

# ODAWA TRAILS

## FREE TAX FILING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE IN PERSON AND ONLINE

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator



The date by which to file taxes in 2020 for 2019 income is April 15, 2020.

There are several free options available when filing both state and federal income taxes.

IRS Free File opened on January 10, 2020. Taxpayers, whose adjusted gross income was \$69,000 or less in 2019, can do their taxes with a Free File provider, who will submit the return to the IRS. For 2020, the Free File partners are 1040Now, Inc., ezTaxReturn.com (English and Spanish), FileYourTaxes.com, Free tax Returns.com, H&R Block, Intuit, On-Line Taxes, Inc., Tax ACT, Tax-Hawk, Inc. and TaxSlayer (English and Spanish).

Free file is a public-private partnership between the IRS and Free File, Inc. (FFI), a consortium of tax



software providers who make their Free File products available at IRS.gov/FreeFile. Visit IRS.gov/freefile for instructions to use this free service.



The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$56,000 or less, persons with disabilities

and limited English-speaking taxpayers who need assistance in preparing their own tax returns. IRS-certified volunteers provide free basic income tax return preparation with electronic filing to qualified individuals.

The Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program offers free tax help for all taxpayers, particularly those who are 60 years of age or older, specializing in questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors. The IRS-certified volunteers who provide tax counseling are often retired individuals associated with non-profit organizations that receive grants from the IRS.

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## IMPORTANCE OF THE 2020 CENSUS TO THE AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE POPULATION

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator



The 2020 Census counts every person living in the 50 states, District of Columbia and five U.S. territories (Puerto Rico, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands).

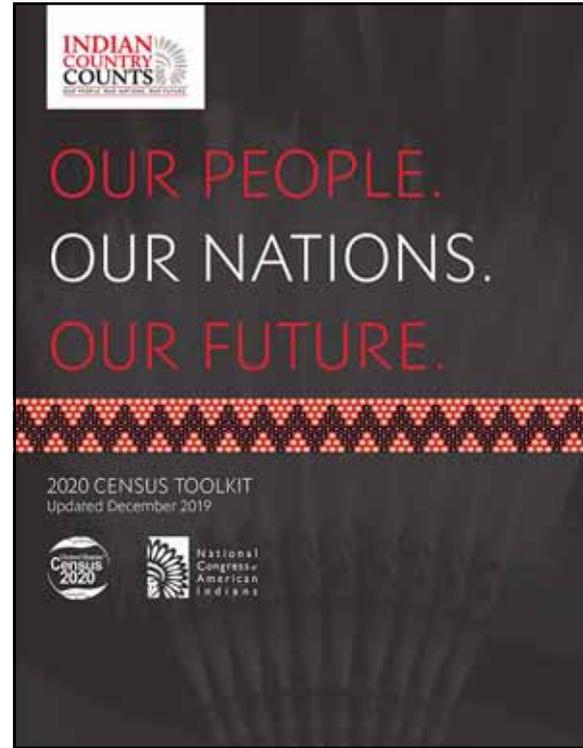
The count is mandated by the U.S. Constitution and conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, a nonpartisan government agency. Each home will receive an invitation to respond to a short questionnaire online, by phone or by mail. The census provides critical data lawmakers, business owners, teachers and many others

use to provide daily services, products and support for you and your community. Every year, billions of dollars in federal funding go to hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads and other resources based on census data.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts.

It's also in the U.S. Constitution: Article 1, Section 2, mandates the country conduct a count of its population once every 10 years. The 2020 Census will mark the 24th time the country has counted its population since 1790.

Participating in the census is required by law even if you recently completed another survey from the Census Bureau. A complete and ac-



curate count is critical for you and your community because the results of the 2020 Census will affect community funding, congressional representation and more.

### Key 2020 Census Dates

**January 2020:** The U.S. Census

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## REAL ID ACT AND TRIBAL ID CARDS

By **Pauline Boulton**, Enrollment Officer

Beginning October 1, 2020, every air traveler 18 years of age and older will need a REAL ID-compliant driver's license, state-issued identification card, enhanced driver's license or another acceptable form of ID to fly within the United States or enter certain federal facilities. (see [www.tsa.gov/real-id](http://www.tsa.gov/real-id))

As a federally recognized tribe, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, are exempt from the REAL ID Act. This means our photo tribal identification cards can be accepted when flying domestically.

When travelling internationally, you will be required to have a passport or other identification as indicated by the U.S. Department of State.

Often, we in Enrollment, are asked about using our tribal IDs to enter and return from Canada by land. According to the Canada Border Service Agency website, they will accept a Certificate of Indian Status along with photo identification. After speaking with one of its agents, it was confirmed our photo tribal ID cards will be accepted as they have both a photo and signature.

When returning to the United States, however, you must provide a passport, passport card or enhanced driver's license. Your photo tribal ID



card will not work because we currently do not issue enhanced tribal IDs. Research has been done about issuing the enhanced tribal IDs and currently, it is cost prohibitive.

It is always a good practice to *"REAL ID Act" continued on page 24.*



## LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 2-17-2020 = 4,550

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# Tribal Telephone Directory and Website Information

LTBB Governmental Website [www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov)  
*Odawa Trails* Website [www.odawatrails.com](http://www.odawatrails.com)

Beverly Wemigwase, Receptionist 231-242-1400  
 1-866-652-5822

## Tribal Administration

242-1400

## Health Department

242-1611

## Tribal Chairman's Office

Julie Janiskee, Administrative

Assistant

242-1401

Health Clinic

242-1700

Health

242-1600

## Tribal Council/Legislative Office

Linda Gokee, Administrative

Assistant

1-866-972-0077

Community Health

(Transportation)

242-1601

Dental Clinic

242-1740

## Legal Department

Su Lantz,

Assistant

242-1407

Maternal Child

Health Outreach

242-1614

NO Collect Calls Accepted

## Office of Citizens Legal

### Assistance

Cherie Dominic, Attorney

242-1433

NO Collect Calls Accepted

Pharmacy

242-1750

## Housing Department

Hunter Johnson, Administrative

Assistant

242-1540

## Accounting Department

Jon Shawa, Assistant

242-1440

## Human Resources

### Department

Dorla McPeak,

Administrative Assistant

242-1555

Mandy Szocinski, Contracts

242-1439

## Human Services Department

Veronica Sanders, Administrative

Assistant

242-1621

## Archives, Records and Repatriation Department

Eric Hemenway,

Director

242-1527

## IT Department

Mark Tracy,

Director

242-1531

## Commerce Department

242-1584

## Law Enforcement

### Department

Tribal Police

242-1500

## Natural Resource

### Department

Debra Smithkey-Browne,

Administrative Assistant

242-1670

## Communications Department

Annette VanDeCar,

Coordinator

242-1427

Wendy Congdon,  
Pre-Press Graphic Specialist  
242-1429

## Elders Department

Dorothy Pagel,

Administrative Assistant

242-1423

## Planning, Zoning and Building Department

Shari Temple,

Administrative Assistant

242-1581

## Enrollment Department

Marin Taylor,

Administrative Assistant/  
Genealogist

242-1521

Amanda Swiss,

Tribal Planner

242-1508

## Substance Abuse/ Mental Health Department

Pat Boda,

Administrative Assistant

242-1640

## Facilities Department

Simon Kenwabikise, Director

242-1532

Brenda Schoolcraft,  
Office/Intake Coordinator

242-1642

## Education Department

Tammy Gasco,

Administrative Assistant

242-1480

## Tribal Court/Peacemaking Program

242-1462

## Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin

### Language Department

Carla Osawamick, Director

242-1454

## Tribal Prosecutor's Office

Gwen Teuthorn, Office Manager

242-1475

## GIS Department

Alan Proctor,

Director

242-1597

## Youth Services Department

Tina Dominic, Coordinator

242-1593

## Election Board Chairperson

Carol Quinones

616-774-9534 or 616-206-6482

## Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement

Debendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'anaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing debendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwaa wiinnaadendziyiing. Gdabendaanaa debendziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadziwin miinwaa mndoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibnagetaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabi'amigak mjignamiing ninda mnaadadziwinan echiipitendaakin: nbwakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendamowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwin. Ninda eyaamiing echiipitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

## 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 Information



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

The deadline for the April 2020 issue of *Odawa Trails* is March 2, 2020.

You can e-mail or call your submissions in to [newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) or 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.

# ADVERTISE WITH US!

## FREE GRAPHIC DESIGN SERVICES AVAILABLE!

### 3 Column X 3 in.

1 Month = \$36

3 months = \$91.80 **save \$16.20!**

6 Months = \$172.80 **save \$43.20!**

12 Months = \$324 **save \$108!**

4 of our most popular sizes!!

A complete listing of ad sizes and prices are on our website at: [www.odawatrails.com](http://www.odawatrails.com)

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1 Month = \$16

3 months = \$40.80 **save \$7.20!**

6 Months = \$76.80 **save \$19.20!**

12 Months = \$144 **save \$48!**

### 2 Column X 4 in.

1 Month = \$32

3 months = \$81.60 **save \$14.40!**

6 Months = \$153.60 **save \$38.40!**

12 Months = \$288 **save \$96!**

### 2 Column X 2 in.

1 Month = \$16

3 months = \$40.80 **save \$7.20!**

6 Months = \$76.80 **save \$19.20!**

12 Months = \$144 **save \$48!**

# DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS



LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

## Winter Storytelling Series & Potluck

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH  
5:30 - 7 P.M.  
LTBB GOV'T BUILDING  
HARBOR SPRINGS

YVONNE WALKER-KESHICK  
LTBB Elder  
FRED HARRINGTON  
LTBB Elder  
MATT DAVIS  
LTBB Citizen

In case of inclement weather,  
check for cancellations before traveling.

For more details, call LTBB Cultural Services 231-242-1486 or 231-242-1487.



Indian Hills Gallery

GET YOUR COPY OF  
RAY KIOGIMA'S BOOK  
"THE COMPLETE  
ODAWA LANGUAGE"  
TODAY!

Shipping is available!  
OPEN MONDAY TO  
SATURDAY 10AM-5PM

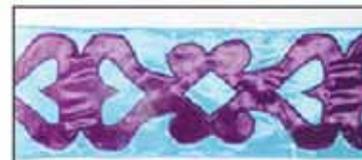
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1581 HARBOR-PETOSKEY RD. (M-119) PETOSKEY, MI 49770  
231-347-3789 OR 1-866-385-2026

## Laugh, Learn and Live Well

When: March 18 from 5-8pm  
Location: 1260 Ajijaak Ave.  
Petoskey, MI 49770  
Health Park Conference Room



We will continue our work on our ribbon appliques and begin to work on our regalia. If you missed January's class, you can still participate!

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

This project is 100% federally funded by Indian Health Services under the LTBB SDPI project

## Seeking Committee Members!

NOTE: THIS IS A VOLUNTEER COMMITTEE  
The first Pow Wow Committee meeting to plan the 29th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow is Wednesday, March 25 at 6 p.m. in Room 312 at the LTBB Governmental Building in Harbor Springs, MI. For more information, please call 231-242-1427 or e-mail avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Makwa Ziibi Baagadowewin

## CREATOR'S GAME



## INDOOR LACROSSE 2020

Sunday's, Doors Open 11am-2pm  
January 12 & 19 / February 2 & 16 / March 8, 15, 22 & 29  
Time(s) subject to change, follow Makwa Ziibi Baagadowewin on Facebook for more details

Harbor Springs Middle School Gym  
**FREE & Open to the Public**

**COED, All Ages, All Skill Levels**

**Equipment Available for Loan**

Sponsored by: Makwa Ziibi Baagadowewin (Bear River Lacrosse), LTBB Youth Services Department, & the Harbor Springs Public Schools Title VI Program

Questions/Information: Call RJ @ 715/558-3891

Rakuten OverDrive

The digital library is always open.



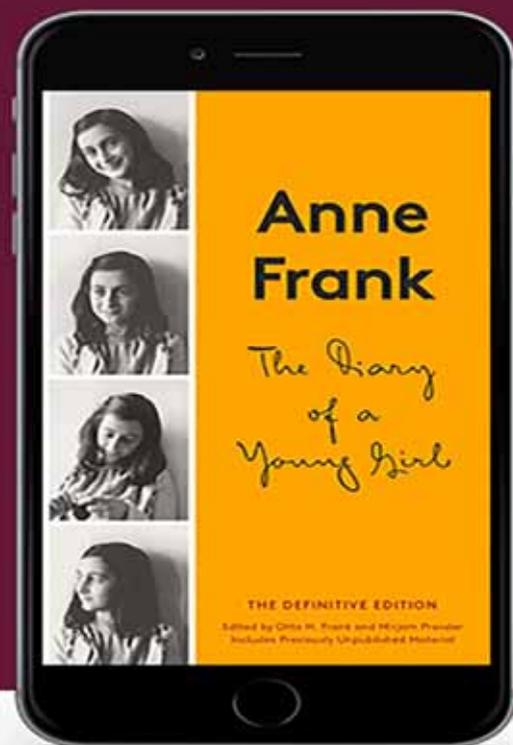
## Read on Libby.

The one-tap reading app from our library.

## Celebrate Women's History Month.

*Anne Frank*

"Women should be respected as well! Generally speaking, men are held in great esteem in all parts of the world, so why shouldn't women have their share?"



Available on the App Store | Get it on Google Play | Get it on Microsoft



## JOIN THE 2020 CENSUS TEAM

2020 Census

APPLY ONLINE!  
2020census.gov/jobs

The U.S. Census Bureau is an Equal Opportunity Employer

# March Elders Birthdays

### March 1

Margaret Kaestner  
Evelyn Cody  
Melvin Kiogima  
Richard Masse  
Yvonne Fronczak

### March 2

Pricilla Dickerson

### March 3

Leonard Dashner-Gasco  
James Fisher  
Mary Cody-Gibson  
Tammi Lee  
Paul Booth

### March 4

Helen Bonneau  
Camilla Jensen  
Deanne Samuels  
Darla Roush

### March 5

Dennis Hardwick  
Karen Randolph  
Rayna Shawa

### March 6

Steven Thompson  
Raymond Suhr  
Robert Taylor

### March 7

James Vincent  
David Minor

### March 8

Roscoe Howard III  
Shane Hart  
Duane Boda  
Timothy Todd  
Mary Lawler  
Beverly Wemigwase

### March 9

Donna Lord  
Kevin Cutler

### March 10

Thomas Minor  
Sara Curto  
Elroy Davenport  
Marcia Bane  
Bradley Baker

### March 11

Richard Crossett  
Patsy McGowan  
Peggy Holappa  
Douglas Wright, Jr.  
Marie Miskell  
Raymond Cody, Jr.  
Kimberly Johnson

### March 12

Daniele Montez  
Judith Pierzynowski

Virginia Lewis  
Juanita Taylor  
Regina Kiogima

### March 13

Marsha Griffin  
Deborah Blake  
Alice Hughes  
Rosalie Springfield  
Marie Miller

### March 14

Beverly Cabral  
Gail Neeb  
Mary Zeppa  
Gina Gregory

### March 15

Arlene Naganashe  
James Lasley  
Lucy Daniels

### March 16

Carla Hilyard  
Rebecca Healy  
Roger Emery  
Dawn Thorpe  
Louise Beauchamp  
Jeffrey Hardwick

### March 17

Sharon Miller  
Ronald Bekampis  
Jewell Chingman  
Fred Kiogima  
Charles Brooks  
Gary Otto

### March 18

Lewis Adams, Jr.  
George Shomin

### Kevin Keller

Sharon Casey-Hook  
David Shonibin  
George Leo, Jr.

### March 19

Raymond Bottoms  
Judith Shell  
Sarah Mashburn  
Marc Pamp  
Katherine Fletcher  
Linda Kilborn  
James Skippergosh, Sr.  
Theresa Fischer  
Joseph Allen

### March 20

Roseanna Alexander  
John Beaver  
Patrick Sloniker  
Sheran Patton  
Glenda Turner  
Bennie Lacroix  
Donald McMillan  
Lisa Keller  
Laura Damon

### March 21

Nichelle Bunkley  
Mark Shenoskey  
Frank Emery  
Carolyn Medawis  
Laura Kieliszewski

### March 22

Judith Kosequat  
Madeline Hawkins

### March 23

Francis Boda  
Douglas Sprague

### March 24

Mildred Shomin  
Sharon Sanders

### March 25

Theresa Stieve  
Marion Genia

### March 26

Harry Fenner

### March 27

William LaCroix  
Robbie Schlappi

### March 28

Wendy Morris

### March 29

Stanley Crisp  
Robert Baldon  
Diane Alsop  
David Anthony  
Gary Kenoshmeg

### March 30

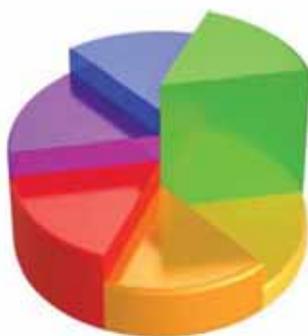
Rachel Neville  
Jo Ann Seay  
Pauline Bowers  
Rodger DeBoer

### March 31

William Devernay, Jr.  
Bonita Crowe

## LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

# 2021 BUDGET FORMULATION PROCESS PLANNING CALENDAR



March 15, 2020 - Branch / Department 2020 Budget submissions to Treasury Office, including General Fund Budgets, Cost Recovery Budgets and Grant / Federal Contract Fund Budgets

March 31, 2020 - Make any deletions or additions to Governmental Branch budgets

1<sup>st</sup> week of April - Executive Branch Budget hearings (April 1-2)

1<sup>st</sup> week of April - Remaining Branches / Departments Budget hearings (April 3)

2<sup>nd</sup> week of April - LTBB 2021 Proposed Annual Budget available to Tribal Citizens (April 14)

2<sup>nd</sup> week of April - 2021 Annual Budget Public Hearing (April 14 at 9am)

By Annual Meeting - Tribal Council approve annual budget (April 14 AFC Mtg. at 1:30pm; April 23 TC Mtg.)  
Final 2020 Annual Budget posted to Tribal Website (April 23)

May 2, 2019 - Annual Community Meeting



### ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

The Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training (NIT) Program provides financial assistance to eligible students pursuing education in the following STEM-related programs. Assistance can include, but is not limited to, tuition, course material, transportation, and training costs.

