

## UDALL FOUNDATION AWARDS 2015 NATIVE American Congressional Internships, Among Those Selected is LTBB Tribal Citizen Jeremiah Thompson

Editor's note: The following is an Udall Foundation press release dated April 15, 2015.

The Udall Foundation is pleased to announce that 12 students from 11 tribes and 10 universities have been selected as 2015 Native American Congressional Interns. They were selected by an independent review committee on the basis of academic achievement and a demonstrated commitment to careers in tribal public policy.



The 12 Udall Interns will complete an intensive, 10week internship in the summer of 2015. Special enrichment activities will provide opportunities to meet with key decision makers. From 1996 through 2015, 233 American Indian and Alaska Native students from 112 tribes will have participated in the program.

One of the 2015 Native American Congressional Interns is:

Jeremiah Thompson, interning with the Whitehouse Initiative on American Indian and Alaska Native Education.

Jeremiah Thompson is a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians based in Harbor Springs, MI. He is originally from Tallahassee, FL, and is a dual-degree graduate student at the Center for the Study of Higher and Postsecondary Education and the Ford School of Public Policy at the University of Michigan. Jeremiah has previously worked for both LTBB and the Seneca Nation of Indians in postsecondary-access positions. He is interested in federal education policy and hopes to work in this capacity to support Native students pursuing higher education. Thompson, who is Seneca on his father's side, is the son of the late Taimi Hoag, LTBB's first Environmental Services Director. Hoag, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, worked as the Environmental Services Director until she passed away on December 12, 2002.

The Native American Congressional Internship Program provides American Indian and Alaska Native students with the opportunity to gain practical experience with the federal legislative process in order to understand first-hand the government-to-government relationship between tribes and the federal government. The internship is funded by the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management and Policy.

For more information about the Udall Foundation, please visit www.udall.gov/AboutUs/AboutUs.aspx.

For additional information about the internship program, please contact Destiny Khalil at 520-901-8561 or khalil@udall.gov.

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## INTRODUCING THE NEW LTBB YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Tribal Council created the LTBB Youth Services Department when it passed WOS 2006-012 Tribal Youth Services Department on July 9, 2006.

Later that year, LTBB hired its first Youth Services Coordinator, R.J. Smith, who started on November 13, 2006. His office was located in the basement of the "White House" at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI. The department remained in the basement of the "White House" until it moved to the garage of the "White House" in 2009.

LTBB Interim Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley relocated the department to its current location at 915 Emmet St. in Petoskey, MI, in early February 2015. The department shares the house on Emmet St. with the LTBB Election Board, which has one office there.

The department's staff, consisting of Youth Services Coordinator Bernadece Boda, Youth Services Assistant Barry Bott and PEACE Grant Youth Outreach Assistant R.J. Smith, have upstairs offices at the house on Emmet St.; there is a kitchen, meeting room, craft room and computer lab with four computers on the main



floor; and two recreation rooms downstairs with a pool table and an air hockey table.

The department held an open house and registration days at its new location from March 10-12, 2015 where youth and parents could meet the department's staff, tour the new location and fill out required registration packets. The Required Youth Registration Packet and the Required Parent/Volunteers Registration Packet is available online at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/Youth-Services/YouthServices.html. All parents, youth and volunteers must complete a registration packet before participating in the department's activities. According to tribal law and for the safety of our youth, all individuals who come in regular contact with youth, including parents and volunteers, must submit to a background investigation. Everyone is encouraged to complete the volunteer packet. Having a record does not automatically disqualify you as a volunteer.

There is no cost to parents or youth to participate in the department's activities, however, they or someone in their family must serve as a volunteer for the department for 10 to 40 hours. The department works primarily with youth 6-18 years old, however, children younger than six years old can participate when accompanied by an adult. Youth can be LTBB, Natives of other tribes and descendants.

Boda started as the Youth Services Coordinator in late December 2014, and she has made some changes to the department and its activities. In addition to requiring all youth, parents and volunteers to complete registration packets, the staff is now CPR and First Aid certified and has received training in mandatory reporting from the LTBB

"Youth Services" continued on page 23.

## LTBB HOSTS THE 3RD STOP OF THE ENBRIDGE TAR SANDS RESISTANCE Tour in Harbor Springs, MI



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

More than 150 people filled the Commons Area of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, for the 3rd Stop of the Enbridge

April 16, 2015.

Oil companies such as Enbridge threaten the Midwest and Great Lakes region with dirty tar sands pipelines and toxic fracking infrastructure. From April 14-30, 2015, the Enbridge Tar Sands Resistance



across the Midwest. At each stop, community leaders speak about the threat Enbridge and tar sands poses to their communities; strategies are discussed and action plans are created. At the end of the tour, people will come together in Minneapolis, MN, for a mass action against the Alberta Clipper pipeline, which has already started transporting tar sands.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740

Return Service Requested

Tar Sands Resistance Tour, featuring special guest Winona LaDuke, on

Tour is traveling from Michigan to Minnesota to build the resistance Enbridge is one of the largest

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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 4-20-2015 = 4564

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## **ODAWA TRAILS**

#### Being Odawa is all about Freedom

**MAY 2015** 

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

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

The deadline for the June 2015 issue of Odawa Trails is May 4, 2015.

You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions

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support group for Fathers, Mothers, Sisters, Brothers and friends of a Loved One who is incarcerated. It's about time we empower ourselves

## Odawa Trails

## **May Elders Birthdays**

<u>May 1</u> George Pamp Sharon Sierzputowski Patricia Minor Elisabeth Kiogima Carol Gagnon

> <u>May 2</u> Joseph Petoskey

May 3 Philip Notari Alvin Degraff Mary Powell Robert Lasley Barry Laughlin Ardene Romer Luella Moore

May 4 Debra Godfrey Mary Keshick Laura Blumberg Jerry Stromske

## <u>May 5</u>

Theodore Dayson Veronica Lundin Joseph Petoskey, Sr. Valerie Biro Rochell Lang

<u>May 6</u>

Kathleen Shagonaby Dale Glazier Sara Kagabitang Millard Pliler Judith Black Feather Robin Martell Nancy Wanshon

<u>May 7</u> Brenda Ybarrondo Viola McNamara Shirley Firovich May 8 Reginald Dodge, Jr. Robert Parkey Mary Rivers Regina Warnke Anna Stead Donna Vanpelt Marie Deckrow

May 9 Ronald Willis, Sr. Barbara Dayson Charles Zehe David Weaver Debhra Robertson David Shananaquet

May 10 Kathleen Deane

May 11 William Noack Eric Hunting Catherine Anderson Bartholomew Gasco

<u>May 12</u> Katrina Woodworth Darrel Hardwick Stanley Kott Norman Leo Michael McKeown Kevin Willis

<u>May 13</u> Della Petoskey Laura Lonchar

<u>May 14</u> Patricia Johnson Shirley Chippewa Gloria Miller

May 15 Melvin Napont Marilyn Napont Elizabeth Jordan May 16 Geraldine Masse Eileen Dennis Angela Hayden

<u>May 17</u> James Weissgerber Timothy Petoskey Susan Allen John Bott, Sr. David Sky-Eagle Judith Sandoz

<u>May 18</u> Steven Potter Christine Miles Gregory Bernard Joseph Parkey

May 19 Mary Shananaquet

May 20 Elizabeth Johnson Wilfred Sharkey Marie Nowak Owen Smith, Sr.

<u>May 21</u> Thomas Antoine David Lacroix Lawrence Nadeau Donald Shomin, Jr. Daniel Portman Lawrence Skippergosh

> May 22 Desiree Martinez Lucile Rich Dorothy Boda Shirley Davenport Ruth McGraw

May 23 Diane Trafas Donna Newton Brenda Schoolcraft Cheryl Samuels Charles Sessions <u>May 24</u> Christine Shomin Mild<mark>red La</mark>Duke

May 25 Sheree Gamble Susie Searles

<u>May 26</u> Patricia Szewko

May 27 Gloria Chisholm Joyce McClellan John Keshick III Rose Silvey Gary Rieter George Honson III Peter Dayson Angela Friend Bernard Hunting Gregory Gasco

May 28 Dwain Walker Catherine Merryman Robert Ramage Robert Suhr Jennie Chamness

<u>May 29</u> Andrew Chingman, Sr.

<u>May 30</u> Janice Garbisch Jacquelyn Connelly Richard Massey Ramona Curtis

May 31 Cheryl Wafer Debra Smithkey-Browne Cynthia Schuyler Veronica Medicine Vernetta Wachsman

## **MAY 2015**

## LTBB TRIBAL DIRECTORIES

LTBB tribal directories are available for sale in the Enrollment Office. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled as of February 28, 2013, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

## Qualifications:

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

LTBB of Odawa Indians

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

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

## ATTENTION ALL RESIDENT TRIBAL MEMBERS (RTMs)

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

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## TAX AGREEMENT INFORMATION

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

The Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind the tribal membership about Resident Tribal Member Sales Tax Credit (Tribal Form 4013). It is to your benefit to be able to file for the maximum number of months for this credit.

In addition, being an RTM

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

Also, another important thing



a few items pertaining to the Tax Agreement.

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

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

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

It is YOUR responsibility to update your address on file with the Enrollment Department. This date will affect how many months you will be able to file the Annual will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt.

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

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

Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA), your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month.

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

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

http://tinyurl.com/ltbbtaxa-

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



Trading the way our ancestors did. Trade items, a skill or for services you need or have. Please keep in mind the Seven Grandfathers for bartering, and a deadline for completion. You are in charge and responsible for your decisions and barter.

Hosted by the LTBB Department of Commerce

## 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.

## **May 2015**

# Health Department

## ASINAABO

Submitted by the Mnozhiyaadaa (Let's Live Healthy) Department

Have you ever heard the story about asinaabo (stone soup)? Kaa????

Well, the story goes that there were three soldiers who were starving, and they traveled through a town knocking on every door they could, begging for a little food or a place to sleep.

Every door that they knocked on said that they had no food to spare. Nor did they have a place for them to lay their head. You see the townspeople were used to all soldiers begging for something, so they hid all the food they had and sent the soldiers on their way.

The soldiers went to the center of the town and said well, we will just have to make stone soup. The town's people were in disbelief and questioned the soldiers, but were very interested. So, they went to the center of town to watch. The soldiers asked for a big pot, and since they were interested, a person lent them a pot. Then, the soldiers placed a stone a piece in the pot with some water. The soldiers stood over



the pot and said this will be a great feast. The townspeople were hungry, too, so they went to look in the pot. Someone said I have carrots that would go great in that soup. Another said I have onions that would go great in that soup. Another said potatoes. Before you knew it, they had a huge pot of asinaabo (stone soup) that fed the entire village.

