# A LETTER FROM THE NIIGANDIWIN EDUCATION DIRECTOR JORDAN E. SHANANAQUET

Aanii Boozho Higher Education Students,

The COVID-19 pandemic has reshaped our daily lives - it has also impacted how we go to school. The Niigaandiwin Education Department acknowledges there are tribal citizens attending institutions of higher learning across the nation



and even internationally. As a higher education student, there are so many factors that need to be considered to ensure your safety and wellbeing as well as your academic success. While campus reopening plans vary from institution to institution, they broadly fall into three categories: In Person Instruction, Hybrid Model and Online Only Instruction.

#### **In Person Instruction**

 Some schools have announced plans to reopen campuses with various social distancing approaches in place to protect the health of students as well as faculty. These institutions have developed guidelines and procedures for reopening campuses for the 2020 fall semester. These guidelines and procedures are generally available on the institution's website.

## **Hybrid Model**

• Some schools are planning more limited reopening approaches with a blend of in-person and online learning. A hybrid model that limits the number of students on campus are adaptable in order to respond to spikes in COVID-19 cases, should they occur.

## **Online Only Instruction**

• Other schools — such as the entire California State University system — have announced they will continue online only courses in fall 2020.

The Niigaandiwin Education Department recognizes the challenges that our higher education students are facing at this time — especially as many institutions shift to some form of distance learning. As students adjust to how their college or university reopens this fall, remember some of these helpful tips to stay productive: Create a space to study in and eliminate any distractions, set a consistent schedule and most importantly, establish your daily plan and study priorities. These simple tips can make a tremendous difference in productivity while learning — especially from a distance. However, our department acknowledges that some students may need addition-"Higher Education" continued on page 30.

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# Announces New Board Members and Officers - Among Those Selected is LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado

Editor's note: The following is a National Association of Drug Court Professionals (NADCP) press re-



NADCP is thrilled to introduce four new members of our Board of Directors: Abby Frutchey, Judge Craig D. Hannah, Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado and Valerie Raine Youngblood.

"These four new members each bring diverse expertise and experience to our board," said NADCP Board of Directors Chair Judge Bruce Williams. "They each add to the already talented and passionate board working on behalf of the thousands of

treatment court professionals nationwide."

Judge Maldonado has served as Chief Judge of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians since 2012. As Chief Judge, she oversees the tribe's Healing to Wellness Court, an integral part of the community that has helped strengthen tribal families and support those who wish to live a drug- and alcohol-free life. Prior to assuming the role of Chief Judge, she served for 10 years as the tribe's Assistant General Counsel.

NADCP is also pleased to announce Karen Freeman-Wilson was reelected Vice Chair of the board. Freeman-Wilson previously served as NADCP CEO from 2001-2006 and is currently President and CEO of the Chicago Urban League. Lisa



Treasurer. Dr. Shannon previously served as board Secretary and is currently an Associate Professor of Social Work at Morehead State University in Morehead, KY. David Wertheimer was elected to serve as Secretary. Wertheimer joined the board in 2019 and is the retired Director of Community and Civic Engagement for the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

"I am looking forward to furthering the work and mission of NA-DCP with this outstanding group of board leaders," said NADCP CEO Carson Fox. "Their credentials and commitment to treatment courts are an asset to our organization and those we serve."

Courtesy photo and courtesy graphic.

# TRIBAL BURIAL BOARD IN PLANNING STAGES TO ESTABLISH A FUNERAL HOME, DINING HALL AND CREMATORIUM

Submitted by the Tribal Burial **Board** 

By unanimously approving Certified Motions #061120-01 and #061120-02 at its June 11, 2020 meeting, the LTBB Tribal Council designated portions of the 7500 Odawa Circle property in Harbor Springs, MI, for the development of a funeral home, dining hall, unattached garage and a crematorium.

The funeral home, the dining hall and the unattached garage will be developed on the northeast portion of the property while the crematorium will be developed on the southwest portion of the property. The businesses would be open to the tribal and non-tribal communities and accommodate tribal traditional and cultural practices.

The pow wow overflow parking lot would be utilized for funeral home and dining hall parking. The Pow Wow Committee would retain sole use of the parking lot during

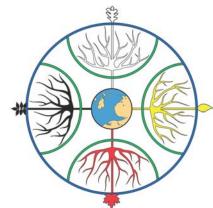
pow wow weekend. Please see accompanying maps.

Per WOS 2020-008, the Tribal Burial Board is authorized to develop, own, lease, operate, manage, maintain, promote and finance economic opportunities that are conjunction or ancillary to burials, including but not limited to mortuary services, funeral services, casket-manufacturing and cremation

The board requested portions of the Odawa Circle property for cost-saving reasons (preliminary inquiries into available outside properties to suit the board's needs could approach \$300,000) and the land is already in trust. The process of getting land into trust can take up to two years.

The board is currently working on a business plan and researching funding opportunities.

The board welcomes input from the community on this project. Send questions, comments or suggestions



to burialboard@ltbbtribalburial.org. The board also welcomes suggestions for the names of the funeral home and crematorium. The board will hold informational sessions and/or town hall meetings regarding the project in the future. The board's meeting and work session dates are posted on the LTBB website, and look for its Facebook page Traditional Tribal Burial, Inc.

The Tribal Burial Board consists of Chair Kevin Willis, Vice Chair "Funeral Home" continued on page 31.

# LTBB Tribal Citizens Enrolled as of 7-20-20 = 4541

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Beverly Wemigwase, Receptionist

www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov www.odawatrails.com

231-242-1400 1-866-652-5822

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242-1400

#### **Tribal Chairman's Office**

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Tribal Council/Legislative Office

#### Linda Gokee, Administrative

Assistant 1-866-972-0077

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Su Lantz, Assistant 242-1407

**NO Collect Calls Accepted** 

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Cherie Dominic, Attorney 242-1433

**NO Collect Calls Accepted** 

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242-1584

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Health Clinic 242-1700

> Health 242-1600

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#### Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement

Debendiziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'aanaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'iing debendiz iwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendiziwin miinwaa wiimnaadendiziyiing. Gdabendaanaa debendiziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naa kinigewinan, maadiziwin miinwaa mnidoowaadiziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendiziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajiidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadiziwin waabii'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadiziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendamowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendiziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'iing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'iing, enitaanokiijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad

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.





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

The deadline for the September 2020 issue of *Odawa Trails* is August 3, 2020.

You can e-mail or call your submissions in to 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!

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1 Month = \$16

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12 Months = \$144 save \$48!

# DEPARTMENTS & PROGRAMS





# From the Executive Office



In years past, our community would be preparing for the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. Families would be looking for the best canopy area and marking out the best spot for

camping. The arbor would be prepared for the drummers. The excitement in the community for the Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow would be taking place. This year is much different. Our pow wow grounds will sit in silence. Our community will not be celebrating this August. No excitement in the offices of staff preparing for the influx of citizens who head home for pow wow weekend. Instead, we need to keep our elders and commu-

Yes, it is tough for our singers, dancers and vendors who will miss the weekend of fun and doing what they love and enjoy. A reunion with friends and

nity safe from COVID-19.

family laughing and catching up with one another.

However, we owe a duty to our people. It is our time to respect our elders and one another's safety. We hold responsibility for each other's health and wellness. We understand this decision was made out of safety for our friends and families. Miigwetch to the Pow Wow committee for all the work they had done thus far.

We urge everyone to stay in, continue to practice social distancing, wear a mask when heading out and stay safe. Next year's celebration will be filled with joy, and we will be able to enjoy the time with one another.

What have you been doing to occupy your time during the Stay Home, Stay Safe period?

Submit your photograph and short description along with your name to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to be included in the Odawa Trails newsletter. Any questions, please send them to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

# Waganakising Odawak

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Tribal Chairperson

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740 Phone 231-242-1401 • Fax 231-242-1411

June 26, 2020

Re: COVID Budget Cuts

Dear Tribal Citizen,

Tribal Council and the Chair took the necessary action to cut the budget due to the COVID Casino closure. This unfortunately included the per cap. Leadership has worked diligently to provide resources to Citizens during these times and will continue to do so but this is one hardship that COVID has dealt us. We look forward to a successful restart of our economy in the upcoming year.

Miigwetch,

Regina Gasco-Bentley Tribal Chairperson

# EPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

# 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 import- ant 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

In addition, being an RTM will allow you to pur- chase 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

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

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 The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the

State of Michigan's website at: https://tinyurl.com/ltbbmitax

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.

# Attention Tribal Businesses/Entrepreneurs!

If you would like to be on the tribal governmental vendor list for providing goods or services to the LTBB government, please contact Mandy Szocinski at 231-242-1439 or mszocinski@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Please be prepared to provide the following information: Name, contact information, good/services you are providing and any additional information as required. Supporting our tribal businesses is our preference. Chi Miigwech!

Casino vouchers and Shuttle available! Family Owned

# Coachhouse Inn LLC

Tribal Member Discount \$74.85 per night\*

1011 US-31 N, Petoskey, MI 49770 Ph:231-347-8281

\* Room rate subject to availability Tribal ID must be shown at check-in

# IMPORTANT NOTICE!

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR ISSUES CONCERNING LAND CLAIMS DISTRIBUTION

(TRUST FUND), PLEASE CONTACT CARRIE CARLSON, CFO, AT 231-242-1442.

# MEET DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE DIRECTOR HAYDEN HOOPER



My name is Hayden Hooper, and I started as the Depart-

ment of Commerce Director in late May 2020. Prior to this position, I previously worked as the Internal Auditor for approximately two years in the LTBB Regulatory Department. I also have a background in accounting and customer service. I really enjoy working with people, so I'm excited to see what services we can increase or make more accessible and understandable for our citizens.

I completed my Bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University a couple years back. I'm happy to say that just recently, I completed my Master's degree from Central Michigan University as well. I now hold a Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree.

My husband and I just had our first baby this past January. He's the sweetest little guy and keeps us very busy!

In my free time, I love playing volleyball. I play indoor and beach, both in competitive leagues. Puzzles are another favorite activity of mine.

As I mentioned before, I really enjoy working with people so I look forward to meeting all of you!

Courtesy photo.

# Department of Commerce Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all) Readmond (all) West Traverse (all) Friendship (all) City of Harbor Springs (all) Little Traverse (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:

- 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 purchase, there is no recourse! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank

you. Contact us at 231-242-1584.

addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled as of February 28, 2017, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

LTBB Tribal Directories

LTBB tribal directories are available for

sale in the Enrollment Office. The tribal

directory includes adults' names and

## 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.

# EGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians **Tribal Council** Attendance at Various Meetings and Events



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May and June 2020									
Tribal Council Work Session							X		
Tribal Council Meeting			X	X	X	X	X	X	Χ
Tribal Council Town Hall	X	Χ	X	X	X		X		Χ
Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting			X			Χ			
Tribal Council Work Session	X	X	X	X	X	Χ	X	X	Χ
Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Χ
Tribal Council Town Hall	X	X	X		X	Х		X	Χ
Appropriations and Finance Committee Special Meeting	X	X	X	X		X			
Land and Reservation Committee Meeting	Χ							Χ	
Tribal Council Work Session	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	Χ
Tribal Council Meeting	X	X					X		Χ
Tribal Council Town Hall	X		Χ	X	Χ	Χ	X	X	Χ
Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting	X	X	X			X	X		
Tribal Council Work Session	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Tribal Council Meeting	X	X	X	X	X	Χ	X	Χ	Χ
*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs									

# Anxiety presents itself in many different ways...

The desire to control people and events

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5/5/20

5/7/20

5/8/20

5/12/20

5/19/20

5/21/20

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6/5/20

6/9/20

6/11/20

6/13/20

6/16/20

6/23/20

6/25/20



Difficulty getting to



agitated





Defiance and otner challenging behaviors



, Having high including school for self. work & sports



Avoiding activities or events (including school)

Painlike stomachaches and headaches



Struggling to pay attention and focus



Intolerance uncertainty





Cryingand difficulty managing emotions



Overplanningfor situations and events



Feeling worried about situationsor events

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

- Enrollment Applications.

  Address Change Forms.

  O 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.

# 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:
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

# July Elders Birthdays

# July 1

Helene Esker Gloria Uleski John Dubiel Laura Johnson Phillip Nadeau

# July 2

Wayne Hardwick Bernard Weidenfeller Jeffrey Beaudin Jim Naganashe

## July 3

Lavern Cherette
Melvin Bonneau
Mary Poynter
James Nanegos
Parris Montez
Leo Strate, Sr.

# July 4

Caryn VanDommelen Wendy Maisano John Teuthorn Marylin Genia Donald Sloniker Robert Cutler

# July 5

John Sharkey
Clarence Daybird
Naomi Dolezal
James Sessions
Claude Cutler
Brian Davis
Mary Eastling
Sandra Yoder
Terrilyn McComb

# July 6

Georgia Wafer
Catherine Kaestner
Vicki Dougherty
Mary Pawneshing
Larry Boursaw

## July 7

Arthur Brewer
Gregory Swanson
Carole Glomson
Howard Kischassey
Bryce Carver

# July 8

James Austin Gail Niedling Michael Perry Vergil Williams

# July 9

Raymond Beaver
Leo Delmas
Kelly Casey
Malcolm Williamson, Sr.
Gwen Scutt
Joyce Robertson

# **July 10**

Sandra Walker Mary Evans

## **July 11**

Gerald Chingwa Hermenia Boucek Carmen Gay

# **July 12**

Tracey Long
Dorothy Gasco
Debra Haza

# July 13

Darlene Rittenhouse

#### **July 14**

Theresa Henry Viveca Thomas Margie Pratt Thomas Teuthorn

## **July 15**

Carol Kiogima Stella Kay Terri Maass Rochelle Ettawageshik

## **July 16**

William Thompson
Dwight Smith
Michael Peters
Margaret Watkins

## <u>July 17</u>

Fabian Wabanimkee
John Hinmon
Mark Blumke
Roberta Foster
Calvin Strate, Jr.
Michael Kilpatrick

# <u>July 18</u>

Dorla McPeak Margaret Hudson Kimberly Symanski Kenneth Dubiel

# **July 19**

Robert Kildee
Frederick Holdorph
Kathy Denemy
Karl Cherry
William Carver
Catherine Bradley

## **July 20**

Jean Trousdale Brian Nichols Alicia Stokes

## **July 21**

Mary Bellone
David Thompson
Thomas Kilpatrick
Elsie LaPalm

## July 22

Eva Hinmon
Lisa Flynn
Mary Longstreet
Nancy Shananaquet
Audrey Hegenbarth
Delores Bajt

#### July 23

Joel Kilborn
Richard Wemigwase
Mary Remley
Charles Gould
Leanne Silvey

# July 24

Stephan Gasco
Tamela Okuly-Shananaquet
Ronald Bottoms
Ricky Samson
Raymond Pliler

## **July 25**

Ronald Sebeck Diana Rowlett Adeline Lyons Bernice Suhr Kevin Schlappi

# **July 26**

Patrice Cisco
Gary Kiogima
Patricia Borck
Robert Field
Leon Jackson
Debra Janney
Judith Woodaz
Sandra Merrifield

## **July 27**

Lonnie Chingwa
Darlyne Oakford
Debra Graveratte
Diane Eick
David Curto
Lulubelle Shananaquet
Mary Meyers

# July 28

Matthew Blumke Craig Kahgee

## **July 29**

Geraldine Smith Howard Bernard Kenneth Harrington

# July 30

Michelle Hudson Marty Carson Scott Kiogima Dean Lark James Sharkey

# July 31

Matthew Davis Jane Hunt Rita Blacklock

# COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

# Michele Mabry



I am a tribal elder living in San Diego, CA. I headed straight to Coronado beach for a long walk on the shore (I brought my mask) when they lifted the restrictions weeks ago! Courtesy photo.



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians recent graduates!

Apply for the:

# Shirley Naganashe Oldman Secondary Education Honorarium

Niigaandiwin Education Department is so proud of you! We want to gift you \$100!

Available to citizens who recently received their:

\*High School Diploma
\*GED Certificate/Diploma

ons must be completed in entirety and submitted within 180 days cour proof of completion or graduation. The application will need a

Tribal council continues to pass this statute in honor of Shirley. Our department is proud to administer this honorarium in remembrance. We acknowledge her dedication to assisting citizens achieve their educational goals and her work during federal reaffirmation.

# **August Elders Birthdays**

# August 1

Virginia Thomson **David James** Michael Blumke **Deborah Adams** Melissa Becerra

# August 2

Anthony Hudson Robert Keller Mary Brimacombe William Keway Patricia Prendeville Harry Gasco

# August 3

Gertrude Chingwa **Sharon Garrow** Joan Denemy **Angeline Castie** James Hutchison

# August 4

Maanii Baldon Donna Colter John Sharkey Nancy Jennings

## August 5

Early Kilpatrick Randall Stine

## August 6

**Carol Quinones** Rodney Strate Carol Hubble Chris Cutler Sonia Von Der Lippe-Salvia

+Children's Health

+Improve performance

**Email Charla today** 

to schedule an appointment!

+Specialty Diets

# August 7

Peggy Cutler

#### August 8

Debra Williams Dennis Dominic Michael Levandoski Robert Sharkey Dawanna Shingledecker Julie Pego

## August 9

Dale Westrick Dawn MacLaren Linda Gasco Mary Clearing-Sky Loretta Antoine

# August 10

Nancy Biss Alice Honson Mark Givens

# August 11

Betty Christensen

# August 12

Alvina Ruth Cherissa Sky-Eagle Smith Leo Wasageshik Wayne Ettawageshik

# August 13

Phebe Boda Carol Howard

# August 14

**Robert Dominic** Elaine Wilson James Deckrow Frederick Shepard Victoria Loonsfoot Karen Boda

# August 15

Joseph Mier **Michael Washegesic** 

# August 16

Ronald Suhr Michele Ward Pauline Kewagoshkum Pamela Worthington Alice Arthur Mary Evans Roxann Sawade

# August 17

Joan Robinson **Leonard Mitchell** Louis Metzger III

# August 18

Marvin Cherette, Sr. Robert Minor, Jr. Karen Lefforge

# August 19

Cecelia Brock **Daniel Gould** Carla Greensky Dianna Naganashe **Dorothy Perry** 

## August 20

Darlene Sholes Laura Persing

# August 21

**Donald Lasley** Gerald Lapalm Marilyn Tieppo Clarence Sebeck

# August 22

Margaret Compo **Albert Carey** Lloyd Basford, Jr. Susan Swadling Cynthia Brouckaert Mary Roberts **Brian Persing** Ronald Boda

# August 23

Ronald Lasley Roger Smith, Jr. Linda Leigh Robert Lasley Shirlee Coombe **Sharon Merkel** Beulah John

# August 24

Sandra Russell Julia Tanner John Portman Molly McNally Vicki Lynn David Smith

# August 25

Stephanie Sudzinski

# August 26

Kathryn Bartlett Judith Drogmiller **Richard Bottoms** Patricia Hynes

# August 27

Leonard Zehe Arlene Roussin Michele Keshick Robert Stead

# August 28

Cherie Leece **Betty Stendel** Francis King

# August 29

Anthony Chingman III Diane Winans Dunham James Stokes Patricia Steinhoff Kimberly Kilborn

# August 30

Frances Bush Toni Smith **Robert Swartout** Bernadine Campbell Rose Miller John Crossett Karen Lada



contact Charla!

completed her Certification for Well Coaches! So, if you need assistance in preparing your pantry, making

healthier food choices, or to have someone work with you on making changes to improve your health, then

CGordon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

# INDIGENOUS RECIPES Wild Rice & Berries

Approximate Cooking Time: 2HRS LEVEL: Easy YIELDS: 4-6 Servings

# What you need:

1 Cup Wild Rice

4 Cups Water 1/2 Cup Strawberries

1/2 Cup Blueberries

1/2 Cup Raspberries

1 Tsp Cinnamon

1/2 Cup Maple Syrup

1/4 Cup Nuts; Your choice of Almonds, Sunflower Seeds, Pecans, Walnuts)



# Let's Make It!

1. Prepare Wild Rice as directed on package.

2. Add in your berries.

3. Add in cinnamon

4. Add in your maple syrup.

5. Add in your choice of nut.

6. Stir contents.

7. Refrigerate until cooled.



# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

# FARMERS TO FAMILIES FOOD BOXES DISTRIBUTED TO LTBB CITIZENS AND STAFF

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Co-

Coveyou Scenic Farms in Petoskey, MI, received an \$168,000 USDA Farmers to Families Food Box Program grant.

