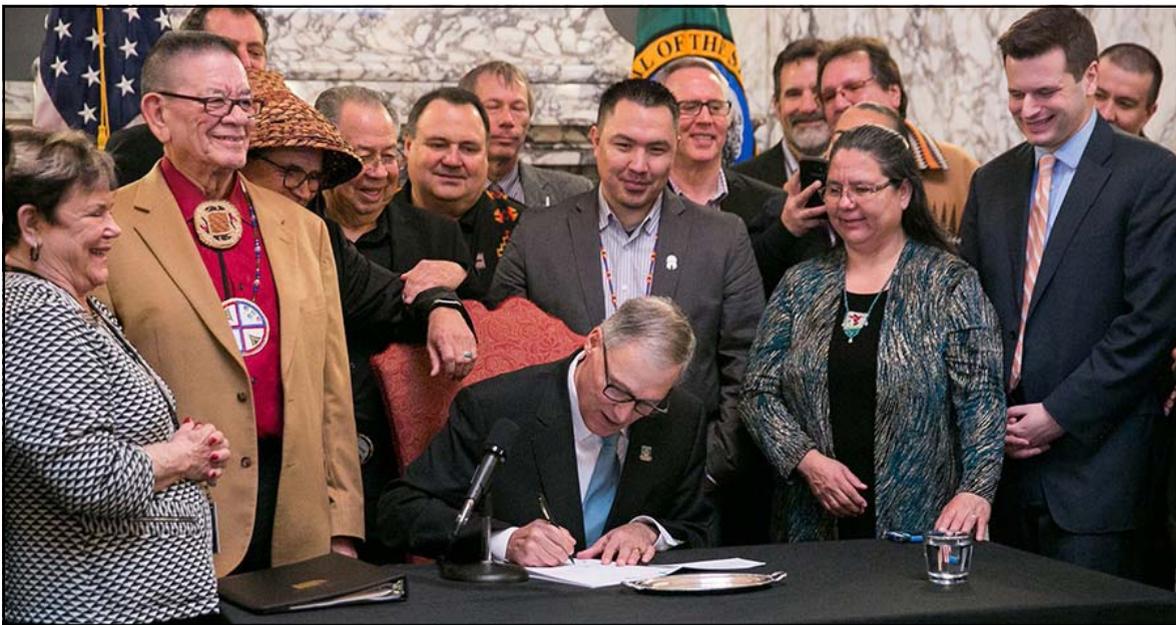
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7 out of **10** U.S. adult cigarette smokers who favor making 21 the minimum age of sale.



Source: American Journal of Preventive Medicine

WASHINGTON TRIBES LEADING THE WAY TO BETTER ORAL HEALTH CARE - NEW, TRIBAL-INITIATED WASHINGTON LAW AUTHORIZES FEDERALLY CERTIFIED OR TRIBALLY LICENSED DENTAL THERAPISTS TO PRACTICE ON TRIBAL LAND



Editor's note: The following is a W.K. Kellogg Foundation press release dated February 22, 2017.

Tribal nations in Washington are celebrating a new state law they crafted and championed to make it easier for them to address oral health care shortages in Indian country.

Washington Governor Jay Inslee signed the "Act Relating to Dental Health Services in Tribal Settings" into law today (February 22, 2017). It authorizes federally certified or tribally licensed dental therapists to practice in Indian country in Washington State. The bill was sponsored by Sen. John McCoy (Tulalip) with leadership from tribal leaders as a key step in addressing high levels of tooth decay and dental care shortages.

"This is a tribal-based solution that will make a tremendous difference for Native people—especially children," said Sen. McCoy.

Dental therapists are highly-trained, mid-level providers. They work under the supervision of a dentist and offer routine and preventive services, such as performing dental exams; providing fillings; cleaning teeth; placing sealants; and performing simple tooth extractions. Washington's new law will pave the way for Medicaid and other federal funding for dental therapists.