After the feast, people were laughing and full. They had quite the event in the center of town. Since the town's people were so impressed and thankful, they offered all three soldiers the best beds in town.

Moral of the story is if you come together with your community, your mind, body and soul will always be full.

The Mnozhiyaadaa (Let's Live Healthy) Department held an asinaabo (stone soup) event at the LTBB Community Building on March 24, 2015. Everyone just brought an item to place in the soup. We had steak, onions, potatoes, corn, peas, carrots, celery, green beans, tomatoes, noodles, fresh parsley, salt and pepper, and yes, everyone ... we had two stones in the soup as well. We also had side dishes which included bread and grapes. It was YUMMY!

This event consisted of bingo, prizes, an asinaabo feast and great friends. We also had speakers at the event who are employees at the Health Department and who talked about their offerings to the community. We had Regina Brubacker-Carver, our Community Health Educator, Mike Rogers, our SPRING Community Organizer, Diane Bott, our Healthy Heart Data Specialist, Charla Gordon, our dietician, and Billi Jo Head, our REACH Grant Coordinator.

Keep an eye out for our next invitation. Thank you for all who participated.

In the provided photos, Jim Naganashe is holding the asin for our "asinaabo stone soup."



## MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) Program



cardiovascular risk factors in all Native American members within the LTBB community with diabetes. We provide case management with individual and community-based heart healthy activities. We receive our funding through the Indian Health Service's Special Diabetes Program for American Indians and Alaskan Natives. Community members who need help in this area should come to the MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) office at

Laboratory measures: Blood sugars and A1C, kidney function tests, cholesterol levels, liver enzymes and hemoglobin testing.

Assessment of prescribed medications

Referrals for diabetic eye and dental exams (cost of exams are not covered under the program)

Medical nutrition therapy with registered dietician

Individual education and personalized goal planning and

## Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!

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

McLaren NORTHERN MICHIGAN **REGIONAL HOSPITAL** 6 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770 800-248-6777



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

When using Quick Care, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.

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

## 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!

#### Department of Commerce

#### **Resident Tribal Member Tax Information**

Cross Village (all) Friendship (all) Little Traverse (all) Resort (partial) Hayes (partial) City of Petoskey (all)

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Readmond (all) West Traverse (all) City of Harbor Springs (all) Bay (partial) Bear Creek (all)

City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan tax-

1. Sales Tax (currently 6% of retail price) via Form 4013 2. Use Tax (currently 6% of purchase price)

3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)

4. Michigan Business Tax (currently 4.95%)

5. \*Motor Fuel Tax (currently, 36.5 cents per gallon unleaded and 32.6 cents per gallon on diesel)

6. \*Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)

\* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.

\*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biin-digen (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.

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



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

•Are age 19-64 years

 Have income at or below 133% of the federal poverty level\* (\$16,000 for a single person or \$33,000 for a family of four)

• Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in Medicare • Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in other Medicaid programs Are not pregnant at the time of application Are residents of the State of Michigan

Submitted by the MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) Program

This program focuses on cardiovascular disease risk reduction with an aggressive care management approach in those who have been diagnosed with diabetes. This free program provides Native American patients with tools needed to reach diabetes management goals. The LTBB Health Clinic has designated diabetes care staff who is responsible for Healthy Heart participants and for putting on fun, creative activities for the participants and their families.

The goal of MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) is to reduce

the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, speak to a recruiter and sign up for services.

Who is eligible to participate in the Healthy Heart Program?

Native Americans

Must be 18 years of age or older

Patients with a current diagnosis of diabetes

What is included in the MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) **Program?** 

Initial and yearly physical exams

Electrocardiogram/ECG yearly (heart tracing)

Weight, height, waist circumference, blood pressure and pulse

baseline activity assessment with a nurse

• Incentives are in place for pledging to make small changes, participating in individual plans and reaching these goals. Group diabetes and heart

disease education

Smoking cessation service Who cannot participate in the MNO ODE (Healthy Heart) **Program?** 

Those who are currently pregnant

Those on dialysis for end state renal disease

Those with a cancer diagnosis, undergoing treatment Those who don't have a medical clearance

Courtesy graphic.

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

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

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP! We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions: (1) Name (2) Date of Birth (3) Branch of Service This information will be used by the Grants Department. Megwetch, Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

## **MAY 2015**

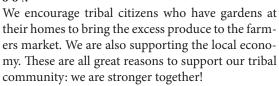
## Odawa Farners Market Coming Soon Submitted by the Health Department

We will be having a farmers market located at our very own Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, between the months of June and October respectfully.

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Vendors will be selling fruits, vegetables, Native art, homemade art items, homemade jams, homemade jellies and anything else homemade.

Our goal is to promote healthier eating habits by increasing access to fresh, locally grown produce.



For more information, please contact Billi Jo Head, REACH Grant Coordinator, at 231-242-1648 or by e-mail at bjhead@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

The photos of Ziibimijwang (Place of the Flowing River), the LTBB Odawa Farm, are by Theresa Keshick.



## MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND GET READY TO LACE UP YOUR WALKING SHOES! THE 2015 TRIBE TO TRIBE BLUES COMMUNITY CHALLENGE IS ALMOST HERE!



Submitted by Regina Brubacker-Carver, Health Educator

For the fourth time in as many years, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan is proud to present the Tribe to Tribe Blues Community Challenge! This year's program begins Sunday, May 3, 2015 and runs through Sunday, July 5, 2015.

The 2015 T2T competitive field is the largest ever with 10 tribal communities and one tribal health and wellness agency committed to the contest! The number of teams participating isn't the only thing which has increased; this year's total wellness grants offered are \$14,000!

Teams will once again use the Blues' Walking-Works <sup>™</sup> online tracking system to see which can log the most miles of physical activity during the course of the nine-week program. All teams completing the challenge will take home a wellness grant for their community with higher performing teams receiving larger shares of the total. One award will additionally be made to the team which locks in the highest

AVERAGE of miles per team member. All rankings and awards will be announced at the 28th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics on Friday, July 17, 2015 at Shepherd High School's track and field in Shepherd, MI.

NEW THIS YEAR: Two unique youth opportunities to get more involved! BCBSM is looking for interested youth to become "tribal wellness reporters" during the Tribe to Tribe Blues Community Challenge by staying in touch with social media and PR team members to share stories and pictures of health and wellness activities within their community. There will also be a fitness contest within the challenge for youth age 6-17, the Tribe to Tribe MI Kids Can Marathon! Interested youth will log the first 25.2 miles of a marathon on a paper log during the weeks of the T2T, then will run the final mile together at the Michigan Indian Family Olympics on July 17, 2015. All participants will be eligible for great wellness gift and prizes through the Blues, including sporting and music tickets, marathon (if applicable) shirts and marathon medals among other goodies. Contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Tribe to Tribe Blues Community Challenge interested participants can plan to sign-up on WalkingWorks <sup>™</sup> at www.walkingworks.com to join LTBB Mnozhiyaa (name of your team/tribe) beginning Wednesday, April 29, 2015.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Courtesy graphic.



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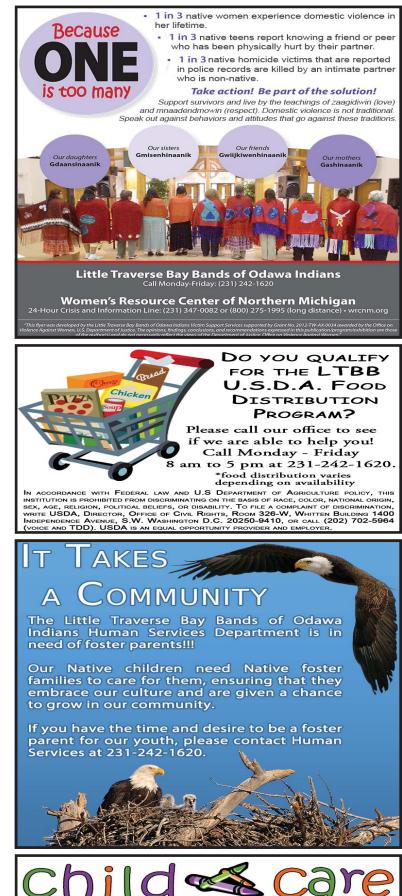
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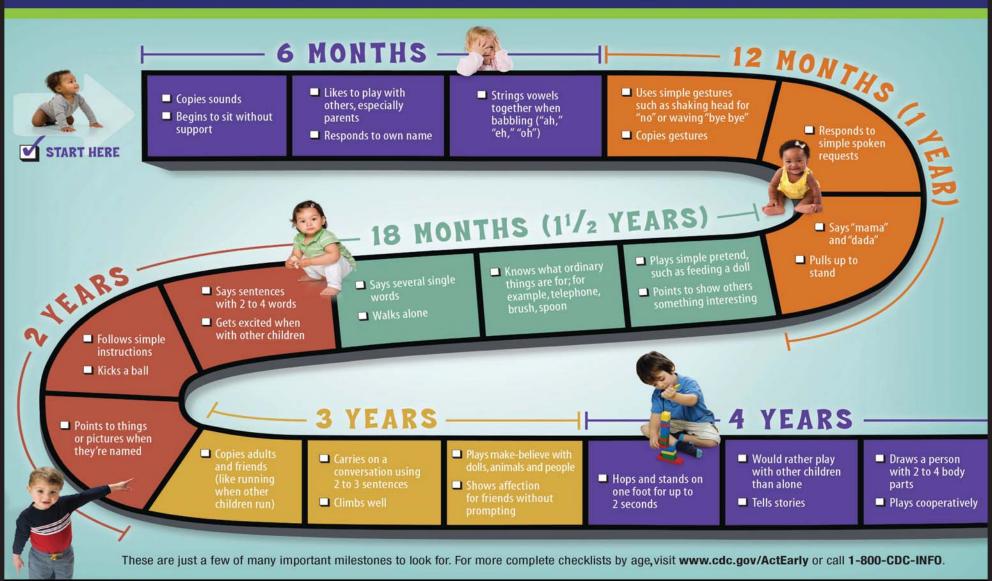
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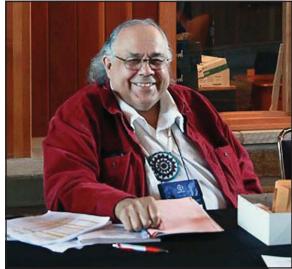
**GIJIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT** TRIBAL CONNUNITY NEMBERS SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES AT THE 21st Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Language Conference

Submitted by the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department

The 21st Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Language Conference was held March 26-29, 2015 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, with several LTBB community members in attendance.