Through the Farmers to Families Food Box Program, USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service partnered with national, regional and local suppliers, whose workforce had been significantly impacted by the closure of restaurants, hotels and other food service businesses, to purchase up to \$3 billion in fresh produce, dairy and meat products. The program purchased \$461 million in fresh fruits and vegetables, \$317 million in a variety of dairy products, \$258 million in meat products and \$175 million in a combination box of fresh produce, dairy or meat products. Suppliers packaged these products totaling \$1.2 billion into family-sized boxes,

Farmers to Families Food Box

USDA is partnering with farmers, ranchers, specialty crop producers, food processors and distributors, and non-profit organizations to ensure that all Americans have access to the fresh and wholesome food they need during the COVID-19 national emergency.



then transported them to food banks, community and faith-based organizations and other non-profits serving Americans in need from May 15 through June 30, 2020.

The LTBB Food Distribution Program and Ziibimijwang Farm partnered with Coveyou Scenic

> Farms to provide Farmers to Families Food Boxes to LTBB Tribal Citizens and staff on June 12, 19, 25 and 26, 2020.

To maintain social distancing, people were asked to honk their horns upon arriving at the LTBB Commodities Warehouse in Petoskey MI, and LTBB Food Distribution Program staff placed a box in their vehicles.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar and courtesy graphic.



# **Distributors**

# AUGUST 2020 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Open Distribution (by appointment only): 10th - 14th from 9am - 3pm

Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week

828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto

Deliveries: Local: 7th

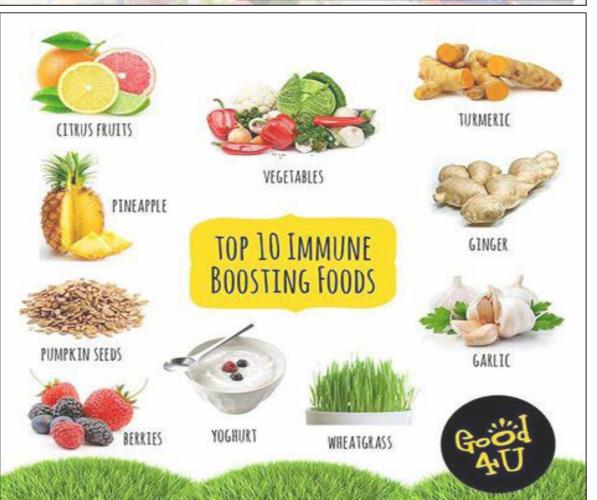
Peshawbestown: 21st

Traverse City: 26th

For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine

at 231-347-2573







8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620. \*food distribution varies depending on availability IN ACCORDANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW AND U.S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE POLICY, THIS INSTITUTION IS PROHIBITED FROM DISCRIMINATING ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, SEX, AGE, RELIGION, POLITICAL BELIEFS, OR DISABILITY. TO FILE A COMPLAINT OF DISCRIMINATION, WRITE USDA, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS, ROOM 326-W, WHITTEN BUILDING 1400 INDEPENDENCE AVENUE, S.W. WASHINGTON D.C. 20250-9410, or call (202) 702-5964 (VOICE AND TDD). USDA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER AND EMPLOYER.



- 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 UNEXPIRED LICENSE
  UNLICENSED PROVIDERS

  STATE ISSUED ID

  THE PROPERTY OF STANDARD RECEPTOR
  - \* ABILITY TO PASS ANNUAL BACKGROUND CHECKS

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES 911 SPRING STREET, PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

# 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. 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 documen-

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.

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

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

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

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

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HONESTY TRUTH

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Get involved • Support survivors

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Be truthful



# LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS (LTBB) ANNOUNCED THEY ARE NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM TRIBAL CITIZENS FOR COVID-19 EMERGENCY DISASTER RELIEF CARES ACT FUNDING

To claim a dependent they must have the same address as the applicant. PLEASE MAIL, EMAIL OR FAX COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

LTBB ATTN: Human Services 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs MI 49740
Fax 231-242-1635 Email: DHSApplications@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 1st, 2020 Questions on this application?

Please contact the Human Services Department DHS at 231-242-1620 Application required per updated Department of Treasury Guidelines



# LTBB COVID- 19 Emergency Living Assistance Deadline December 1, 2020

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First Name	
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Address	
City/State/Zip	
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as a result of	f school closures.
Unanticipate	ed additional expenditures including sanitizing supplies, personal protection equipment,
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	ther agree to maintain all receipts documenting my expenditures, which I will provide
to LTBB upon	request. I acknowledge that any funds I use improperly are subject to recoupment.
Signature:	Date:



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Honoring
Our Past.
Creating Hope
for the Future.

# WE CAN HELP

Victim service providers help victims rebuild their lives.
We can help you learn about your legal rights and options, cope with the impact of crime, access victim compensation, develop a safety plan, and navigate the criminal justice and social service systems.

DIRECT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline 800-4-A-CHILD Cyber Civil Rights Initiative 844-878-2274 Love Is Respect 866-331-9474, TTY 866-331-8453 Mothers Against Drunk Driving 877-MADD-HELP National Domestic Violence Hotline 800-799 SAFE, TTY 800-787-3224 National Human Trafficking Hotline

800-799-SAFE, TTY 800-787-3224 National Human Trafficking Hotline 888-373-7888, TTY 711 National Runaway Safeline 800-RUNAWAY

Parents of Murdered Children, Inc. 888-818-POMC Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network 800-656-HOPE

Pathways to Safety International 833-SAFE-833 StrongHearts Native Helpline 844-7NATIVE National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

800-273-8255, TTY 800-799-4889 The Trevor Project 866-488-7386 Veterans Crisis Line

INFO & REFERRALS FOR VICTIMS

800-273-8255 x1, TTY 800-799-4889

Battered Women's Justice Project Legal Helpline 800-903-0111 x1, TTY 711 Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Country Child Abuse Hotline 800-633-5155 Federal Trade Commission Identity Theft Hotline

877-FTC-HELP, TTY 866-653-4261
National Center for Missing &
Exploited Children
800-THE-LOST®

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Helpline 800-662-HELP, TTY 800-487-4889 VictimConnect Resource Center 855-4-VICTIM



and families of problem drinkers

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# Al-Anon Meetings

AP Review

LTBB Health Park, every Wednesday 7-8 pm

Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

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



# **Please Note:**

Received HS

Date

Changeable address forms are available for LTBB Citizens at 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

# UDICIAL BRANCH

# CLANS - ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

By Sunnese Granados, Tribal Court Cultural Resource Advisor

Anishinaabe men and women worked together in balance to sustain our community and protect our families. A key element of that balance was the clan (doodem) system. The Anishinaabe people believe the Creator gifted the clan system to maintain societal order on Earth. The clan system was also used for governance. There were seven original clans: Loon, crane, bear, marten, fish, deer and bird. There were once as many as 27 clans and sub-clans, which included the eagle, wolf, water snake, moose, caribou and thunderbird among others. Each clan has roles, talents and responsibilities to contribute to the overall wellbeing of the entire nation. Members belonging to the same clan considered themselves close relatives and could not marry within their own clan.

According to Ojibway teachings, the loon and crane clans worked together as leaders and operators. They were skilled planners and negotiators and upheld the Seven Grandfather Teachings. If there ever was a conflict between the loon and crane clans, the fish clan helped mediate the situation. The fish clan (turtle) are responsible for water ceremonies. They are also connected to star teachings. The bird clan (eagle and hawk) are

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teachers/chiefs and spiritual advisors/medicine men (women) and masters of intuition. The bear clan were protectors of the people and are responsible for safeguarding the community and are very knowledgeable with medicines and herbs. The marten clan are skilled warriors and peacekeepers. They are also responsible for maintaining the Warrior Society. The deer clan are the listeners and problem-solvers, they are also artists. The deer clan is no longer prominent among the Anishinaabek because the deer clan violated the prohibition against marrying within the same clan.

The most common clans in our community today are thunderbird, crane, bear, eagle and turtle. Following European contact and the removal of Native Americans westward, the clan system—like other aspects of Native culture—has been nearly

When we can identify ourselves and our roles in our family/community, we then can have an understanding of our purpose and be able to live in harmony with others. Sometimes, we may not know what we are here for, what to do, where to be. Knowing your roots will guide you through life. Our people have lived out of harmony since the conquest of the Europeans. We must educate ourselves, work with others, ask for help, learn, teach and believe. Take this knowledge and share it.

To learn more about clans, contact your local tribal elder, reach out to family members or you may contact our Language Department and/or Archives and Records to see if they can help you identify your family's clan. You may also schedule an appointment with our traditional healer Jake Pine at the Community Health Department. Other references include the "Mishomis Book" and "The History of the Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan." There are also some videos on YouTube by Alan Corbiere that provide additional history relating to

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INTELLECTUALS

PHILOSOPHERS

MEDIATORS

BLUE

GREEN

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



# Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!

Urg<u>ent Care</u> 116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770 231-348-2828

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

Petoskey Urgent Care can be utilized

McLaren NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL

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.



14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720

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.



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.

## 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.

# LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA Indians Community Health Department MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES

Transportation is available to medical appointments only.

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

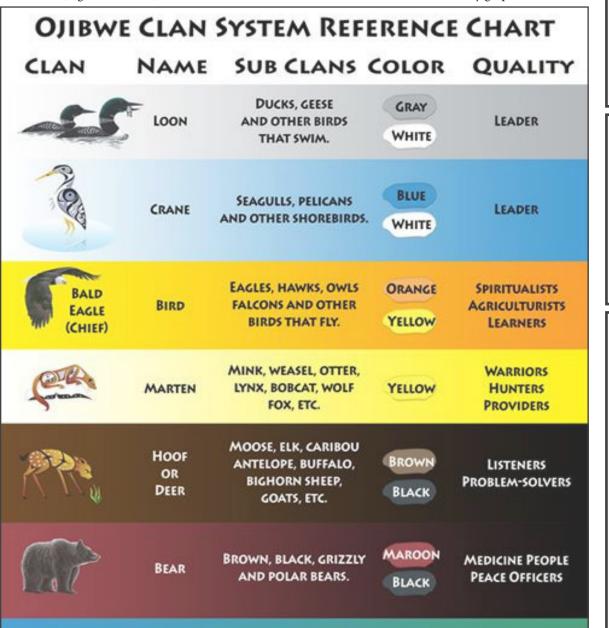
Clients of the Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Department must notify the Community Health Department 72 hours prior to their appointments.

Transportation is based on availability.

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

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff



FISH, REPTILES.

# Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction



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Submitted by the Judicial **Branch** 

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) is one of several tribes across the country who exercise Special Domestic Violence Jurisdiction (SDVCJ) - authority to prosecute non-Natives who commit domestic violence crimes against Native American women within its territory.

Diane, a member of a Native tribe, married a non-Native man who moved onto the reservation with her. Shortly after their marriage, Diane's husband began abusing her. The county police had no jurisdiction because the couple lived on the reservation, and the tribal police had no jurisdiction because her husband was non-Native. In one incident, the husband called the tribal police while he was assaulting Diane to prove how untouchable he was. A 1978 federal court decision left Diane in a jurisdictional quagmire where no law applied. There was nothing anyone could do about it. The state had no jurisdiction because it happened on tribal land. The feds wouldn't touch it because they did not consider it serious enough and lacked the resources to investigate and prosecute misdemeanor cases. The misguided 1978 Supreme Court decision (Oliphant v Squamish), stripped tribes of their inherent ability to prosecute non-Natives from crimes committed in Indian country. This was a common example of a very extensive problem.

In 2013, Congress passed the Violence Against Women Re-Authorization Act (VAWA 2013). VAWA 2013 recognized tribes' inherent power to exercise what is now called "Special Domestic Violence Jurisdiction." Exercising tribes, such as LTBB, now have the ability to protect their citizens and hold perpetrators accountable by exercising jurisdiction to prosecute all domestic violence crimes committed against tribal citizens in Indian country, regardless of the tribal status of a defendant. Domestic violence includes violence against spouses, dating partners and also the violation of Personal Protection Orders.

The need for such authority is indeed, great. Domestic violence statistics in Indian country are staggering:

- 1) 55% of Native American women have been subject to domestic violence.
- 2) 46% of Native American women have experienced rape, physical violence and/or stalking by an intimate partner in their lifetime.
- 3) The vast majority of these victims (90%) suffered the abuse at the hands of a non-Native offender.
- 4) A Native American woman is five times more likely to suffer inter-racial violence than a non-Native American woman.

For a tribe to exercise SD-VCJ, the federal government requires tribal laws to include certain constitutional due process safeguards. Among these is the right to a jury trial, with the jury pool representing a fair cross-section of the community, including non-Natives, the right to a lawyer, and the availability of a court-appointed attorney for those who can't afford their own, and the right to seek a Writ of Habeas corpus in federal court for those who believe they are being illegally detained. Over the last several years, LTBB has enacted comprehensive laws, court rules, policies and proce-

Your Child's Early Development is a Journey

Check off the milestones your child has reached and share your child's progress with the doctor at every visit.

dures regarding SDVCJ prosecution, to ensure full due process protection for the accused. These laws and rules are made publicly available on the LTBB website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Nationwide, 25 tribes across the country have enacted Special Domestic Violence Jurisdiction, including four in Michigan -LTBB, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians and the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi. LTBB was the first tribe in the state of Michigan to become an exercising tribe and has a commitment to protecting its citizens from domestic violence, dating violence and sexual assault as well as ensuring that all criminal defendants receive a fair trial.

If you or a loved one is a victim of domestic violence, help is available.

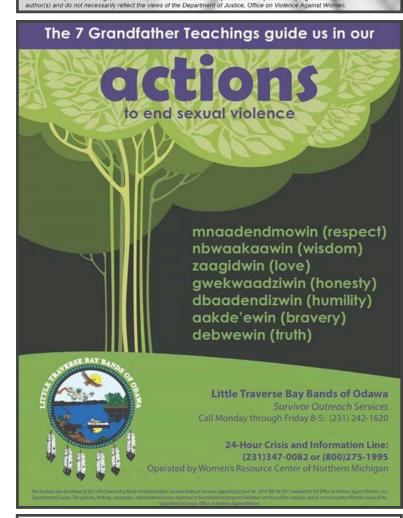
- National Resource Center on Domestic Violence 1-800-799-7233
- Stronghearts Native Helpline 844-762-8483
- National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233
- LTBB Survivor Outreach Services 231-242-1628
- LTBB Behavioral Health 231-242-1640
- Women's Resource Center 231-347-0082 or 1-800-275-1995

If you have questions regarding SDVCJ, please contact Special Domestic Violence Coordinator/Trainer, Stuart Fenton, at 231-242-1464.

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Courtesy graphic.

# If you or a loved one is a victim of Domestic Violence, help is available. **National Resource Center** on Domestic Violence 1-800-799-7233 **Stronghearts Native** Helpline 844-762-8483 **National Domestic** Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233 LTBB Survivor Outreach 231-242-1628 LTBB Behavioral Health 231-242-1640 Women's Resource Center 231-347-0082 or 1-800-275-1995



# 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.



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



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

6 MONTHS Begins to sit without 18 MONTHS (11/2 YEARS) Gets excited when with other children ■ Kicks a ball 3 YEARS 4 YEARS Would rather play with other children than alone Draws a person with 2 to 4 body parts ■ Hops and stands on one foot for up to 2 seconds ■ Tells stories Plays cooperatively These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For more complete checklists by age, visit www.cdc.gov/ActEarly or call 1-800-CDC-INFO. FAMILY EDUCATION AND SUPPORT LTBB MINA MSKIKI GUMIK 231-242-1721

# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

# Laugh It Up!





You have probably heard that laughter is the best medicine, and that can be true for a lot of different situations. The phased re-openings in relation to COVID-19 can bring even more uncertainty, but here are a few reasons and tips to have a good laugh, today and every day!

#### Benefits of Laughing

- Laughing can reduce pain and help heal both the body and mind.
- Laughing increases antibodies to help us fight germs.
- Laughing increases 'happy' endorphins to boost your mood.

Ways to Have a Good Laugh Today

- Tell some of your favorite jokes, the cheesier the better!
- Watch a funny movie.
- Re-tell funny stories from your past.
- Read the funny page comics or enjoy some memes.

If you would like more information or would like to speak with a counselor or advisor, please contact LTBB Behavioral Health at 231-242-1640

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# Start to Navigate Again





One of the hardest parts of change is the unknown; the what, when, where, why, and how of it all. As our communities start to re-open, here are some tips to help you through the early parts of this transition period.

- Remember that just like our time of closure, the re-opening process will take time. Try to practice patience with others and with yourself.
- Hold on to the positives of the past few months!
  - Keep practicing daily self-care.
  - o Keep engaging in safe communications (email, call, video chat) with friends and family, both near and far.
- Take things slow. Start expanding your comfort zones little by little, rushing into something new or different can be scary.
- Reevaluate and prioritize your to-do lists:
  - o Seek any needed Medical and Dental Care that might now be available.
  - o If applicable, prepare for what returning to work will look like for you before you return to work.

If you would like more information or would like to speak with a counselor or advisor, please contact LTBB Behavioral Health at 231-242-1640

# Community Support Group

Provided by: LTBB Behavior Health

Zoom meeting will take place every Tuesday and Thursday @ 12:00pm Starting 4/9/2020

The meetings are intended for anyone that would like to talk to others during this difficult time. Cultural Advisor, Matt Davis and Case Manager, Sara Hacker will provide the community with Information on; community resources, cultural teachings, talking circles and more.