"We have one dentist to see more than 6,000 patients on the Colville Indian Reservation," said Mel Tonasket, Vice-Chairman of the Colville Confederated Tribes. "This law will help us hire a dental therapist to make sure our people are getting the oral health care they need."

"Oral health care is a central pillar to a child's overall health, so today we celebrate the action taken by Washington State to expand oral health care for children and their families in every tribal community," said La June Montgomery Tabron, President and CEO of the Kellogg Foundation. "We appreciate the leadership of Governor Inslee, State Representative David Sawyer, Swinomish Tribal Chairman Brian Cladoosby, State Senator John McCoy alongside countless others who have been steadfast in their efforts to advance racial equity while simultaneously creating new workforce opportunities."

The Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium pioneered the introduction of dental therapists for the U.S. More than 10 years later, 45,000 Alaska Natives now have access to dental care and the dental health aide program has generated 76 full-time jobs with a net economic effect of \$9.7 million, one-third of which is spent in rural Alaska.

Now, as a way to replicate the same dramatic oral healthcare improvements in Alaska villages, i.e.,

reduced caries disease, healthier teeth and patient satisfaction with culturally competent care given by home-grown providers, tribes are blazing a trail to bring dental therapy to the lower 48 states as a high-quality, cost-effective strategy to reduce dental care shortages. Washington State is on the leading edge of this movement.

A year ago, under the leadership of its Chairman, Brian Cladoosby, the sovereign Swinomish Indian Tribal Community hired Daniel B. Kennedy as the first dental therapist in Washington. In one year, they are increasing oral health care access and have reduced wait times from three months to less than three to four weeks. Cladoosby's leadership is making better oral health care a real possibility for Native people across the nation. The Kellogg Foundation helped fund the Swinomish demonstration project through its support of the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board (NPAIHB).

While this new law addresses Indian country in Washington, the momentum for dental therapy doesn't stop there. Dental therapists are now practicing in Minnesota, in addition to Native American communities in Alaska and Washington. They'll soon be able to practice in Maine and Vermont and in tribal communities in Oregon. Several other states, including Kansas, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Mexico, North Dakota and Ohio are exploring the potential for dental therapists to significantly improve oral health care for many more children and communities.

For more information about dental therapy, please visit the NPAIHB website at www.npaihb.org/ndti/.

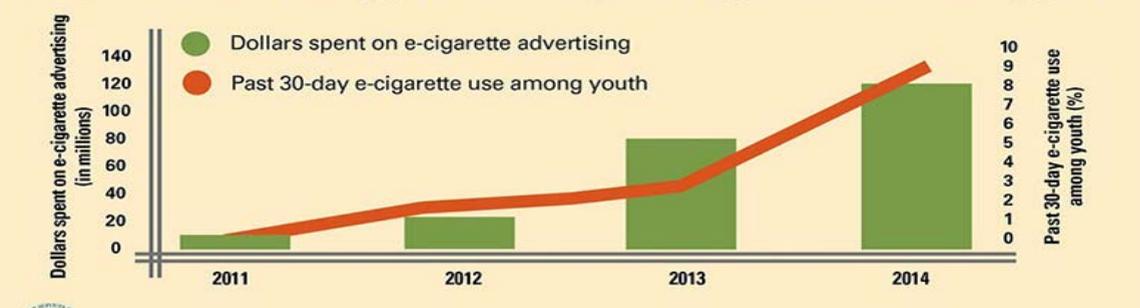
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The W.K. Kellogg Foundation (WKKF), founded in 1930 as an independent, private foundation by breakfast cereal pioneer, Will Keith Kellogg, is among the largest philanthropic foundations in the United States. Guided by the belief that all children should have an equal opportunity to thrive, WKKF works with communities to create conditions for vulnerable children, so they can realize their full potential in school, work and life.