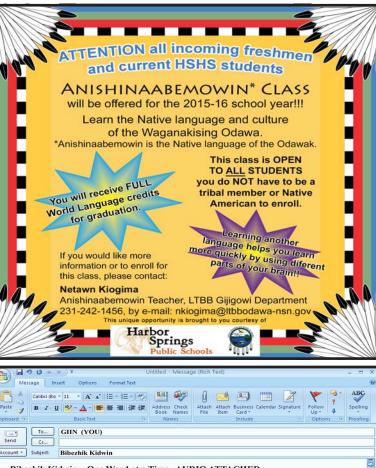
The LTBB Kikaajik Elders Department sponsored 20 elders to attend as well as staff members. The LTBB Youth Services Department sponsored youth to attend as well as two staff as chaperones. Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Department staff also attended the conference.

LTBB youth learned Anishinaabe language at workshops where they were taught games and songs and about Anishinaabe culture. They attended the "Moccasin Game" workshop and are excited to have Youth Services Department staff collaborate with Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department staff to bring the traditional moccasin game home to Odawa akiing (land). Our youth were motivated by college student groups who presented and facilitated workshops. They were inspired to create "Vines" of Anishinaabemowin. Vines are simple 30-second videos posted online on the Vines app, Facebook or YouTube. It was a great time for our youth, and we brought home a lot of ideas and skills for language



learning. Keep a look out for when the youth start making and posting the *Vines*!

Frank Ettawageshik, Ogima and former LTBB



Bibezhik Kidwin ~ One Word at a Time. AUDIO ATTACHED

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Chairperson, serves a three-year term on the Anishinaabemowin-Teg Board of Directors. Frank was one of the first people we saw when we arrived; he was volunteering at the banquet-ticket table. He was present when the sacred fire was lit, which is kept burning around the clock while the conference is going on. Frank, and his wife, Rochelle, participated in sunrise ceremonies each morning of the conference at 6 a.m., Kichi-Kizhep (early in the morning)! While Frank was busy working at the conference, Rochelle had time to attend workshops. She said she thoroughly enjoyed everything, and that it was a very good conference. She enjoys learning Anishinaabe teachings.

Many participants shared their experiences at A-Teg Language Conference:

"My experience at Anishinaabemowin-Teg Conference was fun. I met new people. I talked to my cousins and made new friends. In one of the meetings, I heard the story about Turtle Island. But, *"A-Teg" continued on page 8.*  LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department would like to add you to our Bibezhik Kidwin e-mail list. A word or phrase is sent each work day and includes mp3 audio, so you can hear the word sounded out. Just another little tool to learn and practice Anishinaabe Language! To be added to the list, e-mail Carla Osawamick at cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov





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the best part about being there was helping others and learning new stories I can tell my friends at school in Alba, MI. Chi Miigwetch." Autumn Naganashe.

"It was a good conference. Great! It was fun. You got tired because they were long days, but it was worth it. I can't wait for next year to come around again, to go again. It's so nice to hear the language the way I used to hear it when I was a kid. And, all my relatives that spoke it then, you know that's what it sounded like up there. There was a lot of Canadians up there. I ran into people I've known for 60-65 years, a kind of reunion. Our language is complex and beautiful. So complex and so beautiful, you can't describe it. Then to hear it, continuously, that was just so good. And, to look out around and see our group, there were quite a few of us, see all those brown tones out there, it was just so much fun. You knew you were home, you were home then. I think my favorite workshop was Ernie Sandy's 'Common Phrases' because he threw in a lot of humor with it. And, good food, there was a lot of good food." George Pamp.

"The people there are very, very friendly. They want to help. There were many elders who were able to go, but there were still more who weren't able to go, but wanted to. Very enlightening. I found out different ways to say things, just a bit different from



local jargon. It was a very good exchange. My favorite workshop was about the Seven Grandfathers and Seven Grandmothers. I got to participate by being 'Waabooz' Will Morin and his co-presenter, Chris Pheasant, were very animated presenters. I was comparing them to Laurel and Hardy. The one guy is very vocal, energetic and boisterous, and the other guy is kind of laid-back." Joe Mitchell.

"I was grateful to be able to attend the A-Teg Conference after missing the last five years. The part I loved the best was interacting with former teachers, other fluent speakers and elders. The conversations between workshops were always as entertaining and informative as the workshops. During conversations with some of the elder participants, I understood how important our language is. The language was part of their life, their memories. And, part of their parents, aunts, uncles and grandparents' lives. I even saw my relatives in them as they spoke with me. Maybe it was a sense of pride that Anishinaabemowin has given them, and it's that pride that I recognized. Going to this conference has reignited my desire to learn Anishinaabemowin ... for myself, my kids, my relatives and my community." Gwen Gasco.

"The traditional teachings open up the door for further learning for me. It makes me feel like I see the language through my ancestors' eyes when I hear those stories. It's almost like I can see them walking around in the room when our language is being spoken and I'm listening. All those people, and teachers that hold the wisdom and knowledge, it is good. It helps me when they teach where the words come from and why they created the word in the first place. Talking about what those things were doing as they saw them way back, as they perceived the earth. I heard a very good traditional flute player, and Stanley Peltier teaching about the spirituality of the words and about the eighth fire. I really appreciate the opportunity to go." Michael Smith. "The conference was very good, I liked it, but it was a lot of walking around from workshop to workshop. I really enjoyed the bead working workshop. I made peyote stitch for the first time; I've never done that before. I liked the Seven Grandmothers and Seven Grandfathers presentation because they had everyone participating I was a pichi (robin). When I told the presenter my name was 'Beth,' he gave me a nice bow, bowed down to me. The Diabetes workshop was really good. The presenter used the medicine wheel to teach about diabetes health,

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they incorporated Anishinaabe language and cultural teachings with it. The food at the breakfasts were very good." Beth Kiogima.

"One of my favorite workshops was by Gordon Waindubence on 'Anishinaabe Teachings.' He used both languages; it was clear and easy to understand. He did a good job. I learned a lot, but it also raised more questions to me about wanting to know more about it. There are many similarities in different teachings from different lodges, like how the clans are represented. Such as how the Nokomis, Grandmother, is the first position there, at the beginning. Nokomis takes care of us and makes us feel welcome. I liked Rita Sands and Edwin Taylor's workshop a lot. They sang many different types of songs, used some old words." Thomas Teuthorn.

"I was very impressed with the Bemidji State University students' presentation due to the fact that they opted to do research on language loss and how language was regained. I was impressed with what their group was doing to promote language at the university and individually at home. They are collecting data using evidence-based practices and putting it into formats that are recognizable to funders and foundations. I connected with Will Morin, who is interested in meeting with me and sharing stories. I liked other people hearing that language. I was dancing there at the pow wow, and I won a blanket in the 'spot' dance. The emcee asked my name and age, I talked to him in Anishinaabe-



mowin. I really liked the music and learning the syllable-vowel song. I remember my grandfather was teaching my Uncle Gordon those sounds. I'd like to see us have a small conference here, our own people could be the presenters, for our community. I asked the elders who attended to write a short report on a form about the conference." Arlene Naganashe.

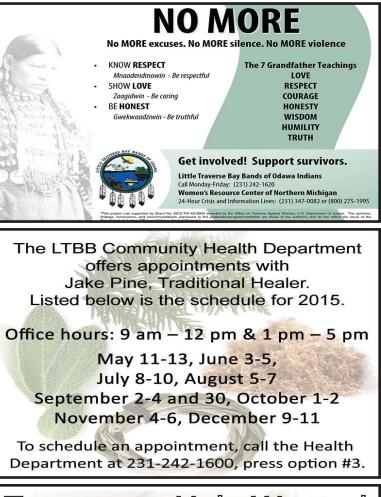
"The workshops I enjoyed the most were 'Our Sound Through Songs' and 'Learning Anishinaabemowin Through Hands-On.' It was fun because we were very engaged and participated. The conference was well attended by numerous Canadian and Michigan Nishnaabe. The workshops were well attended and crowded at times. The 'Traditional Indigenous Foods' workshop was very educational. 'Your stomach is as big as your fist.' I think of that now when I sit down to eat. Nishnaabe used to be very active, to survive. We need to eat healthy and be more active again. At breakfast, I heard a conversation between two men from Canada. I don't know what they said, but it sure sounded so good! I went to the ladies room, and a lady started talking to me in the language. I smiled and nodded. I don't know what she said. Someday, I would like to be able to understand and converse - I want to continue to be an active learner of Anishinaabemowin." Jane Martell. "What was so neat about the conference was to hear so many people speaking the language fluently. It was such a good feeling. The other thing that was The LTBB Victim Advocate administers Victim 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 Victim Support Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm

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

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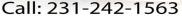
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LTBB has received a grant through the Administration for Native Americans. This grant allows our Tribal Citizens to live-stream Tribal Council Committee Meetings. You can join the Tribal Council Committees by logging in as a "guest" at:

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

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Gaming Authority http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/GamingAuthority/

Legal and Legislative Committee http://connect.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/LLCMeeting/

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

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

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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nice was that more and more of our younger people are getting so conversational in the language, it's just great to hear that. Some teenagers and some younger children like eight or nine year olds, and they're conversational and comfortable with it." John Gasco.

"As a language instructor and forever language learner and activist, I was quite pleased to see so many LTBB Odawak there! Ndo-bazgim, RJ, pointed out that every workshop he went to there was an LTBB Odawa person represented! I then realized that I saw LTBB in every workshop, too. Every age from our youth to elders, how wonderful is that, what a reawakening! Now, I hope we can bring those awesome feelings home to unite and support Anishinaabemowin as a community. My favorite workshop was the teachings from Gordon Waindubence, his workshop was in a ceremony format and taught us skills of listening, patience and focus; skills that I sometimes need to be reminded of, miigwech!" Netawn Kiogima, LTBB Gijigowi Language Department.