**COMPUTER NUMERICAL CONTROL (CNC)**  
• Available Winter 2020

**COMPUTER - AIDED DESIGN (CAD)**  
• Available Fall 2020

**MECHATRONICS**  
• Available Fall 2021

**WELDING**  
• Available Fall 2020

For more information, please contact the LTBB Niigaandiwin Education Department.  
Phone: (231) 242-1492 Email: kbennington@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov



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**STAY CONNECTED!**  
Text "HigherEd" to 33222 to receive LTBB Higher Education updates and deadline reminders. Standard data and msg rates apply.



# EXECUTIVE BRANCH

## FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE



Already a quarter of a way through 2020.

We have so much going on at the government. We are reworking the website to be more user friendly and easier for our citizens to use and find information. We encourage participation in this process; you may send comments to [website2020@ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:website2020@ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov).

Ads are appearing while scrolling through your social media feeds and during the evening news or maybe you keep hearing ads on your radio station. April 1st is Census Day 2020. Why is the census so important? Data

collected by the census impacts political representation, federal funding, public policy and many other processes and systems that shape our lives and our children and grandchildren's lives. So, please be sure to fill out the census online or in paper format.

I hope to see everyone at the 4th Annual LTBB Round Dance on March 7th. It is a fun, social, community event our staff and volunteers have put time and effort into. We welcome you to come enjoy being with the community at large.

# ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

## ATTENTION: 2020 PER CAPITA REQUIREMENTS

We are still in the process of scanning enrollment records and linking relationships in our Citizenship Database (Progeny ES). We will be contacting you via mail if your enrollment record is missing a photo copy of your social security card.

If we **do not** have a copy of your social security verification on file prior to **October 31, 2020**, (the 2020 per capita payment distribution deadline), your per capita payment may be held or delayed in 2020.

**Acceptable Verification of your Social Security number includes the following:**

- ◆ Copy of your Social Security Card
- ◆ Social Security Card number printed by Social Security Administration Office

- ◆ Social Security Administration Benefit Statements
- ◆ 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 keep our records up to date, but to make sure by working together that everyone gets their 2020 per capita check. If you have any questions, call the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520.

# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## TAX AGREEMENT INFORMATION

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:

<https://tinyurl.com/ltbmitax>

If you have any other questions pertaining to the Tax Agreement, call 231-242-1584.

## ATTENTION:

Fuel and tobacco exempted purchases are only available to LTBB tribal citizens for their own vehicles or consumption. LTBB citizens are not allowed to utilize their sales tax exemption for non-LTBB citizens or non-LTBB owned businesses! Making tax-exempt purchases for non-LTBB citizens or businesses violates the tax agreement and may also violate applicable law. Store clerks have the right to deny any and all tax-exempt purchases that they have reasonable cause to believe are made for a non-tribal citizen or for the business/commercial vehicle of a citizen's employer. **YOU WILL THEN BE CHARGED THE FULL PRICE FOR FUEL AND TOBACCO PURCHASES.**

All citizens must remain present during the entire transaction.

## Important Update

Questions or concerns for the Department of Commerce, please call 231-242-1584 or e-mail [DOC@ltbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:DOC@ltbodawa-nsn.gov)

## PLEASE NOTE:

The LTBB Grants Department works with LTBB Departments to obtain external funds for ongoing and special programming, services and resources for the tribal community. Please contact the respective LTBB Department for information on programming that may be of interest to you.

## Department of Commerce Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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.

## ATTENTION ALL RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS (RTMs)

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

## LTBB TRIBAL DIRECTORIES

LTBB tribal directories are available for sale in the Enrollment Office. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled as of February 28, 2017, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

### Qualifications:

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

### Mail to:

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

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

## 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

## Please Note:

Changeable address forms are available for LTBB Citizens at [www.tinyurl.com/ltbbenrollmentforms](http://www.tinyurl.com/ltbbenrollmentforms). The forms must be printed and signed by the Tribal Citizen and hard copies returned to Enrollment. We still require the form to be witnessed or notarized depending on your address.

LTBB Enrollment Office 231-242-1521

# COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

## EASTER CHICK COLORING CONTEST RULES



We welcome everyone to visit our Official Facebook Page at

<https://www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA>.

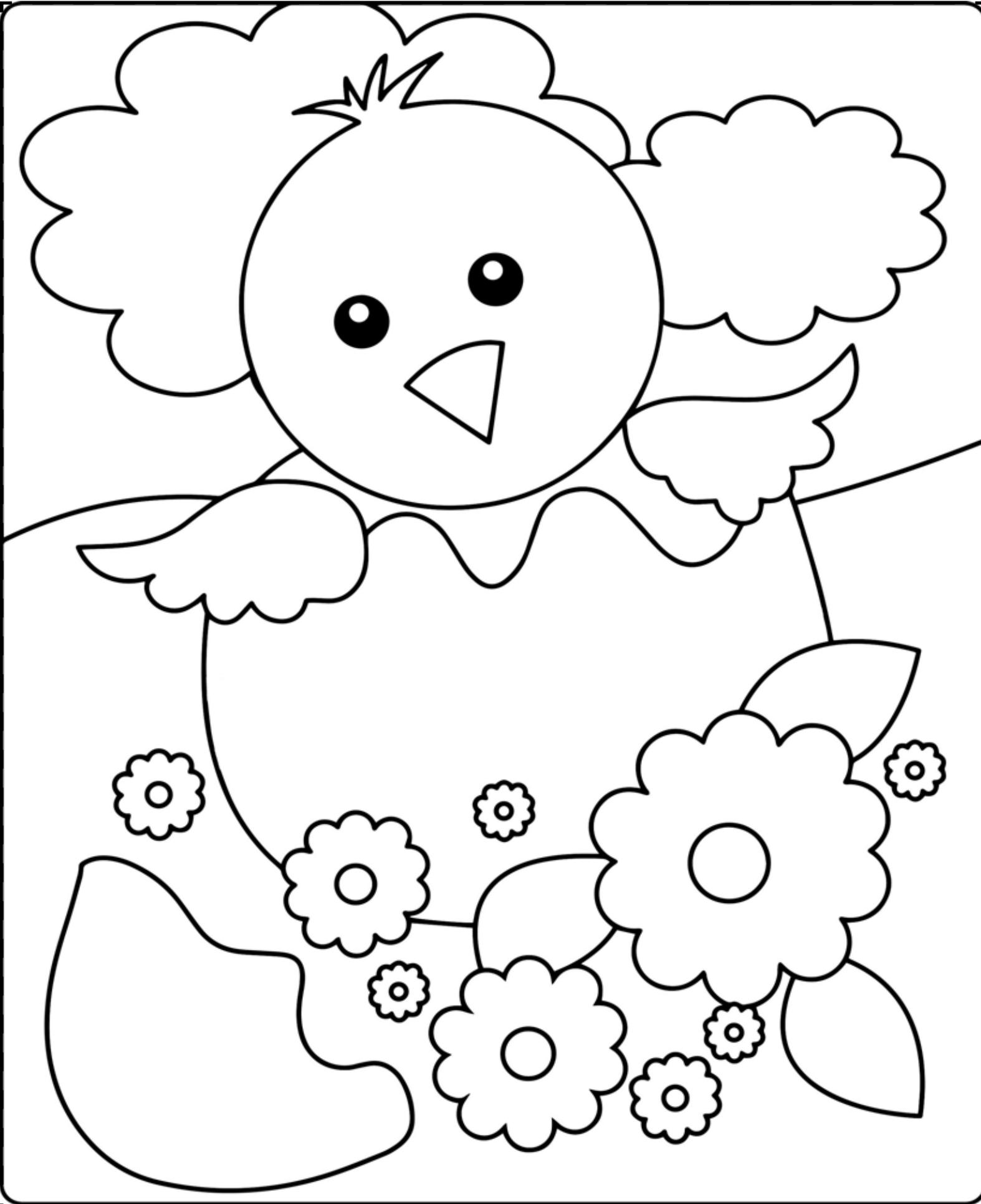
Please be respectful in your comments.



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. No exceptions!  
 • All mailed entries must be postmarked or hand delivered by April 6, 2020. No exceptions!  
 Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category. Each winner will receive a prize!



### 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.

### LTBB ELECTION BOARD CONTACT INFORMATION

- Office Location**  
407A Michigan St.  
Petoskey, MI
- Mailing Address**  
P.O.Box 160  
Conway, MI 49744
- Office Phone/FAX**  
231-348-8209
- Carol Quinones, Chairperson  
Home 616-774-9534 Cell 616-206-6482  
quinones@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Melissa Shomin, Vice-Chairperson  
Phone: 616-206-390  
mshomin@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Carla Osawamick, Secretary  
Phone: 517-862-3633  
cjosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Jon Shawa, Treasurer  
517-927-3255  
jashawa@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- Alice Hughes, Board Member  
231-838-9833  
ahughes@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

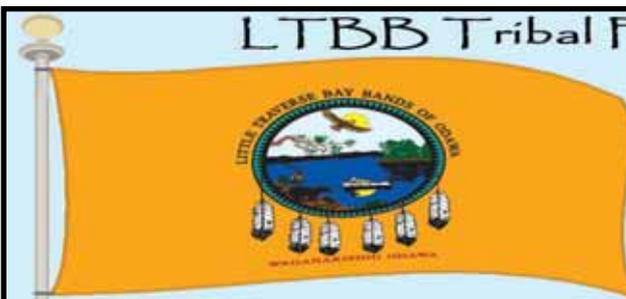
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Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### IMPORTANT NOTICE!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ISSUES CONCERNING **LAND CLAIMS DISTRIBUTION (TRUST FUND)**, PLEASE CONTACT **CARRIE CARLSON, CFO**, AT 231-242-1442.

### LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!



For more information, contact Don Portman at [biindigen@gmail.com](mailto:biindigen@gmail.com) or 231-487-1093

# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

## Area Pantry Schedule

### EMMET COUNTY

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm  
7489 Mission Road, Alanson  
231-548-5462

Liberty Baptist Church - call for pantry services  
7247 South US 31, Alanson  
231-548-5836

Church of Christ - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 12:30-1:30pm  
1727 Anderson Road, Petoskey  
231-437-0210

Bay Shore Pantry - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue 12-3pm  
06072 US 31 North, Bay Shore  
231-347-3618

The Manna Pantry - Tue 9am-12pm & 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thur 3-6pm; call for emergencies -  
8791 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs  
231-347-8852

Harbor Springs Community - Mon 9:30am-12pm -  
150 West Main (enter through double doors on 3rd Street),  
Harbor Springs 231-526-2414

Pellston Area Food Pantry - Wed 5-6:45pm -  
161 Highway 31, Pellston  
231-638-3568

First Christian Church - Wed 9am-12pm  
308 Monroe, Petoskey 231-347-6181

Salvation Army - Mon - Fri 9am-12pm  
712 Pleasant Street, Petoskey  
231-347-3531

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 9am-12pm; call for emergencies -  
415 State Street, Petoskey 231-347-7423

Cross of Christ Church - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thu 5-7pm; 4<sup>th</sup> Thu 9-11am - **Paper pantry only**  
1450 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey  
231-347-5440

Seventh Day Adventist **Clothing Pantry**  
Mon-Tues 10am - 2pm  
1404 Howard St., Petoskey  
231-347-2560

Northern Michigan **Diaper Pantry** - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri 9:30am-11:30am -  
8781 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs  
(bldg. next to Manna)

### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City Community - 1<sup>st</sup> Mon 10am-12pm & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon 5-7pm -  
401 State Street, Boyne City 231-582-2551

Boyne Valley Pantry - Thu 2-5pm  
3031 Main Street, Boyne Falls  
231-549-2230

Seventh Day Adventist - Mon 6-8pm, Wed 10am-12pm -  
326 Park Street, Boyne City 231-582-0151

Bible Baptist Church - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu 6-7pm; call for emergencies -  
05855 M-66 North, Charlevoix 231-547-4300

Charlevoix Community - Mon and Thu 10am-12pm; last Sat 10-11am -  
101 State Street, Charlevoix 231-547-9122

Care & Share - Tue 2-4:30pm; Thu 9:30am-12pm -  
710 M-32, East Jordan 231-536-7423

Walloon Lake Community - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue 5-6:15pm -  
4320 M-75, Walloon Lake 231-535-2288

### ANTRIM COUNTY

Bellaire Community Pantry - Mon 1-5pm & Thu 10am-5pm -  
205 Broad Street, Bellaire 231-533-8973

Good Samaritan - Tue 10am-7pm, Wed, Thu, Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm  
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth  
231-588-2208

Antrim County Baby Pantry - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thu 12:30-4pm -  
209 Jefferson Street, Mancelona 231-584-8401

Community Lighthouse - Tue & Thu 9am-5pm -  
430 West State Street, Mancelona 231-587-9967

Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-4pm -  
200 Maple, Mancelona 231-587-9606

## Area Soup Kitchen Schedule

### EMMET COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church - Thu & Sun 12-1pm -  
501 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey 231-347-4793

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 12-1pm  
415 State Street, Petoskey  
231-347-7423

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm  
7489 Mission Road, Alanson  
231-548-5462

### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Lighthouse Community Lunch Program  
Mon & Thu 11:30am-1:30pm  
104 State Street, Charlevoix

Charlevoix United Methodist Church  
231-547-8040

### ANTRIM COUNTY

Good Samaritan - Thu at 12pm  
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth  
231-588-2208

YakTrax Walking Cleats are available in the Elders Department.

Sizes range from small, medium to large and fit US men sizes 5 -13.5 and women sizes 6.5 - 15. Please contact or visit the the Elders Department while supplies last!!!



If you have any questions, please contact Tammy Okuly-Shananaquet, Elders Outreach Coordinator at 231-242-1512



Helping Native Americans achieve self-sufficiency through employment and training opportunities in 28 counties throughout Michigan.

#### Examples of Services Provided:

- Help with job search & placement
- Development of an Individual Employment Plan
- Opportunities for classroom training
- Assistance for entrepreneurs and small business related costs
- Financial assistance for education and employment related costs.

For more information, contact Rachael Koepp at 231-242-1488 or e-mail rkoep@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

LTBB of Odawa Indians is the recipient of this grant under the Department of Labor (DOL). In accordance with the Jobs for Veterans Act, WIOA

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
<b>Replacement/Expired Cards</b> A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to Elders.	\$10
<b>Tribal Directory</b> Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/28/2017 Published every 4 years.	\$5
<b>Tribal Directory Labels</b> Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
<b>LTBB List</b> The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
<b>Photocopies of Enrollment file</b> First 3 copies free, \$1 for each page thereafter.	\$1 ea
<b>Marriage License Application</b> Certified Copies: \$10 Photo Copies: \$5	\$15
<b>Tribal Notary Application</b> Surety Bond: \$125 (Payable: Brownrigg Companies LTD)	\$10

#### Services

- Enrollment Applications.
- Address Change Forms.
  - Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box.
  - 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.

## Moving?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Adult verification form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

Contact the Enrollment office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

Stop in for your Party needs. We are a Full-line Party Store!  
Beer • Wine • Liquor • Lunch • Snacks and so much more!

## MARCH 2020 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution: 9<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 3pm ~ Cooking demo on the 9<sup>th</sup>  
 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: 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>  
 Peshawbestown: 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Traverse City: 24<sup>th</sup>

For more information, contact  
 Food Distribution Program  
 Specialist Joe VanAlstine  
 at 231-347-2573



**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

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**10 tips**  
 Nutrition Education Series

## snack tips for parents



### 10 tips for healthy snacking

**Snacks can help children get the nutrients needed to grow and maintain a healthy weight.**  
 Prepare single-serving snacks for younger children to help them get just enough to satisfy their hunger. Let older kids make their own snacks by keeping healthy foods in the kitchen. Visit ChooseMyPlate.gov to help you and your kids select a satisfying snack.

**1 save time by slicing veggies**

Store sliced vegetables in the refrigerator and serve with dips like hummus or low-fat dressing. Top half a whole-wheat English muffin with spaghetti sauce, chopped vegetables, and low-fat shredded mozzarella and melt in the microwave.

**2 mix it up**

For older school-age kids, mix dried fruit, unsalted nuts, and popcorn in a snack-size bag for a quick trail mix. Blend plain fat-free or low-fat yogurt with 100% fruit juice and frozen peaches for a tasty smoothie.



**3 grab a glass of milk**

A cup of low-fat or fat-free milk or milk alternative (soy milk) is an easy way to drink a healthy snack.

**4 go for great whole grains**

Offer whole-wheat breads, popcorn, and whole-oat cereals that are high in fiber and low in added sugars, saturated fat, and sodium. Limit refined-grain products such as snack bars, cakes, and sweetened cereals.



**5 nibble on lean protein**

Choose lean protein foods such as low-sodium deli meats, unsalted nuts, or eggs. Wrap sliced, low-sodium deli turkey or ham around an apple wedge. Store unsalted nuts in the pantry or peeled, hard-cooked (boiled) eggs in the refrigerator for kids to enjoy any time.

**6 keep an eye on the size**

Snacks shouldn't replace a meal, so look for ways to help your kids understand how much is enough. Store snack-size bags in the cupboard and use them to control serving sizes.

**7 fruits are quick and easy**

Fresh, frozen, dried, or canned fruits can be easy "grab-and-go" options that need little preparation. Offer whole fruit and limit the amount of 100% juice served.



**8 consider convenience**

A single-serving container of low-fat or fat-free yogurt or individually wrapped string cheese can be just enough for an after-school snack.



**9 swap out the sugar**

Keep healthier foods handy so kids avoid cookies, pastries, or candies between meals. Add seltzer water to a 1/2 cup of 100% fruit juice instead of offering soda.

**10 prepare homemade goodies**

For homemade sweets, add dried fruits like apricots or raisins and reduce the amount of sugar. Adjust recipes that include fats like butter or shortening by using unsweetened applesauce or prune puree for half the amount of fat.



Go to [www.ChooseMyPlate.gov](http://www.ChooseMyPlate.gov) for more information.