The Kellogg Foundation is based in Battle Creek, Michigan, and works throughout the United States and internationally as well as with sovereign tribes. Special emphasis is paid to priority places where there are high concentrations of poverty and where children face significant barriers to success. WKKF priority places in the U.S. are in Michigan, Mississippi, New Mexico and New Orleans; and internationally, in Mexico and Haiti.

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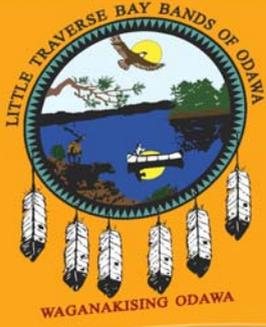
- Paid employment related to academic field of study
- Up to \$5,000 tuition / education assistance*
- Rotational work assignments
- Travel and transportation
- Students are recruited nationally across Indian Country
- Do not have to have prior work experience
- Mentoring, training and career development opportunities
- Flexible schedules
- Vacation, sick and holiday pay
- Life insurance, flexible spending accounts, health and retirement benefits
- Job-shadow with industry professionals
- Potential for non-competitive placement after graduation into a permanent professional entry-level BIA or tribal position

INTERNSHIP SALARY
Hourly Rate - Rest of United States
Locality Pay Table

Grade	Step 1	Step 10
2	\$ 11.30	\$ 14.22
3	\$ 12.33	\$ 16.03
4	\$ 13.84	\$ 17.99
5	\$ 15.49	\$ 20.13

Previous education and/or experience may be evaluated to determine the highest grade / step level for which the individual is qualified

* Not all internships offer tuition support, some internships are for summer employment only



2017 TRIBAL ELECTION SCHEDULE

MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017 ~ LAST DATE TO REGISTER TO VOTE IN THE GENERAL ELECTION. OFFICE HOURS 1 P.M. – 5 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017 ~ CANDIDATE FORUM 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M. AT THE GOVERNMENT COMPLEX IN HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

FRIDAY, APRIL 7, 2017 ~ PRIMARY BALLOTS MAILED TO ALL VOTERS REGISTERED AS OF FEBRUARY 6, 2017

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2017 ~ PRIMARY ELECTION DAY 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE TRIBAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX IN HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017 ~ LAST DATE TO FILE A CHALLENGE TO THE PRIMARY ELECTION BY 5 P.M.

MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017 ~ PRIMARY ELECTION CERTIFIED BY THE ELECTION BOARD AT 5 P.M.

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2017 ~ GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS MAILED TO ALL VOTERS REGISTERED AS OF MARCH 27, 2017

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2017 ~ CANDIDATE FORUM 9 A.M. TO 3 P.M. AT THE GOVERNMENT COMPLEX IN HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2017 ~ GENERAL ELECTION DAY 9 A.M. TO 6 P.M. TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT THE TRIBAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX IN HARBOR SPRINGS, MI

THURSDAY, JULY 6, 2017 ~ LAST DATE TO FILE A CHALLENGE TO THE GENERAL ELECTION BY 5 P.M.

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017 ~ GENERAL ELECTION CERTIFIED BY THE ELECTION BOARD AT 5 P.M.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017 ~ OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS.

Did you lose your iPhone?

iPhone found in the lobby of Burns Clinic (Prescription Services) in Petoskey, MI, on January 27, 2017. The last call dialed was to 231-242-1608. Please call Charlie at 231-487-1877 to identify.



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Great Lakes NARCH Research Internships for Native American Students



Starting Summer 2017

Native American students interested in Health, Science or Research fields, who have completed their freshman year of college:

*Great Lakes NARCH offers PAID internships for undergrad & post-grad students interested in research to help Native communities reduce health disparities.

*Conduct research in an academic setting and/or tribal settings while being mentored by well-established researchers.

*Gain experience, prepare for careers in Health, Science & Research, and make a positive impact in a tribal community!