"We enjoyed the speakers who taught the vowel system with songs. He wasn't fluent either, but he taught us how he learned. The stage was full of lit-



tle children, all those kids, they spoke the language better than I do. It was good. Everyone was really friendly up there. There was so much, I'm not sure where to start. It was all very interesting. You didn't know which workshop to go to because there were so many to pick from. Most were in both Native and English, they usually translated. There were many craft tables, and they were very reasonably priced. I must add that John Gasco did a really fine job of picking up all of the elders and taking care of everybody. He did an excellent job. All in all, it was a very good conference." Ken Martell.

"I'm so grateful to attend A-Teg not only for the workshops, but also spending time with fluent speakers. My favorite workshop was Aanind Gete Anishinaabe Kidwinan (Some old Anishinaabe words and phrases) by Ernie Sandy. I understood when he would change a word just a little to mean something totally different. People laughed, and I understood why. That in itself is a huge accomplishment for me." Dollie Keway.

"I really enjoyed the conference. I got so much out of it, and it encourages me to keep practicing. We spent the evening before the conference, going through the agenda and conference book and planning out which workshops we would go to - first and second choice. There was so much to choose from, and they were all good. It was our first time going and we would truly like to go back next year." Carol Kiogima.

"I thought the workshop "Seven Grandmothers

now, I feel so excited to go to the next class. Even if I make mistakes, the elders and teachers help me." Tammy Okuly-Shananaquet.

"I enjoyed seeing good friends and family. The laughter made my side hurt at times. I learned about older terms of Anishinaabemowin as it relates to my work with natural fiber weaving. A kiweziinh, elder



man, was very interested in the bulrush mat I was making. After watching and visiting for a while, he picked up a piece of the fiber. He made it into a little jiimaan, only about three inches long. He taught us how we Anishnaabe used to do this spring ceremony. We would place semaa miinwaa odemin (tobacco and a strawberry) on the little jiimaan. Then, we release the jiimaanenhs (little canoe) into the water from the icy shore of the lake." Renee "Wasson" Dillard.

"I really enjoyed the energy Will Morin puts into his presentations. The students from Georgian College, I believe, have a really good idea teaching language through online vines. Chi Miigwetch." Mike Naganashe.

"I really enjoy going to the A-Teg Conference each year. The different presenters bring excitement, and a diverse view on their chosen topic. My favorite topic is the Seven Grandfather Teachings; I stop in to see Will's presentation every time he's there. I see old friends, LTBB tribal members and tribal members from other tribes, and I always make new friends each year. This year, I met a lady named Eleni from Greece; she is on a journey to Arizona to the Rainbow Tribe. Eleni is in search of knowledge of the 8th Fire. I love learning, and listening to the language. I was very impressed with Mike Naganashe's daughter, Autumn Marie Naganashe. There was quite a mess left in the restroom when youth were painting, and she stayed behind to clean it up. She has high standards and is a good example of how we should get involved away from home. Chi-miigwech to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Elders Department for the opportunity to attend A-Teg. I would like to say Chi-miigwech for all the hard work to everyone who made this conference a success." Joan Jacobs.

"Attending the annual A-teg Language Conference is always exciting and something that I look forward to. It's an opportunity to catch up with my teachers and meet new people. There are so many approaches and philosophies about second language acquisition. I don't grasp onto any single one, but pull out the best parts of each of them. I like that there is such a variety of presenters and workshop titles. I always learn more about our language



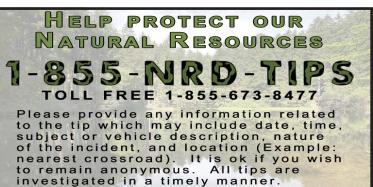


and Seven Grandfathers" was awesome. I went with a few elders and now, we're planning on using what we learned to do story interactions with the Head Start children when they come; connecting the elders with the young ones. The elders light up hearing the children talk the language because it's the future, and the language is not gone. How is it going to be 10 years from now, and you're seeing the future in our little people, and that is just so awesome. Stanlev Peltier's workshop taught about the meanings behind the words, with our language being so much more than just words. Simple translations somewhat diminish meanings in Anishinaabemowin. It had a personal impact on me, a light bulb went off, and it connected. I'm inspired to know more. I could sit and listen to him all day long; in his teaching, the language came alive. It was a difference of really understanding something versus memorizing it. It was an 'a-haa!' moment for me. When I first went to immersion, I was totally overwhelmed, asking myself, 'What am I doing here?' Initially, I was intimidated,

and pick up new ideas. I'm rejuvenated by being with so many Anishinaabemowin Ogichiidaawok, language warriors. Many Anishinaabe are out there working in programs, for tribes and schools - teaching, researching, planning, creating curriculum and sharing resources. My confidence in revitalization efforts is reaffirmed, and I especially love to see the children and teenagers who are involved and interested. Our Anishinaabe culture, ways of life and our language are intertwined. Learning them gives us understanding, connections, and is one of the best medicines for healing and strengthening of our communities." Carla Osawamick. 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?



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Some Anishinaabemowin Phrases learned from Ernie Sandy's Presentation at Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference:							
Weweni go giiwnaadizi!	We we ni go giiw naa di zi	She/He is absolutely crazy!					
Bipskaabiin go miinwaa.	Bip skaa biin go miin waa	Come back again.					
Aaniish pii waazhiwebak?	Aa niish pii waa zhi we bak	When is it going to happen?					
Wewenaabii oodi ziibiing.	We we naa bii oo di zii biing	She/He is fishing with a rod at the river.					
Aabewenmishin.	Aa be wen mi shin	Forgive me.					
Ngii'aabowenmaak.	N gii aa bo wen maak	I forgave them.					
Ngiinoondawaak biwedamwaad nimkiik.	N gii noon da waak bi we dam waad nim kiik	I heard the thunders coming.					
Giijaanmenmin.	Gii jaan men min	I was worried about you.					
Baagaade.	Baa gaa de	She/He has a swollen leg					
Kii'aanpinaa na binoojiinhs?	Kii aan pi naa na bi noo jiinhs	Did you change the baby's diaper?					
Gegwa wiikaa bigiiweke.	Ge gwa wii kaa bi gii we ke	Don't come home late.					
Gibe-shkwaanaakwek giiwiiskinezi.	Gi be shkwaa naa kwek gii wii ski ne zi	She/He was in pain all afternoon.					
Mishoomsan giipenmandowaan kwezenhs.	Mi shoom san gii pen man do waan kwe zenhs	The girl depended on her grandfather.					
Oodenaang giiwaabjigaaswok.	Oo de naang gii waab ji gaas wok	They were seen in town.					
Ngii'aaptoojiinaa.	N gii aap too jii naa	I gave her/him a hug.					
Aambe wiidigedaa.	Aa mbe wii di ge daa	Let's get married.					
Gibeyiing giimkwenmin.	Gi be yiing giim kwe n min	I thought about you for a long time.					
Pii biwaaseyaak ngiishkwaz.	Pii bi waa se yaak n gii shkwaz	I woke up when the sun came up.					
Manjigo pii daamaajiigimiwan.	Man ji go pii daa maa jii gi mi wan	It could start raining any time.					
Giimookiitaak.	Gii moo kii taak	She/he snuck up on me.					

## Important Announcement!

The Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department continues to offer Anishinaabemowin language classes at Harbor Springs High School each year during Trimester 1 and Trimester 2. Classes begin again in September 2015. Register now for Fall 2015!



## PLEASE NOTE:

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

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





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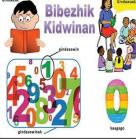




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## **EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** New Edition to the Education Department Meet Stacey Nongueskwa-Lopez, WIA Grant Coordinator



Submitted by the **Education Department** 

The Education Department recently added Stacey Nongueskwa–Lopez, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, to its staff. She is the daughter of Susan (Yerdern) and Richard Nongueskwa and younger sister to Jennifer Nongueskwa. Stacey is the wife to Victor Lopez, mother of Leo Nongueskwa–Lopez and stepmother to Jordan Lopez. You may recognize her from her previous position with the Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, at the Waas No De' Buffet restaurant.

As the WIA Outreach Worker, Stacey is providing support and resources for training and other barriers which might be in your way of finding employment. In July, the Workforce Investment Act will be replaced by the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act. The funding for this program is provided by the Department of Labor and was acquired by LTBB in July 2014. It is a two-year grant which helps LTBB Tribal Citizens, Native Americans, Alaskan Native and Hawaiian Natives. LTBB serves all federally recognized tribes as well as the Burt Lake Band and first generation descendants of LTBB. We will serve any LTBB Tribal Citizen or first generation descendent no matter where they live. Stacey and LTBB Education are dedicated to helping unemployed or underemployed indigenous people find employment and to obtain the skills to get there.

This grant serves the following counties: Emmet, Cheboygan, Presque Isle, Alpena, Otsego, Montmorency, Kalkaska, Crawford, Oscoda, Alcona, Wexford, Missaukee, Roscommon, Ogemaw, Iosco, Mason, Lake, Osceola, Clare, Gladwin, Arenac, Oceana, Newaygo, Mecosta, Isabella, Midland and Bay.

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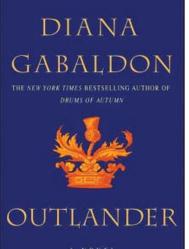
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## Milgwech to Amanda Swiss For participating in LTBB Cultural Library's March B.Y.O.B. (Bring in Your Own Book) Campaign



Amanda's Favorite Author is Diana Gabaldon.

Gabaldon's Outlander won the Romance Writers of America's RITA Award for Best Romance of 1991. In 2007, Lord



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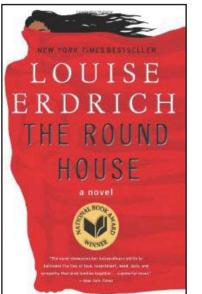
John and the Brotherhood of the Blade debuted at #1 on The New York Times Hardcover Fiction Best Seller List.

Amanda's favorite book series by Gabaldon is her Outlander series and it consists of:

The Outlander series focuses on 20th-century nurse Claire Randall, who time travels to 18th-century Scotland and finds adventure and romance with the dashing James Fraser. Set in Scotland, France, the West Indies, England and North America, the novels merge multiple genres, featuring elements of historical fiction, romance, mystery, adventure and science fiction/fantasy. > Outlander (1991)

- Dragonfly in Amber (1992)
- ➢ Voyager (1993)
- > Drums of Autumn (1996)
- The Fiery Cross (2001)
- A Breath of Snow and Ashes (2005)
- ➢ An Echo in the Bone (2009)
- Written in My Own Heart's
- Blood (2014)

If you like books by Diana



Gabaldon, you might like books by Louis Erdrich!