DG TipSheet No. 24  
 March 2013  
 Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion  
 USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

**NEED HELP PAYING FOR CHILD CARE? WE CAN HELP!**

**APPLICANT DOCUMENTS**

- TRIBAL ID
- SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- 30 DAYS PROOF OF INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS
- SUPERVISOR SIGNED WORK/SCHOOL SCHEDULE
- PROVIDER AGREEMENT

**LICENSED PROVIDERS**

- COPY OF STATE UNLICENSED LICENSE

**UNLICENSED PROVIDERS**

- STATE ISSUED ID
- ABILITY TO PASS ANNUAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

LITTLE TRVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
 85 SPRING STREET PETOSKEY MICHIGAN

**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](http://www.miafg.org)

**TOGETHER**  
 With compassion and community we can end violence against women and girls

**KNOW RESPECT**  
 Mnaadendmowin  
 Be respectful

**SHOW LOVE**  
 Zaangidwin  
 Be caring

**BE HONEST**  
 Gwekwawdzwin  
 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 through Friday 9-5 (231) 242-1620  
 Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan  
 24-Hour Crisis and Information Line: (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995

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

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Appointment Date	Expiration Date	Serial Number	Phone Ext.
Theresa C. Keshick	Active	02/18/2015	February 17, 2021	01-09	1584
Rebecca R. Fisher	Active	02/22/2015	February 21, 2021	02-09	1418
Cynthia Brosuckaert	Active	06/06/2017	June 05, 2023	05-09	1462
Beverly J. Wernigwase	Active	02/23/2015	February 22, 2021	10-09	1400
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	08/24/2015	August 23, 2021	11-09	1401
Rose M. Pyant	Active	04/06/2017	April 5, 2023	12-09	1563
Marin C. Taylor	Active	05/15/2018	May 14, 2024	13-09	1521

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Commission ~ 2020 Meeting Schedule**

March 4, April 1, May 6  
 June 3, July 1, August 5  
 September 2, October 7  
 November 4, December 2

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

# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

## COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND LTBB USDA FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM OFFERS COOKING CLASS



The Mnozhiiyaa/Community Health Department is pleased to partner with the LTBB USDA Food Distribution Program for a series of monthly cooking classes featuring foods available to program participants.

For the first quarter of 2020, classes will be:  
 March 9: Beef and cabbage soup, oat biscuits and dried plum whip shakes.

Information about the next quarters will be coming soon.

For more information, please feel free to contact the LTBB Food Distribution Program at 231-347-2573 or send Regina Brubacker-Carver an e-mail at [rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

Courtesy graphic.

# AANGWAAMTOON ZIISABAAKWADAAPINEWIN. MINOZHIIYAAN. - BE CAUTIOUS WITH SUGAR DIABETES. FEEL GOOD.

## "Blood Sugar Rising"

### WCMU Awarded Grant for Diabetes Education & Outreach

A Local Community Engagement Project that includes a PBS film, speakers and free glucose screenings for Native Americans in Central and Northern Michigan.

### Blood Sugar Rising Preview

Preview | 2m 18s

<https://www.pbs.org/video/blood-sugar-rising-preview-qnrloh/>

The current diabetes and pre-diabetes epidemic in the U.S. affects more than 100 million people in the U.S., claiming more lives than cancer and HIV combined, and costing more than \$325 billion each year. "Blood Sugar Rising," a two-hour special broadcast coming from PBS in April 2020, puts human faces to these statistics, exploring the history and science of the illness through portraits of Americans whose stories shape the film, including Native Americans.



### WCMU Public Media Local Content and Engagement with Native Americans in Central Michigan

At nearly 16%, American Indians and Alaska Natives have the highest age-adjusted prevalence of diabetes among all U.S. racial and ethnic groups.

"The rise in obesity and its related chronic diseases is particularly distressing to Michigan's Native American population who suffer from higher-than-average rates of diabetes, heart disease and stroke. Many of Michigan's Native Americans lack resources, live far from grocery stores and mainly shop for food at local convenience stores or gas stations. These small stores have little fresh produce and offer highly processed, low nutrient food, untraditional to Native American culture. These residents find it challenging to regularly participate in physical activity, especially when weather is less than ideal and access to fitness facilities is limited. If Native Americans become ill, they may visit their local Tribal Health Centers for basic medical care and treatment of disease or illness. Unfortunately, these centers sometimes have little resources to implement preventative activities for their community members to keep them from getting sick in the first place.

But, that was about to change. In 2013, the Michigan Department of Community Health's 4 x 4 Initiative requested applications from community-based coalitions across the state. The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan (ITCM) and its consortium of 12 federally recognized tribes and one urban American Indian Health and Family Services Agency applied and were funded to address barriers to healthy living in 13 tribal communities. ITCM's 4 x 4 Initiative approach was to promote balanced, realistic and manageable goals to increase healthy eating and exercise and to use education and media to promote a healthier lifestyle as a social norm. The project embraced holistic wellness and utilized community assets such as a history and knowledge of highly nutritious Native American traditional foods along with regular physical activity.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan's 4 x 4 Initiative continued in 2014, working with six tribal agencies to accommodate that year's funding. The program was a continued success; each participating tribe implemented those activities which were the best fit for their unique communities.\*

But, health education priorities have changed in the world of funding according to Noel Pingatore, Health Education and Chronic Disease Department Director at ITCM. The State of Michigan now provides funding focused more on cancer prevention and education and less on cardiovascular and diabetes illnesses. The successful 4 x 4 Initiative has been discontinued.

\*Excerpted from "A Fork in the Road - Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan 4 x 4 Coalition."

### What can WCMU do to support tribal health education and promote "Blood Sugar Rising"?

The Native American population nationwide now ranks #1 among ethnic groups for the onset of diabetes. But, they are also making great strides in reducing death caused by kidney failure brought on



by diabetes. Some of WCMU's local programming will tell the story of Native Americans in central and northern Michigan, the work their Health Services Departments are doing, the struggles and accomplishments of the tribes and their members as they face this deadly disease.

WCMU recently received a grant from WGBH Boston, the PBS television station which originated the TV special, to fund our engagement/education efforts with four tribal Health Services departments as well as the development of local radio and television programs where the focus will be on diabetes among Native Americans and the general population in Michigan.

### Tribal Engagement

WCMU's Community Outreach/Grants Manager, Linda Dielman, has contacted Health Services directors at four Michigan tribes who have agreed to partner with WCMU to host screening events of the PBS special on their reservations. We will coordinate with the Health Services staff at each tribe to gear the events toward their culture and needs. We know the ability of each tribe to do education and outreach differs for a variety of reasons, so the need to be flexible is paramount. In our initial discussions, the intent is to show segments of "Blood Sugar Rising" and host a panel of diabetes experts who can address diabetes in general and when possible from the Native American perspective. The events will occur in March and April 2020. These events will not be videotaped for broadcast without permission of the participants.

Our events are also designed to encourage action among those with pre-diabetes and diabetes. Central Michigan University College of Health Professions will bring its 39-foot customized mobile health clinic to each event to make available free glucose screenings. (Yes, these do require eight-hour fasting.) The mobile clinic will be staffed by CMU medical students supervised by their faculty. (<https://www.cmich.edu/colleges/CHP/mhc/Pages/default.aspx>) We estimate being able to perform approximately 50 screenings at each site.



Some tribes have stopped doing community health screenings because they don't have the resources and felt concern over how to handle follow up with at-risk members. By bringing the mobile clinic, tribal members will be able to get their glucose screening done, be provided their results and information on local resources (i.e., local doctors, health clinics) so the individual determines the next steps. If still timely, printed information designed by the 4 x 4 Initiative (geared specifically to the Native population), and resources from Indian Health Services will be available. The four events (one with each tribe) will be free and open to tribal members and staff.

Our collaborating tribes are:

- Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians - Emmet County March 20, 2020 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Time - TBD. For more information, contact LTBB Health Educator Regina Brubacker-Carver at [rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians - Leelanau County

- Little River Band of Ottawa Indians - Manistee County

- Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe - Isabella County

"Diabetes Screening" continued on page 11.

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## MARCH MAYHEM

### TEAM VS TEAM

Must be a Native Way Gym Card Holder • Automatic Teams of 5  
• Weekly workouts/exercises will be provided for points  
• To enter, go to Native Way anytime during February

**PRIZES for the TOP TEAM!**

AWARDS will be granted to the ELITE NINI and KWE (Male and Female) with the most points!

## MARCH 1-31

For more information, contact Marlene Gasco, Health Wellness Advocate, (231)242-1616

### Native Way Two Weekly Class Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Yoga w/Regina 8-9 am	Pilates w/ Marlene 8-9 am  Tae Kwon Do 6-6:30 pm: beginner 6:30-7:30 pm advanced	Circuit Training w/ Marlene 8 am-5 pm  Boxing/ Jiu Jitsu 6-7 pm	Yoga w/ Regina 8-9 am  HIIT w/Marlene 4-5 pm  Tae Kwon Do 6-6:30 pm: beginner 6:30-7:30 pm advanced

If LTBB governmental offices are closed for the day, all Native Way classes will be canceled. If the weather is uncertain, please err on the side of caution, and stay home if you are not sure. If you would like to participate in Tae Kwon Do, boxing or Jiu Jitsu, please call 231-242-1700 and leave a message for Dr. Terry Samuels prior to attending.

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



**NATIVE WAY FITNESS CENTER**  
8730 COMMERCE PARK  
HARBOR SPRINGS, MI 49740  
Gym Hours: Sunday-Saturday, 5 am -12 am

### Guidelines to Applying for a Native Way Card

- Have a physical performed no more than one year prior to your request to use the Native Way Gym.
- Provide a note for your file from your physician giving you permission to exercise with or without restrictions.
- Attend a Native Way orientation. The date and time will be determined by the Community Wellness Advocate.
- Complete the Native Way packet presented at the time of orientation.
- Note: Native Way Rules are included in the packet.
- Pay the required \$5 for your access card.

When all of these requirements are fulfilled, you are eligible to use the Native Way Gym. Native Way Two offers classes not associated with the use of the exercise equipment. If you are interested in participating in any of the classes offered, contact Marlene Gasco, Community Wellness Advocate, at 231-242-1616, Monday - Friday 8 am - 5 pm. Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Department 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Phone: (231) 242-1601 Fax: (231) 242-1717

## LTBB Pharmacy

Hours: Monday - Friday 8 am - 6 pm  
Phone: 231-242-1750

What prescriptions are filled at the LTBB Pharmacy?

- Prescriptions written by LTBB Clinic Providers
- Prescriptions written by providers where you have been referred to by the LTBB Clinic

PLEASE BE AWARE OF HOLIDAY HOURS AND MEDICATION REFILLS.

Don't miss out on the sounds of life.



Hearing aid assistance is now processed through the Health Department. Call to see if you qualify!  
231-242-1600

### SMILE WITH CONFIDENCE

Elders Dental Assistance Program is now processed through the Health Department! Call to see if you qualify!  
231-242-1600



“Diabetes Screening” continued from page 10.

In addition, we’ve identified a few other potential partnerships including:

- Michigan Department of Health and Human Services/Native American Services
- The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan
- United Tribes of Michigan

**Local Broadcast Programming**

WCMU Public Television will produce a special on diabetes as part of its long-standing “Ask the Experts” series. Most “Ask the Experts” episodes are done live-in-studio, but this time, we’ll pre-produce the program to allow for more production elements and control over the questions asked of the experts.

WCMU Public Radio will generate local reporting about diabetes including

- Primer on diabetes – Type 1, Type 2, Prevalence, Cost to Healthcare.
- The long-term effects of losing the traditional Native American diet.
- The progress being made in Michigan in the reduction of deaths attributable to kidney failure among Native Americans.
- Living with diabetes, featuring a Central Michigan University student

WCMU Public Radio is also considering including diabetes as a topic for its new Collaborative Investigation on Rural Health Care.

**Promotion**

WCMU will provide strong promotional and publicity support across all platforms for “Blood

Sugar Rising.”

WCMU distributes approximately 14,000 program guides each month, which will include a full-page ad for BSR. WCMU’s e-newsletters are produced and e-mailed twice each month to approximately 50,000 subscribers.

Paid social media ads to build awareness are included in WCMU’s marketing plans as well as advertising for BSR and screening events in tribal communication assets. The screening events and the free glucose testing will be promoted together and separately to target tribal members who may not be interested in the film and panel event.

WCMU Public Media has provided television and radio programming and outreach/education activities for more than 50 years to residents of 42 counties in Michigan and portions of Ontario. With four television and eight radio stations, WCMU Public Media reaches more than two million people.

Sources:

<https://spectrum.diabetesjournals.org/content/23/4/272>

<http://www.itcmi.org/departments/health-education-and-chronic-disease/>

<https://www.ihs.gov/diabetes/education-materials-and-resources/index.cfm?module=productList> <http://www.diabetes.org/in-my-community/awareness-programs/american-indian-programs/?loc=imc-slabnav>

*Courtesy graphics.*

**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.



**Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!**

**Urgent Care**  
Petoskey  
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

**MUNSON HEALTHCARE**  
Charlevoix Hospital  
14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720  
231-547-4024

Petoskey Urgent 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 Petoskey Urgent 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.

After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, or Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital in Charlevoix, MI.

The LTBB Community Health Department offers appointments with Jake Pine, Traditional Healer.

Listed below is the schedule for 2020.

**Office hours: 9 am – 12 pm & 1 pm – 5 pm**

March 2-4, April 6-8, May 4-6  
June 1-3, July 6-8, August 4-6  
September 8-10, October 5-7  
November 4-6, December 7-9

To schedule an appointment, call the Health Department at 231-242-1601.

**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.

**Miigwech!**

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

**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.

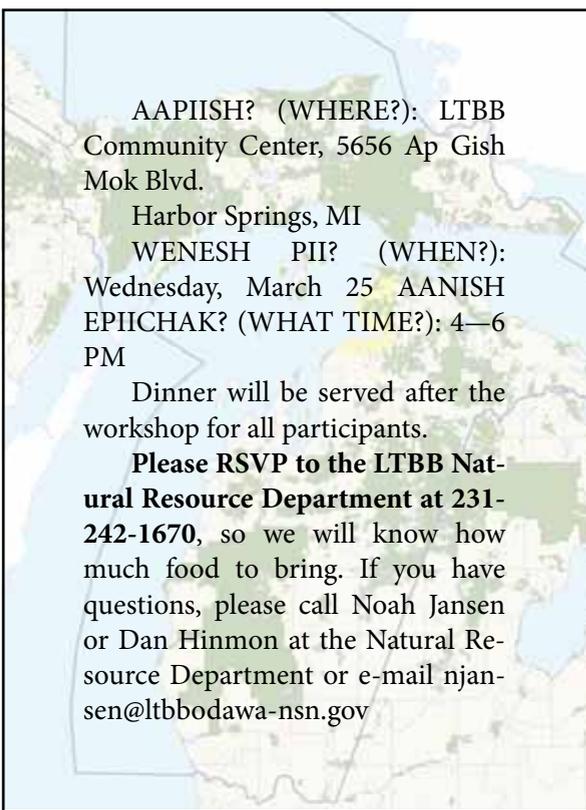
If you do not have insurance and would like to fill out an application, contact Valorie Glazier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 or by e-mail at [vglazier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:vglazier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) to set up an appointment today!

# NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

## NRD Hosts Public Lands Workshop

Do you hunt or gather wild foods or other cultural materials on public land such as state or national parks and forests? Are there natural resources you would like to see more of? Do you have ideas about how our public land could be better managed? Then, the LTBB Natural Resource Department wants to hear from YOU! Please come share your ideas about how our state and federal lands are managed at our Public Lands Workshop. Sharing your ideas with us will help us better understand what LTBB citizens really want to see on our public lands. Then, we can work with state and federal agencies to achieve that vision!

*Courtesy graphic.*

**AAPIISH? (WHERE?):** LTBB Community Center, 5656 Ap Gish Mok Blvd. Harbor Springs, MI

**WENESH PII? (WHEN?):** Wednesday, March 25

**AANISH EPIICHAK? (WHAT TIME?):** 4–6 PM

Dinner will be served after the workshop for all participants.

**Please RSVP to the LTBB Natural Resource Department at 231-242-1670**, so we will know how much food to bring. If you have questions, please call Noah Jansen or Dan Hinmon at the Natural Resource Department or e-mail [njansen@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:njansen@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

# JUDICIAL BRANCH

## LTBB TRIBAL COURT ENCOURAGES COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE IN UPCOMING PLAY

Submitted by **Stuart Fenton**, Tribal Court SDVCJ Coordinator/Trainer

LTBB Tribal Court is excited to announce it intends to host the play – **Sliver of a Full Moon** by Mary Kathryn Nagle.

Sliver is a very moving recount of events leading to the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization in 2013 and involves staged readings from survivors of domestic violence telling their stories to Congress.

The makeup of the participants varies by community and can include a combination of actors, real life survivors of domestic violence and community



members playing the 12 main roles and chorus. We are requesting tribal citizens participate in the play. It would involve three days of rehearsals, including the actual production and no

memorization.

Nagle, who is Native American herself, will be here to direct. We anticipate the play to be performed on August 28 in Petoskey, MI, pending Department of Justice approval of our grant request.

If you would be interested in participating in this unique opportunity, please notify Stuart Fenton, LTBB Special Domestic Violence Coordinator/Trainer at 231-242-1496 or [sfenton@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:sfenton@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) no later than March 10.

This promises to be a very enriching experience for participants, audience members and the community at large.

*Courtesy photo.*

# GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

## NAABDIN GIIZIS - SNOW CRUST MOON - MARCH

By **Maryann Endanawas**, Project Instructor/  
Fluent Speaker

Naabdin Giizis ekonsing eyaad Giizisook enchiwaad.

Naabdin Giizis is the third Moon in the calendar year.

Pii mishkowjid goon, mii wi pii baanaabjiing. When crust forms on the snow, it can be walked on.

Namakwendaan maanda pii giibinoojiw-yaang minwendaagoziyaang maaptoo-aang giji goon.

This reminds me of the fun times as children when we would run on top of the snow.

Naangodnang mtigook aapji giiginaajwiwok, waaskoziizwaad.

At times, the trees glisten, they look beautiful.

Eshkom niibna kawaabdaanaa ezhiminookmik.

We will see many signs of spring start to show.

Bangii ndanigiizhoowaa minwaa naakshig dak-sinaa.

It gets a little warmer and sometimes, colder at night.

Mii ge gwa pii ninaatigook miigwewaad msh-kikiwaaboo.

This is also when the maple trees give their medicinal spring drink.