For more information, contact:

Natalia Graf, GLITC NARCH Student Development Coord.
(715) 588-1018
ngraf@glitc.org



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

TRIBAL ELECTION BOARD
P.O. BOX 160 • CONWAY, MI 49722

VOTER REGISTRATION FORM

— IMPORTANT NOTICE —

This Voter Registration Form must be signed by the Tribal Member and verified by either of the following:

- The seal and signature of a notary public OR
- Attaching a legible copy of one of the following forms of identification that bears the signature of the Tribal Member:

- ♦ Valid Tribal Identification Card
- ♦ State Driver's License
- ♦ State issued identification Card or
- ♦ Passport

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

PLEASE PRINT

TRIBAL ROLL NUMBER

DATE OF BIRTH

LAST NAME GENERATION (SR., JR., ETC.) MAIDEN NAME

FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME

STREET OR POST OFFICE BOX ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

SIGNATURE OF VOTER

DATE

SIGNATURE OF NOTARY

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES

CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE

A SUMMARY OF A SELECTION OF HAZARDOUS COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE & THEIR EFFECTS

The compounds shown below are all found in cigarette smoke. The mass figures, given in µg, take into account both mainstream (inhaled) and sidestream smoke. 1 µg is equal to 1 millionth of a gram. Amounts of these compounds vary in different brands of cigarettes - these figures are approximate.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS IN CIGARETTE SMOKE

7,357

70

NUMBER OF THESE COMPOUNDS WITH CONFIRMED CARCINOGENIC ACTIVITY

NICOTINE - Approx. 915µg per cigarette - Addictive - Increases heart rate - Increases blood pressure - Increases blood glucose - Lethal dose: around 500-1000mg	ACETALDEHYDE - Approx. 680-1571µg per cigarette - Known human carcinogen - Probable human carcinogen - Irritant to skin & eyes - Irritant to respiratory tract
N-NITROSAMINES - Large class of compounds - Several are tobacco-specific - Known human carcinogens - Most carcinogenic: NNK & NNN - NNK: approx. 0.3µg per cigarette - NNN: approx. 2-50µg per cigarette - May cause reproductive damage	1,3-BUTADIENE - Approx. 36-191µg per cigarette - Known human carcinogen - Suspected human carcinogen - Irritant to skin & eyes - Irritant to upper respiratory tract
BENZENE - Approx. 46-272µg per cigarette - Known human carcinogen - Damages bone marrow - Lowers red blood cell count - May harm reproductive organs	ACROLEIN - Approx. 69-305µg per cigarette - Possible human carcinogen - Known DNA mutagen - Irritant to skin & nasal passages - May contribute to heart disease
AROMATIC AMINES - Large class of compounds - Includes 2-aminonaphthalene - Known human carcinogen - Linked with bladder cancer - Approx. 0.04µg per cigarette	POLYAROMATICS - Large class of compounds - Includes benzo(a)pyrene - Known human carcinogen - Known DNA mutagen - Affects reproductive capacity - Up to 0.14µg per cigarette

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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.

NATIVE AMERICAN BUSINESS INSTITUTE AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY



The Native American Business Institute (NABI) is a week-long pre-college summer program for Native American high school students who will be entering the 9th, 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the 2017-2018 school year. Participants work with MSU admissions officers, college counselors, tribal community leaders and corporate representatives in a seven-day "business boot-camp" which prepares students for the college and exposes them to numerous academic and professional opportunities.