Please check out the many books we have on our E- Library at: http://tinyurl.com/ ltbbgldl

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Once again, miigwech Amanda.

The LTBB Cultural Library Staff



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## Milgwech to Benjamin Yoder for Participating in the LTBB Cultural Library's February Storytelling Campaign

The following story was written by LTBB Tribal Citizen Benjamin Yoder (Shkinwe Mko is his Anishinaabemowin name; it means New Bear). Benjamin has been incarcerated for the past seven years. However, he is hopeful and doesn't let it define his future. He has been taking college classes for the past four years and has developed a strong passion for writing. He has written other things, but really wanted to share this story with the tribal community. Benjamin's career goal is to become a Substance Abuse Counselor.

Chi Miigwech Benjamin for sharing your story with us and participating in our February Storytelling Campaign.

The LTBB Cultural Library Staff

A Demonic Alliance By Benjamin Yoder, LTBB Tribal Citizen Cast of Characters

He – Author

Forest – Negative Mind Frame The Others – Pain, Rage, Resentment, Hate Twins – Al = Alcohol, Dru = Drugs Quicksand – Prison Cedar Tree – Hope Sunlight – Realization Path – The Way Out The Clearing – Positive Mind Frame

He awoke all alone in the midst of a dark forest. His skin was cold and clammy. He wore no shirt, shoes or socks and only a pair of ragged jeans covered his lower half. He was clueless as to where he was, how he got there or where he was headed. Nevertheless, he began to walk in hopes of finding the *"Storytelling" continued on page 12.*  Own a Business? Starting a Business? Need Money? We're Lending!!! Northern Shores Certified Native CDFT Call US!

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### *"Storytelling" continued from page 11.* clearing.

During his journey, he encountered numerous obstacles. He was attacked by vicious demons and harassed by evil spirits that casted bad medicine, illusions and mental anguish upon him. He thought about fighting back, but his adversaries were very powerful. He himself was a strong warrior, but he thought that a man alone would be no match for an evil war party.

When he came to believe that he was incapable of fighting these evil forces, he attempted to retreat. He ran for hours at a time, stopping only for a quick wink of sleep from time to time. Sadly, no matter how far he ran, the others would find him and continue their attacks. Moreover, the darkness was everlasting, so he never knew they were coming until claws were tearing the flesh from his skull and digging into his brain. Giving up was not a realistic option as they always left him alive ... barely. For death was not their intent, they preferred to make him suffer.

One day as he lay battered, bloody and hopeless against the bitter forest floor, he was approached by a pair of twin demons. They were the first things he'd been able to see during his time in the forest as the outlines of the two glowed like neon lights though the rest of their bodies were as dark as the nightmare they inhabited. As he braced for yet another attack, he was surprised by four outstretched arms lifting him to his feet.

"My name is Al," remarked demon number one. "My brother Dru and I have come to offer you our protection."

"How could only the two of you protect me from the plethora of evil in this forest?" he asked the twins. "There are swarms of them, and it's too dark to see them, let alone fight them."

"We are more powerful than any demon in this forest," remarked Dru. "The others want no part of my brother and I, and if you'll accept our offer, it will be as if they do not exist."

"What good will that do me if I'm still trapped in this miserable forest?" he asked. "Furthermore, you're demons just like them! Why would you help a man such as myself? Tell me, what are you to gain from your offer?"

"We only ask one thing in return for our assistance," replied the twins. "Just promise that you'll keep us by your side no matter what. That's it. You do that, and we'll guarantee your safety as well as an eventual departure from this forest."

"I don't know," he replied. "What sort of trouble am I asking for by befriending twin demons? Why should I believe you?"

"What can be worse than the torture the others have put you through? We're offering our help. If it's not appreciated than we'll leave you to the others. Take it or leave it!"

"Okay, okay, I'm sorry," he replied. "I didn't mean to seem ungrateful. You have my word. I'll keep you with me and call upon you whenever the others attack."

"Then, we have a deal," replied the twins. "Let us walk the forest."

So, Al and Dru led him around the forest for what seemed like an eternity. He was glad to be protected from the others, but as time went on, he began to suspect the twins were as evil as they. He wanted to find a way out of the forest and back to his family, but it seemed as if the twins were leading him in the opposite direction. For every time he felt a clearing or heard the calls from his family, the

As he stood there in the void, he came to realize that Al and Dru were exactly what he suspected. They were tricksters. There would be no light, and the place he stood was indeed not the clearing. All of these thoughts were validated the second he tried to move, only to discover, he'd sunk to his waist in quicksand.

"Help," he exclaimed. "Al, Dru, pull me out of here ... PLEASE!"

"Sorry," they chuckled in unison. "We never agreed to protect you from the elements, only the others."

As he stared daggers up toward the outlines of the twins, evil neon grins blazed a trail across each of their jawlines.

"To h--- with the both of you," he shouted as he reached out to grab the branch of a glowing cedar tree. "Go on now! Get away from me, I don't need you!"

"Now, now," the twins replied in unison. "If we leave you here, the others will surely tear you apart, and you'll be most defenseless buried up to your waist in quicksand."

"I'd rather face the others than spend another minute with you phonies!" he replied. "I'll fight them on my own, and I'll keep fighting until I find the clearing myself. You are nothing to me! You are fake! Poison! Go on, be gone! Stay gone! GRRR-RAAAAHHHH!!!"

As he began to pull himself from the muck, he belted out a mighty growl; a deep, but musical growl, so loud that it shook the forest, knocking trees to the ground in every direction. His booming howl echoed and carried through the trees for what seemed like an eternity; a war cry ever long.

He ripped himself from the muck, leapt to his feet, and began to charge the twins in a vicious and unyielding frenzy of wild rage. As he neared the glowing outlines, tiny slivers of light began to slash through the tree tops. As the beams crashed against the twins, they instantaneously burst into smoke like hot coals doused with water.

When he realized the twins were gone, he knew the others would come after him. He put his head down and began to run with all his might toward the sunlight that sneaked through the trees. But, suddenly, he stopped running, lifted his head and clenched his fists.

"No," he said to himself. "No more running. I said I would fight, and that's what I'm going to do."

He looked down to his left hand and noticed he'd been holding a stalk of cedar from the glowing tree. He clenched the medicine tight in his hand and lifted it toward the sky.

"Creator, I need you!" he replied. "Please ... give me the strength to fight these demons and to stick it out at any cost. I don't want to be a quitter. I want to be a winner, but I can't do it without you. Please ... Guide me!"

He placed the cedar back to the earth and began to walk confidently toward the light, and the beams grew stronger with each step he took. As he looked ahead on his newfound path, he noticed that the others were rapidly approaching, but through the beams of light, he could see the demons for what they really were. His fear was gone, and for the first time since he awoke in the forest, he felt as if he were in total control.

"I see you now," he roared at the others. "I'm not afraid of you anymore! You're just an illusion! You are too weak, and I am too strong! Come on, bring it on!"

He lunged toward the war party of evil with

## LTBB GOVERNMENTAL

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The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide assistance for the following:

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- Real Estate
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- Procedural Probate Advice
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twins would convince him to go a different way.

As time dragged along, the night got darker and the forest got thicker. As the climate got progressively worse, he became increasingly frustrated with the twins. They were leading him deeper into the forest, and he could no longer hear the calls from his family.

"Am I ever going to get out of here?" he roared at the twins. "All we've been doing is running in circles!"

"Just trust us," replied the twins in unison. "You said you'd take our advice, so come on. It won't be long now."

As he felt his way through the forest, he arrived at a spot that was void of trees.

"Is this the clearing?" he thought to himself. But, the air was still pitch black.

"Why is there no light?" he demanded. "Is this the clearing or not?"

"Um ... just stay put for a while," replied the twins. "The light may come yet."

a killer instinct. Before he knew it, he was trading blows with some of the forest's most powerful demons. With every punch he threw, and every hit he took, the once tiny slivers of light began to explode into blinding infernos. As the militant beams crashed against the army of evil, they began to fall one by one. Soon after, they each burst into flames, burned to ashes and were spread through the air by the unforgiving winds of the cold, dark forest. The others were gone.

Thought battered and painted with the blood stains of battle, he continued on his path with his head held high. He looked up ahead on his path, and he could see the clearing; a luminous plot of serenity. After he reached the clearing, he began to rest and to allow his road to recovery to commence. He looked much further ahead on his path, there were his parents, his siblings, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews; his whole family were smiling and waiting. Again, he looked to the sky: "Thank you Creator, I am almost home."



## **Interested in working for LTBB?**

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- E-mail: hr@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
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Questions? Please contact the Human Resources Department at 231-242-1563.

#### **MAY 2015 ODAWA TRAILS** LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY PRESENTS MAY AS LOUISE ERDRICH



Louise Erdrich, author of the novels "Love Medicine" and "The Round House," will receive the Library of Congress Prize for American Fiction this year.

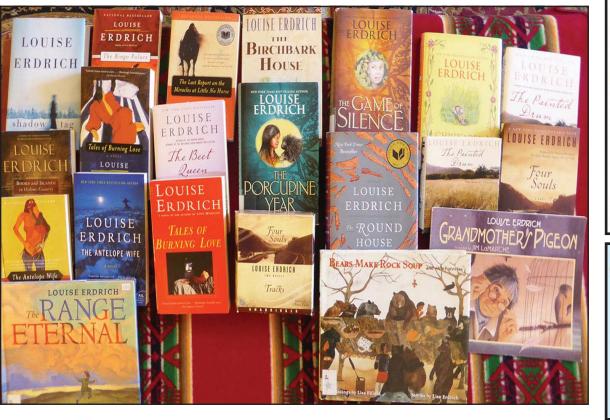
The prize, which will be awarded during the National Book Festival on September 5, 2015, is given to writers with "unique, enduring voices" whose work addresses the American experience. Past winners include John Grisham, Toni Morrison and E.L. Doctorow

Ms. Erdrich was born in Little Falls, MN, in 1954, to a German-American father and a mother, who is half Ojibwe. In a career which covers more than three decades, she has written 14 novels as well as poetry, children's books, short stories and non-fiction.

Ms. Erdrich, a member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa, said she never set out to write about the American experience or her own mixed heritage, and simply aimed to write compelling stories.