Maanda pii wesiinhak aanind shkoziwaad gibe-



boon nibaawaat.

Some animals, who have been hibernating all winter, will awake from their sleep.

Aanind bidaminawok bekish ndkendmowaat waanzihwebak gojiing.

Some come out to play and may stay out depending on the weather.

Naabdin giizis, aaptoweyiing mii zhinkaadek shkiminookmik, ginwaambjigek, bizinchkwek, ba-bijmaanjiigek.

March has a new season in between called spring, watch, listen and smell to the new season approaching.

*Courtesy graphic.*

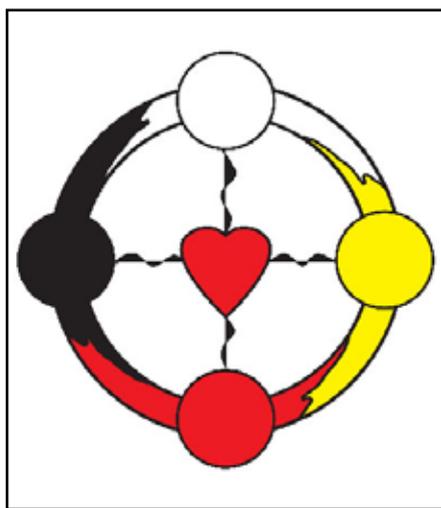
## PHOTOGRAPHS SOUGHT FOR AANKWADONG PROJECT

We are asking your assistance in acquiring photographs for our Aankwadong Project of the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department.

Aankwadong means "on the cloud." It is the project name of our ANA language grant, a three-year grant awarded by the Administration for Native Americans under the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. We are developing online language classes to offer a two-year program. Free online language classes for community members and interested LTBB tribal citizens who live outside of the area. We are also developing online language classes to deliver to high school students as World Language credits for graduation requirements.

Part of the class development is to acquire photographs representative of LTBB Odawa people, all Odawa people and especially, young people who are high school or young adult/college age. We need your contributions of photographs, so we will have a variety of people and families represented in the images to be used throughout the language lessons and curriculum.

Anyone, who contributes a photo used in the project, will be acknowledged in the credits section of the class, the curriculum, video or lesson in which the photo is used. We will also put the name of the person contrib-



uting the photo into a prize drawing. Prizes will include items such as iTunes or Amazon gift cards of \$20-\$50 value. The drawing will be held in September.

Current photos needed are of one person doing an action or feeling (but later on, we'll be looking for photos of more than one person doing the same actions).

Photo must be digital, of high quality and very clear. What action or feeling the photo represents must be easily recognized.

If you are interested in contributing photographs, please e-mail Eva Oldman, Aankwadong Project Coordinator, at [eoldman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:eoldman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) Miigwech!

*Courtesy graphic.*

These are the types of photos we are currently seeking:

afraid  
angry  
cleaning  
coloring  
cooking  
crying  
drawing  
drinking  
drumming  
eating  
fishing  
full  
gardening  
going  
happy  
helping  
hungry  
hunting  
laughing  
leaving  
playing  
reading  
running  
sad  
sick  
singing  
sitting  
sleeping  
standing  
tired  
walking  
working  
writing

**COMING SOON ONLINE LANGUAGE CLASS**

**WANT TO LEARN ANISHINAABEMOWIN?**

The Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department will be looking for community language learners to sign up for a 2 year community pilot class. This 2 year program will be a 15 week course with summers off. **NO LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.** You must be 16+ years of age, have access to a computer and internet, and be willing to devote 6 - 8 hours per week. Certificates will be awarded upon completion of program. More information to come...

YEAR 1		YEAR 2	
<b>Beginner I Class</b>	<b>Beginner II Class</b>	<b>Intermediate I</b>	<b>Intermediate II</b>
Begins September 2020 Ends December 2020	Begins January 2021 Ends May 2021	Begins September 2021 Ends December 2021	Begins January 2022 Ends May 2022

**CONTACT**  
Eva Oldman: 231-242-1562 | Email: [eoldman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:eoldman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) | Fax: 231-242-1455  
Address: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49742

**NISHINAABEMWIN**

**PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM**

**Language Weekends—Spring Semester**

<b>Wegnesh? What?</b> 5 Weekends Per Semester	<b>Aapiish? Where?</b> LTBB Administration 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI
<b>Wenesh pii? When?</b> January 3, 4, 5 January 24, 25, 26 February 14, 15, 16 March 6, 7, 8 April 17, 18, 19	<b>Aaniish epiichak? What time?</b> Fridays 1-7pm Saturdays 9am-7pm Sundays 9am-noon

**Guests Welcome!**

Suitable for all learning levels, using an at-ease approach!  
Stop by for a visit or register as a student!  
In partnership with  
Bay Mills Community College

For more information and/or assistance with registration, call Gijigowi Language Department at 231-242-1457 or e-mail [langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

**NISHINAABEMWIN**

**PANE IMMERSION PROGRAM**

**WEEKDAYS**

<b>Wegnesh? What?</b> 16 Weeks Per Semester	<b>Aapiish? Where?</b> LTBB Administration 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI
<b>Wenesh pii? When?</b> January 13 through May 8, 2020	<b>Aaniish Epiichak? What time?</b> Mondays & Wednesdays

**Instructor Maryann Endanawas**

**INTERMEDIATE IMMERSION CLASS**  
Conversational & Highly Interactive  
Guests welcome to participate and/or observe.  
(Students can earn 1 year or 6 week diploma)  
In partnership with Bay Mills Community College  
Spring 2020 Semester

For more information and/or assistance with registration, call Gijigowi Language Department at 231-242-1457 or e-mail [langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

## Anishinaabemdaa.com

New mobile friendly website, new design, updated code, new games, new legends and more!



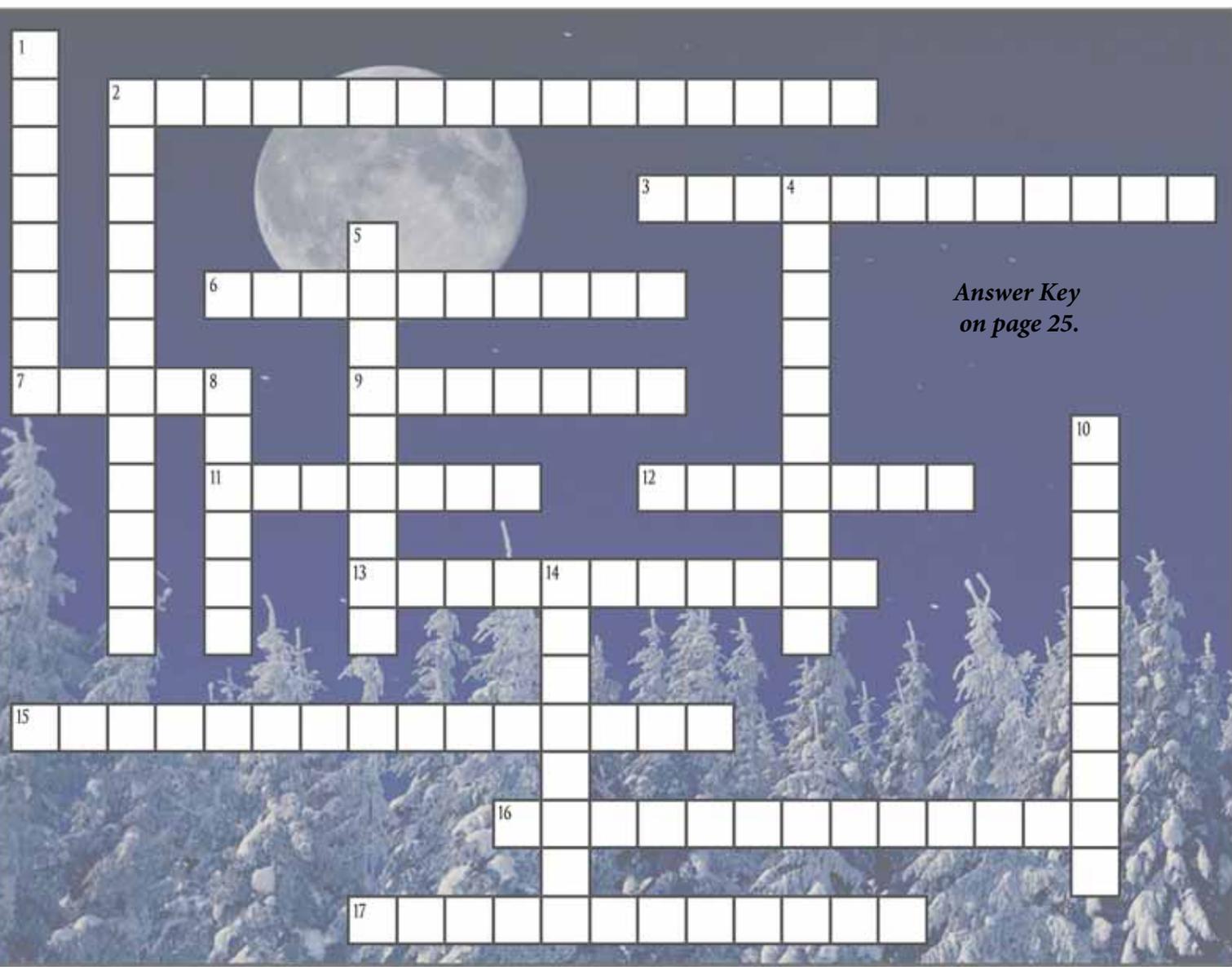
## Interested in working for LTBB?

Jobs are updated daily at  
[www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)  
Job Hotline toll free 1-866-582-2562  
Submit your applications, resumes, and cover letters:

- In person at our LTBB Human Resources office
- E-mail: [hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto: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.

Translate the words to Anishinaabemowin and fill in the crossword puzzle.



- Across**
2. candy
  3. flower
  6. fork
  7. glass, drinking
  9. water
  11. young man
  12. fire
  13. window
  15. light
  16. horse
  17. sheep
- Down**
1. bell
  2. sugar
  4. blanket
  5. young woman
  8. nest
  10. toy, game
  14. spider

If you would like to play this puzzle online, find it on the GALD webpage of the LTBB website or go to the following link: [www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/Lang/Puzzles/B1-NC%20Nouns%20C.html](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/Lang/Puzzles/B1-NC%20Nouns%20C.html)



**ARE YOU GETTING OUR DAILY AUDIO E-MAILS?**

We can add you to our e-mail list to send you an e-mail each workday with the BIBEZHNIK KIDWIN (one word at a time). The e-mail includes audio clip, so you can hear how to pronounce the word. To be added to the list, e-mail [langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

**YOU'RE INVITED**

Join us for Pane Anishinaabe Language Weekend  
 LTBB Government Building  
 Harbor Springs, MI  
 Friday, March 6, 1 - 7 pm or  
 Saturday, March 7, 9 am - 7 pm or  
 Sunday, March 8, 9 am - noon.  
 Stop on by for a visit, hear Anishinaabe stories!

**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](mailto:cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)



**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.

LTBB Anishinaabemowin

Dengwe-Mzinigan: Face-Book

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](mailto:LangTech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

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](mailto:cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

# NATIVE NEWS

## STOCKBRIDGE-MUNSEE COMMUNITY REMEMBERS BOB CHICKS

**Editor's note:** The following is a Stockbridge-Munsee Community press release. Robert "Bob" Chicks worked for LTBB as the WOCTEP (Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program) Lab Assistant.

The Stockbridge-Munsee Community suffered a loss when Robert "Bob" Chicks died on January 23, 2020.

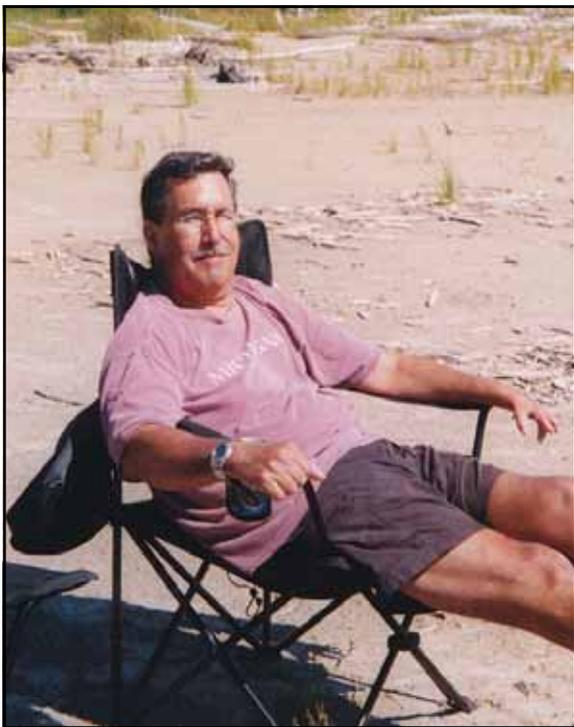
In remembrance of his past service as a tribal president and a councilmember, the Stockbridge-Munsee Community ordered flags be flown at half-staff from January 23, 2020 to the time of his burial service.

Bob Chicks served as tribal president from 1997 to 2013 with one term break in service as well as serving as a tribal employee and as a member of the Tribal Council. During his time on Tribal Council, Bob provided leadership and guidance on a wide variety of development projects and other issues. Bob was a driving force on the work to reach a self-paying settlement for the tribe's New York State land claim through a casino in the Catskills. The tribe's current Health and Wellness Center and the Pine Hills Clubhouse were built while Bob was tribal president and construction began on its current Mohican North Star Gaming and Resort facility during his tenure. The tribe also developed the Little Star gas station and its Mohican LP Gas Company businesses when he was tribal president.

Along with his service to the tribe, Bob Chicks also took a leadership role as part of national and state Indian organizations such as the National Congress of American Indians and the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes. Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans President Shannon Holsey said, "Bob was a tremendous leader for not only the Mohican Nation, but for all of Indian country. We have come a long way because of his important work. We are greatly indebted to his stewardship to the environment, the protection of our sovereignty, the vision

he had for our nation and our tribe's growth and economic advancements."

The Stockbridge-Munsee Tribal Council, on behalf of the Stockbridge-Munsee Community, thanks Robert Chicks for his past service and provides their



condolences to his wife and family for their loss.

*The Stockbridge-Munsee Band of the Mohican Indians moved to what are now the towns of Red Springs and Bartelme in Shawano County, WI, as a result of the Treaty of 1856. Approximately half of the 1,500 members of the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe currently live on or near the reservation, which has several thriving businesses, including the Stockbridge-Munsee Health and Wellness Center, Mohican North Star Casino and Pine Hills Golf Course, making the Stockbridge-Munsee Tribe the largest employer in Shawano County.*

Courtesy photo.

## MIIGWECH

The family of Robert "Bob" Chicks would like to thank all those who made Bob's service so beautiful. Thanks, Anushiik, Miigwech to President Shannon Holsey, the Mohican Tribal Council, Mohican Tribal Council Secretary Jerilyn Johnson, Kemawin Dess and the staff of the North Star Casino Orion Event Center for all their work. Special thank you to Frank Ettawageshik of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Pastor Ralph Beversdorf for prayers and service. Thank you to the staff carrier, Joseph VanAlstine, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and to the Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians veteran JoAnn Schedler and Beau Miller, Tribal Conservation Warden, Mohican flag carrier.

We appreciate all those who came to honor Bob and shared how Bob impacted their lives. Thanks to all those who sent food and flowers and who spoke at the service to honor our husband and brother.

Thanks to all those who came to the visitation and service. *It will never be forgotten just as Bob will never be forgotten.*

Bob's legacy will continue with the donation of historically significant items to the Stockbridge-Munsee Arvid E. Miller Library and Museum.

"Our leaders must show a willingness to work hard and endure personal sacrifice. It is in this way that our people will be healthy, prosperous, and live to see joy in the eyes of our grandchildren."

## DOWNLOAD MYPLATE'S NEW APP: START SIMPLE WITH MYPLATE



Stay on track with your 2020 resolutions with a new app to help you build healthy eating habits. Introducing the [Start Simple with MyPlate app](#).

We know there's a lot of nutrition information out there, and it's easy to get overwhelmed and confused. MyPlate wants to help you navigate through the confusion. The basic philosophy of *Start Simple with MyPlate* is that every step you take toward healthy eating counts and deserves to be celebrated.

Available for mobile phones and smartwatches, the new *Start Simple with MyPlate* app helps you incorporate the food groups (fruits, vegetables, grains,

protein foods and dairy) into daily life by setting goals and providing simple tips and thought starters to help meet those goals each day.

Here's a closer look at the key features of the app:

- Choose goals from one or all of the MyPlate food groups or use the "Pick for me!" option.
- See daily progress in each food group as you meet your goals.
- View and share simple, practical how-to tips and ideas to help meet your goals.
- Earn badges and share your success on social media.
- Visit the MyPlate 101 section for core information on healthy eating.
- Access full features on your mobile app with optional syncing to your smartwatch.

We hope that by trying the app, you'll feel motivated and committed to making positive changes, one simple goal at a time, and together, we can build healthy habits in 2020! Download the [Start Simple with MyPlate app](#) and get started today.

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FOR CURRENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AND FINANCIAL AID UPDATES

**LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS HOUSING DEPARTMENT**  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
Tel: 231-242-1540 Fax: 231-242-1550  
TTY: 7-1-1

## Apartments for Rent

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

This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer. If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form found online at [http://www.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), at any USDA office or call 866-632-9922 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](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

**SECTION 184 LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM**

Office of Native American Programs  
Office of Public & Indian Housing

- Low Monthly Payment
- Flexible Underwriting
- Low Interest Rates
- Monthly Mortgage Insurance - Now at a Lower Rate!

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR:

- Acquisition of existing housing
- Rehabilitation of existing housing
- Construction of new housing, including manufactured housing affixed to a permanent foundation

REFINANCING IS BACK!!! Includes rate and term, streamline, cash out

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE LTBB HOUSING DEPT at 231-242-1540.