Information on how to participate please call 231-242-1640



LTBB Behavioral Health has an open Talk-line for community members.

If you are feeling a need to talk with someone, please reach out to us! Take advantage of this resource before experiencing a crisis.

The Talk-line is open from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM and is staffed by a LTBB Behavioral Health counselor.

Call 231-242-1645 to speak to a counselor.

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)

Starting winter semester, WOCTEP will offer assistance with the following programs through our partnership with Bay Mills Community College:



- ◆ Associate of Arts Early Childhood Education
- Associate of Arts Business Administration
- Associate of Applied Science Construction Technology
- ◆ Associate of Applied Science Computer Information Systems
- Medical Office Certificate

#### WOCTEP offers Financial Assistance!



- ◆ Tuition Assistance
- Textbook and required course materials Assistance
- Mileage Assistance
- Hourly Stipend (based on household income)

In addition to WOCTEP Financial assistance, Native WOCTEP students may be eligible for Board of Regents Tuition Award at BMCC.

WOCTEP is funded by the US Department of Education through the NACTEP program. Federal funds contribute to 90% of funding (\$448,744) and tribal support of 10% (\$50,108) for project year 1 (2019) budget.



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 rkoepp@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

# JIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN ANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

MINOOMNI-GIIZIS, RICE MOON, AUGUST

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By Maryann Endanawas, Project Instructor/ Fluent Speaker

Nshwaasoo-Giizis maaba ebit giizis mizinaagning ngobiboong.

This is the eighth moon of the calendar year.

Bemaadzijik giiminoomnikewok maanda pii. Minoomin giibaatiinad mewzha.

People harvest their rice in this season. Rice was plentiful many years ago.

Nongo aabdek gwiimaajiiktoonaa minwaa

kwiiwiingezmi ezhimaajiiktowiing.

Today, we need to be careful how we handle when growing rice.

Kina gegoo dabibiskaabiimgat ngoding giikida Nookmisba. Megwaa dash gwa zhiwebat maanda aapji negaach kina gegoo njitaamgat.

My grandmother said one day, everything will return. And, we are seeing it happen today.

Pane kina gego giiwiingetoonaawaa Anishi-

The Anishinaabe were always careful with everything, no waste.

Pane giibibaamiigwewok shkwaa gezbiingewat. Mii gewiinwaa bemwidowaat geyaabi Anishinaabek maanda dakinoomaagewiniwaa.

They always shared after harvesting in the community. This is one of their teachings they have followed since the beginning of time.

Minoomin pane giimiijnawaa Anishinaabek.

Rice is one of the main staples for the Anishinaabek.

Courtesy photo.

# Anishinaabemowin Verbs

VAI Verbs - Verb Animate Intransitive

(Animate Subject, Intransitive - takes no object)

Base verbs, also called "root" verbs, given in 3rd person (Wiin, She or He) Present tense, is happening now or happens regularly.

She or He is (doing the action).

Verbs Part 1: Practice the vocabulary in the list. Make flashcards and practice. Complete the puzzle.

Once you complete this puzzle, Play the Online Puzzles, go to the url below

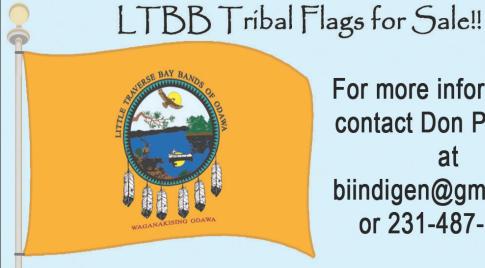
to play the "Verb Part 1 CrossWord"

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Play "Verb Part 1 WordSearch"

https://www.proprofs.com/games/word-search/verbs-part-1-wordsearch/

Biinchige.	Biin chi ge	She/He is cleaning.
Bimose.	Bi mo se	She/He is walking.
Dewege.	De we ge	She/He is drumming.
Giigoonhke.	Gii goonh ke	She/He is fishing.
Giiwse	Giiw se	She/He is hunting.
Giziibiigizhe.	Gi zii bii gi zhe	She/He is showering.
Jiibaakwe.	Jii baa kwe	She/He is cooking.
Kitige.	K <i>i</i> ti ge	She/He is planting/
Maptoo.	Map too	She/He is running.
Nibaa.	Ni baa	She/He is sleeping.
Nagamo.	Na ga mo	She/He is singing.
Niimi.	Nii mi	She/He is dancing.
Nokii.	No kii	She/He is working.
Odamina.	o Da mi na	She/He is playing.
Wiisini.	Wii si ni	She/He is eating.



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



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Starting Fall 2020

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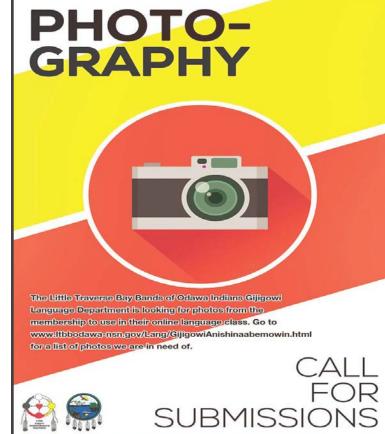
Tuesdays, 3 - 4:30 pm

To register, send your name, mailing address, and e-mail address to: langtech@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

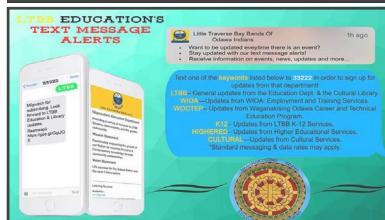
Check our "LTBB Anishinaabemowin" Facebook group for

All are welcome to join our current Beginning Level 2 class,

Thursdays, 3 - 4:30 pm, see details in "LTBB Anishinaabemowin" Facebook group.





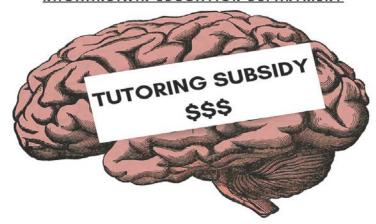






Submit applications for the Michelle Chingwa, Higher Education Merit, Higher Education Completion, Pre K-12 Grade Scholarship & Shirley Oldman Secondary Completion Scholarships online through the LTBB website! https://tinyurl.com/ltbbedapps

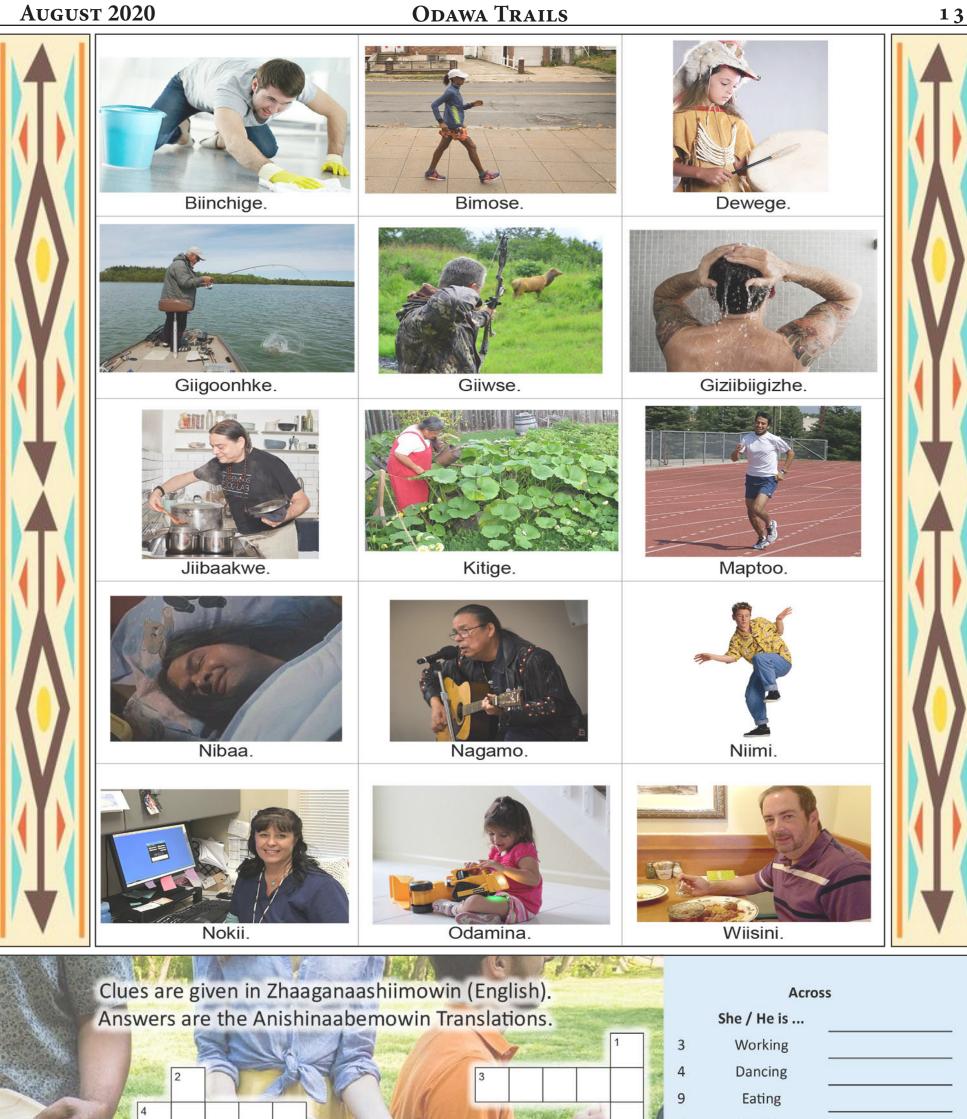
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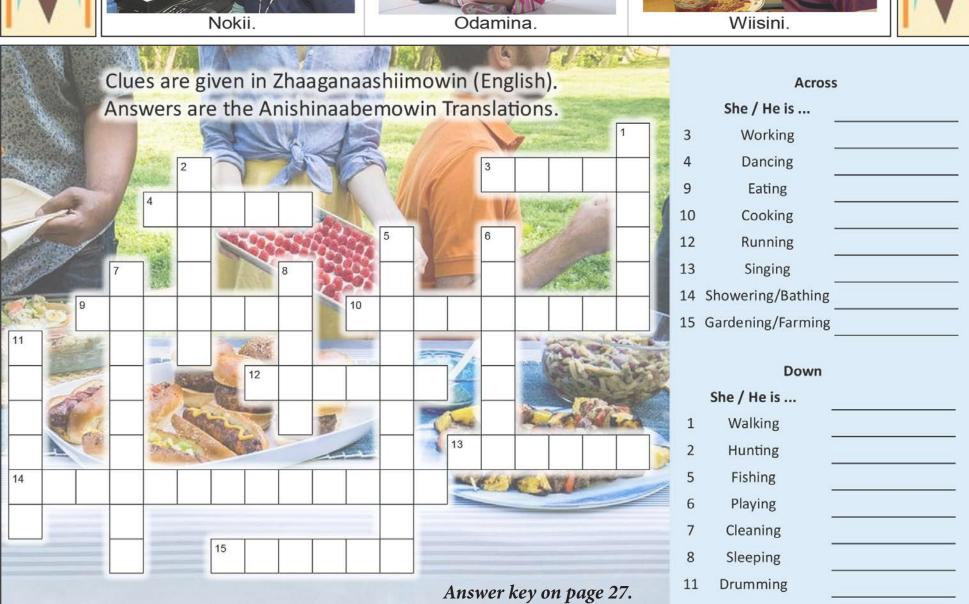


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# NATIVE NEWS

# United Health Foundation Grants \$430,000 to American Indian College Fund to Expand Tribal Scholars Program

Three-Year Program to Increase Native Student Health Scholarships to Address Health Care Disparities in Indian Country, Including Dental Health

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

# UNITED HEALTH FOUNDATION®

The United Health Foundation (UHF) is increasing its support of the American Indian College Fund's United Health Foundation Tribal Scholars Program to ensure Native American communities have access to urgently needed health care with a \$430,000 grant to provide 13 scholarships for American Indian and Alaska Natives studying in the health and dental fields. The COVID-19 crisis has highlighted the opportunity to address disparities in access to health care for underserved populations by increasing the number of minority health care providers to serve their communities.

Studies show American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) people lag behind other Americans with regard to health status. As a result, AIAN people born today have a life expectancy that is 5.5 years less than the U.S. population in all other races (73 years to 78.5 years respectively), and AIAN people continue to die at higher rates than other Americans from diabetes mellitus, heart disease and chronic lower respiratory diseases, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Minority Health. And, today's COVID-19 pandemic means Native people with chronic, underlying health conditions are at even greater risk.

Lack of access to a dentist is also related to health problems. Periodontal disease (gum infection) is associated with increased risks for cancer and cardiovascular disease. Studies also show people with poor oral health and bad teeth are often stigmatized socially and when individuals are seeking employment, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

One major reason for health disparities in Native communities includes an insufficient supply of providers of health care services.



"The American Indian College Fund is a longstanding partner we are honored to support – together, we are working to improve the capacity of the health care system to ensure Native communities receive the best quality care," said Tracy Malone, President of the United Health Foundation. "Through this ongoing partnership, we are living our mission of building healthier communities by developing a modern health workforce that is culturally competent and can provide the right care at the right time."

Cheryl Crazy Bull, President and CEO of the American Indian College Fund, said, "The College Fund appreciates that during this pandemic, United Health Foundation is continuing its commitment to our scholars. Tribal people use our traditional ways of knowing and good relationships to support public health and the guidelines that will get us through this crisis. Together, we are paving a healthy path for individuals and their families."

The goal of the American Indian College Fund's United Health Foundation Tribal Scholars Program is to develop the next generation of Native health care providers to serve their communities with personalized, culturally competent care. The United Health Foundation has increased its support for the program by \$70,000 this year to provide support to additional students.

Rising sophomores who are studying to be a primary care physician, nurse, physician's assistant, mental and behavioral health worker, dentist or pharmacist are eligible for the scholarships, which total more than \$7,700 per year per student and are renewable for up to three years if students maintain their studies and a 3.0 grade point average. To apply for scholarships, please visit https://collegefund.org/scholarships

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# American Indian Services, Inc. Ceases Operation



American Indian Services, Inc. (AIS) in Lincoln Park, MI, closed on July 10, 2020 after serving the Native people in the metro Detroit, MI, area for 49 years.

AIS was a 501-c-3 non-profit agency that provided culturally appropriate services to American Indians in southeast Michigan since 1971. It had a Native American staff and Board of Directors. Under Title 25 USC 44-46 and 474, AIS provided services only to American Indians.

The following is posted on the AIS website: "American Indian Services is suspending its operation on July 10, 2020. After 49 years, we are sad. We see no way to go on, budget cuts, staff shortages and many other issues make it impossible. It has been our pleasure all of these years to provides services. See you at the Pow Wows."

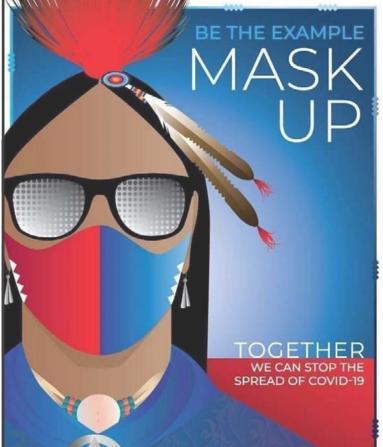
AIS offered programs such as the First American Youth, which provided after school and summer youth programs to reduce bi-cultural stress and provide cultural arts programs for children 5-17; TEFAP (Food Program), which provided commodity food for Native Americans in Wayne County, MI, who met the federal income guidelines; referrals for culturally specific outpatient substance abuse services, inpatient substance abuse treatment, homeless assistance, utility assistance, vocational needs, tribal status cards, health providers, Indian Child Welfare Act information and legal services; case management with state licensed social workers who assisted clients with the services they needed; provided cultural activities throughout

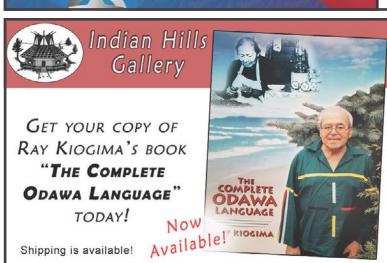


the year; and provided a Native fitness group.

American Indian Health and Family Services of Southeastern Michigan, Inc. in Detroit, MI, remains open. AIHFS is a non-profit health center whose mission is to empower and enhance the physical, spiritual, emotional and mental wellbeing of American Indian/Alaska Native individuals, families and other underserved populations in southeastern Michigan through culturally grounded health and family services. For more information about AIHFS, visit www.aihfs.org

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# STATE OF MICHIGAN LAUNCHES ONLINE MAP OF FREE WI-FI HOTSPOTS TO HELP RESIDENTS LACKING ACCESS TO BROADBAND INTERNET

**Editor's note:** The following is a State of Michigan press release.

The State of Michigan, in partnership with the Connected Nation Michigan, released a statewide Wi-Fi hotspot map to assist residents who currently lack Internet access at home.

The COVID-19 pandemic and transition to remote and distance learning has only increased the need for residents and students to have easy access to broadband services. The Wi-Fi mapping effort, spearheaded by the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) and Connected Nation Michigan, along with the Department of Technology, Management and

Budget (DTMB) and the Michigan Department of Education (MDE), is an interim step amid the coronavirus pandemic to spotlight publicly available broadband hotspots for households without Internet access

"This pandemic has shown a real need to tackle the barriers of access, adoption and affordability to fully enable the opportunities that the Internet makes possible," Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist said. "If we are going to close the Internet gap, we need to make sure we're doing everything we can in the interim to expand access to existing broadband options for communities where it's not readily available or affordable."

"We know that more work must be done to ensure residents and students throughout the state have accessible and affordable broadband Internet service," said MPSC Commissioner Tremaine Phillips. "Making these Wi-Fi hotspot locations easily available is an important bridge to increasing the accessibility of these critical services during this difficult time."

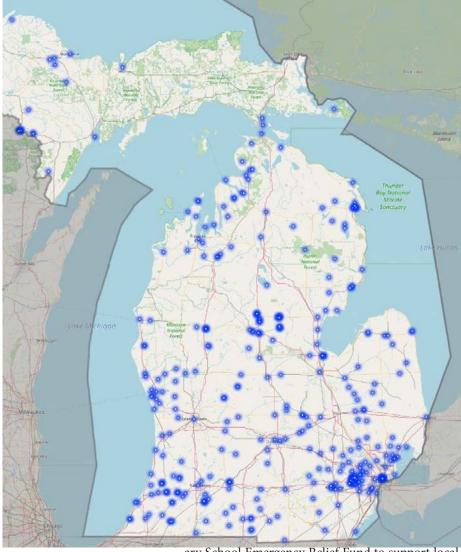
"While public Wi-Fi hot spots are not a replacement for home connectivity, they are essential for those needing connectivity during a time when education, work and healthcare are relying more and more on online platforms," said Eric Frederick, Executive Director of Connected Nation Michigan. "These public and private locations are helping Michiganders stay connected."