- NABI students:**
- Develop time management & study skills
 - Receive tips & strategies for gaining admission to college
 - Learn how to navigate the financial aid/scholarship jungle
 - Form lifelong friendships with other Native youth, MSU students & MSU support staff

- Strengthen communication and interpersonal skills
- Attend corporate, cultural and leadership development workshops
- Cultivate a deeper appreciation and understanding of their culture
- Foster networks with business leaders and other professionals
- Expose students to various careers and opportunities in business
- Most importantly—they learn how to **WORK HARD & PLAY HARD!**

Check Us Out on Facebook or Online

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Native-American-Business-Institute/132110503559513>

<http://mbp.broad.msu.edu/nabi/>

- Application Process:**
- Total participants admitted into the summer program will be set at 40 students.
 - Priority will be given to applications submitted on or before Friday, May 5, 2017.
 - Selected students and parents will be sent an acceptance letter with additional documents and required forms to be completed and sent back to Multicultural Business Programs accept-

ing and confirming their son or daughter's attendance to NABI 2017.

Program Dates:

Native American Summer Business Institute will take place at the Michigan State University campus during the following dates and location:

• Shaw Hall, East Lansing, MI—June 24 – June 30, 2017

Application Period/Deadlines:

- First round of applications due by Friday, May 5, 2017
- Late applications will be placed at the "end of the line" for review and students are accepted on a space available basis.

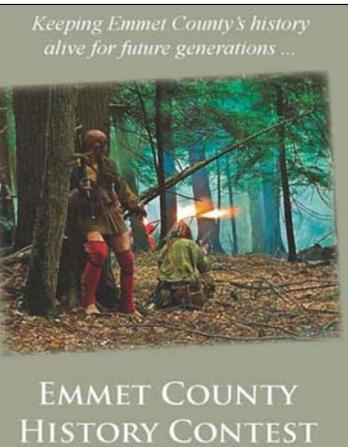
Eligibility: To be eligible, each student must:

- Be a current high school student
- Have a 2.8 or higher cumulative grade point average
- Submit a completed application packet by the established deadline

Mail or E-mail Applications to:

Dr. Kevin Leonard
Multicultural Business Programs
415 Eppley
East Lansing, MI 48911
517-353-3524
leonard1@msu.edu
Courtesy graphic.

HEY, EMMET COUNTY KIDS: WIN \$100 BY TELLING US THE COOLEST PART OF OUR LOCAL HISTORY! - EMMET COUNTY HISTORICAL ESSAY CONTEST FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS ANNOUNCED



Keeping Emmet County's history alive for future generations ...

EMMET COUNTY HISTORICAL ESSAY CONTEST

The Emmet County Historical Commission is once again holding its annual Historical Essay Contest, which is open to any third- or fourth-grade student in Emmet County, MI, including home-schooled children.

First place earns \$100 while second place wins \$50. The teacher of the winning student also will receive a \$50 stipend to use for classroom supplies.

Here are the rules: Contestants may write about any topic which involves Emmet County history. The essay should be two pages or less, typed double-space. Only one entry per student is allowed. Entries may be submitted individually or through schools or libraries. The student's name should not be on the essay, only on the entry form (which can be downloaded online at www.emmetcounty.org).

The entry form should be placed on top of four copies of the essay. Entries must be post-marked by **April 21, 2017** and should be sent to:

Emmet County History Contest
c/o Melinda Spencley
711 Plains Road
Brutus, Michigan 49716

Or entries may be mailed to essay@emmetcounty.org

An advisory committee will judge the entries and determine the winners.

The prize money for this contest is derived from the Bob Schulze Fund for Creative Writing held at the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation. Schulze was a long-time summer resident of Emmet County. He won such a prize at his Springfield, IL, high school. After his passing, his family used his memorial funds to establish the creative writing fund some years ago.

"The Emmet County Historical Commission believes strongly in keeping our history alive by encouraging children to learn the stories from our past," said Melinda Spencley, Emmet County Historical Commission member. "This contest allows kids, their teachers and their families the chance to explore some of the different, most interesting facets of our history. In the past, some students have

even taken the time to interview their own grandparents about 'the way things used to be' in Emmet County, which have made for some terrific essays."

A brochure with complete Essay Contest details can be downloaded at <http://tinyurl.com/emmetcountycontest>. It provides other ideas for essay subjects as well as all contest rules and the entry form.