## 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.

**STR - 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.

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

**DPA - 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.

**FPA - 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.

## NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

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

Equal Housing Opportunity TDD: 800-649-3777

## 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.

# YOUR CHILD deserves the BEST Education



Help Our  
Children  
Get The

**Best Education  
And Complete  
The 2020  
Census.**

*To make sure your school gets money for school lunches and education programs, you must complete the **2020 CENSUS** this spring.*

*The **2020 CENSUS** is quick and **EASY** to fill out. Use it to count **EVERYONE** in your home. And by law, it is **100% CONFIDENTIAL***

# On the Pow Wow Trail

## MICHIGAN

**March 7**  
**LTBB 4th Annual Round Dance**  
 LTBB Governmental Center  
 Harbor Springs, MI  
 Contact: Vicki Kelley at 231-758-6231

**March 13-14**  
**13th Annual Saginaw Chippewa Round Dance**  
 Mt. Pleasant, MI  
 Contact: Saginaw Chippewa Academy at 989-775-4453

**March 14**  
**37th Annual Michigan State University Pow Wow of Love**  
 IM Sports East  
 Michigan State University  
 East Lansing, MI

**March 21-22**  
**Central Michigan University's 31st Annual Celebrating Life Pow Wow**  
 McGuirk Arena  
 Central Michigan University  
 Mt. Pleasant, MI  
 Contact: CMU's Native American Programs at 989-774-2508 or NAP@cmich.edu

**March 28**  
**Caring for Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow**  
 Escanaba, MI  
 Contact: 906-241-9733

**March 28-29**  
**48th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow**  
 Skyline High School  
 Ann Arbor, MI

**April 4-5**  
**22nd Annual Celebrating All Walks of Life Pow Wow**  
 Grand Valley State University  
 Fieldhouse Arena

Allendale, MI  
 Contact: Office of Multicultural Affairs at 616-331-2177 or e-mail oma@gvsu.edu

**April 25**  
**American Indian Festival**  
 Algonac High School  
 Clay, MI  
 Contact: Sue Wrobel at 586-725-0284, ext. 1425 or swrobel@abs.misd.net

**June 6-7**  
**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 24th Annual Pow Wow Celebration**  
 Manistee, MI  
 Contact: 231-723-8288

**June 20**  
**Shirley Naganashe Oldman Memorial Pow Wow**  
 LTBB Pow Wow Grounds  
 Harbor Springs, MI  
 Contact: Eva Oldman at 269-365-3979

**June 26-28**  
**Bay Mills Indian Community Pow Wow**  
 Brimley, MI

**July 2-5**  
**39th Annual Sault Tribe Summer Gathering & Pow Wow**  
 Sault Ste. Marie, MI  
 Contact: Language & Culture Department at 906-635-6050

**July 24-26**  
**36th Annual Saginaw Chippewa Pow Wow**  
 Mt. Pleasant, MI  
 Contact: SCIT Pow Wow Committee at 989-775-4000 or PowwowCommittee@Sagchip.org

**July 27-August 1**

**Potawatomi Gathering**  
 Wilson, MI

**August 8 and 9**  
**29th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow**  
 LTBB Pow Wow Grounds  
 Harbor Springs, MI  
 Contact: Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

## WISCONSIN

**March 14**  
**Northland College 46th Annual Spring Pow Wow**  
 Ashland, WI  
 Contact: Paula Bonk at 715-682-1222

## MINNESOTA

**March 13**  
**St. Paul Public School Indian Education Program Pow Wow**  
 St. Paul, MN  
 Contact: Cindy Johnson at 651-293-5191

**March 21-22**  
**Winter's End Celebration**  
 Crandon, WI

**April 25**  
**Osseo and Brooklyn Center Schools Wacipi/Pow Wow**  
 Osseo, MN  
 Contact: Ramona Kitto Stately at 651-263-0942 or 763-315-9792

**May 16-17**  
**3rd Annual Chaske Pow Wow**  
 Chaska, MN  
 Contact: MJ Narin at 952-556-6230

**June 26-28**  
**Lake Vermilion Pow Wow**  
 Lake Vermilion, MN  
 Contact: Murel Deegan at 218-750-7772

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2020**

**4th ANNUAL ROUND DANCE**  
 WAAWIIYAA NIIMIWIN

**5PM TO 11PM · HEAD STAFF TBA**

PIPE CEREMONY · POTLUCK · ALL SINGERS WELCOME  
 RAFFLES · SPOT DANCES · DOOR PRIZES  
 FREE · PUBLIC WELCOME · VENDOR SPACE LIMITED

LTBB GOV COMPLEX · 7500 ODAWA CIRCLE · HARBOR SPRINGS, MI  
 FOR MORE INFORMATION & VENDOR INFO, CONTACT VICKI KELLEY 231-758-6231  
 THIS IS A DRUG & RECREATION FREE EVENT. NO POLITICS. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR INJURY OR LOSS OF STOLEN PROPERTY.

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15th Annual Pow Wow

**GATHERING at the RAPIDS**  
 Celebrating Life-long Learning

**MARCH 7 & 8, 2020**

General Leach Center  
 Algoma University  
 1500 Queens Street E  
 Sault Ste. Marie, ON

**SATURDAY, MARCH 7th**  
 Grand Entry: 1pm & 7pm Feast: 5pm  
 Please bring your feast bundle (plate, bowl, cup, utensils) and reusable water bottles.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 8th**  
 Grand Entry: 12pm  
 Host Drum: Smokey Town Singers, Menominee Nation, Keshena Wisconsin, Bear Creek, Batchewana First Nation, ON  
 Co-Host: Kevin Syrette, Batchewana First Nation, ON  
 Arena Director: M.C. Joel Syrette, Batchewana First Nation, ON  
 Head Veteran: Walker Stonelich, Walpole Island, ON  
 Host Hotel: Quality Inn & Suites, Bay Front 1-800-547-4421 (Request the "Gathering at the Rapids" rate)

**DANCE COMPETITION**  
 \$5 Registration Fee  
 Golden Age (50+): 1st - \$500 | 2nd - \$400 | 3rd - \$300  
 AAA (19-49): 1st - \$300 | 2nd - \$200 | 3rd - \$100 | 4th - \$50 | 5th - \$100  
 Teens (13-18): 1st - \$200 | 2nd - \$100 | 3rd - \$50  
 Boys & Girls (9-12): 1st - \$100 | 2nd - \$75 | 3rd - \$50  
 Day Save Day Money

**OGEMAH OLD STYLE JINGLE DRESS SPECIAL**  
 Sponsored by Cathy Syrette and family  
 1st - \$1000 | 2nd - \$700 | 3rd - \$500 | 4th - \$300

**VENDORS** Food Table - \$200 | Craft Table - \$150  
 For more information or to book a vendor table contact: Melissa Agawa  
 E. melissa.agawa@algoma.ca  
 P. 705.947.2361 ext. 4414 1.800.423.6242  
 This is a drug and alcohol free community event.

**FREE ADMISSION**

Algoma ALUMNI SAGINAW CHIPPEWA ROUND DANCE SAGINAW CHIPPEWA ROUND DANCE SAGINAW CHIPPEWA ROUND DANCE

March 13 & 14, 2020

**SAGINAW CHIPPEWA ROUND DANCE**

**Hal Eagletail**  
 Alberta  
**James 'Bud' Day**  
 Minnesota  
**Joe Syrette**  
 Ontario  
**Justin Sugar**  
**Harvey Drouer**  
 Saskatchewan  
**Marlon Deschamps**  
 Alberta  
**Jermaine Bell**  
 Wyoming  
**Will Davenport**  
 Iowa  
**Nathan 'Ribithi' Pelly**  
 Turtle Island  
**Jaton Kingsbird**  
 Minnesota  
**Jordan Mowat**  
 Ontario  
**Kino Pyawait**  
 Wisconsin  
**Parade Singers**  
**Lauren Merrick**  
 South Dakota  
**Jennifer Fragua**  
 Nevada

**"Wehenh"**  
 When a child is born, parents seek out worthy individuals to be the child's "Sponsor". Sponsors accept the child as one of their own and will assist raising and guiding the child through life. This is a special relationship that has always been part of our way of life. We wish to honor this beautiful relationship. Bring your Wehenh to the Round Dance on Saturday night and dance together during a special song. A small gift will be given to all participants.

**Friday**  
 6:30pm- Pipe Ceremony  
 7:00pm- Round Dance  
 8:30pm- Student Honoring  
 10:00pm- Closing

**Saturday**  
 8:00pm- Doors Open  
 9:00pm- Prayer & Feast  
 10:00pm- Round Dance  
 11:00pm- Memorial  
 Mid Night- Lunch & Teaching  
 1:00am- Closing

**Saturday Night LIVE**  
 Webcast  
 www.saginaw.org/rounddance  
 Everyone Welcome  
**FREE Admission**  
**All Singers Acknowledged**  
 Craft Vendors  
 call ahead (989)775-4453  
 All youth must be signed in & accompanied by an adult  
 All children must be accompanied by an adult. Unsupervised children will be reported to the proper authorities. No drugs or alcohol. No politics.  
 Not responsible for injury, intoxicated users or theft of vendor's items.

**SAVE THE DATE**

CARING FOR OUR ELDER'S TRADITIONAL POW WOV

**SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2020**

AT THE ESCANABA HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM, 500 SOUTH LINCOLN ROAD, ESCANABA, MI

**Open to the public!**

THERE WILL BE A SPIRITUAL GATHERING FRIDAY EVENING (3/27).  
 NO ADMISSION PRICE.  
 ALL DRUGS ARE WELCOME!  
 LIMITED VENDOR SPACE.

More information coming soon.  
 Call 906-241-9733 with any questions.

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ESCANABA CHIPPENAW ROUND DANCE

POW WOV ONLINE

**48th ANNUAL DANCE FOR MOTHER EARTH**

**POW WOV**

**dates & times**  
**SATURDAY 3/28** 10:30AM-10:30PM  
**SUNDAY 3/29** 10:30AM-6:00PM

**admission**

	ONE DAY	WEEKEND
ADULT	\$10	\$15
CHILD (6-12)	\$5	\$7
HOW-TO BE STUDENT SENIOR (62+)	\$7	\$10
FAMILY (2 ADULTS, 3 CHILDREN)	\$29	

**location**  
**SKYLINE HIGH SCHOOL**  
 2552 N MAPLE RD  
 ANN ARBOR, MI 48103

**dance placings:**  
**ADULT MEN/WOMEN**  
 1. \$500  
 2. \$400  
 3. \$300

**drum contest:**  
 1. \$2100  
 2. \$1800  
 3. \$1500

**head veteran**  
 CHRIS FRANKLIN  
**mc**  
 JASON WHITEHOUSE  
**arena director**  
 JAIME OXENDINE  
**drum judge**  
 BRIAN MOORE  
**men's dance judge**  
 PAUL SYRETTE  
**women's dance judge**  
 JUDY ROBINSON  
**host drum**  
 SNAKE ISLAND  
**co-host drum**  
 PAINTED ROCK

**NASA**  
 NATION'S ANTI-DRUG ALLIANCE

**NORTHLAND COLLEGE**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**46th ANNUAL SPRING POW WOV**

- A celebration of our communities and cultures -

**SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2020**

**KENDRIGAN CENTER CHAPLE FAMILY GYMNASIUM**  
**NORTHLAND COLLEGE, ASHLAND WISCONSIN**

FOR VENDOR INQUIRIES, CONTACT PAULA BONK  
 715-682-1222 / PBONK@NORTHLAND-EDU

Sponsored by the Northland College Indigenous Cultures Center, the Native American Student Association, and the Northland College Student Association

**March 21-22, 2020**

**31st ANNUAL CELEBRATING LIFE POW WOV**

John G. Kulhavi Event Center  
 McGuirk Arena  
 Mount Pleasant, MI

more information at [www.cmich.edu/powwow](http://www.cmich.edu/powwow)

CMU CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

# AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND PUBLISHES FREE CAREER PLANNING GUIDE - CULTURALLY RELEVANT CAREER ADVICE FOR NATIVE AMERICANS FUNDED BY AT&T FOUNDATION

**Editor's note:** The following is an American Indian College Fund (the College Fund) press release.

Native American college students have unique needs and challenges in higher education. Navigating their developing career paths while honoring their indigenous identities and communities is no different. To help Native students plan for and accomplish their career goals in college and at any stage of life, the American Indian College Fund has published a new "Career Pathways" guidebook.

While many career planning resources exist to help students prepare for work, the new "Career Pathways" guidebook was created by the American Indian College Fund to provide tailored resources and advice to meet the unique needs of indigenous students. The guide is filled with culturally relevant career preparation resources, including the advice of Native professionals and teachers shared from their own valuable experience. Tom Brooks (Mohawk), Vice

President of External Affairs at AT&T and a member of the College Fund's Board of Trustees, introduces the publication with his own inspirational journey through education, career possibilities and the fulfillment of his current path.

The "Career Pathways" guidebook includes articles on identifying career goals, finding internships, applying to graduate school, studying for a skilled trade certification, interviewing skills, the advantages of joining a professional association, planning a career in Indian country and more. All articles are written with insight into Native culture such as incorporating indigenous style into professional wardrobes and finding careers that reflect Native graduates' cultural, tribal and personal values.

Career Pathways is available free of charge at [www.collegefund.org/careerpathways](http://www.collegefund.org/careerpathways). The new publication is a key to career readiness programs implemented at select tribal colleges and universities nationwide and was distributed at the American Indian Higher Education Con-



sortium (AIHEC) Legislative Summit in Washington, D.C., February 3-7, 2020, and will be distributed at AIHEC's Student Conference in March 2020 in Albuquerque, NM. High school and college educators, career counselors and Native student centers are encouraged to share the publication with their students.

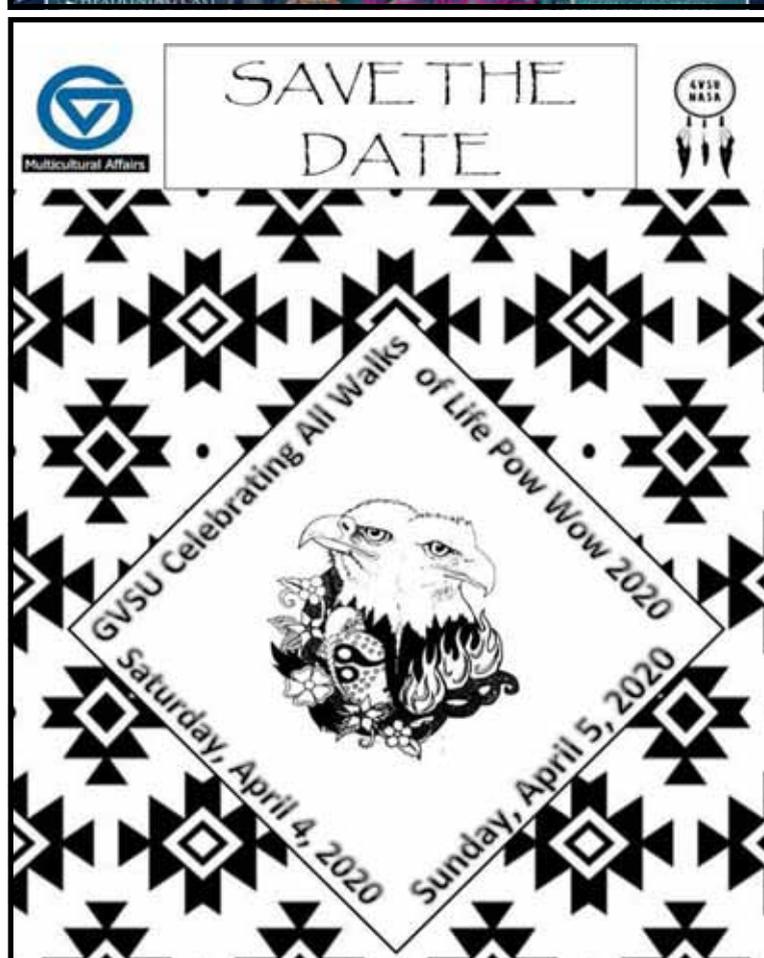
For more information about the American Indian College Fund, please visit [www.collegefund.org](http://www.collegefund.org).

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Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with North Central Michigan College:



- Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) Certificate of Development
- Medical Billing and Coding Certificate of Development
- Medical Assistant Certificate
- Phlebotomy Certificate of Development
- Computer Information Services (AAS)
- Computer Support Specialist Certificate
- Basic EMS Certificate of Development
- Criminal Justice (AAS)



# CLARE BOOTHE LUCE PROGRAM OF THE HENRY LUCE FOUNDATION GRANTS \$300,000 TO AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND TO INCREASE NUMBER OF NATIVE WOMEN STUDYING AND WORKING IN STEM FIELDS - PROGRAM INCLUDES SUPPORT TO PROMOTE ACADEMIC AND CAREER SUCCESS

**Editor's note:** The following is an American Indian College Fund press release.

Increasing access to women in the science, technology, engineering and mathematics fields is vital for America to respond to today's economic, infrastructure and environmental challenges. The American Indian College Fund, with the support of a four-year, \$300,000 grant from the Clare Boothe Luce Program at the Henry Luce Foundation, will continue to help grow the number of Native American women—a group with the lowest representation in the STEM fields—by earning a college degree to forge their careers.

The American Indian College Fund (the College Fund) has more than 30 years of experience administering successful scholarship programs designed to support the access, retention, graduation and workforce readiness of American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) scholars. The College Fund's 2014-2018 Clare Boothe Luce Women's STEM Tribal College Scholarship Program was one of its most successful to date. The program provided scholarships and wraparound services to participating students, ensuring a graduation rate of 100%.

The College Fund and Clare Boothe Luce Program will continue its success in increasing Native women studying and working in the STEM fields through a new, four-year, \$300,000 scholarship program. The College Fund will award \$75,000 to four outstanding AIAN women seeking a bachelor's degree in the hard sciences at four-year granting tribal colleges and university (TCU). Students will receive \$18,750 disbursed per year, based on the average cost of attendance at a four-year TCU.

Eligible students must be enrolled during the 2020-21, 2022-23, and 2023-24 academic years and studying in qualifying hard science majors at a four-year degree-granting TCU (areas of study include but are not limited to computer science, industrial engineering, electrical engineering and hydrology). Preference will be given to students studying in fields in which AIAN are most underrepresented.

In addition to the scholarship award, the program will also provide AIAN women scholars with



programs to support their retention, graduation and career readiness. These programs include internships, mentorships, career readiness programs, leadership development, career readiness, professional development, financial literacy training, coaching and more.