Lack of broadband Internet access and affordability are issues in Michigan and across the country, particularly for people living in rural areas and for communities where there is persistent poverty.

Michigan providers were recently awarded \$22.5 million from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Broadband ReConnect Program aimed at expanding broadband access to unserved rural areas. In addition, the Federal Communications Commission, in response to the coronavirus pandemic, awarded more than \$1.8 million from the COVID-19 Telehealth Program to help health care providers offer connected care services to patients at their homes or mobile locations.

There are several active programs and grants centered on increasing investment in and access to broadband in Michigan. DTMB is now administrating the Connecting Michigan Communities (CMIC) Grant Program, which will award \$18 million in grants for projects that extend broadband service into unserved areas in Michigan.

In addition, under the federal CARES Act, which Congress approved as a stimulus amid the coronavirus pandemic, Michigan received nearly \$390 million under the Elementary and Second-



ary School Emergency Relief Fund to support local school districts to help with the impact COVID-19 has had on the elementary and secondary schools. These funds can be used for allowable activities to assist in continuing to provide education services, including supporting remote learning by helping to reduce the digital divide. The Michigan Department of Education is also applying for additional competitive federal funding to help reduce the number of students who lack access to broadband Internet.

"Because home is now a more obvious extension of school, we need to narrow and ultimately eliminate the digital divide. While many school districts have provided devices, this online map of Wi-Fi hotspots is a great free resource for students, parents, educators and others," said State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice. "Much more needs to be done, especially with connectivity, which is very expensive or inaccessible in more remote areas. As supporters of children, we need to make this resounding case to Congress to provide more federal funding to help us close the digital divide."

According to the MDE, more than 70% of the state's students report using Internet-enabled devices at home for schoolwork. But, more than 28% of students live in homes without Internet access that can support virtual learning.

"Access to high-speed Internet access is essential for Michiganders to participate on a level playing field in education and business," said State Chief Information Officer Brom Stibitz. "The efforts underway to expand broadband access throughout our vast state will go a long way in making sure everyone is connected and given an equal opportunity to thrive."

Residents who lack Internet access at home are encouraged to follow the Centers for Disease Control and State of Michigan social distancing guidelines when utilizing these hotspots, including wearing masks in public facilities and keeping a distance of at least six feet from others not from the same household. To date, more than 300 Wi-Fi hotspot locations are available from the parking lots of public schools, libraries and other locations across the state. In addition to the location, the map also contains details on how to access the Wi-Fi hotspots' networks.

To find a hotspot site near you, visit http://cngis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=0d69accbb5ff422a82eccc2c9101b69d

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Information around this outbreak is changing rapidly. The latest information is available at

www.michigan.gov/coronavirus and www.cdc. gov/coronavirus.

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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

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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For more information, visit www.corps.vet



# 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 Brouckaert	Active	06/06/2017	June 5, 2023	05-09	1462
Beverly J Wemigwase	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
Janice L. Shackleford	Active	2/17/2020	February 16, 2026	14-09	NA

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# LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN CARLY SEARLES SELECTED AS FREELAND Volleyball Coach



In mid-June 2020, Freeland High School in Freeland, MI, announced Carly Searles, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, as its new varsity volleyball coach.

Her coaching experience includes one season as the Saginaw Nouvel junior varsity coach and one season coaching for Five1 Athletics in Clio, MI.

Searles was a volleyball, softball and track standout at Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI, and a volleyball and softball standout at Trine University, a Division III college in Angola, IN. While at Trine, she earned

MSU Extension Tourism Team Establishes COVID-19 Pandemic

all-conference honors as a setter for the volleyball team and All-American honors as an outfielder for the softball team.

She graduated from Trine University in 2015 with a Business Administration degree and works for Caravan Facilities Management in Saginaw, MI, as the Bid Coordinator.

Freeland won Michigan High School Athletic Association Division 2 district and regional titles last season.

The photo of Carly Searles is courtesy of Trine University.

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DIRECTORY OF RESOURCES Editor's note: The following is a Michigan State University Extension press release. MICHIGAN STATE In response to the ongoing Novel Coronavi-

rus/COVID-19 pandemic, Michigan State University Extension's Tourism Team has created an online directory of resources for the tourism and hospitality industry. It includes best practices for safe operation and sanitation recommendations from trusted sources including the Centers for Disease Control, the State of Michigan, local health departments and industry and trade associations. Additionally, you can find recordings of MSU Extension Webinars covering COVID-19's Impact of the Tourism Industry and information on other MSU Extension programs responding to the pandemic.

"Our goal was to create a single location where the tourism and hospitality industry, retail, restaurants, lodging, outdoor recreation, you name it, could go and find the information they need to open and operate their businesses safely, for them-



selves, their employees, their customers and their communities," said MSU Extension Upper Peninsula Tourism Educator Will Cronin. "The site is growing all the time, but if there's information you need and can't find, I encourage you to contact us and we'll help you find it."

For more information about MSU Extension Tourism's Novel Coronavirus/COVID-19 pandemic response and resource directory, visit www. canr.msu.edu/tourism/COVID-19-pandemicand-tourism/

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# U.S. Attorneys Announce Appointment of Michigan's First Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Coordinator

Editor's note: The following is an U.S. Department of Justice press release.

Andrew Birge and Matthew Schneider, the U.S. Attorneys for the Western and Eastern Districts of Michigan respectively, announced the appointment of Joel Postma to serve as the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) Coordinator for the two districts. As the MMIP Coordinator for both districts, Postma will respond to MMIP issues affecting each of the 12 tribes in the state.

Postma is one of 10 such

coordinators around the country appointed by the Department of Justice. He will gather reliable data to identify MMIP cases connected to Michigan, conduct outreach with tribal communities to understand the challenges revealed through past experience, coordinate with tribal, federal, state and local law enforcement in the development of protocols and procedures for responding to and addressing MMIP, provide training and assistance and promote improved data collection and analyses throughout Michigan. Postma will work out of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Grand Rapids, MI, in order to facilitate meeting with each of the 12 Michigan tribal communities as

circumstances allow. Prior to accepting the



MMIP appointment, Postma served for 25 years as an agent of the FBI. His service with the FBI included several years working cases involving missing and runaway children as well as death investigations in Indian country in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. He was an early and active participant in Tribal Multi-disciplinary Team (MDT) and Child Protection Team (CPT) meetings. He also established protocols for drug investigations in Indian country and initiated a "ride-along" program to foster a better working relationship between the FBI and tribal law enforcement.

"We are very excited to welcome Mr. Postma into this important new position designed to serve Native crime victims and their families. Tribal communities have long suffered disproportionate violent crime, and now, the MMIP challenges in particular have caught the at-

tention of the Department. Mr.

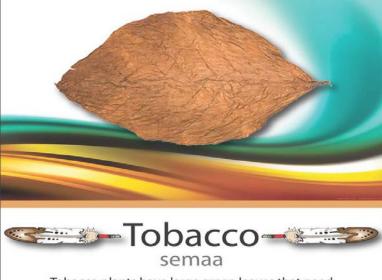
Postma is eminently qualified to help respond to the challenges and comes recommended to us by tribal as well as state and federal law enforcement members who know him," said U.S. Attorney Birge.

U.S. Attorney Schneider added, "Joel Postma has outstanding qualifications, and he will be a great asset as Michigan's Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Coordinator. We are pleased to have him join our team to serve and support tribal communities and our partners in law enforcement."

On November 22, 2019, Attorney General William Barr launched a national strategy to address missing and murdered Native Americans. When establishing the MMIP Initiative, the Department of Justice made an initial investment of \$1.5 million to hire MMIP Coordinators to serve with U.S. Attorney's Offices in 11 states, including Michigan. The strategy also calls for the deployment of the FBI's most advanced response capabilities when needed, improved data collection and analysis and training to support local response efforts.

The year 2020 marks the 150th anniversary of the Department of Justice. Learn more about the history of our agency at www.justice.gov/Celebrating-150Years.

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Tobacco plants have large green leaves that need to be dried and shredded before use. Tobacco has been used in a sacred way by many tribes for a very long time. If used properly, tobacco can both heal and communicate with the Spirit World and Creator. Just like sweetgrass, cedar, and sage, traditional tobacco is to be burned during prayers and ceremonies in small amounts. Tobacco has both honor and purpose but when used improperly has no connection to Aboriginal spirituality..



# How to Use Strong Hearts Native Helpline's New Online Chat Advocacy Feature

By StrongHearts Native Helpline staff

If it's not safe to call (1-844-762-8483), StrongHearts Native Helpline's new online chat advocacy sessions might be a better option. Users receive one-on-one, real-time, confidential information from a trained advocate. Visit https://www.strongheartshelpline.org/ to get started.

Unfortunately, Strong-Hearts Native Helpline is not able to provide Internet-based services to people younger than 13. While our chat advocacy is not available to people 12 and younger, our phone services are available to people of all ages.

All of StrongHearts Native Helpline's advocacy services are available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT.

Chatline users reaching out after hours will receive a message re-directing them to reach out during operating hours or to reach out to the National Domestic Violence Hotline, a non-Native based 24-7 domestic violence helpline.



#### What to Expect Online

Click on the purple **Chat Now** button to connect with an advocate, located on each page of the website in the same location.

There is no need to download anything.

This is not a public chat room – it is a private one-on-one chat.

It is completely confidential and anonymous.

Chatline users are asked to complete a series of non-identifying demographics questions first.

These questions are optional and not required before beginning a chat session. To opt-out, just leave the answer blank.

When the answers are complete (or left blank), click on

the **Start Chat** button to open a chat session with an advocate.

To close a chat at any time, click on the X in the top right corner of the chat window, followed by **End Chat**.

#### Safety

As always, your safety is most important to us at Strong-Hearts Native Helpline, and it could be helpful to remember to click out of the site when you're done chatting and clear your online history. To learn more about staying safe online, we recommend reading, "Behind the Screens: Reducing Tech Footprints" by the National Domestic Violence Hotline at https://bit.ly/2BhRXL9.

The StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-762-8483) is a culturally appropriate domestic violence and dating violence helpline for Native Americans, available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT. StrongHearts Native Helpline is a collaborative effort of the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center.

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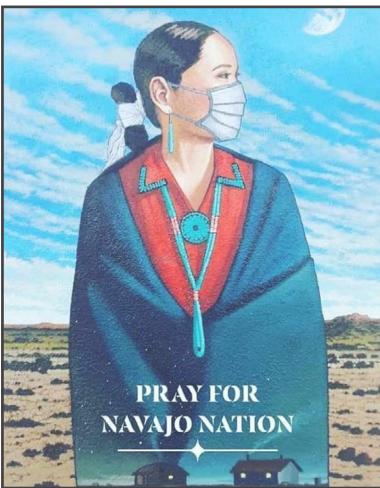
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# LTBB and Odawa Casino Collaborate with Local Organizations to Host Free COVID-19 Testing



A partnership between the Michigan National Guard, the Michigan State Police, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Odawa Casino, Tri-County Office of Emergency Management and the Health Department of Northwest Michigan offered free COVID-19 testing to any Michigan resident on June 6 and 7, 2020.

The drive through testing site was held in the

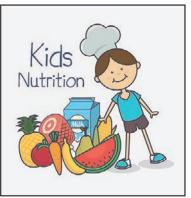
parking lot outside Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, and did not require an appointment or doctor's order.

More than 550 Michigan residents were tested during the event.

The Petoskey Department of Public Safety and Emmet County provided support at the event.

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es and mazes.

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en.

3. Move more as a family: Help your kids release energy in a healthy way. Try following along to a home exercise video on our Exercise Examples and Videos. Playing outdoor games like tag, catch or hopscotch can also be an option if you have access to a yard or park where you can distance from others.

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The National Agricultural Library Food and Nutrition Team Courtesy graphic.

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# LTBB Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Memories Photos by Annette VanDeCar





















































# Michigan's Office of Future Mobility and Electrification Formally Launches, Sets Course for Economic Growth, Job CREATION

Editor's note: The following is a press release from the office of Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer.

Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced the formal launch of the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification (OFME), naming Trevor Pawl as the state's Chief Mobility Officer and reaffirming Michigan's position as the global leader in producing and developing the next generation of transportation technologies. The new office will work across state government, academia and private industry to enhance Michigan's mobility ecosystem, including developing dynamic mobility and electrification policies and supporting the startup and scale up of emerging technologies and businesses.

"Now more than ever, it is critical that Michigan strengthen opportunities for economic growth and job creation while securing our continued leadership in mobility and electrification through forward-thinking policies, innovative partnerships and smarter infrastructure," Governor Whitmer said. "Trevor has a proven track record of building and scaling state programs like Pure Michigan Business Connect and PlanetM. He is the right person to bring Michigan's mobility ecosystem together under a common vision and generate meaningful results."

The OFME will focus on six objectives:

• Increase Mobility Investment in Michigan: Generate new investment and job creation from tech companies focused on future mobility, including auton-



omous and electric vehicle inno-

- Expand Michigan's Smart Infrastructure: Further develop systems for deploying autonomous and shared transportation.
- Engage More Mobility Startups: Establish Michigan as a premier location for young companies to start, scale, commercialize and grow technologies redefining the movement of people and goods.
- Further Enable Mich-**Mobility** Workigan's force: Develop and attract the skills and talent necessary to meet the changing demands of the mobility sector.
- Accelerate Electric Vehicle Adoption in Michigan: Support the transition from internal combustion engine vehicles to electric vehicles and expand access to charging infrastructure.
- Bolster Michigan's Mobility Manufacturing Core: Protect the state's competitiveness in electric and autonomous vehicle manufacturing and ability to move technologies into industrial scale manufacturing.

"Michigan put the world on wheels, and as we move into the next generation of transportation technologies, we need to assure we remain the global hub for the mobility industry. The Office of Future Mobility and Electrification will leverage our competitive advantages to make sure our state isn't only a place where mobility solutions are born, it's also where companies will find long-term success and support," said Trevor Pawl, Chief Mobility Officer. "While Michigan remains an undisputed leader in mobility, there is more work to be done, including increasing the state's share of electric vehicle production, building a stronger pipeline of software engineering talent, and leveraging technology to reduce traffic crashes and fatalities."

Through the signing of Executive Directive 2020-1, Governor Whitmer directed the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO) to create the Michigan Office of Future Mobility and Electrification and the designation of a Chief Mobility Officer to head the office. The OFME, with Pawl serving as Chief Mobility Officer, will live within the Michigan Economic Development Corpo-

Pawl previously served as Senior Vice President of Business Innovation at the Michigan Economic Development Corporation where he led the State of Michigan's economic development programs focused on the future of mobility (PlanetM), supply chain (Pure Michigan Business Connect), entrepreneurship and international trade. Courtesy photo.

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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.

# Native American Rights Fund Releases Barriers to Native American Voting Report

Native American Rights Fund (NARF) released a report titled, Obstacles at Every Turn: Barriers to Political Participation Faced by Native American Voters.

The report provides detailed evidence Native people face obstacles at every turn in the electoral process from registering to vote, to casting votes, to having votes counted.

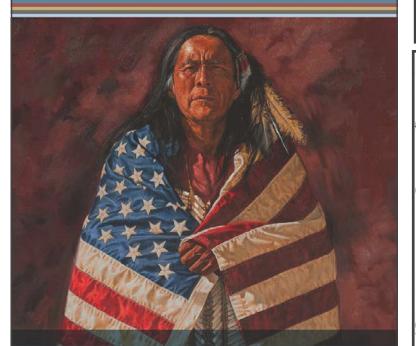
In 2017 and 2018, the Native American Voting Rights Coalition — founded by the Native American Rights Fund —held nine public hearings to better understand how Native Americans are systemically and culturally kept from fully exercising their franchise. More than 120 witnesses testified from dozens of tribes across the country.

Some of these findings affect non-Natives as well. Many are particular to the Indian country experience in 2020. Some were put in place specifically to suppress turnout.

To read the entire report, visit https://vote.narf.org/obstacles-at-every-turn/

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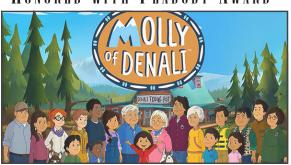
# GROUNDBREAKING MOLLY OF DENALI HONORED WITH PEABODY AWARD

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Molly of Denali, which appears on PBS Kids, tells the story of Molly Mabray, an Alaska Native girl who helps her parents run the Denali Trading Post.

Produced by WGBH Boston, it is the first nationally distributed children's animated series to feature an Alaska Native lead character and debuted on July 15, 2019. WGBH mentored six Alaska Native writers to produce scripts for season one and trained more than a dozen Native children to play key voice-over roles or appear in live action segments. It was developed as part of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and PBS Ready to Learn Initiative with funding from the U.S. Department of Education. The Ready to Learn Initiative is a federal program that supports the development of innovative educational television and digital media targeted to preschool and early elementary school children and their families.

Sixty nominees, among them Molly of Denali, were chosen from almost 1,300 entries from radio and podcast, digital platforms and television for this year's Peabody awards. Of those 60 nominees, 30 were recognized as winners, including Molly of De-



nali. To receive a nomination and to win a Peabody award, a program must be unanimously approved by jurors. The Peabody Board of Jurors is made up of media industry professionals and scholars, critics and journalists.

According to the Peabody awards website, an alarming 20% of Americans believe indigenous people no longer exist and only 13% of state history standards across the U.S. cover information about Native Americans after the year 1900. The website further states, "for helping to shift the ways that the next generation will think about indigenous people and for giving Native media-makers a central role in shaping their own representation, Molly of Denali, deserves a Peabody."

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# Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women - Michigan Women's Commission Raises Awareness - Caucus Responds

Editor's note: The following is an Anishinaabek Caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party press release.

Nationally, criminals target Native American women for 34% of all rapes and 61% of all assaults ("Violence Against Women in Indian Country," Indian Country Today, 2015), yet Native women are less than 1.7% of the U.S. population (Census Bureau, 2010). In Michigan, there are four victims of human trafficking for every 100,000 residents (World Population Review, 2020). Native Americans are 0.6% of the population.

Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer recognizes the linkage between human trafficking and the greater likelihood Michigan Native women will be targeted by naming May 5 as Awareness Day for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW). The Anishinaabek Caucus thanks Governor Whitmer. Now, the Anishinaabek Caucus asks Governor Whitmer to take steps towards measurable action.

The Anishinaabek Caucus makes three requests. One, Native women must have representation on the Attorney General's Human Trafficking Commission. Two, "Indigenous" must be added as a demographic to the Michigan Department of Human, Health and Services statistics on human trafficking. Three, safety of Native women must be a benchmark for Michigan agen-



cy permits, including Michigan's Environment, Great Lakes and Energy. The proposed tunnel for Enbridge's Line 5 will require encampments for their temporary workers. These man-camps will threaten the lives of women and children on both sides of the Mackinac Bridge.