These are just a few of the Louise Erdrich books we carry in the LTBB Cultural Library. Please stop in and check out some of these great titles or any of the other great titles and authors we have to offer. You can also check out our E Library at: www.gldl. lib.overdrive.com or follow the link below.

http://tinyurl.com/ltbbgldl www.gldl.lib.overdrive.com We look forward to seeing you! Miigwech, Library Staff



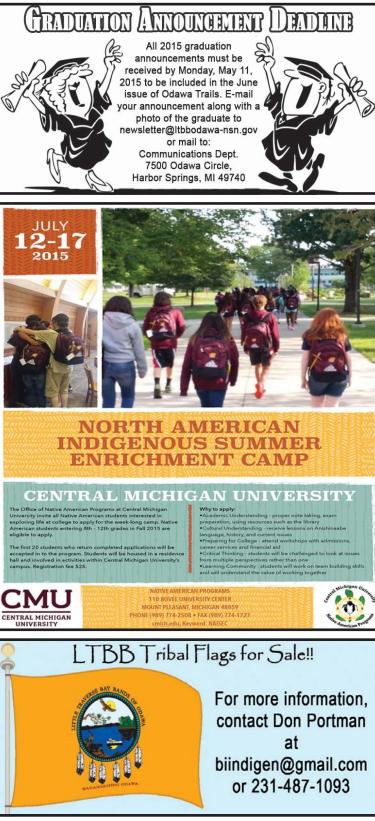
## Executive Branch FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE



The first few months of the year have been very productive

new Archives and Records facility. The tribe will have a place to house and preserve its artifacts under one roof. This will allow us to document, categorize and carefully preserve our collections. This is a significant step forward for the tribe and our tribal people. The Archives facility will be a place where we can honor our past and look to the future. It is a place where we can tell our story and pay respect to those who have walked before us. We are updating the Substance Abuse Program and its billing

citizens with a variety of resources and presentations. The departments will have booths set up from 8 a.m, until noon. We are currently looking for volunteers and assistance for the Sovereignty Day Celebration and the Traditional Pow Wow. Both events happen in September, 2015 so please contact our office if you are interested, and we will pass your information along to the committees. 2016 Budget **Priorities** The Executive staff continues to meet with Tribal Council to hold the 2016 budget priorities discussion. During the next couple months, Tribal Council will continue this process and develop its list of priorities. Throughout the budgeting process, Tribal Council works closely with tribal governmental staff to identify priorities for the upcoming year. If there is something you wish to see budgeted for in 2016, please submit your priority in writing to Tribal Council for consideration. Through good communication, accountability and transparency, I believe we can meet and exceed the expectations of our membership while providing our members with essential services and quality care.



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NRD YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS (YCC) PROGRAM-2015

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

- Goals
- Provide youth summer employment.
   Foster an interest in science and math.
- Foster an interest in pursuing higher education related to a natural resource/environmental field.

- 4) Complete actual on the ground projects.5) Instill a good work ethic and self-confidence in participating youth.6) Assist the NRD in achieving Strategic Plan goals and objectives.

Parents, do you have a youth who is interested? Join us at our Youth Conservation Corps Informational Meeting on May 13, 2015 at 6pm in the LTBB Governmental Commons Area

Applications for Youth Conservation Corps Workers will be accepted from April 24, 2015 - May 15, 2015

and have been filled with a lot of accomplishments. Our staff has worked diligently to keep us at or under budget and have met the challenges of their jobs every step of the way.

Our Youth Services Department continues to flourish. It had a record number of attendees with 36 registered youth. The boys youth drum made its debut at the LTBB Head Start Children's Pow Wow on April 11, 2015, and our office has received many comments on how well they did. As we work through 2015, we continue to work toward meeting the needs of our membership and working to promote greater tribal sovereignty.

We continue planning the

capabilities. We want to offer more services and meet the needs of our clients.

partnership with Our North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI, is moving along, working to establish vocational education opportunities in Northern Michigan. We are currently reviewing welding, automotive and machinist fields of work. Upcoming Events

This year, Emily Proctor was once again selected as the general membership speaker for the LTBB Annual Community Meeting. The meeting is May 2, 2015 at Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI. Doors open at 8 a.m. The meeting provides





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Rebecca Fisher	Active	02/22/2015	February 21, 2021	02-09
Beatrice A Law	Active	05/11/2009	May 11, 2015	04-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	06/07/2011	June 07, 2017	05-09
Kathryn L McGraw	Active	04/02/2013	April 2, 2019	06-09
Gwendolyn Gasco	Active	07/02/2013	July 2, 2019	08-09
Yvonne E Brown	Active	03/25/2014	March 24, 2020	09-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	02/22/2015	February 22, 2021	10-09

## **MAY 2015**

# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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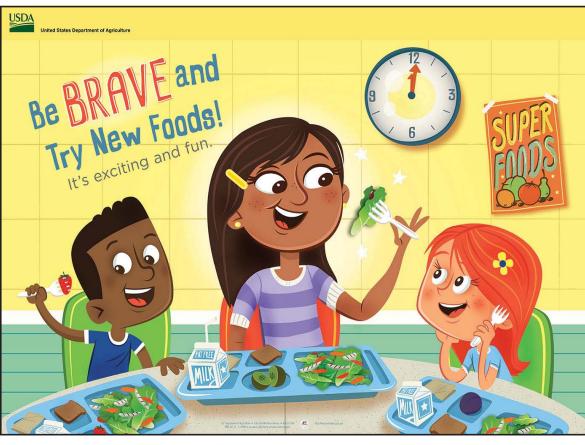
Local Deliveries: Petoskey, Harbor Springs, Pellston, Levering, Cheboygan, Indian River and Onaway - 19th Bay Shore, Charlevoix, East Jordan and Gaylord - 20th

Peshawbestown - 27th and 28th

Traverse City - 29th

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



# NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

## CALL FOR ARTISTS - POSTER DESIGN CONTEST

"Nibiish Naagdowen" [N biish Naag do wen] the Care of the Water

THEME: Show us how you interpret Nibiish Naagdowen through submitting a poster design!

DEADLINE: Must be received by the Water Quality Protection Work Group by June 12, 2015.

Open to tribal citizens of any federally recognized tribe in the U.S. You must provide or fill out a W-9 form to LTBB.

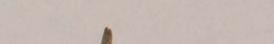
There will be an honorarium of \$200 for the winner.

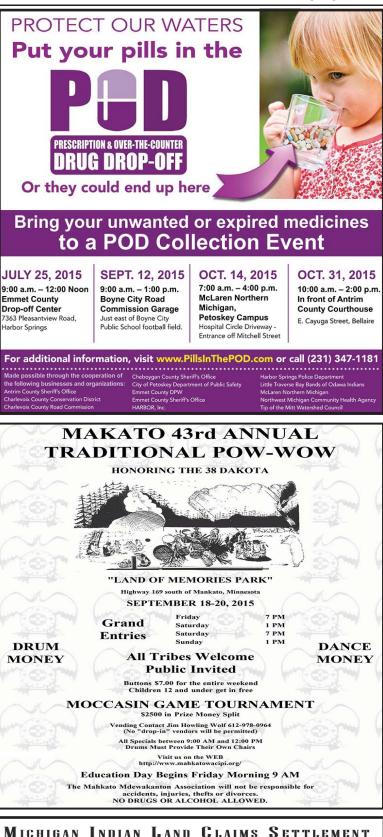
All poster drawings can be submitted to the Environmental Services Program (ESP) at the LTBB Governmental Center. ESP is located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI, in the main governmental building upstairs, Suite 205, or you may leave your submission at the front desk for Kira Davis, Water Quality Specialist, within the ESP. The poster drawing can also be e-mailed if possible to kdavis@ ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. The drawing can be done using any materials that can be copied to print as a poster. The drawing, painting, etc. should fit to a medium sized poster 18" X 24." There will be one winning design with the winner receiving this clay bowl with copper detail, made especially with this theme of Nibiish Naagdowen in mind. This work of art comes from the Calumet Art Center. Your work will also be featured on this poster to be given to LTBB Tribal Citizens who complete a water quality survey. This survey will go to all of LTBB head of households. If your poster design is selected, it becomes the sole property of the LTBB Water Quality Protection Work Group and may be used by the group during the period that the work group is active. By submitting a poster design and participating, each artist

confirms the design submitted is his or her original work and does not infringe on any copyright. Each artist agrees in return for the opportunity to participate in this call for artists, LTBB shall have the right, without further payment, to use the design for the Great Lakes Policy Program and for the Water Quality Regulatory Enhancement Project.

By submitting a design, each artist forever waives any royalty or other payment for the use of the design.

For more information, please contact Kira Davis at kdavis@lttbodawa-nsn.gov.





#### Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement **CERTIFICATE REDEMPTION UPDATE** Submitted by the Trust Fund Board

It has been more than a decade since the original Michigan Indian Land

It has been more than a decade since the original Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement certificates were issued. All adults have been paid or they have deferred payment to a later date, however, tribal children who were enrolled before December 16, 1997 but had not yet turned 18 are still in the process of redeeming their certificates. The following steps are intended to aid in this process. Redeeming cer-tificates from the Michigan Indian Land Claims Settlement Act, Public Law 105-143, are as follows:

1. Determine your eligibility: Tribal citizens who were enrolled, but had not reached the age of 18 on December 16, 1997 are eligible to redeem their certificates upon reaching the age of 18.