Previous graduates are already planning their STEM careers and serving as role models to other Native women interested in the STEM fields. Adriane Tenequer (Diné), a 2019 graduate from Navajo Technical University (NTU), plans to continue her work in advanced manufacturing at the Center for Digital Technologies at NTU in a supervisory position, overseeing large contract jobs from outside sources in need of manufactured parts.

"Being a Clare Boothe Luce scholar has put me in a position to mentor and talk to students from different schools about being an engineer. I am able to reach out to other females who are interested in engineering and assist them with a plan for scholarships and schools," Tenequer said.

Cheryl Crazy Bull, President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, said, "Indigenous people possess great science, mathematical and engineering knowledge and have been remarkably adaptive to technologies. Supporting indigenous women, who have been underrepresented in STEM fields, as they pursue STEM degrees, honors that knowledge and helps us to contribute to modern society."

Students can apply online for the scholarship at [www.collegefund.org/scholarships](http://www.collegefund.org/scholarships)

Deadline to apply is May 31, 2020.

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## NALOXONE CAN SAVE A LIFE



As the number of fatal opioid overdoses continue to increase dramatically across America, it is IMPORTANT to have naloxone in the hands of first responders, health professionals, family members, roommates and friends who can save someone's life before it's too late.

### Who is at risk for an opioid overdose?

- People who take prescription opioids, especially in high doses.
- People who use alcohol, anti-depressants or benzodiazepines in addition to opioids.
- People who are addicted to prescription or illicit opioids.
- People who have recently detoxed from opioids or who are recently in recovery from opioid addiction.

### What is naloxone?

- Also known by brand names Narcan or Evzio—Safe, FDA-approved medication that

has been proven to reverse opioid overdoses in minutes. It comes in forms of a nasal spray and an injection.

- It can reverse an opioid overdose in minutes.

### How does naloxone work?

• When you take an opioid, it binds to specific receptors in the brain, spinal cord and gastrointestinal tract.

• During an overdose, the drugs depress the user's respiratory system so much that the user stops breathing completely.

• Naloxone is an opioid antagonist used to temporarily reverse the effects of an overdose.

• It binds to the same receptor as the opioid, displacing the opioid in the process and temporarily undoing its harmful effects.

• After naloxone has been administered to an overdose victim, they can begin breathing again within a matter of a minute.

### What is the need?

• There is a small time period of opportunity to reverse overdose and ensure the person stays alive when they overdose.

• Must be introduced to the body relatively quickly.

• It's only meant to be a first line of defense during overdose, because its antidote effect will wear off in 20-90 minutes.

• It buys time for the victim until they can be treated more thoroughly by licensed medical professionals.

### How do you get naloxone?

• You may be able to access free or low-cost naloxone kits through community organizations.

• Local Pharmacy—these medications are available in most states without a prescription. (cost varies)



The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. provides naloxone/harm reduction training. For information regarding this, contact Education Manager Lisa Moran at 906-632-6896, ext. 126 or [lmoran@itcmi.org](mailto:lmoran@itcmi.org)

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## TWENTY-ONE MICHIGANDERS SELECTED FOR THE STATE'S FIRST ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COUNCIL, AMONG THEM ARE TWO NATIVE AMERICANS

**Editor's note:** The following is a press release from Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer dated January 23, 2020.

Twenty-one Michiganders have been selected to the state's first Michigan Advisory Council for Environmental Justice (MAC EJ) under the direction of Governor Gretchen Whitmer, the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) announced today (January 23, 2020).

"Since taking office, I've been deliberate and focused on protecting our Great Lakes, cleaning up our drinking water, and combating the real-life impacts of climate change," said Whitmer. "To address ongoing environmental justice issues, it was absolutely critical that those impacted daily have a seat at the table. We must ensure that the implementation and enforcement of environmental protections, regulations and policies in Michigan will be fair and meaningful to all Michiganders, regardless of geography, race, color, origin or income. Actions like these will help to further rebuild trust in our state government."

The Interagency Environmental Justice Response Team is led by Regina Strong, the state's Environmental Justice Public Advocate. The MAC EJ will provide public and impacted community input for the directors appointed to the Response Team. The Response Team is also planning regional roundtables around the state to ensure that as many people as possible are at the table on environmental issues.

"Meeting people where they are is vital to our commitment to making Michigan a leader in environmental justice," said EGLE Director Liesl Clark. "Creating the Michigan Advisory Council on Environmental Justice is an important step in building the framework to ensure all Michiganders benefit equitably from our environmental laws and regulations. Through both the Office of Environmental Justice Public Advocate and the Interagency Environmental Justice Response Team, we are working to address inequities that impact communities across this state. The creation of this advisory council will play an important role in helping us achieve that goal."

The following individuals have been appointed to the Michigan Advisory Council on Environmental Justice:

**Paul Mohai, Ph.D.**, of Ann Arbor, MI; **Tony Reames, Ph.D.**, of Farmington Hills, MI; **Carla Walker-Miller**, of Detroit, MI; **Fadi Mourad**, of Farmington Hills, MI; **Monica Lewis-Patrick**, of Detroit, MI; **Bryan Lewis**, of Detroit, MI; **Lynn Williams**, of Flint, MI; **Salah Ali**, of Dearborn, MI; **Theresa Landrum**, of Detroit, MI; **Justin Onwenu**, of Detroit, MI; **Nick Leonard**, of Detroit, MI; **Sylvia Orduño**, of Detroit, MI; **Frank Houston**, of Royal Oak, MI; **Donavan McKinney**, of Detroit, MI; **Joel Howrani Heeres**, of Detroit, MI; **Alison Sutter**, of Grand Rapids, MI; **Nichole Britten**, of Saint Joseph, MI; **Bryan Newland**, of Brimley, MI; **John Petoskey**, of Northport, MI; **Keith Cooley**, of Detroit, MI; and **Mona Monroe-Yunis**, of Flint, MI.



Newland is an active member of the Bay Mills Indian Community and the President and Chairman of the Executive Council. Mr. Newland is an attorney with Fletcher Law, and he earned his Juris Doctor degree from the Michigan State University College of Law.



Petoskey is a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians. Mr. Petoskey is currently pursuing his Juris Doctor degree and Master of Science in Environmental Justice and Policy at the University of Michigan.

*Courtesy photos.*

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## NEED FUNDING FOR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL?

THE ADULT VOCATIONAL TRAINING (AVT) SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TOWARDS THE COMPLETION OF A CERTIFICATE OR LICENSE LEADING TO AN INDUSTRY-RECOGNIZED CREDENTIAL.

APPLICATIONS CAN BE FOUND ONLINE AT [LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV](http://LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV) OR ON HAND AT THE EDUCATION DEPT.

Questions? Contact us at (231) 242-1492 or [highereducation@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:highereducation@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

## PRC Covers Chiropractic Care!

### How do I get covered?

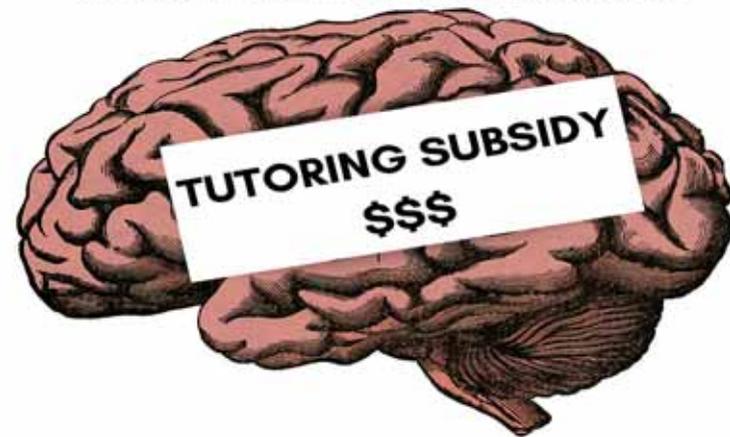
1. Make an appointment at the LTBB Health Clinic and discuss with your physician if chiropractic care would be helpful for you.
2. If so, your physician will refer you for chiropractic care and your referral will be reviewed by our managed care team.



All approved referrals will be eligible for three visits and ONE medical massage per month! Patients are required to follow up with their physician annually to continue chiropractic care.

Call the LTBB Health Clinic today to get started! 231-242-1700

## LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA NIIGAANDIWIN EDUCATION DEPARTMENT



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LTBB TRIBAL COURT ADMINISTERS OATHS OF OFFICE



LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado administered the oaths of office to the following LTBB Tribal Citizens: Catherine Laba to the LTBB Education Appeals Board (October 4, 2019) and David Dominic to the LTBB Gaming Regulatory Commission (October 23, 2019).

Courtesy photos.



LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado administered the oaths of office to JoAnn Carey to the LTBB Elders Commission (January 21, 2020).

Courtesy photo.

LTBB Appellate Justice Bill Denemy administered the oath of office to Frederick Holdorph to the LTBB Natural Resources Commission (October 14, 2019).

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VIDEO EXPLORES THE INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ACT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Between the Lines by Huff-Post produced a video titled, "Who Should Be Allowed to Adopt Native American Children?"

The video explores the history of removing Indian children from their families with boarding schools (19th and 20th centuries) and the Indian Adoption Project (1958-1967) and the establishment of the Indian Children Welfare Act (ICWA) in 1978.

According to the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition, there were more than 350 government-funded, and often church-run, Indian boarding schools across the U.S. in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Beginning with the Indian Civilization Act Fund of March 3, 1819 and the Peace Policy of 1869, the United States, in concert with and at the urging of several denominations of the Christian Church, adopted an Indian Boarding School Policy expressly intended to implement cultural genocide through the removal and reprogramming of American Indian and Alaska Native children to accomplish the systematic destruction of Native cultures and communities. The stated purpose of this policy was to "Kill the Indian, Save the Man."

Administered by the Child Welfare League of America and funded by a federal contract from



the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the U.S. Children's Bureau, the Indian Adoption Project lasted from 1958 through 1967. During an era when matching dominated adoption practice, it placed 395 Native American children from 16 western states with white families in Illinois, Indiana, New York, Massachusetts, Missouri and other states in the East and Midwest.

According to the National Indian Child Welfare Association (NICWA), ICWA was enacted in 1978 in response to a crisis affecting American Indian and Alaska Native children, families and tribes. Studies revealed large numbers of Native children were being separated from their parents, extended families and communities by state child welfare and private adoption agencies. In fact, research found that 25%-35% of all Native children were being removed; of these, 85% were placed outside of their families and communities even when fit and willing relatives were available.



Court cases challenging the constitutionality of ICWA continue today.

The video interviews people who are in support of ICWA and those who oppose it.

Among those interviewed in support of ICWA include LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, and Matthew Fletcher, Professor of Law at Michigan State University College of Law and Director of the Indigenous Law and Policy Center. Fletcher, a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, is married to LTBB Tribal Citizen Wenona Singel, the Deputy Legal Counsel to the Office of the Governor for Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer. Judge Maldonado and her husband, Jay, have two children, and Matthew and Wenona also have two children.

To view the video, visit <https://www.facebook.com/watch/betweenthelinesbyhuffpost/559920194535130/>

Courtesy photos.

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1	2	Elders Luncheon at Noon 3  Odawa Construction Company Board Meeting 5 pm - 6 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon 4  Elders Commission Meeting 5 pm Govt. Center Rm. 312  Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St.	Elders Luncheon at Noon 5	Land and Res. Cmte Meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers Gaming Authority Work Session 9 am - 10 am Odawa Hotel Michigan Room Gaming Authority Meeting 10 am - 11 am Odawa Hotel Michigan Room Housing Commission Meeting 5 pm Govt. Center	7
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15	16	Elders Luncheon at Noon 17  AFC Meeting 9 am Govt. Center Tribal Council Chambers  Citizenship Com. Meeting 1 pm Govt. Center Rm 118	Elders Luncheon at Noon 18  Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St.	Elders Luncheon at Noon 19	20	Gaming Authority Work Session 9 am - 10 am Odawa Hotel Superior Room Gaming Authority Meeting 10 am - 11 am Odawa Hotel Superior Room
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29	30	Elders Luncheon at Noon 31				Elders Open Swim Odawa Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm Call 231-242-1423 for details
				<p><b>Please Note:</b> Meeting times and dates are subject to change.</p>		

## USDA Approves Seven Tribal Hemp Production Plans



al of seven state tribal hemp production plans under the U.S. Domestic Hemp Production Program.

The plans approved are from the Colorado River Indian Tribes, Flandreau Santee Sioux, La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians, Fort Belknap Indian Community, Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, Santa Rosa

Band of Cahuilla Indians and the Yurok Tribe.

USDA continues to receive and review hemp production plans from states and tribal nations on an ongoing basis.

For additional information about the Hemp Production Program, visit [www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/hemp](http://www.ams.usda.gov/rules-regulations/hemp)  
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## Bureau of Indian Affairs Publishes List of 574 Federally Recognized Tribal Nations



On January 30, 2020, the Bureau of Indian Affairs published in the Federal Register an updated list of federally recognized tribal nations. This list includes the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians of Montana, the 574th tribal nation to be federally acknowledged.

*Courtesy graphic.*



## 2020 Native American Journalism Fellowship Applications Due March 31



**Journalism Fellowship.** Selected fellows will build their reporting skills during an **onsite immersion newsroom experience** during the **2020 National Native Media Conference** set for **September 13-16, 2020** (see below for newsroom dates) in **Phoenix, AZ.**

In partnership with the **Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication at Arizona State University**, NAJA will facilitate conference program sessions

about best practices in indigenous media, training and workshops to support and enhance the knowledge and skills of journalists covering Indian country. Fellows will be encouraged to **report on relevant program content and explore deeper coverage post-conference** in order to complete their fellowship requirements during the program **September 10-17, 2020.**

For more information, visit <https://najanewsroom.com/>  
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The Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) is now accepting applications for the **2020 Native American**

## NAJA-Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship Applications Due April 30



The Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) is now accepting applications for the **2020 NAJA-Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship**. NAJA will select five students for one-time awards of **\$10,000 each** for the NAJA- Facebook Journalism Project Scholarship for **indigenous students pursuing journalism and media degrees** at higher learning institutions.

To be eligible, applicants must be **enrolled juniors, seniors or graduate students** at an accredited university in the United States. Applicants must highlight a **commitment to indigenous storytelling** as demonstrated by **completed coursework, clips/work samples and a letter of recommendation** from a professor or internship supervisor familiar with their work and attesting to career commitment.

For more information, visit [www.naja.com](http://www.naja.com)  
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## American Indian/Alaska Native Student Summer Internship Applications Due March 16



The Sequoyah National Research Center

(SNRC) is taking applicants for the American Indian/Alaska Native Student Summer Internship.

SNRC hosts three tribally-affiliated student interns for an eight-week period in June and July. Interns work at least 25 hours per week in the center doing basic archival and research work under the direction of center staff.

The deadline to apply is March 16.

For more information, visit [https://ualr.edu/sequoyah/aianinternship/?mc\\_cid=062366a643&mc\\_eid=3baf00d1e](https://ualr.edu/sequoyah/aianinternship/?mc_cid=062366a643&mc_eid=3baf00d1e)

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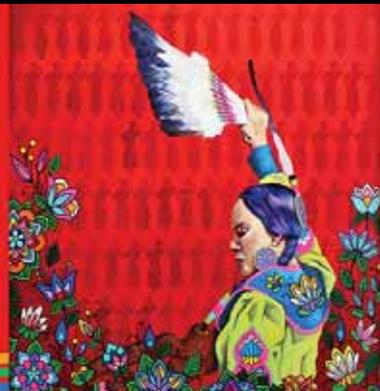
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# TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**  
**Tribal Council Chambers**  
**7500 Odawa Circle**  
**Harbor Springs, MI 49740**  
**Tribal Council Regular Meeting**  
**January 9, 2010**

Call to Order: 9:05 a.m.

Closed Session: none

Opening Ceremony: Martin Van De Car

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet

Absent: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick Legislative, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Doug Emery

Invited Guest: none

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to adopt the agenda for January 9, 2020 as amended.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 3- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carried.

**9:11 a.m.** Councilor Tamara Kiogima arrived.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of December 19, 2019.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Executive Report:

Discussion: Headstart, Housing update, Nominations update, Medicare work requirements update, Elder's lunch, Handbook update, 2020 Negotiations at Grand Traverse Bay Bands next, Indian Child Welfare issue update, Notification process of Tribal Citizens who walk on, Department goals.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the verbal Executive Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Legislative Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report: none

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to Executive:

a. Waganakising Odawak Statute Hemp Authorization and Regulatory Commission Statute delivered on December 23, 2019.

b. Resolution: Budget Modification Citizenship Commission Executive Signed December 23, 2019.

c. Resolution: Tribal Court Carryover Executive Signed December 23, 2019.

Vetoes: none

Phone Polls: none

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report as presented on the agenda for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Committee

Last meeting: December 10, 2019.

(Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting reported at last Tribal Council meeting)

Next Meeting: January 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Tribal Council Chambers

Phone Polls:

**Reason for Phone Poll #1:** Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to reauthorize and reapprove Odawa Casino Resort's PNC Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter for Transaction One not to exceed \$26,500,000 for the refinance of Wells

Fargo loan debt, Ozone renovation and Mackinaw OCR expansion and authorize the Treasurer Marcella Reyes and Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley to sign.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Comments: None Motion carried.

**Reason for Phone Poll #2:** Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to reauthorize and reapprove Odawa Casino Resort's PNC Final Term Sheet and Commitment Letter for Transaction Two not to exceed \$28,500,000 for the Petoskey OCR Hotel Construction project and authorize the Treasurer Marcella Reyes and Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley to sign.

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Comments: None Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Certified Motion Designation of Wah-Wahs-Noo-Da-Ke Parcels 11, 12, 13, 15, ad 16 Harbor Springs Michigan for Economic Development.

Vote: 6- Yes, 1- No (Councilor Fred Kiogima), 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve Certified Motion Designation and Assignment of 608 W. Second St. Harbor Springs, Michigan.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Treasurer Reyes' verbal and written agenda report as presented on the agenda for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Land and Reservation Committee

Last meeting: December 6, 2019, and January 3, 2020 Meeting cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

Next meeting: February 14, 2020

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Treasurer Reyes Committee Chair's verbal and written report for the Land and Reservation Committee as presented on the agenda for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**10:11 a.m.** Break

**10:28 a.m.** Resume

Tribal Council Member Reports

**Councilor Leroy Shomin:** Update on new Credit Union contact.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Leroy Shomin's verbal Tribal Council member report for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 3- Absent (Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carried.