Canada completed a study (National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls, June 2019) confirming a correlation between the risk of MMIW and man-camps. There is "a strong link between extraction zones on the missing and murdered and women..." as summarized by Abaki Beck for Yes Magazine, 2019. Tunnel construction would bring the same influx of workers into Michigan's com-

"In Canada...studies found First Nations women and youth represent between 70% and 90% of the visible sex trade in areas where the Aboriginal population is less than 10%." (MSU, Legal Studies Research Paper Series, no 12-01, "Rising Waters, Rising Threats The Human Trafficking of Indigenous Women in the Circumpolar Region of the United States and Canada," Victoria Sweet, 2014) In the same paper, Sweet notes, "Very few comparable studies have been conducted



in the United States."

Michigan has failed to address the probable rise of human trafficking should Enbridge's proposed tunnel begin construction. In Wawatam Township, Emmett County, Enbridge has purchased 16 parcels (Bridge, "As Michigan battle rages on Line 5, Enbridge quietly buys land for tunnel," Ted Roelofs, 2020).

The state is correct to recognize MMIW. Measurable accountability is the next step.

The Anishinaabek Caucus of the MDP is a political caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party advocating for the issues and concerns of the 12 tribes in Michigan.

Courtesy photo of Stacey Ettawageshik, Lead Survivor Outreach Specialist, Survivor Outreach Services - Zoongde Department of Human Services - Binagek Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, 2019 Pipe-Out Paddle Up.

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OVID-19 Resources for Indian Country -A NEW RESOURCE FOR INDIAN COUNTRY

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) announces a new website that



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features the latest information on legislative and administrative updates and trusted resources on COVID-19 for tribal nations.

Visit http://www.ncai.org/COVID-19

# Odawa Casino and Versiti Blood Center Host Blood Drive



On June 3, 2020, Odawa Casino collaborated with Versiti Blood Center of Michigan to host a blood drive at the Grand Unity Event Center in Petoskey, MI.

Their original goal was to collect 33 units, but that goal was revised to 55 units due to increased interest. They surpassed that goal by collecting 71 units (55 single units and eight double red units) – enough to save up to 213 lives. Thank you to everyone who donated or attempted to do-



Marty Van De Car, Odawa Casino Community Development Coordinator

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# Supreme Court Ruling "Reaffirmed" Sovereignty

By Kolby KickingWoman

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Editor's note: The following article appeared on Indian Country Today on July 9, 2020 and is reprinted here with permission.

In a decision being hailed as a win for tribal sovereignty, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled Thursday (July 9, 2020) that a large portion of eastern Oklahoma remains a reservation.

In the 5-4 decision, the nation's highest court said Congress never explicitly "disestablished" the 1866 boundaries of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation.

"Today, we are asked whether the land these treaties promised remains an Indian reservation for purposes of federal criminal law. Because Congress has not said otherwise, we hold the government to its word," according to the majority opinion written by Justice Neil Gorsuch.

Gorsuch was joined in the majority by Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Stephen Breyer, Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan.

Jonodev Chaudhuri, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, said the decision is a huge win for Indian country and a profoundly impactful day for the tribe.

"Many folks are in tears," said Chaudhuri, Ambassador of the tribal nation. "Despite a history of many broken promises, as is true with many tribal nations, the citizens feel uplifted that for once the United States is being held to its promises."

Chaudhuri said the decision provides jurisdictional clarity and the tribe will continue to work to improve the health, safety and welfare of tribal members and non-tribal members alike.

"Creek Nation has a long history of working with its local, state and federal partners to protect the interests of all people in its boundaries and the clarity brought by today's positions will only enhance that," he said.

In fact, Oklahoma along with the Muscogee (Creek), Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw and Seminole Nations are working on an agreement to send to Congress and the Department of Justice addressing any issues related to the decision.

"The Nations and the State are committed to implementing a framework of shared jurisdiction that will preserve sovereign interests and rights to self-government while affirming jurisdictional understandings, procedures, laws and regulations that support public safety, our economy and private property rights," the statement said. "We will continue our work, confident that we can accomplish more together than any of us could alone."

Muscogee Sarah Deer, (Creek) Nation, expressed the same sentiment, saying the sky is not falling on non-Native residents within the reaffirmed reservation boundaries.

"I think it's a little too soon to know for sure what the ramifications will be outside the context of criminal jurisdiction," said Deer, a Professor at the University of Kansas. "I think that some of the media is overplaying it as, oh, we're going to start kick-

ing everyone off of their land or



something, but it will offer some new opportunities, I think, for the state and the tribe to collaborate to make everyone's lives better."

She was happy to see Gorsuch as the author of the court opinion with the first sentence carrying a lot of weight.

"As a Native person, as a Native attorney, you know, he starts out his decision with 'On the far end of the trail of tears was a promise' and, that very short sentence, I think it will make every Native person feel complete," Deer said. "You know, that the court recognized that what happened to us was wrong, but it's time to make it right."

The case has long kept Indian country on pins and needles through two Supreme Court

John Echohawk, Pawnee and Executive Director of the Native American Rights Fund, said the tribe endured a long and hard fight to protect its home-

"In holding the federal government to its treaty obligations, the U.S. Supreme Court put to rest what never should have been at question," Echohawk said. "We congratulate the Nation on its success."

Fawn Sharp, Quinault and President of the National Congress of American Indians, joined much of Indian country in voicing support and congratulations to the tribe for their historic court win.

"This morning, NCAI joins the rest of Indian country in congratulating the Muscogee (Creek) Nation and proudly asserting that its lands remain, and will forever be considered, Indian country - as guaranteed in their treaty relationship with the United States," Sharp said in a statement.

The case involved tribal citizen Jimcy McGirt, Seminole, who was convicted of molesting a child, but argued state courts lacked authority to try him for a crime committed on the reserva-

The ruling means his case falls under federal jurisdiction. It does not mean McGirt's conviction is nullified, rather he should have been tried in federal court under the Major Crimes Act. He is serving a 500-year prison sentence and could potentially be retried in federal court.

Ian Gershengorn, one of the lawyers who argued on behalf of the tribe in the May hearing, said in an e-mailed statement to Indian Country Today the Supreme Court upheld promises made by the United States.

"The Supreme Court reaffirmed today that when the United States makes promises, the courts will keep those

promises," Gershengorn said. "Congress persuaded the Creek Nation to walk the Trail of Tears with promises of a reservation — and the Court today correctly recognized that this reservation endures."

Robert Anderson, a Law Professor at the University of Washington School of Law, said in the larger scope of things, the biggest changes will come in the future with the application of the Indian Child Welfare Act and the federal government prosecuting more cases.

"That's what they [federal prosecutors] do in Indian country all the time, is they prosecute cases where there's an Indian defendant or whether there's an Indian victim," Anderson said. "It's routine. And the fact that they haven't been doing that for the last 100 years, just shows us that a lot of people weren't following the law, which is not unusual in Indian law."

Anderson added he felt Gorsuch was the swing vote among the nine justices.

Anderson, Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe, spoke with Indian Country Today before the decision was handed down. He thought Gorsuch's questions during arguments in the case indicated he was "very much in the tribe's camp."

McGirt v. Oklahoma was granted review by the court and tied to an earlier case heard during the 2018 term. In that case, Carpenter v. Murphy, Gorsuch recused himself as he had already ruled on the case during his time on the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Anderson added that Gorsuch, with his time served on the 10th Circuit Court of Appeals, and Sotomayor, through her own interest and undertaking, are the two justices with the most background and experience in federal Indian law.

At the time, Anderson said they most likely would have some sort of influence over their colleagues.

"It's just human nature to defer to somebody to some degree who's an expert in an area, I would hope, even on the Supreme Court," Anderson said. "It's interesting that, you know, Justice Gorsuch is a very conservative and Justice Sotomayor is probably the most liberal, and they seem to be on the same page on these Indian law cases, which is great."

In the minority were Chief Justice John Roberts, along with Justices Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito and Brett Kavanaugh. Roberts filed the dissenting opinion, joined by Alito and Kavanaugh and Thomas also filed his

Roberts wrote the decision is not warranted and took the view that over the years, Congress disestablished the Creek reservation through a series of statutes leading up to Oklahoma statehood.

"What has gone unquestioned for a century remains true today: A huge portion of Oklahoma is not a Creek Indian reservation," Roberts wrote.

At the May hearing in the case, several justices raised con-

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"Reaffirmed" continued from page 22. cerns that a ruling in favor of the tribe could have broad jurisdictional ramifications on things like taxes and other criminal cases. But, Gorsuch indicated that so far, no signs of major consequences had emerged.

In the opinion, Gorsuch wrote the federal government promised the Muscogee (Creek) Nation a reservation in perpetuity. While the reservation has been diminished over time, it was never explicitly disestablished.

"Yes, promises were made, but the price of keeping them has become too great, so now we should just cast a blind eye. We reject that thinking. If Congress wishes to withdraw its promises, it must say so. Unlawful acts, performed long enough and with sufficient vigor, are never enough to amend the law," Gorsuch writes. "To hold otherwise would be to elevate the most brazen and longstanding injustices over the law, both rewarding wrong and failing those in the right. The judgment of the Court of Criminal Appeals of Oklahoma is Reversed."

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# Michigan Indian Legal Services is Here to Help

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# LTBB Tribal Citizen Jenna Wood the Recipient of a CREATE! Micro-Grant



Jenna Wood, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, was one of 12 students awarded a CREATE! Micro-Grant from Michigan State University's College of Arts & Letters.

The CREATE! Micro-Grant Program selected 12 student projects to each receive \$500 to respond critically and imaginatively to events occurring during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Currently enrolled MSU undergraduate students were eligible to submit proposed works with each submission being reviewed by seven jurors from MSU and the Lansing, MI, area. The winning projects will be displayed in fall 2020 in a virtual exhibit supported by the MSU College of Arts & Letters.

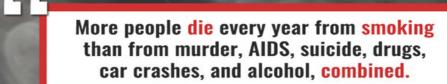
Wood, a senior majoring in Apparel and Textile, will create a mask using traditional Anishinaabe quill work as a tribute to the smallpox outbreak that occu

"As I go through the slow and meticulous process of quill working in these uncertain times of modern quarantine," Wood said, "this mask and its process also serves as a reminder for myself that resilience and the will to survive runs through the blood in my veins."

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car, not even with the window cracked.

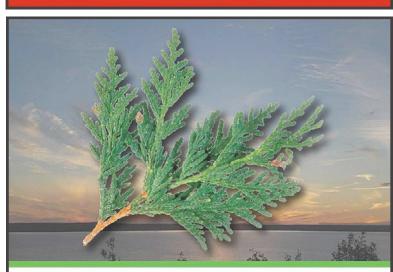
#### LIMIT EXERCISE

Don't let playful pets



#### **HEAT STROKE**

Excessive panting, and mobility problems are signs. Seek veterinary attention immediately!





Cedar is a dark green leaf that dries easily with a very strong fresh ordor. Once the cedar is dried, it is burned while praying; the prayers will rise on the smoke and be carried to the Creator.

Praying can happen either aloud or silently. In many tribes, cedar is sprawled along the floor of the sweat lodges. Cedar is burned to cleanse many different things, and also can be used for self-cleansing. Burning cedar drives out negative energy around and within you.

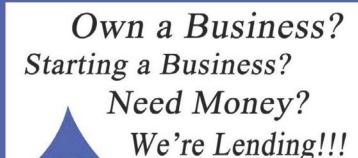


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# CHARLEVOIX FIFTH-GRADER SPEAKS OUT AGAINST DEER CULLING

By **Annie Doyle**, *Charlevoix* Courier News Editor

Editor's note: The following article and photograph appeared in the Charlevoix Courier on July 8, 2020, and they are reprinted here with permission.

At Monday's (July 6, 2020) Charlevoix City Council meeting, a 10-year-old fifth-grader at Charlevoix Elementary School, Maggie Shaeffer, spoke to the council in opposition to a possible deer culling that could take place this fall.

The city is considering a deer culling management initiative to address problems associated with deer overpopulation such as traffic accidents and the destruction of landscaping.

According to Charlevoix Chief of Police Gerard Doan, the culling process would involve sharpshooters deployed in the evening hours on an undetermined date this fall. A public hearing still must be held on the matter, and no final decision has yet been made by city council.

Maggie read the following letter to council:

"Dear City Council,

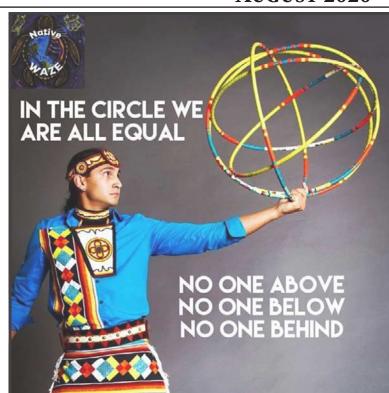
I have recently heard that you are going to be killing all the deer in the city of Charlevoix.



When I first heard this, I didn't think that this was true because deer are one of Charlevoix's most unique things. Then, I went to my Mom and asked if this was true. She looked at the most recent meeting notes and saw that it was true. At this moment, I could not believe what I had heard, then, I asked her, 'Why?' She said, because people thought they were being a nuisance. I said, 'A nuisance? What is a nuisance?' Then, she told me what a nuisance was. I said, how were the deer a nuisance? Then, she told me that the deer were eating people's flowers and eating out of their bird feeders. Then, I told her that that is just an inconvenience. So, I got thinking about how I could make a difference. I called two stores in Charlevoix. They were Ace Hardware and Family Farm and Home. Both of these stores carry deer spray and people can buy it local! Instead of spending money to kill deer, you should use that money to give people in Charlevoix a discount on buying deer spray.

We live right across the street from some small woods, and every time, we see a deer we get excited, even though we see them every night. They have become part of our family and routine, especially since we've had to stay home in quarantine. I also want to tell you that I am a deer hunter. My mom and dad have taught me to respect the animals that we kill for food. When we kill a deer, we put sema down and pray over them and thank them for their life that they gave for us. If you don't know what sema is, it is tobacco. We are Native Americans, and we respect our nature. The way you want to kill the deer is not respectful even though you say you will donate the meat. I don't think that you should be able to kill off my nature this easily. I am against the idea, and know other people are, too."

Courtesy photo.





# Sage ----mshkodewashk

Sage is a green-grey herb with velvety leaves. Once harvested, it is best to store in a cool, dry place. Sage candles and teas are very popular for thier warm woodsy scent and flavor. Sage is often dried and bundled together and these bundles are called 'smudging sticks'. Sage is burned in smudging ceremonies, to drive out negative spirits, feelings, or influences. It is thought to have healing abilitiies. Sage smoke is believed to keep bad spirits from entering an area where a ceremony is taking place. There are many other ceremonies where sage plays an important role. For example in a purifying ceremony it is

# wrapped around an object to purify it. Sage is spread around the floor of a sweat lodge before the lodge is used, and sage wreaths are placed around the head and wrists of a sundancer before the Sundance begins.

# Mashpee Wampanoag: U.S. Court "Stood Up for Justice"

By Kolby KickingWoman

Editor's note: The following article appeared on Indian Country Today and is reprinted here with permission.

The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe has cleared a major legal hurdle in its battle to maintain its reservation status.

A federal judge on June 5, 2020, ordered the U.S. Interior Department to reexamine its previous decision taking the tribe's more than 300 acres in Massachusetts out of trust.

"While we are pleased with the court's findings, our work is not done," Tribal Chairman Cedric Cromwell said in a statement. "The Department of Interior must now draft a positive decision for our land as instructed by Judge Friedman. We will continue to work with the Department of the Interior — and fight them if necessary — to ensure our land remains in trust."

Cromwell told Indian Country Today the decision marked a great day for Mashpee, and U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman in Washington, D.C., stood up for

"Very happy justice reigned supreme, but the battle is not over," Cromwell said. "We're praying the Trump administration will do the right thing and stand with Mashpee."

Cromwell added Friedman was very prescriptive in his instructions the Trump administration must go back and correctly apply a 2014 "M-Opinion."

In his ruling, Friedman called the Interior Department's actions "arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, and contrary to law."

The tribe was notified on March 27, 2020, the department was taking its Massachusetts land out of trust.



A recent hearing in its lawsuit focused largely on whether the tribe was "under federal jurisdiction" before the 1934 Indian Reorganization Act.

An attorney for the Cape Cod-based tribe, Tami Azorsky, argued the evidence put forward by the Mashpee Wampanoag showing it was under federal jurisdiction is the type of evidence the Interior Department has used to award that distinction in the past. It includes federal reports, census records and proof of tribal members' attendance to Bureau of Indian Affairs schools like Carlisle Indian School.

"When viewed in context and that together, they are the types of evidence that in other cases, the Secretary determined the tribe was 'under federal jurisdiction,' but in this instance, dismissed each individually," Azorsky said at the May hearing.

Azorsky added the Interior Department has an obligation and responsibility to protect tribes.

Sara Costello, representing the Interior Department, told the judge during the hearing, the administrative record from prior court cases was on the side of the department. She said the tribe failed to meet the requirements of being "under federal jurisdiction" before the 1934 law, which was aimed at decreasing federal control of Native American affairs and increasing self-governance.

The Mashpee Wampanoag gained federal recognition in 2007. Its land is in the Massachusetts towns of Mashpee and Taunton, near the Rhode Island state line.

Lawyers representing the tribe have said the impacts of losing its reservation status would be devastating, ranging from the loss of access to crucial economic development, education, social services and health programs, to a reduced ability to battle the coronavirus. The tribe has broken ground on a \$1 billion resort and casino.

Representative Bill U.S. Keating, D-Massachusetts, whose district includes the tribe's land, filed an amicus brief on behalf of the tribe.

"Today marks a victory for the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe in their struggle to preserve their reservation lands from the arbitrary actions of the Trump administration," he said.

Cromwell said he is "tired," but is "still in the ring." He noted 2020 happens to be the 400th anniversary of the landing of the Mayflower on Plymouth Rock. The tribe traces its ancestry to those who greeted the pilgrims

In a time of protests and a pandemic, the people and lands are speaking up, Cromwell said over the phone on June 5, 2020. "Let freedom ring."

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Courtesy graphic.