If you have questions about the contest, call Emmet County Communications Director Beth Anne Eckerle at 231-348-1704 or e-mail her at beckerle@emmetcounty.org

About the Historical Commission

The Emmet County Historical Commission was established in 2008 by the Board of Commissioners at the time the county purchased the historic McGulpin Point Lighthouse, just west of downtown Mackinaw City, MI.

The commission is responsible for the development and maintenance of the lighthouse, which is now open to the public, as well as other historical resources within Emmet County. The commission has focused its efforts as well on education about Emmet County's rich history. This history contest is one aspect of that effort.

Courtesy graphic.

15TH ANNUAL YOUNG WRITERS JURIED EXPOSITION: CALL FOR YOUNG WRITERS



Elementary, middle and high school writers who attend schools served by the Char-Em ISD (or home school students in Charlevoix or Emmet counties)

are invited to submit one work of poetry, prose or one of each to the exposition. All Char-Em ISD area teachers are invited to submit their students' work to the competition. All work must be submitted by a parent or teacher online through Crooked Tree's website, www.crookedtree.org, beginning at 9 a.m. on Tuesday,

April 4, 2017 through 5 p.m. on Friday, April 14, 2017. For writing requirements and more details about the Young Writers Juried Exposition, please visit www.crookedtree.org or contact Alex Dailey at Crooked Tree Arts Center at 231-347-4337 or e-mail alex@crookedtree.org.

Courtesy graphic.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Natural Resources Commission

**LTBB Natural Resources Commission
2017 Annual Hunting/Fishing Meeting
April 8, 2017**

You are invited to join the Natural Resources Commission and Natural Resource Department for an afternoon at the **Terrace Bay Hotel**
7146 P. Road, Gladstone, MI 49837
We would like to invite LTBB Tribal Citizens to an open meeting of the Natural Resources Commission. Meeting will be held from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Lunch will be provided.
License applications and walleye permits will be available. Door prizes will be given away, grand prize is a rifle.

**NRC Annual Hunting & Fishing Meeting
April 8, 2017—11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Terrace Bay Hotel
7146 P. Road, Gladstone, MI**

For more information, Contact
LTBB NRD
231-242-1670
or e-mail
dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nrc.org
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI

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1-855-372-0037

★ Denotes a Michigan Indian tribe or urban center

In some Michigan tribal communities, the smoking rate among adults is as high as	Smoking is linked to fetal and infant mortality. Among American Indians in the state, the infant mortality rate is	Tribes are facing a growing number of lung cancer cases. The mortality rate for American Indians with lung cancer is as high as
70%	15%	90%

What is in a cigarette?

You know cigarettes contain nicotine and tobacco, but they contain a lot of other chemicals too!

Arsenic Used in rat poison	Lead & Cadmium Found in batteries	Toluene Used in paint manufacturing	Methanol Main component of rocket fuel	Butane Used in lighter fluid
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What is nicotine?
Nicotine is a clear or yellowish oily liquid that is found in tobacco. In small amounts it works as a stimulant, but in larger amounts it can interrupt the proper functioning of nerve and muscle cells!

Why is nicotine addictive?
Nicotine creates a "buzzed" feeling, but the buzz fades quickly, leaving you tired and feeling down. That feeling creates the need for another cigarette to prolong the buzz and prevent withdrawal. The up and down cycle continues to repeat, leading to addiction.

teen.smokefree.gov

LINEs FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP



Birthdays



Happy 53rd birthday to the honorary "Old Broad" Marty Van De Car on April 18. I'm sure you'll be among good company to celebrate your special day. Love, the Brassy Lady, the Old Man, General Junior and Kathy.

A very special happy birthday to Bill Denemy, Bill(y) Denemy and Judy Denemy Smith, from Pat Denemy, Joanie Denemy, Brian Denemy, Terri Denemy and Jerry Postema. May this be the start of many more birthdays to follow.