#### Legislative Staff Reports

Office of Finance and Revenue Report Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Traditional Tribal Burial Board

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation

Odawa Casino Resort

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal report for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Economic Development and Business Director Billi Jo Head's final report for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer - no report

Legislative Services Attorney Report

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Legislative Office Manager Report

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report as presented for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

#### Motions

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Patrick Wemigwase's resignation letter from the Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc. received on December 18, 2019.

## Tribal Council Meeting Dates

March 10 Work Session  
 March 12 Council Meeting  
 March 24 Work Session  
 March 26 Council Meeting

April 7 Work Session  
 April 9 Council Meeting  
 April 21 Work Session  
 April 24 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

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader  
 Julie Shananaquet, Secretary  
 Marcella Reyes, Treasurer  
 Tamara Kiogima, Councilor  
 Leroy Shomin, Councilor  
 Melissa Pamp, Councilor  
 Marty Van De Car, Councilor  
 Fredrick Kiogima, Councilor  
 Frederick Harrington, Jr., Councilor

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to re-post LEG-266 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Election Board.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve the Grant, Donation and Other Funding Policy.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 2020 Reservation Natural Resources Rules and Regulations REG-WOS 2013-004-121719-004A.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve the Little Traverse

Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 1836 Ceded Territory 2020 Natural Resources Rules and Regulations REG-WOS-2013-004-121819-003B.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve a Special Work Session on Wednesday January 22, 2019 at 3:30 p.m. to be held in the Tribal Council chambers for Youth Council discussion updates.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Tribal Council attendance at the Tribal Public Health Law Training April 15 and 16th, 2020 at the Odawa Hotel.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort November 2019 Financials for Mackinaw and Petoskey and the November Status Report 2019 as received on December 23, 2019.

Vote: 6- Yes, 0- No, 1- Abstained (Councilor Marty Van De Car), 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve Enrollment for Citizenship List A Eligible dated January 6, 2020 for a total of 1.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve Enrollment for Citizenship List B Declination Ineligible dated January 6, 2020 for a total of 1.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

Roll Call Votes

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to 2018-016 Gaming Authority Statute.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-no, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-abstain, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Gaming Regulatory Statute.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-abstain, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-abstain, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to 2009-018 Traditional Tribal Burial Grounds Statute.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-no, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-no, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to Open Meetings of Tribal Council Statute.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred

Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Limited Liability Company Code

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to 2008-005 Tribal Notary Public Statute.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to table Waganakising Odawak Statute Marriage Statute.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Budget Formulation.

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-absent, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-absent Motion carried.

#### Public Comment:

**11:46 a.m.** Public Comment opened: no comments

**11:47 a.m.** Public Comment closed

#### General Counsel

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Bransky verbal report for January 9, 2020.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

Adjournment

**12:15 p.m. Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to adjourn.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 2- Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carried.

Next Tribal Council Regular Meeting January 23, 2020

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected/written.

Secretary Julie Shananaquet Date

**The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians**  
**Tribal Council Chambers**  
**7500 Odawa Circle**  
**Harbor Springs, MI 49740**  
**Tribal Council Regular Meeting**  
**January 23, 2010**

Call to Order: 9:11 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car

Roll Call: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Van De Car, Treasurer Reyes, Secretary Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Proctor Absent: Councilor Melissa Pamp

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick Legislative, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Corporate Charters: Traditional Tribal Burial Board Inc. Gwen Gasco, Kevin Willis, Ken Gill, Annette VanDeCar, Zi-

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bimijwang chair Joe VanAlstine, Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice-Chair Stella Kay, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson, Human Resources Department Generalist Rose Pyant, Elder’s Director Mary Roberts, Education Board of Appeals Lily Anderson, Education Director Jordan Shananaquet, Higher Education Specialist Kerstine Bennington

Judicial Officials and Staff: none  
Public: Susan Reece (on phone), Andrew Stich, Lily Anderson

Invited Guests: Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Ron Olson, Chief Financial Officer Roger Borton, LCISD – Fiber Chuck Madden

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to Adopt the Agenda of January 23, 2020 as amended.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Tribal Citizens who have walked on: Margaret Boatright, Cheryl Cranick, Nancy Gardner, Marcella Keller, John Lasley, and Theresa Leo.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve the minutes of January 9, 2020 as presented

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc. 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report**

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc.’s 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Report as presented by Gwen Teuthorn and Kevin Willis on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Introduction of new Tribal Government Employees

Greg Karlis – Elder’s Department  
David Thom Jr. Health Clinic - Front Desk/Medical Assistant  
Executive Oversight Report

Discussion:  
Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson-Medicaid work requirement update, update on Medicaid reimbursement, in-process of implementing training for active shooter situations (home security)

Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon- Fielded questions regarding other home security and medical emergency response needs.

Vice-Chair Stella Kay: reported that Rebecca Fisher will be point of contact for Tribal Census

IT Director Mark Tracy: Active Shooter Training, Introduced Chuck Madden and updated cost/mapping/construction of Fiber optic progress

Tribal Council Question/Responses:  
Secretary Julie Shananaquet on behalf of Councilor Melissa Pamp questioned 2020 Census Issue and lack of representation.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge the written Executive Oversight Report received and updates presented by Executive Director Unit I – Phil Harmon and Executive Director Unit 2 Daugherty Johnson and to acknowledge fiber optic presentation provided by IT Director Mark Tracy and Chuck Madden on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 2-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp, Secretary Julie Shananaquet)

Motion carried.  
**10:52 a.m. Break**  
**11:10 a.m. Resume**

**Public Comment**  
**11:10 a.m. Open**  
Lilly Anderson #1551 Commented on support of Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium Act amendments

**11:12 a.m. Close**  
Odawa Casino Resort loan update

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to acknowledge receipt of loan update as presented by Odawa Casino General Manager Ron Olson and Director of Finance Roger Borton on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 1-abstain (Councilor Marty Van De Car), 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)

Motion carried.

**Tribal Council Officer Reports**

Secretary Report  
Documents Delivered to the Executive:

The following Statute was delivered to the Executive for signature on 01/10/2020 and is due back to Tribal Council on or before 02/10/2020:

Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2018-016 Gaming Authority Statute

The following Statutes were delivered to the Executive for signature on 01/14/2020 and are due back to Tribal Council on or before 02/13/2020:

Gaming Regulatory Statute  
Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-018 Traditional Tribal Burial Grounds

Limited Liability Company Code  
Tribal Government Budget Formulation and Modification Statute

The following Statutes were signed by the Executive on 01/15/2020:

Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-014 Open Meetings of the Tribal Council

Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2008-005 Tribal Notary Public

Vetoes: none  
Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: none

FYI: Lack of Tribal representation at Census training in Chicago

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept Secretary Julie Shananaquet’s verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Treasurer Report - Appropriations and Finance Committee

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda as presented by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**11:48 a.m. Public Comment opens and closes**

**Tribal Council Member Reports:**  
Councilor Tamara Kiogima – Youth Council Report.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve scheduling the next Youth Council meeting on February 12, 2020, at 3:30 p.m. in Tribal Council Chambers.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Councilor Tamara Kiogima’s verbal report as presented on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**12:03 p.m. Lunch Break**  
**1:40 p.m. Meeting Resumes**

**Tribal Council Officer Reports continued....**

Legislative Leader Report – Tentative Closed session

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Legislative Leader Emily Proctor’s verbal and written report for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 2-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor or Tamara Kiogima)

Motion carried.

**Tribal Council Member Reports continued....**

Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. LEG-268 Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium Act.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.’s verbal report and acknowledge comments of Education Director Jordan Shananaquet and Higher Education Specialist Kerstine Bennington, and Tribal Citizen Elder/student Susan Reece (on phone) as presented on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Legislative Office Reports:  
Office of Economic & Business Development

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.-no report (scheduled for 02/04/2020)

**Public Comment**

**3:06 p.m. Opens**

Andrew Stich. Housing shortage, large sums made to lawyers, lack of tribal laws in place

**3:09 p.m. Closes**

Ziibimijwang, Inc.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Ziibimijwang Inc’s 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Report as presented by Joe VanAlstine, Committee Chairman on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation’s 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Report as presented by Cheryl Kishigo Lesky on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**3:16 p.m. Break**

**3:31 p.m. Resume**

Odawa Construction Corporation

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of the written Odawa Construction Corporation’s written 2019 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Report for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Office of Finance and Revenue

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope’s verbal and written report for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer – No report

Legislative Services Attorney

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick’s verbal and written report for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

General Counsel – No report

Legislative Office Manager

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount’s verbal and written report as presented on January 23, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Tribal Council Action Items: - Motions

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to appoint Ken Gill to the Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc. for a 4-yr term ending January 23, 2024.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve Certified Motion # 012320-01 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Family Violence Prevention and Services Program Act FY 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve Certified Motion # 012320-02 Funding from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, Tribal Transportation Program Agreement

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Certified Motion # 012320-03 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Funding FY 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Certified Motion # 012320-04 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Capacity Funding, Tribal Capacity Funding FY 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Certified Motion # 012320-05 Acceptance of Funds as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Mental Health Block Grant FY 2021-2022.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Certified Motion # 012320-06 Request for Funding from United States Department of Justice, FY 2020 Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes approve the Tribally Chartered Corporations Distribution Policy and Procedures.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve the Hemp Regulatory Commission Regulations for Hemp Sampling and THC Testing REG-WOS 2019-013-011720-003.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge receipt of Odawa Construction Corporation’s By-laws.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to repost the LEG-263 Marriage Statute.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** to appoint Marvin Mulholland to the Gaming Authority for a 3-yr term ending January 23, 2023 pending background check in accordance with statute.

Motion fails due to lack of motion maker and support

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to appoint Shane Robertson to the Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. for the remainder of his 5-yr term ending August 20, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to delegate to Legislative Leader the responsibility to perform the following duties: approval of staff travel, PTO, and other similar ministerial tasks for Legislative Branch and office operations.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Citizenship List A-Eligible for Citizenship dated January 22, 2020 for a total of three (3).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve Citizenship List B-Ineligible for Citizenship dated January 22, 2020 for a total of one (1).

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car

to approve Tribal Council attendance to United Tribes of Michigan Annual Meeting to be held on February 19-20, 2020 in Lansing, MI.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Ki-

ogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Certified Motion # 012320-07 Request for Funding from Petoskey Harbor Springs Community Foundation, Little Traverse Bay Protection and Restoration Fund, Stocking Whitefish for Restoration Purposes in Little Traverse Bay, Lake Michigan

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to amend agenda to include:

Accept Citizenship List C-Voluntary Relinquishment

Approve Gaming Authority Banking Resolution

Pass Michele Chingwa Education Honorarium Act (MCEHA)

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Citizenship List C-Voluntary Relinquishment dated January 23, 2020 for a total of 1.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium Act

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to post the Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2018-016 Gaming Authority (Sports Betting) as sponsored by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 1-abstain (Councilor Marty Van De Car), 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

Tribal Council Action Items: - Roll Call Votes

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve Tribal Resolution Authorization of Odawa Casino Resort Business Banking Account and Treasury Management Documents and Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity and Related Matters

Roll call vote: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-absent, Councilor Leroy Shomin-yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-abstain, Treasurer Marcella Reyes-yes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes

Motion carried.

**4:42 p.m. Break**

**4:51 p.m. Resume**

**Tribal Council Officer Reports continued...**

Legislative Leader Report continued

**4:52 p.m. Motion** made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to enter into Closed Session for Confidential Business Matters and Personnel Matters.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp)  
Motion carried.

**5:34 p.m.** Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. exits meeting

**5:39 p.m. Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to return to Open Session.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 2-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.)  
Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal report as provided in closed session by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for January 23, 2020.

Vote: 7-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 2-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.)  
Motion carried.

Adjournment

5:41 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin adjourn.

Vote: Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 1-absent (Councilor Melissa Pamp) Motion carried.

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting:

Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected/written. Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary  
Date

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The Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NMCAA), located at 2202 Mitchell Park Drive, Suite #4, in Petoskey, MI, is both a VITA and TCE site. You may call to schedule an appointment for volunteer prepared taxes at 1-800-443-5518 or 231-347-9070. An appointment is required.



The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide offers free, individualized tax preparation for low to mod-

erate income taxpayers, especially those 50 and older, at nearly 5,000 locations nationwide.

Federal tax assistance is available at all locations. State tax assistance is available at all locations in your state for in-state residents and may be available to out-of-state residents in select neighboring states. Please contact sites in your neighboring state to confirm availability. Site hours are subject to change on a weekly basis. Therefore, please check again the day before you plan to go to the site.

The Petoskey District Library, located at 500 E. Mitchell St. in Petoskey, MI, is a Tax-Aide site. You may contact the Petoskey District Library at 231-758-

3140.

To access the complete list of VITA, TCE or Tax-Aide locations, visit [www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-you-by-volunteers](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-you-by-volunteers)

For tax resource information in Northern Michigan, you may also contact Charlevoix County Commission on Aging at 231-237-0103 and the Friendship Centers of Emmet County (Council on Aging) at 231-347-3211.

If you live in the Northern Michigan area and utilized Richard Tunison to prepare your taxes, he is now retired and no longer doing tax preparation.

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For further information, please visit the U.S. Department of Homeland Security website at [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov) or the Canada Border Service Agency website at [www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca](http://www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca)

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carry a secondary form of identification whenever travelling.

Hopefully, some of your questions have been answered regarding our Tribal IDs and the REAL ID Act and domestic travel.

## AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND'S FULL CIRCLE SCHOLARSHIP



Full Circle scholarship applications are accepted every year from January 1 – May 31. The Amer-

ican Indian College Fund determines student eligibility and awards the scholarships. All applicants are e-mailed an award or denial notice by August. Those applicants who are chosen to receive a scholarship will also receive a mailed notice to the address listed on their applications.

For information regarding the application process and eligibility, visit <https://collegefund.org/students/scholarships/>

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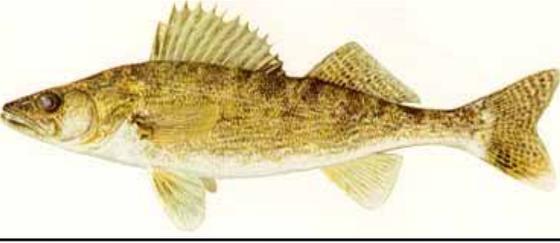
## FISH CONSUMPTION STUDY AVAILABLE TO CORA TRIBAL MEMBERS

If you are an adult, 18 years of age or older, member of a CORA tribe (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Bay Mills Indian Community, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians or Little River Band of Ottawa Indians), we invite you to participate in a fish consumption study.



If you choose to participate, you will record your fish consumption on a user-friendly web-based database once a week for eight weeks. This study will help us gather important information we can use to best educate and inform healthy fish consumption practices. The whole study will be conducted online, and you can complete the entire process from your home or on your phone. Completion of the study will also earn you \$135.

If you wish to participate, there will be two monetary incentives dispersed. You will receive a \$60 gift card after completing one month of the study and another \$75 gift card after completing the second month along with a short survey.



To get started, please follow this link to the online recruitment form: [https://is.gd/Gigiigoo-inaan\\_Study](https://is.gd/Gigiigoo-inaan_Study). You can also use the QR code below to enroll from your phone. After consenting to the study online, you will receive an e-mail with further instructions. Please note, this study is limited to one participant per household.

If you have any questions about this study, please feel free to contact Amy Poupart at [apoupart@glitc.org](mailto:apoupart@glitc.org) or 715-588-1077 or e-mail the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan at [fishappcoordinator@itcmi.org](mailto:fishappcoordinator@itcmi.org). For any technical support questions, please contact Tom Chelius at [tchelius@mcw.edu](mailto:tchelius@mcw.edu) or 414-955-8040.



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## AISES SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATIONS CLOSE ON MARCH 31



The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) helps students move forward in their educational journeys by providing multiple, merit-based scholarship opportunities.

These AISES scholarships help students along their educational journeys, acquiring skills and training to help them meet the unique STEM needs of our diverse communities. We highly encourage you to apply for all the scholarships you are eligible for!

The current **AISES Scholarship Opportunities** are the A.T. Anderson Scholarship, the

Advancing Agricultural Science Opportunities for Native Americans (AASONA) Scholarship, the Intel Growing the Legacy Scholarship, the Chevron Scholarship and the ExxonMobil Geosciences Summer Fieldwork Scholarship.

Although membership is required to apply for all AISES Scholarships, **AISES Membership is now FREE for all pre-college and college students!** So, become an AISES member, and then apply for our amazing scholarships! **It's free!**

To get a membership number, **join AISES** or retrieve your membership number through the **AISES Membership Portal**.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Johnny Poolaw, AISES Associate Director of Student Success, at [jpoolaw@aises.org](mailto:jpoolaw@aises.org)

*Courtesy graphic.*

## LTBB Natural Resources Commission 2020 Annual Hunting/Fishing Meeting April 25

LTBB Enrollment Department will be present for Picture ID's

You are invited to join the Natural Resources Commission, Natural Resource Department and Enrollment Department at **Terrace Bay Hotel—7146 P. Road Gladstone, MI**

We invite LTBB Tribal Citizens to an open meeting of the Natural Resources Commission. Meeting is 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Lunch provided at noon.**

Licenses, Permits and **Enrollment Cards** will be available.

**Door prizes—must be present to win.**



For more information, contact LTBB NRD  
231-242-1670  
Or e-mail—[dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)  
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI

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



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Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
231-242-1670

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## EAGLE REMAINS RETENTION INFORMATION



The LTBB Natural Resource Department is pleased to announce that after years of work on the issue, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently changed its policy to allow federally recognized tribes to keep eagle remains found in Indian country. Tribal citizens who encounter eagle remains or feathers within the LTBB reservation boundaries may be able to retain them for culturally significant use. Any deceased eagle encountered must be reported to LTBB Conservation Enforcement immediately for investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at: 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-242-1670 E-mail: [dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

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

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

## LTBB OFFICE OF CITIZENS LEGAL ASSISTANCE

The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

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

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, Please call Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm  
**231-242-1433**

"Census 2020" continued from page 1.