# ETING MINUTES

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

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

May 7, 2020

Call to Order: 9:03 a.m. Closed Session: none

Opening Ceremony: Emily Proctor Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Leroy Shomin

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick Legislative, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik, General Counsel Jim Bransky

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice-Chair Stella Kay, Enrollment Director Pauline Boulton, Human Resources Department Generalist Rose Pyant, Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson, Tribal Court Cultural Resources Advisor Sunnese Granados, Higher Education Specialist Kim Gabrick,

Senior Hatchery Technician Gary Michaud, Education Director Jordan Shananaquet

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Wayne Ettawageshik, Doug Emery, Marvin Mulholland, Toni Smith, Maanii Tall Cloud, Bryan Dayson, Christine Shomin, Judy Field,

Invited Guest: Gaming Authority Mary Kilmer, Odawa Casino Resort: Andrea Shananaquet, Nick Foltz, Dennis Shananaquet, Mary Schneider, Shari Temple, Cathi Rotan, Linda Gokee, John Kawegoma, Carla Osawamick, Renee Dillard

9:08 a.m. Councilor Tamara Kiogima joins meeting.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to adopt the Agenda of May

Vote: 7-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 2-Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion car-

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the minutes of May

12, 2020 as corrected. Vote: 7-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 2-Absent (Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion car-

9:12 a.m. Introduction of new Tribal Government Employees

Sunnese Granados Tribal Court Cultural Resources Advisor

Kathryn Burek Enrollment PT Receptionist-absent

Kim Gabrick Higher Education Spe-

Gary Michaud Senior Hatchery Technician

Beth Koskuc Community Health Representative-absent

Meghan Day VOCA Victim Advocate-absent

9:15 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. joins meeting

## Legislative Officer Reports:

Legislative Leader Report

Discussion: Odawa Casino Resort joined in for discussion item decision to draft letter regarding precautionary measures to be used during re-opening. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. suggested use of shields between machines.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Legislative Leader Proctor's verbal report for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

# **Executive Report:**

Discussion: Return to work Phase 1 will begin June 1st. Elder meal program will resume June 1st. 30 employees will begin furlough program. Discussion regarding hazard pay. Discussion regarding social media and release of information regarding COVID-19 Stimulus without official action of Appropriations and Finance Committee or Tribal Council. Executive requested approval of emergency budgets

prior to release of funds to Citizens.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge the verbal Executive Oversite Report as presented by Vice-Tribal Chairperson Stella Kay and Unit 2 Director Dougherty Johnston on May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to the Executive: none

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: none

Secretary comment:

I would like to acknowledge and thank Bernadece Boda for submitting sample Resolution, and to give notification of E-mail correspondence with Matt Stemkowski thanking him for participating in phone conference at Tuesday's work session and to relay the following: "My email could have been handled differently most certainly, and I apologize for that. My goal was to get across that I want this to be a cohesive unit, all of us.... Maybe not spoken of on my half with the most eloquence"

Additional comments:

I would like to see Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley's proposed/intended use of COVID-19 Stimulus in a Resolution format that includes what percentage of funds will be used for specific items i.e. Citizen health and welfare, Indian business, Judicial, etc.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Secretary Shananaquet's verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Commit-

Last meeting: May 12, 2020

(Motions made at the Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting):

Motion made Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION #052120-01 Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Performance Partnership Grant FY 2021-2022.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION #052120-02 Request for Funding from the Office for Victims of Crime, Tribal Victim Services Set Aside Formula Program FY 2020.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

Motion made Councilor Leroy Shomin supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MO-TION #052120-03

Request for Funding from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services,

Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response (PHEP) FY 2021-2024

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

-Next Meeting: June 16, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Location to be determined.

Phone Polls:

05/20/20 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt TRIBAL RESO-LUTION: Declaration of a Budget Emergency for FY2020.

Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

05/20/20 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION #052120-01 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs One-Time Welfare Assistance CARES Act Funds Vote: 3-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent

Motion made by Councilor Melissa

Pamp and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Land and Reservation Committee

Last Meeting: April 17, 2020. The May 1, 2020 Meeting was cancelled.

(Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee April 17, 2020 Meeting were reported at the May 7, 2020 Tribal Council Meeting)

Phone Polls: none

Next Meeting: June 5, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. location to be determined.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

agement, Inc.

Tribal Council Member Reports -

#### **Legislative Office Reports:**

Office of Finance and Revenue Report Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Corporate Charters and/or Board Up-Odawa Economic Development Man-

Traditional Tribal Burial Board, Inc. Ziibimijwang, Inc.

# Tribal Council **Meeting Dates**

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

September 1 Work Session September 3 Council Meeting September 15 Work Session September 17 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 Fred Kiogima, Councilor Frederick Harrington, Jr., Councilor

Gaming Authority

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

<u>Tribal Historic Preservation Officer</u> Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal and written report as presented on May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

Legislative Services Attorney Report

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for May 21, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried. General Counsel

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for May 21, Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Ab-

sent (Leroy Shomin) Motion carried.

Legislative Office Manager Report

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal report as presented on May 21,

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

11:06 a.m. Break 11:15 a.m. Resume

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to authorize and approve the Legislative Leader to sign the Merrill Lynch BIA/WCMA Change Form to remove the following individual from authorization: Beatrice Law, Michael Naganashe, Julie Shananaquet, Frank Bernard, Dexter McNamara, David Harrington, Fred Harrington.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Ir. to approve Enrollment for Citizenship List A Eligible dated May 15, 2020 for a total of 8.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to approve Enrollment for Citizenship List B Declination Ineligible dated May 15, 2020 for a total of 2.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried.

11:30 a.m. Councilor Leroy Shomin joins meeting

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Tribal Council Meeting Policy and Procedure for Electronic Open Meetings.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin)

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTI-FIED MOTION #052120-04 Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs One-Time Welfare Assistance

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

CARES Act Funds.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve COVID-19 Emergency Disaster Relief Payment Pro-

gram Policy. Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MO-TION #052120-01 Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Performance Partnership Grant FY 2021-2022.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MO-TION #052120-02 Request for Funding from the Office for Victims of Crime, Tribal Victim Services Set Aside Formula Program FY 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve CERTIFIED MOTION #052120-03 Request for Funding from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Preparedness and Emergency Response (PHEP) FY 2021-2024. Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

sent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Treasurer

Marcella Reyes to adopt TRIBAL RESO-LUTION: Supporting the submission of a low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority; confirming the tax abatement/exemption to be pro-

vided to the project; confirming site plan

approval for the project; confirming the project site is properly zoned; confirming the project-based tenant subsidies to the project; and confirming the recent significant public and private investments in the project area.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin- yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyesyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-no (see comments from AFC phone poll and meeting), Legislative Leader Emily Proc-

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tary Julie Shananaquet to adopt TRIBAL RESOLUTION: Declaration of a Budget Emergency for FY2020. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Har-

Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to go into closed session for personnel.

sent Motion carried.

12:12 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to return to open session.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

rington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve Legislative Services Attorney Contract Addendum, dated May 21, 2020, and authorize and approve the Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to electronically sign the Adden-

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Absent Motion carried.

12:15 p.m. Motion made by Coun-

sent Motion carried. Next Tribal Council Meeting Regular: June 9, 020 at 9:00 a.m.

approved as corrected/written.

of Odawa Indians **Tribal Council Chambers** 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 **Tribal Council** 

Closed Session: none

Council Present: Councilor Fred Har-

Legislative Office Staff Present: Leg-

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley, Vice-Chair Stella Kay, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson, Human Resources Department Generalist

Motion made by Councilor Tamara

Motion carried. 11:46 a.m. Public comment opens John Kawegoma stated that it does

11:49 a.m. Public Comment closes Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Secre-

rington Jr.-yes, Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Councilor Leroy Shomin- yes, Councilor Marty Van De Car-yes, Treasurer Marcella Reyesyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet-yes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carried. 11:56 a.m. Motion made by Treasurer

Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

Motion made by Councilor Fred Har-

cilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to adjourn. Vote: 9-yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain, 0-Ab-

These Minutes have been read and are Julie Shananaquet, Tribal Council

Date Secretary The Little Traverse Bay Bands

**Regular Meeting** June 11, 2020 Call to Order: 9:11 a.m.

Opening Ceremony Melissa Wiatrolik rington, Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Leroy Shomin, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor Absent: none

islative Services Attorney Donna Budnick Legislative, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik, General Counsel Bransky

Rose Pyant Public: Renee Dillard, Katie Eberly

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#### "Minutes" continued from page 25.

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to adopt the agenda for June 11, 2020.

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

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2020 as corrected.

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

#### **Executive Report:**

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gas-2<sup>nd</sup> Round Distribution co-Bentley: on hold due to court case. COVID-19 testing at Odawa Casino Resort = 560+ test completed with results in 5-10 days. 2020 Consent Decree pretty good and still on-going via Zoom. COVID-19 related checks disbursed. Some will donate back to Tribe. Accounting - work out process to have returned checks disbursed. Elder's luncheon up and running as a pick up scenario.

Executive Director Unit I Phil Har-

Enrollment and accounting working returned checks. phase 2 Work Session Monday morning with all 3 Branch re-

Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson: Elders will still receive curbside lunches, and retained comfort keepers for those in need.

Councilor Marty Van De Car reported on positive feedback regarding COVID-19 testing function.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to acknowledge the verbal Executive Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley Unit 1 Director, Phil Harmon and Unit 2 Director, Daugherty Johnson, on June 11,

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

## **Tribal Council Officer Reports**

Legislative Leader Report - This Saturday is the June 13, 2020 Town Hall.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept Legislative Leader Proctor's verbal report for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Secretary Report

Vetoes: none

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council: 05/28/20 Motion to pass Hemp Authorization and Regulatory Commission Statute. Vote: 9-yes

05/28/20 Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution Annual Membership Meeting During State of Emergency. Vote: 9-yes

05/29/20 Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropriations of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") Funds in the amount of \$9,617,683.25: Vote: 9-yes

06/04/20 Motion to approve Hemp Regulatory Commission Regulations for Hemp Sampling and THC Testing REG-WOS 2020-015-060220-004 as submitted by the Executive on June 3, 3020.

06/07/20-06/08/20: Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution Amendment to FY 2020 Budget, Tribal Resolution #050119-01 Appropriation of Funds for the 2020 Fiscal Year Operating Budgets, to address Emergency Revenue Shortfall. Resolution # to be posted to the Tribal Website in accordance with Tribal Resolution # 052920-01, Declaration of a budget Emergency for FY2020.-Executive signed 06/11/20.

Documents Delivered to the Executive

052120-01 Tribal Resolution Low-income Tax Credit (LIHTC) Application -signed by Executive 05/26/20

052120-02 Tribal Resolution Declaration Budget Emergency for FY2020signed by Executive-06/08/20

2020-015 Hemp Authorization and Regulatory Commission Statute-signed by Executive-05/30/20

Hemp Regulatory Commission Regulations for Hemp Sampling and THC Testing REG-WOS 2020-015-060220-004 as submitted by the Executive on June 3, 3020.

Tribal Resolution 052820-01 Annual Membership Meeting During State of Emergency-signed by Executive

Tribal Resolution 052920-01 Appropriations of the Coronavirus Aid,

Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") Funds in the amount of \$9,617,683.25-signed by Executive

Tribal Resolution 060820-01 Amendment to FY 2020 Budget, Tribal Res-

olution #050119-01 Appropriation of Funds for the 2020 Fiscal Year Operating Budgets, to address Emergency Revenue Shortfall. Resolution # to be posted to the Tribal Website in accordance with Tribal Resolution # 052920-01, Declaration of a budget Emergency for FY2020.-Executive signed 06/11/20.

Additional Comment: Contact was made with Chairperson Regina Bentley to secure percentage rates for Co-Vid Emergency Relief Payment to be used in Resolution. Several communications with Legislative staff and fellow Council members regarding various legislation requiring immediate attention. Spoke with Andrea Shananaquet regarding COVID case reported at Odawa Casino.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept Secretary Shananaquet's verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

#### $\underline{\text{Treasurer Report}} \, \underline{\text{Appropriations and}}$ **Finance Committee**

-Last Meeting: June 2, 2020 Special Meeting

(Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Special Meeting: Motion made by Councilor Leroy

Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of Tribal Resolution Amendment to FY 2020 Budget, Tribal Resolution 050119-01 Appropriation of Funds for the 2020 Fiscal Year Operating Budgets, to address Emergency Revenue Shortfall. Resolution to be posted to the Tribal website in accordance with Tribal Resolution 052920-01, Declaration of a Budget Emergency for FY2020.

3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent -Next Meeting: June 16, 2020vat 9:00 a.m. Location to be decided

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

05/27/20 Motion to approve an Appropriations and Finance Committee Special Budget Meeting via Zoom on June 2, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. 05/29/20 Motion to recommend to

Tribal Council to adopt Appropriations of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act ("CARES Act") Funds in the amount of \$9,617,683.25

06/08/20 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Amendment to FY 2020 Budget, Tribal Resolution #050119-01 Appropriation of Funds for the 2020 Fiscal Year Operating Budgets, to address Emergency Revenue Shortfall, on the agenda.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

## Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: June 5, 2020 (Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting) = none

-Next Meeting: July 17, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Location to be decided

- Phone Polls:

06/10/20 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 061120-01 Designation and Assignment of a portion of 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan Land Parcel, Northeast Funeral Home Area.

06/10/20 Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION #061120-01 Designation and Assignment of a portion of 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan Land Parcel, SW Funeral Home Area.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

#### **Tribal Council Member Reports:** Councilor Tamara Kiogima

Creation of a line item for donations

to the Youth Council. Acknowledgment for our 2020 high

school and college graduates. Where do we stand with the second

installment of COVID-19-relief money? Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept the verbal and written report as presented on agenda by Councilor Tamara Kiogima on June 11,

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Legislative Office Reports:

Office of Finance and Revenue Corporate Charters and/or Board Up-

dates:

Traditional Tribal Burial Board

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

Ziibimijwang, Inc. Odawa Economic Affairs Holding

Motion made by Councilor Tamara

Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Mar-

to approve the use of LTBB's name and Tribal Emblem in the Michigan Non-Gaming Tribal Economic Impact Study (2019) to be published by Waséyabek Development Company.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

<u>Tribal Historic Preservation Officer</u>

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal and written report as presented on June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

General Counsel

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for June

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

10:41 a.m. Break

10:50 a.m. Meeting Resumes Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report as presented on June 11, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 061120-01 Designation and Assignment of a portion of 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan Land Parcel, Northeast Funeral Home Area.

9-ves, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve CERTIFIED MOTION #061120-02 Designation and Assignment of a portion of 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, Michigan Land Parcel, SW Funeral Home Area.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve DECLARA-TION Statement of Support of Blacks Lives Matter A Declaration is a formal written public statement in support or opposition of an issue or matter.

9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve Letter to Tribal Citizens regarding per capita payment.

Motion withdrawn. (A discussion was held with Tribal Chairperson Bentley and it was decided that a letter notifying Cit-

izens of Per Cap payment will be sent by the Executive) Motion made by Treasurer Marcella

Reyes and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to approve Temporary Amendment to the Grant, Donation, or Other Funding Policy, For Covid-19 Wavier of Approval Requirement. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor Melis-

sa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Tribal Council Meeting Policy and Procedures for Recording, Storage and Posting Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion carried.

11:48 a.m. Public Comment Opens

Citizen Renee Dillard gave notice of attendance/participation

11:49 a.m. Public Comment Closes Roll Call Votes - None

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to adjourn.

Motion carried.

Next Tribal Council Meeting Regular: July 25, 2020

11:53 a.m. Adjournment

These Minutes have been read and are

approved as corrected/written. Secretary Julie Shananaquet

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

June 25, 2020 Call to Order: 9:06 a.m. Closed Session: Melissa Wiatrolik Council Present: Councilor Fred Har-

rington, Jr., Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader **Emily Proctor** Absent: Councilor Leroy Shomin Legislative Office Staff Present: Leg-

islative Services Attorney Donna Budnick Legislative, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr. Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik, General Counsel James Bransky, Office of Citizens Attornev Cherie Dominic

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley, Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson, Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson

Judicial Officials and Staff: none

Public: Amanda Swiss, Deb Browne, Sierra Boda, Kenny Dewey, Maanii Tall Cloud, Christine Shomin, Doug, Carla Osawamick, Lily Anderson, Bernadece and Jesse Boda, Mary Roberts, Marvin Mulholland Will Ortiz, Chris Schrader

Invited Guest: Census 2020 Bernadece Boda

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to adopt the agenda for June 25, 2020 as amended.

Vote:8 - Yes, 0- No, 0- Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Mo-Motion made by Treasurer Marcella

Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Citizen(s) who have walked on: Jay Sharkey, Rene Burley, Carol Feathers, Vera Oom, Daniel Dunlop, Cheryl Tarver.

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

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of June 11, 2020 as cor-

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

## **Executive Oversight Report**

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley: Next round of COVID Funds affecting payment to Citizens needs application process. Will work on new Resolution to send to Tribal Council. Leadership needs to formulate what the application will require for new correspondence to Citizens. 2020 negotiations update. 2020 negotiations update.

Executive Director Unit II Daugherty Johnson and Executive Director Unit I Phil Harmon back in office rotating days. No July newsletter due to staff on leave. Victories Square working with \Planning Department. Food boxes available again today and is not income based. Executive Director Unit I Phil Har-

mon -Transition into phase II. Getting training schedule for building temperature/screening questionnaire takers. Opening by appointment only beginning this Monday. Strawberry picking at Berg farm-wear masks. Tribal Minimum Internal Control

Standards (TMICS)-need motion of Tribal Council. New house at Harbor housing getting utilities installed.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa

Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to acknowledge the verbal Executive Oversite Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 1-ab-

sent (Councilor Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried. Census 2020 update - Bernadece

**Legislative Officer Reports:** 

Legislative Leader Report Legislative Branch: Phase II, Lume

Executive/Legislative/Judicial COVID19 update calls and CARES Funding. Executive Branch: 401k provider fi-

nalist, the Budget, Nomination Process, Town Hall Meeting agenda and Zoom access for all Branches. Requested Netawn Kiogima Annual Community Meeting Speaker to provide update for Town Hall Meeting. Recognition of LTBB Fisherman communication.

General Counsel requested personnel on Tribal Council Agenda.

Legislative Services Attorney: Requested draft Amendment to Legislative Procedures Act and Meeting Procedures/ Policy, Letter regarding the nomination of Marvin Mulholland for Gaming Authority. Sent edits for the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Company Statue and Audit Requirements letter. Senior Financial Analyst: Ziibimi-

jwang Inc., Insurance, funding questions.

Town Hall meeting. Requested assistance to increase knowledge of various federal funding opportunities. Discussed Economic Development. Office Manager: Coordinated various administrative duties, Approved the May 2020 Wage Certificate for Indirect, Zoom

License. Requested the coordination of a Zoom Training for the Legislative Branch, Approved use of signature stamp for phone poll documents. Gaming Authority Matt Stemkoski/ Odawa Casino Resort: Requested revenue update, forwarded communication

to Gaming Authority regarding staff

concerns that came to another Tribal

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

communication. LTBB Youth Council.

Responded to various phone polls.

Responded to Citizen comment. Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Legislative Leader Proctor's verbal and written report for

June 25, 2020. Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 1-ab-

sent (Councilor Leroy Shomin) Motion carried.