2. Sign your certificates with a notary: The tribal citizen redeeming his or her certificates must have a notarized signature.
3. Copy two pieces of identification: One piece of identification (e.g. Driver's license) must have a picture, and the second piece needs at least

your signature. 4. Mail your signed certificates, the mailing address you would like your

check sent to and two pieces of identification to the following address Note: The address on the certificates is not correct:

LTBB Trust Fund Board 7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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

#### **BLISS GARDENS FARM & COMMUNITY KITCHEN** Contact: Craig & Mary Rapir Location: 5322 Hill Rd Phone: Cell: 231-838-3859 Cross Village Michigan Cell: 231-838-271 site: blissgardens.wordpress.cor ail: cmrapin@





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- Incubator Kitchen
- · some local restaurant and onfarm sales
- Kids Day Camp
- · Weddings, Private Parties, and Special Events
- Community Potlucks, Square Dances, and Harvest Festival.
- Our goal is to build healthy community around food & farming

Our Land is Dedicated to Clear Thinking, Natural Beauty, and Healthy Living

# EGISLATIVE BRANCH

	The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council ATTENDANCE LOG	Regina Gasco-Bentley	Julie Shananaquet	Marci Reyes	Aaron Wayne Otto	John Keshick III	Bill A. Denemy	Winnay Wemigwase	Mike Naganashe	Beatrice A. Law
DATE	TE March 2015 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS, COMMITTEE MEETINGS, WORK SESSIONS and other such ACTIVITIES ATTENDANCE									
03/03/15	Legal and Legislative Committee			Х	Х	Х		Х		Х
03/04/15	Gaming Authority Committee		Х		Х	Х	Х			Х
03/05/15	Tribal Council Regular Meeting		Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
03/08/15- 03/13/15	National RES Economic Summit Conference-Vegas NV		Х							
03/08/15- 03/11/15	Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes-Washington DC			Х				Х		
03/09/15	Gaming Authority Committee				Х					Х
03/13/15	Ethics Committee			Х	Х		Х			Х
03/16/15	Appropriations and Finance Committee		Х	Х			Х			Х
03/17/15	Tribal Council Regular Work Session		Х	Х			Х		Х	Х
03/19/15	Tribal Council Regular Meeting		Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
03/23/15	Meeting for Tribe Legal Matters-Minnesota					Х				
03/23/15	Appropriations and Finance Committee Budget Hearings		Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
03/24/15	Appropriations and Finance Committee Budget Hearings		Х	Х	Х		Х	Х	Х	Х
03/24/15	Gaming Authority Committee			Х	Х					Х
03/25/15	Government Employee Handbook Work Group		Х	Х			Х		Х	
03/25/15	Ad-hoc Agricultural Work Group			Х	Х	X			Х	
03/26/15- 03/29/15	Anishinaabemowin Teg Conference								Х	
03/27/15	Tribal Council Special Meeting-Tribe Legal Matters		Х	Х		Х	Х	Х		Х
03/29/15- 04/02/15	Native Nations Symposium and National Congress of American Indians			Х	Х					
	*additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs									



#### Food and Utility Reimbursement Program Submitted by the Elders Department Make sure the grocery receipts are dated 2015.

To speed up the reimbursement process, please make sure the utility bills sent in have a paid date of 2015.

Do not send cancelled checks or copies of money orders.

Bills may have a stamped "paid" by the company receiving the payment.

Food stamp grocery receipts are not accepted. Grocery receipts may include toilet paper,

Total reimbursement is \$400 a year per LTBB Tribal Elder, so the receipts can be all utility or all food. Whichever is easiest for you to obtain. You may send in your receipts in two applications if that is easier. Receipts need to be sent in before November 30 of this year for the 2015 reimbursement. Some individuals have elected to have two installments for the total of \$400.

If you have any questions, you may call us at 231-242-1423, 231-242-1422 or 231 242-1512. Miigwetch,

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

Commission/Board	Term	Vacancies/Terms Ending
Citizenship	3 yr. term	3
Elders Commission	2 yr., 3 yr.	5
Education Appeals Board	Open term	3
Housing	4 yr. term	2
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	2
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3

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

along with your resume to:

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Chairman Office 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49770 Phone (231) 242-1418 Fax (231) 242-1411 Email: <u>chairman@itbbodawa-nsn.gov</u>

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

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

#### Judicial Branch posting:

Associate Judge, 4 year term, expiring February 20, 2016 Powers, Jurisdiction, Eligibility, Terms, see Article IX of The Constitution of the LTBB of Odawa Indians. Refer to the WOS 2010-016 Constitutionally Mandated Compensation Statute for Judges and Justices fo compensation



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

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

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule	FEES
Replacement/Expired Cards	\$10
A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an	
address change. Free to Elders.	
Tribal Directory	\$5
Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/28/2013	
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	
only.	
Photocopies of Enrollment file	\$1 each
\$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	
Marriage License Application	\$15
Certified Copies: \$10	
Photo Copies: \$5	
Tribal Notary Application	\$10
If approved, Surety Bond: \$125	

Enrollment Applications

Enrolment Applications.
Address Change Forms.
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Aduts 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.
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- Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form. Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood.

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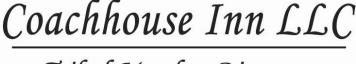


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## Address Verification Forms Due October 31, 2015

All minors need to have a notarized MI-NOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before OCTOBER 31, 2015. Faxed copies are not acceptable and will not be processed. The Address Verification form must contain the original signature. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or custodial issues, please contact the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

Minors who turn 18 by OCTOBER 31, 2015 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFI-CATION FORM. This form must be returned by OCTOBER 31, 2015.

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

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## THE MIGIZII RIDERS



Aanii all. It will soon be time to get out the iron ponies, and log some serious miles of smiles.

Come join us! The Migizii Riders would like to send out an invitation to any interested individuals to participate in our motorcycle club.

The mission of the Migizii Riders will be to promote and encourage safe riding, camaraderie and goodwill within our own tribe and other nations. We welcome all makes and models of modern day iron horses, and membership from all walks of life. We embrace our language, culture and traditions, always valuing the Creator, respecting Mother Earth and maintaining the pride of our ancestors. The road we ride is paved with the seven grandfather teachings, and our eyes on the seven generation vision. Freedom is the heartbeat of our circle.

The vision of Migizii Riders will be to promote a healthy livelihood for the Native nations of Turtle Island and all cultures. Anishinaabe values will guide us forward to a good and safe life.

You must meet the following criteria for membership: A desire to have fun, enjoy life and pursue miles of smiles; acceptance and promotion of mission and vision; maintain open-mindedness and acceptance of all cultures; maintain respect and love for creation; a commitment to be a positive community role model and to promote positive changes within your community; and zero tolerance for alcohol, drugs or any mood altering substances while on all rides. All walks of life accepted. All makes and models of iron horses accepted.

Starting in May 2015 and weather permitting, every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m., we will meet at Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI, to do a group ride. You do not have to be a member to ride; if you want to ride, just show up. Everyone is welcome.

If you wish to become an active participant in the Migizii Riders or need additional information, please e-mail any questions to denemyb@charter. net or call Bill Denemy at 231-330-8987 or call Tony Davis at 231-268-1199.

We maintain an e-mail group with our members, so anyone at any time can shoot out an e-mail to the group suggesting rides or other information sharing. If you want to be part of this e-mail group, contact Bill with your information, and he will update the e-mail group.



Live Free. Ride Hard. Stay Safe. Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar, and graphic by Pre-Press Graphic Specialist Wendy Congdon.

#### Wolf Supporters File Suit CHALLENGING LAW INTENDED ΤO Undermine the Will of Michigan Voters



Editor's note: The following is a Keep Michigan Wolves Protected press release dated April 2, 2015.

Keep Michigan Wolves Protected filed a lawsuit in Lansing, MI, in the Michigan Court of Claims to overturn the so-called Scientific Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act on the grounds that it violates the state's constitution. The lawsuit challenges an underhanded legislative effort intended to overturn the result of two 2014 ballot measures through which Michigan voters soundly rejected sport hunting of wolves. "The proponents of this misleading legislation combined several unrelated issues into the law such as funding for the control of Asian carp and free hunting licenses to members of the active military," said Jill Fritz, Director of Keep Michigan Wolves Protected. "It was a cynical and veiled attempt to prevent Michigan voters from having a say on hunting of wolves and other animals."

which would have transferred authority to open new hunting seasons on protected species such as wolves to the unelected, politically-appointed Natural Resources Commission. Unlike laws enacted by the legislature, decisions of the commission cannot be overturned by voters. Proposal 2 was rejected in 69 of Michigan's 83 counties, and in all 15 congressional districts. It received more than 1.8 million "no" votes - more votes than any statewide candidate who won election.

Tucked in among the many provisions of the Scientific Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act was language reenacting Proposal 2 if rejected by voters, thereby transferring decision-making authority on important wildlife management issues to a panel of bureaucrats that is not accountable to the public. This purpose of the law was obscured by the law's proponents in violation of the Michigan constitution. Fritz said the lawsuit is necessary even though in December 2014, the U.S. District Court in Washington, D.C. reinstated protection of Great Lakes wolves under the Endangered Species Act, a decision resulting in a current ban on wolf hunting and trapping in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. "Some members of Congress are attempting a forced delisting of wolves and renewed hunting and trapping. It's important to prevent the Scientific Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act from taking effect, so the decisions made by Michigan voters are honored once and for



all, and that wolves remain protected. This unconstitutional law also gives the Natural Resources Commission unilateral authority over many protected species not just wolves," said Fritz.

The proponents of the misleadingly named Scientific Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act include the same politicians and state officials who exaggerated and even fabricated stories about wolf encounters with people in Michigan in order to justify opening a wolf hunting and trapping season. Nearly two-thirds of all wolf incidents in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan occurred on a single farm where the farmer baited wolves with cattle and deer carcasses. This goes much further than wolves - it's a power grab by politicians to eliminate public participation in decisions relating to wildlife management. As a result of overreaching and unconstitutional law, new hunting seasons on sandhill cranes and other vulnerable and protected species could be created, and Michigan citizens would be powerless to reject such action.

## NEW YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAM!

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR AGES 6 AND UP MONDAY-THURSDAY 3:30PM TO 8PM 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, Michigan 49770

Due to the New Year and relocation of the department, all youth who wish to participate will need to have new registration forms completed prior to participating in any youth programming. All parents of participating youth will also need to complete registration expectations as well.

Any questions can be directed to Bernadece Boda, Coordinator for LTBB at 231-242-1593 Youth or bboda@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Youth will not be allowed to participate in any youth activities until the proper paperwork is completed, so please contact us before dropping them off at the Youth Department building.



Bernadece Boda, Youth Coordinator Barry Bott, Youth Program Assistant **RJ Smith, PEACE Grant Outreach Assistant** 

231-242-1593

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

We are working towards providing services and information that will keep our infants, women and families in the best of health. There are no income guidelines to determine eligibility. We hope our services will reach any woman who will be bringing an Anishinaabe baby into this world. Our program is designed to provide services needed to both mom and newborn up to the age of two years.

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is designed to complement, not replace prenatal, postpartum and pediatric medical care. In addition to providing support and education during pregnancy, there is also a focus on helping women become and stay healthy before and between pregnancies. We affirm the sacred role of women in the community as givers of life and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being and the health of women throughout the lifespan

For more information on Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid, please call: Mina kiki Gumik ~ Tina Shawano at 231-242-1614, Teen Pregnancy Mskiki Gumik ~ Prevention and Assistance at 231-242-1721

We now have a Certified Lactation Counselor on the Maternal Child Health Staff, Trista Paone RN, CLC.