Bureau began counting the population in remote Alaska, first in Toksook Bay, a Yupik Alaska Native village in southwest Alaska.

**Mid-March 2020:** Households will receive mail inviting them to respond to the Census online, through a paper form or by phone.

**April 1, 2020:** Census Day is observed nationwide.

**May-June 2020:** Census workers will visit all addresses that did not return a questionnaire online or mail back a paper census form and collect information at the door. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates more than a third of the addresses will not return a form.

**Late April-August 2020:** Coverage follow-up. Questionnaire Assistance Centers will contact households with more than six occupants and those whose forms indicate someone may have been included or excluded erroneously to collect missing information, clarify information and ensure hard to count households are accurately counted.

**August-October 2020:** Census Coverage Measurement survey will estimate how many people were missed or counted twice during the direct counting operations. Estimates of accuracy will be published in 2022.

**December 2020:** The Census Bureau delivers apportionment counts to the president.

**March 2021:** U.S. Census Bureau completes delivery of redistricting data to states.

**Summer 2021:** Tables with the full results of the 2020 Census are issued.

**Why is the 2020 Census important to the American Indian and Alaska Native populations?**

According to Indian Country Counts, a National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) campaign, "In recent censuses, American Indians and Alaska Natives living on reservations have experienced some of the highest estimated net undercounts of any demographic group in the U.S., such as 4.9% in the 2010 Census."

Census data is the basis for the federal funding allocations of more than \$675 billion annually, of which \$1 billion is dedicated to Indian country. These funds are used to build tribal housing and make improvements, maintain and construct roads and provide employment and training programs.

In 2000, the U.S. Census Bureau implemented a 1997 U.S. Office of Management (OMB) policy that allowed anyone filling out a census form to check off more than one box for the question where they can identify his or her race. So, you may check the American Indian and Alaska Native box and another race box such as white, Black or Asian.

People who identify as American Indian or Alaska Native may mark the American Indian or Alaska Native checkbox and enter the name of his or her enrolled or principal tribe in the write-in area.

**What is this person's race?**  
Mark  one or more boxes **AND** print origins.

White - Print, for example, German, Irish, English, Italian, Lebanese, Egyptian, etc.

Black or African Am - Print, for example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc.

American Indian or Alaska Native - Print name of enrolled or principal tribe(s), for example, Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc.

Chinese  Vietnamese  Native Hawaiian  
 Filipino  Korean  Samoan  
 Asian Indian  Japanese  Chamorro  
 Other Asian - Print, for example, Pakistani, Cambodian, Hmong, etc.   
 Other Pacific Islander - Print, for example, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.

Some other race - Print race or origin

To be considered an American Indian or Alaska Native household, the race of "Person 1" or the first person listed on the census form must identify as American Indian or Alaska Native.

While individual tribal nations exert sovereignty in determining eligibility requirements, the U.S. Census Bureau uses the definition for American Indian or Alaska Native published by the OMB, which states, "A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South American (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment." By identifying as American Indian and Alaska Native, no proof is required. No one will ask you to show a tribal enrollment card or Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB).

For questions regarding the 2020 Census, visit the frequently asked questions page on [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov) or call 301-763-INFO (4636) or 800-923-8282. Tribal citizens residing in Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin can call the Chicago Regional Census Center at 312-579-1500.

*Courtesy graphics.*

**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](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov) and choose the Law Enforcement link on the right side of the page.

**Free Legal Help for Low-Income Native Americans**

Michigan Indian Legal Services may be able to help you with your legal issue. MILS Attorneys can handle the following types of cases in Tribal Court:

- ◆ Child Welfare
- ◆ Juvenile Delinquency
- ◆ Guardianship\*
- ◆ Eviction
- ◆ Criminal Defense
- ◆ Other Matters
- ◆ ICWA-MIFPA Appellate Cases\*

\*Available in State Court Proceedings

To find out if we can help you with your legal issue, call us at 231-947-0122 or toll free at 1-800-968-6877. Our office is open Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. to Noon and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, visit our website at [www.mils3.org](http://www.mils3.org).

Michigan Indian Legal Services provides legal services to low-income Indian individuals and tribes to further self-sufficiency, overcome discrimination, assist tribal governments and preserve Indian families.

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Michigan Indian Legal Services

**LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS**

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

April 10, 2020 - Good Friday  
 May 25, 2020 - Memorial Day  
 July 4, 2020 - Independence Day  
 September 7, 2020 - Lewis & Doris Adams Day  
 September 18, 2020 - Sovereignty Day  
 September 25, 2020 - Michigan Indian Day  
 November 11, 2020 - Veteran's Day  
 November 26, 2020 - Thanksgiving  
 November 27, 2020 - Day After Thanksgiving  
 December 24, 2020 - Christmas Eve  
 December 25, 2020 - Christmas Day  
 December 31, 2020 - New Year's Eve

\*Dates subject to change

**2020 CENSUS: WHAT'S AT RISK FOR INDIAN COUNTRY**

Many programs that impact the Native community are funded based in whole or in part on census-derived data, an undercount will put these (and other) programs at risk:

- INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE (IHS) \$4.8 BILLION**  
IHS serves 2.2 million Natives nationwide.
- THE INDIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANT \$650 MILLION**  
This block grant program, which is based almost entirely on census data, served, helped build, or rehabilitated 4,687 units in 2014.
- HEAD START PROGRAM \$8.3 BILLION**  
Approximately 10% of Native children and pregnant women participated in Head Start or Early Head Start during the 2015-2016 school year
- SNAP - \$69.5 BILLION**  
26% of Native households nationally and 32% on reservations received SNAP benefits in 2015
- URBAN INDIAN HEALTH PROGRAM (UIHP) \$40.7 MILLION**  
Approximately 25% of Native peoples live in urban areas located in counties served by these programs
- NATIVE AMERICAN EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING \$58.4 MILLION**  
This program provides Native peoples with employment training and skills, as well as support for daycare and transportation services to enable Native peoples to thrive in the workplace

All information on this fact sheet is from: <http://civilrightsdocs.info/pdf/census/2020/Fact-Sheet-AIAN-HTC.pdf>

Graphic by the Indigenous Organizers Collective of Montana

**Across**

2. ZIISABAAKWADONHS—candy
3. WAAWAASKWANE—flower
6. BDAKJIIGAN—fork
7. NTAAS—glass, drinking
9. NIBIISH—water
11. SHKINWE—young man
12. SHKWADE—fire
13. WAASECHIGAN—window
15. WAASKWANENJIGAN—light
16. BEZHIGOOGZHII—horse
17. MAASHTAANISH—sheep

**Down**

1. TATAAGAN—bell
2. ZIISABAAKWAT—sugar
4. WAABOOWAAN—blanket
5. SKINIIKWE—young woman
8. SASWIN—nest
10. ODAMINAWIN—toy, game
14. EZBIKENH—spider

Puzzle on page 13.

# LINE FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP



## Birthdays



To our sister, **Sharon Sanders**. The family wants you to enjoy your special day on March 24. Happy, happy birthday.

Birthday wishes go out to **Raymond Bottoms** on March 19. Have a great day brother. From the gang.

Happy birthday wishes to **Joaquin Alker**, celebrating March 11th. Love, Jonny, Mom, sister and Grandma Theresa.

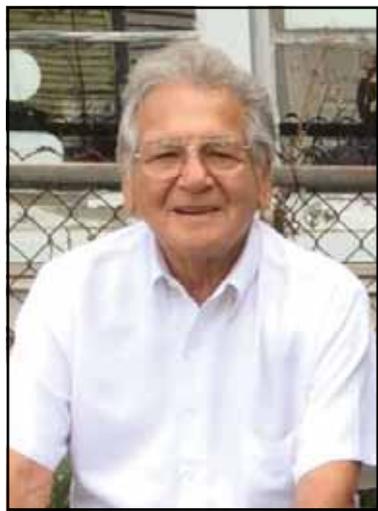


Sending good vibes to our sister, **Jo Ann Seay**, on March 30. Happy birthday from your brothers and sisters.

Happy birthday to the most wonderful Mom/Grandma/Great Grandma **Arlene Naganashe**, celebrating on March 15th. Love you, Theresa.

Happy birthday to **Elana Naganashe**, also celebrating on March 15th. Love, Mom, Dad, sister and Aunt Theresa.

## Walking On...



**Clarence "Sonny" Daybird, 82**

Clarence "Sonny" Daybird of Berkley, MI, walked on December 20, 2019 at the age of 82. Clarence was proud to be a citizen of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. He was born in Detroit, MI, to the late Clarence Daybird and Bernice Nichols. When he was young, Clarence enjoyed visiting relatives in Muncey, Ontario. He later attended Holy Childhood School in Harbor Springs, MI. Throughout his life, Clarence never tired of telling stories about catching geese for the nuns or running away and sleeping in the trees along the shores of Lake Michigan. Clarence was a strong lifelong athlete who excelled at sports in school. In high school, he met his wife of 56 years, Rosemary K. (Bayer) Daybird. Clar-

ence enlisted and went to Korea before he and Rose settled in Berkley, MI, and raised a family of three children, six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was an involved and active parent who could be counted on to attend sporting events or provide a ride to the horse barn. Clarence worked in the electric motor repair business at Schulte's Electric in Royal Oak, MI, and Renu Electric in Detroit, MI, and later as a custodian at Oakland Community College. Clarence had a strong work ethic, and he took pride in meticulous work whether it was on the job or at home or in the yard. He had a lot of energy, and after he retired, he took a job as lunchtime playground supervisor at Our Lady of La Salette School where he excelled at being outside with the kids. With Rose, he enjoyed traveling with relatives, golfing, biking and especially, having friends and family over for dinner. When health issues arose, Clarence was a perfect caregiver for Rose and dedicated his life to making her life more comfortable. Later in life, he continued to pursue his love of the outdoors and he especially looked forward to fishing outings and yearly trips to Harbor Springs, MI, for pow wows and color change. Clarence remained active and could be found riding his bike in search of ice cream or karaoke night. He was a kind and gentle man who truly loved everyone and never had a negative

thing to say. Clarence showed all who knew him that peace and happiness come from being outside and enjoying the moment. Clarence Daybird (Kijikobinesi) was preceded in death by his wife of 56 years, Rosemary K. Daybird. Beloved Father of Stephen (Amy) Daybird of Brighton, MI; Thomas (Ann) Daybird of Royal Oak, MI; and Dianne (Robert Bosch) Daybird of Madison, WI. Dearest Grandfather of Andrew, Megan, Lauren, Allison and Matthew Daybird and Nicholas Bosch. Loving Great-Grandfather of Carson and Preston Daybird.



**Roger Duane Smith, 80**

Roger Duane Smith, 80, passed peacefully after a brief illness in Bolingbrook, IL, on January 18, 2020. Born in Petoskey, MI, on December 24, 1939 to Karl and Dorothy Kilborn, Roger spent much of his formative years living with his grandmother, Mary Smith, at her house on Sheridan Street. It was there that he played in her rain barrel, ate from her garden, shared her deep and abiding faith and developed a love for family that would sustain him – and all those he called family – his entire life.

Roger was proud of his Native heritage and was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. He graduated from T.L. Handy High School in Bay City, MI, in 1956 and then enlisted in the U.S. Navy. In September 1956, while stationed in San Diego, CA, he sent a love letter to his girlfriend, Caroline "Pat" Porter, in which he enclosed an engagement ring. In that letter, he professed his deep love and committed that there would never be another person that he would love more than Pat. He asked her to wait for him. She did. They were married on November 2, 1956 on the Navy base in San Diego. And just as Pat was true to her word and waited for Roger, he was true to his word and spent his life devoted to Pat's every need. During their 61-year marriage, they grew up and they grew old together and had many adventures along the way.

The newlyweds made their first home on Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, while Roger continued his Naval duties during which time he enrolled in as many classes as possible to learn electronics and acquired skills that would serve him well throughout his life. In the three years they lived in Hawaii, they joyfully started their family with the birth of their daughter, Kimberly (Kym).

After his honorable dis-

charge from the Navy, Roger and Pat returned to Chicago, IL, where Pat's parents, Charles and Margaret Porter, lived and where they welcomed the birth of their son, Roger Smith, Jr. Kym and Roger recall their father supporting them every step of the way – in both good and challenging times. He was a caring and steady force in their lives and provided well for their family. The family grew to include grandchildren, Brianna Smith, Cassandra Smith and Allyson Smith.

And just as grandmother Mary Smith had opened to her heart and her home to others who needed to know the love of family, so did Roger and Pat. When friends of his grandchildren, Ping Fah and Earl Mikalauskas, said they missed having grandparents in their lives, Pat and Roger told them, "But you DO have grandparents. You have us!" Throughout their childhood, all the grandchildren spent time – weekends, summers and holidays – at Pat and Roger's house. And even as young adults, they still came home to check on and spend time with Roger and Pat. And now, all of the children and grandchildren have knitted a blanket of security and support for their mother/grandmother after Roger's passing. They are fulfilling his commitment to always take care of Pat. He would be so proud of them.

Taking care of family and realizing the plans that he and Pat had for their children were vitally important to Roger. Throughout his life, he worked a variety of jobs – sometimes two and more at a time. Jobs included bus driver for the Chicago Transit Authority; driver of 18-wheel trucks for UPS during the holiday season to have extra money for Christmas; broadcast engineer for AM 1000 WCFL; airplane mechanic for United Airlines and Northwest Orient Airlines; electronic news gathering camera operator at CBS News in Chicago; test driver/certification of locomotives at the former ElectroMotive Division of General Motors Corp.; and the job from which he retired – maintaining the electrical operation of the "big tunnel" at the Water Reclamation Department for the City of Chicago. Roger was also proud that in some of his jobs, he and his son worked for the same company; and he often spoke of the strong work ethic that both of his children demonstrated.

Roger was predeceased by his parents; his mother- and father-in-law; sister, Jane Kilborn; nephew, Karl Van Kilborn II; brothers, Richard Kilborn and Kevin Kilborn; sister-in-law, Elizabeth Kilborn; daughter-in-law, Patricia "Patty" Smith, as well as several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Roger was also a loving brother to and is survived by Jon (Helen) Kilborn, Donna (Gary) VanPelt, Joel Kilborn, Karl Van Kilborn, Lance Kilborn (Sue Ralph), Linda Kilborn and Cheryl Kilborn (James Tarchinski) and sisters-in-law Elaine Kilborn, Patricia Kilborn

"Walking On" continued on page 27.

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**65 and Over**

- 1: Shirley Garrow - 352 ft.
- 2: Arlene Naganashe - 105.1 ft.
- 3: Diane Naganashe - 96.7 ft.

**65 and Over**

- 1: Gerald Garrow - 391.6 ft.
- 2: Jim Naganashe - 89.6 ft.
- 3: Tom Naganashe - 88.5 ft.

**50-64**

- 1: Vicki Kelley - 410.8 ft.
- 2: Shelly DeLand - 409.4 ft.
- 3: Carol Kiogima - 400.8 ft.

**50-64**

- 1: Tony Davis - 409.2 ft.
- 2: Scott Kelley - 380.6 ft.
- 3: JD Gibson - 326.1 ft.

**35-49**

- 1: Allie Maldonado - 408.6 ft.
- 2: Deanna Kelly - 335.4 ft.
- 3: Trisha Naganashe - 232.1 ft.

**35-49**

- 1: Doug Craven - 337 ft.
- 2: Jay Maldonado - 113 ft.
- 3: Bobby Yellowbank - 59 ft.

**18-34**

- 1: Ashley Davis - 112 ft.
- 2: Holly LaCombe - 111 ft.
- 3: Cassie Gibson - 88 ft.

**18-34**

- 1: Jesse Oldman - 136.6 ft.
- 2: Stanley Dewey - 105 ft.

**9th - 12th Grade**

- 1: Bethany Brown - 193 ft.

**9th - 12th Grade**

- 1: Anthony Laughlin - 92 ft.

**6th - 8th Grade**

- 1: Sophie Naganashe - 105 ft.
- 2: Brienna Brown - 93 ft.

**6th - 8th Grade**

- 1: Riley Maldonado - 103 ft.
- 2: Wiigwaase Craven - 79.5 ft.

**3rd - 5th Grade**

- 1: Ari Maldonado - 70.5 ft.

**3rd - 5th Grade**

- 1: Lane Gasco - 85 ft.
- 2: Kentin LaCombe - 71 ft.
- 3: Carter Boda - 70 ft.

**K - 2nd Grade**

- 1: Gisewe Yellowbank - 127 ft.
- 2: Audrey LaCombe - 92 ft.
- 3: Bedassige James - 60 ft.

**K - 2nd Grade**

- 1: Isaac Grundy - 134 ft.
- 2: Grayson Boda - 39 ft.
- 3: Ian Davis - 29 ft.

## Walking On...

"Walking On" continued from page 26. and Suzanne Sullivan. He was a fond uncle to Charles Fowler, Julie Zimmerman, Margie Trimble, Caleb Porter, Steven Porter, Shelly Solinski, Kim Kilborn, Denise Wisley, Troy Wisley, Jeff Kilborn, Nelson Hurst, Sherri Siebert, Lisa Roper, Lori VanPelt, Terri Podgorniak, Lance Kilborn, Brooke Kilborn, Kevin Kilborn, Joel Kilborn, Lauren Pauwels and Robert Tarchinski.

Also grieving his passing is Alba Colmenares, partner to Roger, Jr., who lovingly referred to Roger, Sr. as Mr. Rogers, a nickname that made him laugh out loud and beam with pride. In addition, many grand nieces and nephews and cousins survive.

Also, surviving Roger are several dogs and cats - many of whom were adopted rescue pets and became extended members of the Smith family, including cats, Missy, Bella and Baby Cat

and dogs, Reba, Daisy Mae and Molly. Baby Cat, who was rescued from Hurricane Katrina, was a constant companion of Roger's who never left his side; sadly, Baby Cat passed just days after Roger.

Roger made his way in this world with humility, kindness and grace. The love of his wife, children, grandchildren, sisters, brothers and so many others is testament to a life well lived.

Gone too soon, as he begins his eternal rest, he will be eternally missed. In the spirit of his Navy brothers and sisters, those who remain will try to live up to the motto of Semper Fortis (Always Strong) because that is what Roger would want everyone to do.

In lieu of flowers, family and friends are asked to donate cat or dog food to a shelter of their choice in loving memory of Roger.

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