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to Executive: Tribal Resolution 061920-01 Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Green

Sunrise Products LLC Petoskey Mari-

juana Retail License and Related Matters-signed 06/23/20 Tribal Resolution 061920-02 Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Green

Sunrise Products LLC Mackinaw City Marijuana Retail License and Related Matters-signed 06/23/20

Vetoes: none

Phone Polls: 06/19/20 Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution: Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Green Sunrise Products LLC Mackinaw City

Matters. 06/19/20 Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to adopt Tribal Resolution: Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for Green Sunrise Products LLC Petoskey Marijuana

Marijuana Retail License and Related

Retail License and Related Matters. Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Secretary Shananaguet's verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for June 25,

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 1-absent (Councilor Leroy Shomin)

Motion carried. 10.23 a.m. Break

10:30 a.m. Resume Treasurer Report

-Last Meeting 06/16/20: (Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting): Motion made by Secretary Julie Sha-

nanaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-01 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service FY 2021 Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried. Motion made by Secretary Julie Sha-

nanaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # "Minutes" continued on page 27.

062520-02 quest for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement Consolidated Tribal Government Programs Annual Contract FY 2021. Julie Shananaquet-Councilor Leroy Shomin Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-03 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement Law Enforcement Annual Contract FY 2021. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-04 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service Annual Funding Agreement FY 2021. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-05 Request for Funding from the State of Michigan, Department of Health & Human Services Child Care Fund FY 2021: Human Services Component. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-06 Request for Funding from the State of Michigan, Department of Health & Human Services Child Care Fund FY 2021: Tribal Court Component. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-07 Request for Funding from the Administration for Children and Families Title IV-B of the Social Security Act FY 2020 - FY 2024 Title IV-B Continuation Funding. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MO-TION # 062520-08 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service FY 2016 – FY 2020 Special Diabetes Program for Indians Non-Competitive Year 06. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Secretary Julie Shananaquet to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-10 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services Community Services Block Grant Emergency Assistance Program FY 2021. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-11 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program FY 2021. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend Tribal Council approval of CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-12 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Anishinaabek Healing Circle State Targeted Response Supplement FY 2020-2021. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried. Motion Secretary Julie Shananaquet

and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt TR# 062520-09, to be updated with additional information by the Appropriations and Finance Committee by June 25, 2020. Vote: 3-ves. Motion carried.

-Next Meeting: July 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. via Zoom

-Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

06/19/20 Reason for the Phone Poll: To recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-13 Request for Funding from State Court Administrative Office Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP) FY 2021. Vote: 3-yes

10:36 a.m. Councilor Leroy Shomin joins meeting

Motion made by Secretary Julie Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0 -absent Motion carried.

**Tribal Council Committee Reports:** Land and Reservation Committee

-Last Meeting: 06/10/20 (Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting were reported at the June 11, 2020 Tribal Council Meeting)

Next Meeting: 07/17/20 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Reyes, Committee Chair for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 9 -yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent

Tribal Council Member Reports -

#### **Legislative Staff Reports:**

Office of Finance and Revenue Report - Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to recommend to Tribal Council to authorize Legislative Leader and Tribal Treasurer to sign the Merrill Lynch check request to transfer funds from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians investment account for the Great American Fidelity / Crime Insurance Policy Renewal for Tribal Council in the amount of \$15,497.00 and made payable to broker representative Cottingham and Butler, PO Box 449 Dubuque IA 52004-0449, and submit same to Merrill

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Corporate Charters and/or Board Up-

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

Traditional Tribal Burial Board, Inc.

Ziibimijwang, Inc. Odawa Economic Affairs Holding

Corp Odawa Construction

Gaming Authority

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal report as presented for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Legislative Services Attorney

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick's verbal and written report for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

General Counsel

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to accept General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for June 25, 2020.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to accept Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-La-Count's verbal and written report as presented for June 25, 2020. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-ab-

sent Motion carried. **Public Comment** 

11:45 a.m. Opens

Citizen Sierra Boda commented on lack of wearing masks at Casino when not on gaming floor. Also had questions regarding Election processes for electronic petition gathering. 11:48 a.m. Closes

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve CERTIFIED MO-TION # 062520-01 Request for Funding from the Food and Nutrition Service FY 2021 Food Distribution Program on In-

dian Reservations (FDPIR). Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent

Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor Leroy

Shomin and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-02 quest for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement Consolidated Tribal Government Programs Annual Contract FY 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-03 Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement Law Enforcement Annual Contract

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTI-FIED MOTION # 062520-04 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service Annual Funding Agreement FY 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTI-FIED MOTION # 062520-05 Request for Funding from the State of Michigan, Department of Health & Human Services Child Care Fund FY 2021: Human Services Component.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-06 Request for Funding from the State of Michigan, Department of Health & Human Services Child Care Fund FY 2021: Tribal Court Component.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CER-TIFIED MOTION # 062520-07 Request for Funding from the Administration for Children and Families Title IV-B of the Social Security Act FY 2020 - FY 2024 Title IV-B Continuation Funding.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MO-TION # 062520-08 Request for Funding from the Indian Health Service FY 2016 - FY 2020 Special Diabetes Program for Indians Non-Competitive Year 06.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Leroy Shomin to approve Certified Motion 062520-09 Authorization and Support of Applications for and Acceptance of COVID-19 Related Funds Received under Tribal Resolution 032420-01 COVID-19 Suspension of Deadlines.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-10 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services Community Services Block Grant Emergency Assistance Program FY 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried. **Motion** made by Councilor Melis-

sa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTI-FIED MOTION # 062520-11 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program FY 2021. Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-ab-

sent Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor Melis-

sa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve CERTI-FIED MOTION # 062520-12 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Anishinaabek Healing Circle State Targeted Response Supplement FY 2020-2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to accept Tribal Chairper-

son Regina Gasco-Bentley nomination of Angie Wooden to the Housing Commission and set up an interview.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to accept Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley nomination of Melissa Shomin to the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Company and set up an interview.

Vote: 8-yes, 0-no, 1-abstained (Councilor Leroy Shomin), 0-absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to accept Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley nomination of Melissa Wiatrolik to the Tribal Burial Board and set up an interview.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to authorize and approve Legislative Leader Proctor to sign and submit a letter, on behalf of Tribal Council, to the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation regarding the FY

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to pass Tribal Council Meeting Procedures Policy as updated.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0 -abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. to amend the agenda to include:

CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-13 Request for Funding from State Court Administrative Office,

Letter to Tribal Chair regarding Gaming Authority nomination,

Memorandum of Agreement with Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc., and

Request for Proposal (RFP) for audit. Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried. Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and

supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 062520-13 Request for Funding from State Court Administrative Office Swift and Sure Sanctions Probation Program (SSSPP) FY 2021.

Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstained, 0-ab-

sent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported Treasurer Reyes by to authorize and approve Legislative Leader Proctor to send a letter to the Tribal Chair regarding the nomination of Marvin Mulholland to the Gaming Authority.

Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 1 (TK)-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve Memorandum of Agreement Between the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc., for Victories Square Road Construction and Maintenance.

Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported Treasurer Reyes by to authorize and approve the Senior Financial Analyst Cope to post the Request for Proposals for an Auditor for the Tribe for a 3-year contact.

Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Personnel - Closed Session

sent Motion carried.

12:15 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Marty Van De Car and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to go into closed session for personnel matter. Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstained, 0-ab-

12:34 p.m. Motion made by Council-

or Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to return to open session Vote: 9-yes, 0 -no, 0-abstain, 0-absent

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the Renewal of the Office of Citizens Legal Assistance contract with attorney Cherie R. Dominic as presented on June 25, 2020 and authorize General Counsel Jim Bransky to sign on behalf of the Tribe.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

Adjournment

12:45 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adjourn.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and corrected

Secretary Julie Shananaquet



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:

If your residence is on Tribally owned land; If you will be visiting and staying on Tribally

owned land for more than seven (7) days; If you are enrolled in any classes or schools located in Tribal buildings; or

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231-242-1500 For more information regarding Sex Offender Registry, you can visit the LTBB Website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and choose

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# Inter-Tribal Council Partners with Naloxoneforall.org to GET FREE NARCAN TO TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

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Submitted by the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan,

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To learn more about in-person trainings, remote trainings and trainings for organizations, please reach out to Lisa at Lmoran@itcmi.org

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# Recognizing Male Victim-Survivors

#### By StrongHearts Native Helpline staff

Men can be victims of domestic violence. Domestic violence can happen to anyone.

Media and socialization may lead you to believe otherwise, but the truth is men and people of all genders, can be and are victims of domestic violence.

Abuse against men can start at a very young age, and the effect carries on with them into adulthood. When it comes to sexual violence, domestic violence and dating violence, men who reported abuse have indicated that not only were they sexually assaulted both as a child and as an adult, but also their struggles with intimate partner violence continues indefinitely as victims and/or perpetrators.

#### Increased Rates of Violence in Indian Country

According to the recent National Institute of Justice report, statistics show there is an increased rate of violence among intimate partners in Indian country. In the male category alone, four out of five men have experienced violence in their lifetime; one in four has experienced sexual violence; one in three has endured physical violence by an intimate partner and nearly three in four have experienced psychological aggression by an intimate partner. Fortunately, there is work being done to reduce this rate of violence.

"There isn't a lot of research out there, especially when it comes to Native American men," said Lenny Hayes, MA, Executive Director of Tate Topa Consulting, explaining that even the highest rates of violence recorded are most likely underestimated due to the stigma associated with men and boys being sexually abused. "I feel that within the Native community, we haven't even begun to acknowledge or create a safe space for Native men to heal."

## **Eliminating Barriers**

As a mental health therapist, Hayes works with children, adults, Native people, Two-Spirt and LGBTQ individuals. He remains adamant males need to break down the barriers of si-



lence and the stigma of being a victim of sexual violence. Regardless of gender, all victims need to be acknowledged, supported and have resources available to them.

"If men weren't brought up in a healthy environment, they don't know how to have a healthy relationship in adulthood. We need to create a safe space for men in our communities to heal," says Hayes.

Hayes is encouraged by Native men who have thanked him after they told him about their own personal experiences.

"My response is to acknowledge [them] and express that I believed [them]," said Hayes explaining that acknowledgment is an important first step to finding the help they need.

# **Moving Forward**

Understanding males are victims of sexual, domestic violence and dating violence includes breaking the silence and breaking down barriers. Being a victim is not a sign of weakness. Acknowledging a need to heal is a measure of a victim's strength and ability to survive.

Here are a few ideas to help men affected by domestic violence:

Believe victim-survivors: One of the most important things we can do to support male victim-survivors is to simply believe. Listen without questioning the victim's experience.

Document the abuse: Suggest that they keep track of the abuse. They can take pictures, keep a calendar or start journaling as a way to document the abuse. Documenting the abuse can help in two ways: It can be a cathartic way to deal with negative emotions, and it may also help the victim to obtain legal aid

later on. Remind them, if they decide to document the abuse, to keep their document secure, so their partner can't destroy the evidence and so they can remain safe while they figure out the next steps in the relationship.

Find a support system: Perhaps there's a good friend or relative they can confide in when talking about what they are experiencing. Having a strong support system could be vital to their emotional well-being. Creating and nurturing healthy relationships can help heal some of the mental trauma from abuse.

Encourage them to take a proactive approach to their own safety: Keeping their mental, emotional and physical sanity in check are great ways for them to remain grounded during and after a situation of abuse.

Perhaps they like to play basketball, create art or read. Encourage them to do things that make them happy and feel good about themselves.

Reach out: To explore your options for safety and healing, https://www.strongheartshelpline.org/ to open a one-onone chat with an advocate or call 1-844-7NATIVE (1-844-762-8483) daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT. Callers reaching out after hours may connect with the National Domestic Violence Hotline by selecting option one.

StrongHearts Native Helpline understands it can be difficult to talk about domestic violence in tribal communities. The alarming rates of Native Americans and Alaska Natives experiencing domestic violence demands that we unite, acknowledge and support all victims regardless of gender, sexual orientation or relationship status.

The StrongHearts Native Helpline (1-844-762-8483) is a culturally appropriate domestic violence and dating violence helpline for Native Americans, available daily from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT. StrongHearts Native Helpline is a collaborative effort of the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center. Visit https://www.strongheartshelpline. org/ for more information.

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# "Historic Day" for Standing Rock as Pipeline Company Told to Shut Down, Remove Oil

**Editor's note:** The following article was posted on *Indian Country Today* on July 6, 2020 and is reprinted here with permission.

A federal judge has ordered the Dakota Access Pipeline to shut down and remove all oil within 30 days, a huge win for Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and the other plaintiffs.

In a 24-page order, U.S. District Judge James Boasberg wrote he was "mindful of the disruption" that shutting down the pipeline would cause, but that it must be done within 30 days. The order comes after Boesberg said in April that a more extensive review was necessary than what the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had already conducted and that he would consider whether the pipeline would have to be shuttered during the new assessment.

"Following multiple twists and turns in this long-running litigation, this Court recently found that Defendant U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had violated the National Environmental Policy Act when it granted an easement to Defendant-Intervenor Dakota Access, LLC to construct and operate a segment of that crude-oil pipeline running beneath the lake," said the opinion from Boasberg.

"The Court does not reach its decision with blithe disregard for the lives it will affect," Boasberg wrote Monday (July 6, 2020). "It readily acknowledges that, even with the currently low demand for oil, shutting down the pipeline will cause significant disruption to DAPL, the North Dakota oil industry, and potentially other states."

This doesn't appear to be the first time Boasberg has reversed or rescinded a previous judgment.

According to BallotPedia, since 2018, the judge has ruled against the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for detaining asylum seekers more than seven days and also stopped states from implementing work requirements for Medicaid programs.

Ron Ness, President of the North Dakota Petroleum Council, called the ruling "shocking" and noted the pipeline is moving 570,000 barrels of Bakken oil a day.

"I think there's a lot of questions about the authority of this liberal district court judge to make such a significant ruling," Ness said of Boasberg, who was appointed by former President Barack Obama. "There is no doubt that the lawyers are all gearing up and looking at every possibility of a stay or an appeal or something."

From the outset of the pipeline's construction, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Chairman Mike Faith, Jr. said the tribe stood against the project.

"Today is a historic day for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and the many people who have supported us in the fight against the pipeline," Faith said. "This pipeline should have never been built here. We told them that from the beginning."

The pipeline extends more than 1,000 miles from North Dakota to Illinois – but the issue is the portion of the project that is buried under the Missouri River. The Standing Rock Sioux tribe said a leak will contaminate their drinking water and sacred lands.

The Cheyenne River Indian Reservation sits next to the Standing Rock Sioux and Missouri River. Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Chairman Harold Frazier celebrates the decision.

"I applaud the actions of the U.S. District Court in finding what we knew all along, that this pipeline, like many other actions taken by the U.S. government, is in fact illegally operating," read the statement. "The fact that this operation had been operating illegally for three years before this conclusion was finally made shows you the power that money holds on the American government."

Late in the Obama administration, the Corps of Army Engineers announced it would suspend approval of the project while an Environmental Impact Statement was prepared.

"A few months later, however, following the change of administration in January 2017 and a presidential memorandum urging acceleration of the project, the Corps again reconsidered and decided to move forward," the opinion said. "It granted the sought permit, construction was completed, and oil commenced flowing through the Dakota Access Pipeline."

This the court found was a substantial error and a violation of the National Environmental Policy Act.

The bottom line: "The Corps had not been able to substantiate its decision to publish" only an Environmental Assessment and not an Environmental



Impact Statement.

"Dakota Access's central and strongest argument ... is that shutting down the pipeline would cause it, and the industries that rely on it, significant economic harm, including substantial job losses," the Court said.

The court's decision is the latest and possibly final ruling on what has been a years' long court battle.

Earthjustice Attorney Jan Hasselman, who represents the tribe, said despite the long court process, justice for the tribes has been served.

"If the events of 2020 have taught us anything, it's that health and justice must be prioritized early on in any decision-making process if we want to avoid a crisis later on," Hasselman said.

The pipeline company said it could lose \$643 million in the second half of 2020 and \$1.4 billion in 2021 if shut down.

The Court said: "All of these financial losses would be absorbed by the owners of Dakota Access, particularly Energy Transfer Partners, the current parent company of DAPL after a merger with Sunoco."

Energy Transfer last year proposed increasing the pipeline's capacity to as much as 1.1 million barrels to meet growing demand for oil from North Dakota without the need for additional pipelines or rail shipments.

Before the coronavirus pandemic devastated the U.S. oil industry, daily oil production in North Dakota - the nation's No. 2 oil producer behind Texas - was at a near-record 1.45 million barrels daily. The state's output slipped to below 1 million barrels daily in May amid low energy prices and sparse demand.

Permits for the project were originally rejected by the Obama administration, and the Army Corps of Engineers prepared to conduct a full environmental review. In February 2017, shortly after President Donald Trump took office, the Corps scrapped the review and granted permits, concluding that running the pipeline under the Missouri River posed no significant environmental issues.

The Corps said that opinion was validated after an additional year of review as ordered by Boasberg in 2017.

Boasberg had ruled then that the Corps "largely complied" with environmental law when permitting the pipeline, but ordered more review because he said the agency did not adequately consider how an oil spill under the Missouri River might affect the Standing Rock Sioux's fishing and hunting rights or whether it might disproportionately affect the tribal community.

"Yet, given the seriousness of the Corps' NEPA error, the impossibility of a simple fix, the fact that Dakota Access did assume much of its economic risk knowingly, and the potential harm each day the pipeline operates, the Court is forced to conclude that the flow of oil must cease," Boasberg's ruling stated.

In a statement, the Indigenous Environmental Network is celebrating all the prayers and support the #NoDAPL movement has received over the years. While Boasberg's opinion clearly states the flow of oil must stop, the organization is prepared to fight to see that through.

"The Standing Rock and Cheyenne River Sioux Tribes have shown the world that treaty rights and environmental justice are not token concepts without merit, but rather tangible arguments that inherently protect the sacredness of mother earth. We will continue to fight until DAPL is stopped completely," the statement said.

This story is developing and will be updated. *The Associated Press contributed to this report.* Courtesy graphic.

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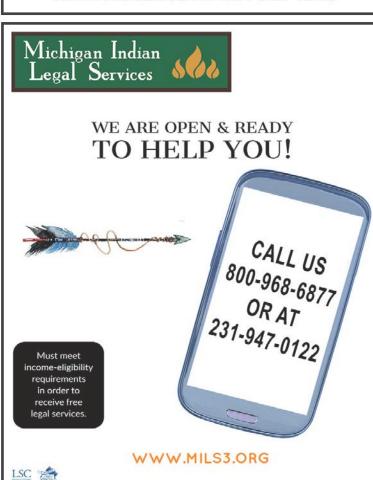


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al support with digital/distance learning — which is more than understandable. But, don't worry, we have resources to help!

#### **Departmental Resources**

The Niigaandiwin Education Department is here to support our students with every resource we have at our disposal. There are two resources I would like to remind our Higher Education students of, which are: Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium and Brainfuse Online Tutoring. The following section will provide additional information about these resources and how they can assist in supporting the needs of our students financially and academically.

#### Michelle Chingwa Education Honorarium

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- 3. The student must maintain a 2.0 grade point average each academic semester (subject to petition).