Happy birthday wishes to our brother & uncle Jobin aka John Naganashe, who celebrates many, many years on April 11th. Hope you have a great one. Love, Theresa, Ashley, Carter & Grayson.

MNO-DIBESHKAA NGWIS on April 30!! I am so proud of what you have done for your life, Son. I hope it is passed on to your son and his son and so on forever. May you enjoy many more happy days to enjoy the positive life you have made for yourself!! Goos Gzaagin Ngwis! Your Father Loves You!

Birthdays

Happy birthday Dami Doo! Thirteen looks good on you! I love you more than I can say! And hope you have a stellar day! Love, Mom.

Happy 10th birthday to Peyton (Pator) James Harmon on April 10th. Love, Dad, Angela, Lindy & Smore.

Happy birthday to John Kenoshmeg on April 1st. From the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to my Josephine on April 11, love Mama.

Happy birthday Uncle Dan Stead. Love, your nieces, the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to Mitch Laughlin. Love, Auntie, Josie and Nicole.

Happy birthday Sophia. Love, Uncle Dan.

Happy birthday to Anna, from the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to Shanna, from the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to Waas, from the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to our cousins, Marie and Johnnie. Seems like only yesterday we were growing up together in Good Hart. Who are we kidding? That was a long time ago! Anyway, have a good day.

Happy birthday to Katy King. Wishing you the best wishes ever in whatever adventure you are having at the moment. From your family up north.



Here's hoping your birthday on April 3 is all rainbows and sunshine. It's great to have you back in the fold. Love, the Wicked Witch and the Flying Monkeys.

Ladies, are you between the ages of 7 and 12?
Would you like to be the first Junior Miss Odawa Nation?
 If so, look in the May issue of the Odawa Trails for more information.
Be a part of Odawa history!

ROUND DANCE
 Saturday, April 22, 2017
 5 p.m. - 11 p.m.
 LTBB Gov't Center
 7500 Odawa Circle
 Harbor Springs, MI

HONORING OUR YOUTH

Free Open to the Public + All Singers Welcome

Contemporary round dances evolved into more of a social dance held primarily in late fall, winter and early spring months. The traditional round dance, once a powerful plains Cree healing ceremony to honor traditions and memories of ancestors.

5 p.m. Pipe Ceremony
 Feast
 Round Dance Socials
 Spot Dances & Raffles
 Raffle for Door Prizes

11 p.m. Closing
 (Times & schedule subject to change)
 Limited vendor space. (Optional, may bring side dish to share & feast bags.)
 (Sloppy joes, chili, fry bread & cake provided by Beverly Wemigwase & LTBB Cultural Services)

Pipe Ceremony: Tom Teuthorn
MC: Joe Medicine
Stickman: Patrick Naganashe

Invited Youth Singers:
 Carter Boda
 Mzhakwod John Shananaquet

Invited Singers:
 Paul Shananaquet
 Mike Naganashe
 Leroy Shenoskey
 Raymond Shenoskey
 Buster Wesaw
 Dion Syrette
 Carson "Begga" T Kiyoshk, Jr.
 Jerry Wasageshic
 More Singers TBA

Youth Encouraged

THIS IS A DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT. NO POLITICS. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY OR LOSS OF PROPERTY.

More Info:
 Pauline Boulton
 231-242-1520
 or
 Theresa Chingwa
 931-919-1136

Anniversary



Wishing my Mom & Dad, Grandma & Grandpa, Gma & Gpa a very happy anniversary. We love you lots, Theresa, Ashley, Carter & Grayson.



26TH ANNUAL ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW
 AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017
 HARBOR SPRINGS, MI
 LTBB POW WOW GROUNDS

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More information will be in the May issue of the Odawa Trails, www.OdawaHomecoming.com and our Facebook page: Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow

Stay tuned!

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Friday, May 19, 2017

Doors open 7pm | Show begins 8pm

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