Students can locate the MCEH application form on our webpage on the LTBB website, in the "Forms Directory" under Education or they can e-mail our Higher Education Specialist, Kim Gabrick, at kgabrick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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To activate a username and password for first-generation descendants, Higher Education students or GED prep, please contact our Academic Services Coordinator, Dorothy Perry, at 231-242-1482 or dperry@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov Once you contact Dorothy, you can login at the website www. brainfuse.com or download the mobile app — it is designed to work on both smartphones and tablets and is free and available in both the iOS (Apple) and Google Play (Android) stores.

If you have any questions, please contact the Niigaandiwin Education Department at 231-242-1480. Tammy Gasco, our Office Administrator, will forward your questions to the appropriate staff.

While we are in challenging times, remember, we are here to support our tribal nation and community.

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Niigaandiwin Education Director



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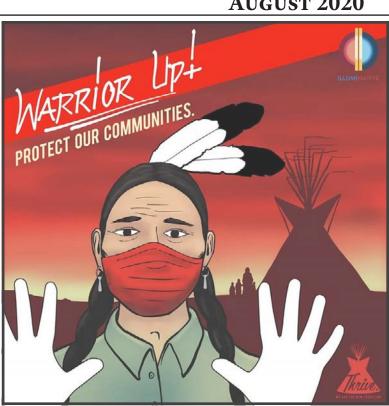
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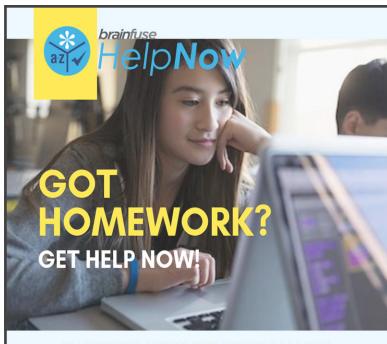












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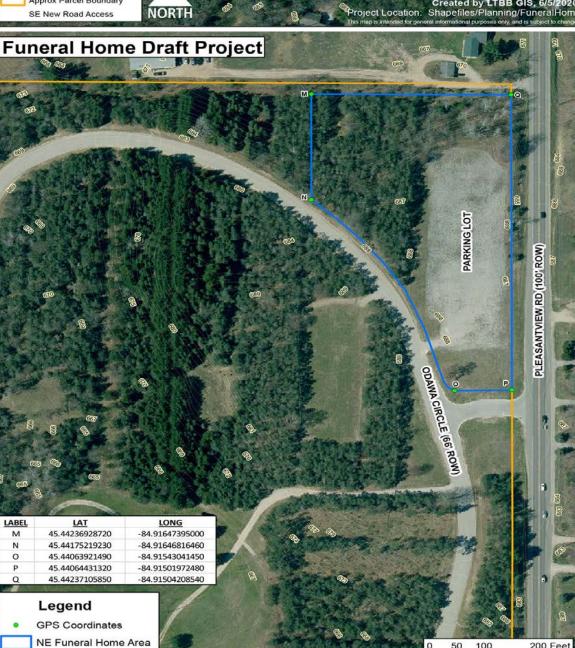
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Ken Gill, Treasurer Gwen Teuthorn, Secretary Annette VanDeCar and Board Member Melissa Wi-

Willis is an LTBB Tribal Citizen and works as the Chief Conservation Officer in the LTBB Natural Resource Department. Gill, whose wife Sandy is an LTBB descendant, has 35 years of experience working as a funeral home director and is an Anishinaabemowin language student. Teuthorn is an in the LTBB Tribal Prosecutor's Office and is an Anishinaabemowin language instructor and student. VanDeCar is an LTBB Tribal Citizen, works as the LTBB Communications Coordinator and is the Chair of the LTBB Pow Wow Committee. Wiatrolik is an LTBB Tribal Citizen, works as the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer in the LTBB Tribal Historic Preservation Office and is LTBB's NAGPRA and MACPRA representative.

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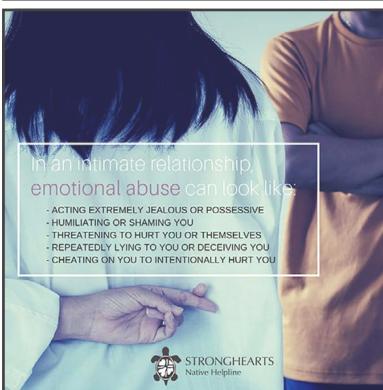
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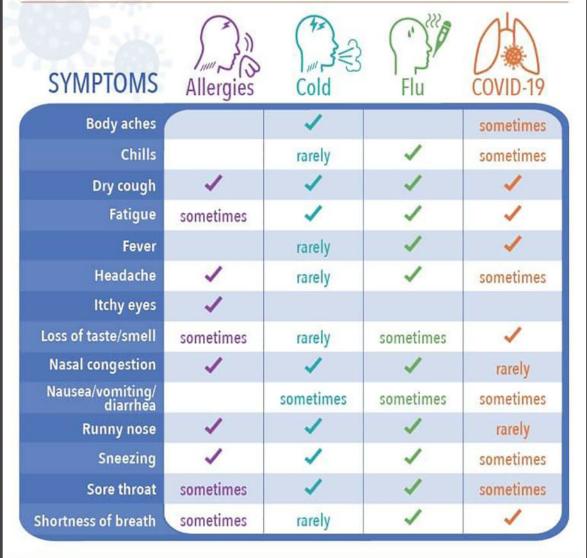
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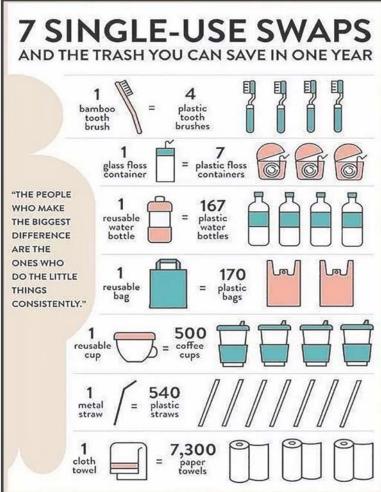
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# USDA APPROVES HEMP PRODUCTION PLANS - LTBB AMONG THOSE APPROVED

Editor's note: The following is a U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) press release.



**United States** Department of Agriculture

The U.S. Department of Agriculture announced the approval of hemp production plans under the U.S. Domestic Hemp Production Program for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma and the Ysleta Del Sur Pueblo, bringing the total of approved plans to 50.

USDA continues to receive and review hemp production plans from states and Indian tribes. To review approved plans or to check the status of a plan, visit the Status of State and Tribal Hemp Production Plans webpage.

State and tribal plans previously approved include States Tribes, Delaware Blackfeet Nation, Florida Cayuga Nation,

Georgia Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes, Iowa Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, Kansas Chippewa Cree Tribe, Louisiana Colorado River Indian Tribes, Massachusetts Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Montana Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe, Nebraska Fort Belknap Indian Community, New Jersey Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, Ohio Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, Pennsylvania La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indian Tribes, South Carolina Miccosukee Tribe of Indians of Florida, Texas Oglala Sioux Tribe, Washington Otoe-Missouria Tribe, West Virginia Pala Band of Mission Indians, Wyoming Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, U.S. Virgin Islands Pueblo of



Picuris Tribe, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Rosebud Sioux Tribe, Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa, Santa Rosa Cahuilla Indian Tribe, Santee Sioux Nation, Seneca Nation of Indians, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Tribe, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and Yurok Tribe.

The Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) directed USDA to develop a regulatory oversight program for hemp and include provisions for USDA to approve hemp production plans submitted by states and Indian tribes. Accordingly, on October 31, 2019, USDA issued an interim final rule establishing the U.S. Domestic Hemp Production Program and the provisions for USDA to approve submitted plans. State and tribal plans provide details on practices and procedures that enable hemp producers in their jurisdictions to operate according to their individual plans and in compliance with federal laws.

For additional information about the program, visit the U.S. Domestic Hemp Production Program

For information or questions related to a specific plan, please contact the applicable state or tribe.

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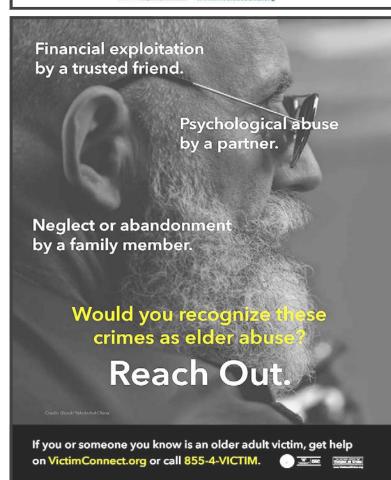


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# etired! Washington NFL Team Finally Loosens its Grip

By Kolby KickingWoman and Aliyah Chavez

**Editor's note:** The following article and graphic appeared on *Indian Country Today* on July 13, 2020, and they are reprinted here with permission.

The Washington NFL franchise announced Monday (July 13, 2020) it is retiring its team name and logo. The franchise is developing a new name and design under the direction of team owner Dan Snyder and head coach Ron Rivera.

"On July 3rd, we announced the commencement of a thorough review of the team's name," the team said in a statement. "Today, we are announcing we will be retiring the (deleted) name and logo upon completion of this review."

The team gave no timeline on when a new name and logo will be released.

The team's Director of Communications Sean DeBarbieri told *Indian Country Today* in an e-mail, "We won't be commenting until the full process has been completed."

The fight to change Native-themed mascots began in the 1970s and has since been largely led by Native women including Suzan Harjo, Hodulgee Muscogee and Cheyenne. It was carried into 2020 with the help of Amanda Blackhorse, Diné, Crystal Echo Hawk, Pawnee and many others.

Harjo, after hearing the news, rang praise for the allies who fought for the change over the years, saying it was brought about by Native people and allies and should not be attributed "to a change of heart by the team's energy."

"We've ended more than two-thirds of these obscenities and now, have only 900 or so left to go, but the fall of this king of the mountain of trash will help others to give up their ghosts of racism even faster, so, Aho, Mr. Snyder and thank you, Mvto, Mr. Fred Smith," Harjo said in a statement.

Blackhorse took to Twitter to share her reaction.

"It's been a long journey and many sacrifices have been made," Blackhorse tweeted. "Rest in Power George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, Ahmaud Arbery & many others. #BlackLivesMatter! We still need justice for Breonna Taylor! Thank you #BLM for creating awareness, this means so much to Indigenous ppl!"

Fans of the team shared their reactions, too.

Some posted pictures wearing jerseys and other apparel with captions including "one last time." Others said, "Today marks history. We are saddened yet excited for a fresh new start."

In 2013, Snyder told *USA Today Sports*, "We'll never change the name. It's that simple. NEVER — you can use caps."

Pressure in 2020 began mounting as George Floyd's death in Minneapolis spurred the crashing of racist symbols of all kinds across the country, including the Washington NFL franchise.

On June 26, 2020, a group of 88 investors representing more than \$620 billion in assets sent an open letter to FedEx, Nike and PepsiCo calling for them to terminate business and public relationships with the team until the racist team name is changed.

Shortly after, the franchise announced it would undergo a "thorough review of the team's name,"



culminating in the name being retired on July 13, 2020.

Here is a breakdown of recent events leading to this long-awaited change:

#### June 26, 2020

• A group of 88 investors sends a letter to FedEx, Nike and PepsiCo calling for the termination of business and public relationships with the team until the racist team name is changed.

#### July 3, 2020

- The Washington football team officially announces it will undergo a "thorough review" of its team name and mascot.
- Nike pulls Washington NFL franchise gear from website.
- Walmart discontinues sales of all items promoting the Washington team's logo.

#### July 6, 2020

- Target pulls Washington NFL team gear from its website.
- 14 Native leaders and organizations pen a letter to NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell asking him to require the team to "immediately change" its name.
- President Donald Trump tweets support of Washington NFL team, writing: "They name teams out of STRENGTH, not weakness, but now, the Washington (deleted) & Cleveland Indians, two fabled sports franchises, look like they are going to be changing their names in order to be politically correct. Indians, like Elizabeth Warren, must be very angry right now!"

#### July 8, 2020

• Amazon notifies sellers Washington NFL team gear will need to be removed within 48 hours.

## July 13, 2020

• Snyder announces the retirement of racist mascot. The new team name will be announced at another date.

As for other Native-themed mascots in professional sports, there are mixed reports on whether similar changes are pending.

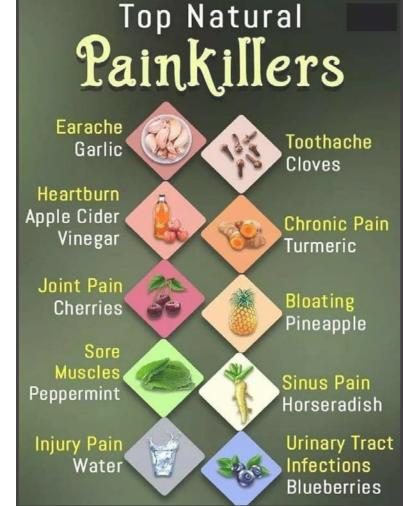
On Sunday (July 12, 2020), the Atlanta Braves said it is not changing its name, but is looking at its controversial tomahawk chop celebration, according to ESPN. The Cleveland professional baseball team is also considering a name change. The team removed its Chief Wahoo logo in 2019.

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# STATEMENT FROM THE INDIANS

WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING A POSITIVE IMPACT IN OUR COMMUNITY AND EMBRACE OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ADVANCE SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EQUALITY. OUR ORGANIZATION FULLY RECOGNIZES OUR TEAM NAME IS AMONG THE MOST VISIBLE WAYS IN WHICH WE CONNECT WITH THE COMMUNITY.

WE HAVE HAD ONGOING DISCUSSIONS ORGANIZATIONALLY ON THESE ISSUES. THE RECENT SOCIAL UNREST IN OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR COUNTRY HAS ONLY UNDERSCORED THE NEED FOR US TO KEEP IMPROVING AS AN ORGANIZATION ON ISSUES OF SOCIAL JUSTICE.

WITH THAT IN MIND, WE ARE COMMITTED TO ENGAGING OUR COMMUNITY AND APPROPRIATE STAKEHOLDERS TO DETERMINE THE BEST PATH FORWARD WITH REGARD TO OUR TEAM NAME.

WHILE THE FOCUS OF THE BASEBALL WORLD SHIFTS TO THE EXCITEMENT OF AN UNPRECEDENTED 2020 SEASON, WE RECOGNIZE OUR UNIQUE PLACE IN THE COMMUNITY AND ARE COMMITTED TO LISTENING, LEARNING, AND ACTING IN THE MANNER THAT CAN BEST UNITE AND INSPIRE OUR CITY AND ALL THOSE WHO SUPPORT OUR TEAM.



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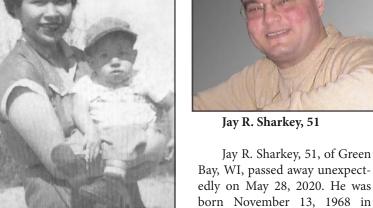


Happy birthday to Baby Frank on August 28. We hope that you've been enjoying yourself camping at Houghton Lake. Enjoy your special day. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

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partner, Dennis Taylor. They enjoyed puttering in their gardens and taking many road trips. In their younger years, they enjoyed trips to Las Vegas. Jay

worked at Leja Distributing for

Green Bay, WI, to Robert and

Shirley Sharkey. For 26 years, Jay

shared his life with his domestic

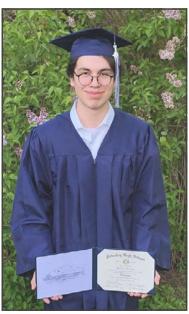
26 years and most recently was employed at MBM Xerox for the last four years. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Jay enjoyed many visits with his families and friends. Jay will be sadly missed by his partner, Dennis Taylor; his mom, Shirley; siblings, Tracy Sharkey, Diane (Al) Anderson, Wendy (Tim) Boncher, Wayne (Gale) Brunette, Debbie (Barney) Bartolazzi, Mark (Lori) Brunette, Darrell Brunette; mother-in-law, Germaine Taylor; siblings-in-law, Debbie (Jim) Lanskey, Brenda (Rick) Jacques, Leonard Taylor, Jimmy (Lisa) Taylor; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father, Robert Sharkey; father-in-law, Dwaine Taylor; brother, Mike Brunette; sister-in-law, Alfie Brunette; nephew, Matt Brunette; goddaughter, Ashley Brunette; and niece, Tiffany Yang.

From Deleta Gasco Smith, Jiingtamok Chair:

It is with a heavy heart and saddened soul that we have to announce that our Traditional Jiingtamok will be canceled this year. Although the Jiingtamok is an event we all look forward to, we cannot take a chance that a gathering of any kind might cause any harm to any member of this community or those visitors that share this time with us. We look forward to seeing all of you at future events. Until then, please stay safe and be good to each other. Times like this show us the resilience, determination and strength of the Waganakising community and its citizens. Chi Miigwetch.



# Congratulations



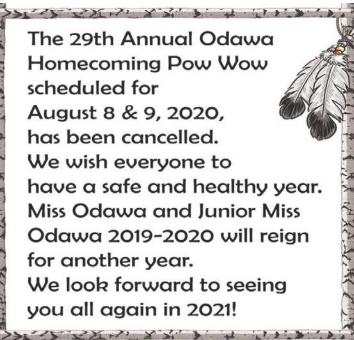
Congratulations to Kunu Robert Yellowbank, eagle clan, Ho Chunk, Southern Cheyenne & Arapaho, Choctaw, Odawa and Ojibway. He graduated from Petoskey High School on June 2, 2020, having an early start in school. His grandparents are Alice and Robert "Bob" Yellowbank of Oden, MI, the late Steveann "Susie" Bickham of Flint, MI, and Petoskey, MI, and Robert Bickham of Flint, MI. His parents are Theresa Chingwa of Petoskey, MI, and Robert Yellowbank of Oden, MI. Kunu plans to attend North Central Michigan College this fall to pursue an Associate degree and then plans to transfer to the University of Michigan to pursue a degree in Business/Engineering.



Amanda & Joe Fuentes are proud to announce the graduation of Isabella Fuentes from Buena High School. Isabella has been an active member in Student Council for the last three years, serving as Student Body Secretary. Helping her community has been very fulfilling, and she hopes to work that into her college experience. She was also part of the Lady Colts basketball team. Her favorite high school memory would be that she helped plan the Student Council State Convention, which was held at her high school. After graduation, Isabella plans on furthering her education, studying and getting her Bachelor of Science in Biology with an emphasis in Pre-Physicians Assistant at Grand Canyon University. We are very proud of you, and thankful for all of your teachers, advisors and coaches who have been part of this journey.



Congratulations to Hope Drogmiller, who graduated from Central Michigan University with a Bachelor of Applied Arts. Her major was Integrative Public Relations with minors in Recreation and Advertising. She also earned a Cultural and Global Studies certificate in Cultural Competency. She had a 3.82 cumulative GPA while making the Dean's list every semester. Proud parents are Curtis and Kathleen Drogmiller of Novi, MI.







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