If you have any questions, needs or issues with breast feeding your baby, please don't hesitate to call her at 231-242-1721





In November 2014, Michigan voters overwhelmingly rejected two wolf hunting measures, including Proposal 2,

*Courtesy photo and courtesy* graphic.

## Saganing Traditional Pow wow June 20 & 21, 2015

Head Male Dancer: Eric Sawmick

Head Female Dancer: Darcy Pilar

> Head Veteran: Darryl Jackson

Head Drum: Spirit Lake

Emcee: Bucko Teeple

Arena Director: R.J. Smith



## **MAY 2015**

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## MICHIGAN

May 24-25 Gissiwas Creek Pow Wow 2015 Marion, MI Contact Information: Terri Kogler at 616-813-7639 or <u>terri.</u> kogler@gmail.com

May 30-31 Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow Lansing, MI Contact Information: Robin at 517-721-1502 or <u>Robin</u> Menefee@yahoo.com

June 6-7 Gathering of the Clans Pow Wow Manistique, MI

Contact Information: Viola Neadow at 906-341-6993 or 1-800-347-7137

June 15-17 36th Annual Great Lakes Area Pow Wow Wilson, MI Contact Information: Molly Meshigaud at 906-723-2270

June 20-21 Honoring Saganing Traditional Pow Wow Standish, MI Contact Information: Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe's At-Large Program at 1-800-884-6271

#### June 27

2nd Annual Healing Moon Intertribal Pow Wow: Honoring the Lost Children Hosted by the Mackinaw Band of Chippewa and Ottawa Indians Cross Village, MI Contact Information TBA

July 7-12 Sault Tribe Traditional Pow Wow and Summer Gathering Sault Ste. Marie, MI Contact Information: Linda Grossett at 906-635-6050

July 17-19 Sugar Island Traditional Pow Wow Sugar Island, Michigan Contact Information: Mick Frechette at 906-440-8918 or Colleen St. Onge at 906-635-6050

July 24-26

**31st Annual Saginaw Chippewa Tribal Pow Wow** Mt. Pleasant, MI Contact Information: Saginaw Chippewa Pow Wow Committee at 1-888-732-4537

August 1 Newberry Youth Empowerment Pow Wow Newberry, MI Contact Information: Patty Teeples at 906-341-3362, Dee Eggert at 906-635-7010 or Lisa Burnside at 906-484-2298

August 8-9 24th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow LTBB Pow Wow Grounds Harbor Springs, MI Contact Information: Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427, avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, www.odawahomecoming.com or Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow on Facebook

August 14-16 Gathering of the Eagles Hessel Pow Wow Hessel, MI Contact Information: Lisa Burnside at <u>lburnside@</u> saulttribe.net or Lana Causley at lcausley@saulttribe.net

August 21-23 Rendezvous at the Straits St. Ignace Pow Wow St. Ignace, MI Contact information: St. Ignace Events Committee at 906-643-8717 or Darryl Brown at 906-984-2083

September 5 Honoring the Waters Newberry Pow Wow Newberry, MI Contact Information: Lois Bryant or Shirley Kowalke at 906-293-8181

September 5-6 23rd Annual Honoring Our Elders Traditional Pow Wow Hart, MI Contact Information: Pat Beatty at 231-894-8361, <u>missbeatty@</u> <u>hotmail.com</u> or http://hartpowwow.weebly.com/

September 12 Munising Pow Wow and Fall Gathering Munising, MI Contact Information: Angela Satterlee or Sue Galisik at 906-387-5475

November 7 Kinross Honoring Our Anishnaabe Veterans Pow Wow Kinross, MI Contact Information: Jackie Minton or Linda Grossett at 906-635-6050

### Minnesota

May 2 Pow Wow for Hope: Dancing for Life, Love & Hope Minneapolis, MN Contact Information: 612-314-4848

May 7 Fond du Lac Ojibwe School Ziigwan Pow Wow 2015 Cloquet, MN Contact Information: Ms. DeFoe at 218-878-7239 or 218-878-7276

May 9-10 White Earth Mother's Day Pow Wow Mahnomen, MN Contact Information: Greg Blue at 218-261-1527

May 23-25 10th Annual Seven Clans Pow Wow Thief River Falls, MN Contact Information: 218-556-7566

May 25 20th Annual Memorial Day Pow Wow Onamia, MN Contact Information: 320-532-3632

May 29 American Indian Magnet School Pow Wow St. Paul, MN



Contact Information: 612-396-5365

June 19-21 Lake Vermilion Traditional Pow Wow Tower, MN Contact Information: Muriel Deegan at 218-750-7772 or Tracey at 218-780-1478

June 19-21 12th Annual Waa Wiye Gaa Maag S-Lake, MN Contact Information: Gary at 218-760-7955 or LaVonne at 218-308-3680

July 6-8 Red Lake Nation Pow Wow Ponemah, MN Contact Information: 218-556-7566

July 10-12 Prairie Island Dakota Wacipi Celebration Prairie Island, MN Contact Information: 651-267-4024 or 651-358-4161

August 14-16 Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community Wacipi 2015 Shakopee, MN Contact Information: 952-445-8900 or 952-249-6189

August 15-16 6th Annual Chaske Cikala Wacipi Chaska, MN Contact Information: 952-448-6860

August 21-23 49th Annual Mille Lacs Pow Wow Mille Lacs, MN Contact Information: 715-532-7517 or 320-224-1646

September 11-13 16th Annual Mendota Pow Wow Mendota, MN Contact Information: 651-452-4141

September 18-20 43rd Annual Mahkato Wacipi Mankato, MN Contact Information: 507-514-5088

### WISCONSIN

May 3 42nd Annual A.I.R.O. Pow Wow Stevens Point, WI Contact Information: 715-346-3576

May 15-17 26th Annual Gathering of the Warriors Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-851-4748

July 3-5 Oneida Pow Wow Oneida, WI Contact Information: 920-496-5311 or 1-800-236-2214

**July 3-5 37th Red Cliff Pow Wow** Red Cliff, WI Contact Information: 715-779-3700

July 17-19 42nd Annual Honor the Earth Pow Wow Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8934

July 31-August 2 49th Annual Menominee Nation Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-799-5114, ext. 1267

August 7-9 39th Annual Mohican Veteran's Pow Wow Bowler, WI Contact Information: 715-793-4111

September 11-13 Indian Summer Pow Wow Milwaukee, WI Contact Information: 414-604-1000

October 16-18 Hunting Moon Pow Wow Milwaukee, WI Contact Information: 414-847-7861



Native American Arts and Crafts Council

## Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow May 30 and 31, 2015

<u>Saturday</u> 10:00 am Vendors Open

Saturday Grand Entries 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm

#### Sunday

Sunday Morning Auction 10:00 am Sunday Grand Entry 12:00pm Closing Ceremony 4:00 pm

#### Highlights

Native American Dancing
Drumming and Singing
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The children's Activities

+Auction Sunday, 10:00 am

Raffles throughout the Day

For more info: Robin Vendor Information: Eva Phone: 517-721-1502 Email: Robin\_A Phone: 517-388-0916 Email: eva

Email: Robin\_Menefee@yahoo.com Email: eva.menefee@yahoo.com

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VENDOR INFORMATION: **Marcia Sutton** 231-373-0867 msutton10@yahoo.com

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#### **ODAWA TRAILS MAY 2015** 21 OUNCIL EETING 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 in-

dividual. No attempt will be made by the Legislative Branch to summarize the comments. Written public comments will be accepted by the Legislative Office. Written comments shall be attached to the official approved minutes housed in the Legislative Branch. Written comments are not published, however shall be open to review within the Legislative Office in accordance with any laws regarding such documents.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting **Tribal Council Chambers** 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 5, 2015

#### Closed Session: none

Call to Order: 9:04 a.m. Opening Ceremony: Beatrice Law Council Present: Secretary Julia Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor John Keshick III, Councilor Beatrice A. Law, Councilor Michael Naganashe, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

#### Absent: none

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chair Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., SEEDS Project Director Shiloh Guarisco; Environmental Services Kira Davis, Youth Services Sara Lucier, Natural Resource Commission Director Doug Craven; Child Welfare Commission Rochelle Ettawageshik, and Heidi Bosma

Public: Renee' Dillard, Virginia Lewis, John Kawegoma, Linda Gokee

Invited Guests: Ervin Barrett, Michigan State University Extension Emily Proctor, Crooked Tree Youth Council: Wengosh Craven, Elizabeth Murburski, Katie Kurburski, Heather Dufek, Emily Kurburski.

Motion made by Councilor Law supported by Councilor Wemigwase to adopt the agenda of March 5, as amended.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reves and supported by Councilor Law to approve the minutes of February 19, 2015 as corrected.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

9:21 a.m.: Elder comments - No comments at this time

#### **Executive Updates**

Discussion Items: Executive Declaration, homeless shelters, handbook amendments, new employee introduction

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the verbal Executive report of Interim-Chairperson Gasco-Bentley as presented on March 5, 2015

Oversight Report (EOR) as presented on March 5, 2015.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

#### Legislative Reports

#### Legislative Leader Report - Position is currently vacant

Secretary Report

The following Tribal Council adopted/approved documents were delivered to the Executive for signature:

Tribal Resolution #021915-01-Approval of the Gaming Authority Committee FY 2015 Amended Budget for an Additional Sum of \$15,000.00 for Legal Consulting Services.

Signed by the Executive on 02-24-15. Tribal Resolution #021915-02-Support as presented on March 5, 2015. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried. **Treasurer Report** 

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to accept Treasurer Reyes' verbal report as presented on March 5, 2015.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Tribal Council Reports - None to report

Tribal Council Travel Reports -None to report

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

#### Gaming Authority Committee

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Naganashe to accept the verbal report of the Gaming Authority Committee as presented by Councilor Otto, Committee Chairman.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

9:57 a.m. Break

#### 10:07 a.m. Resume

10:00 a.m. Environmental Services- Presentation regarding LTBB Water Quality as presented by Kira Davis and Renee Dillard.

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the verbal and written report given by Kira Davis regarding the LTBB Water Quality Work Group.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

10:28 a.m. - 10:42 a.m. Elder comment

Citizen Brad Baker inquired into the Tribe's stance on Marijuana.

AdHoc Agricultural Work Group (AAWG)

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Law to accept the verbal report of AdHoc Agricultural Work Group as presented by Treasurer Reyes, AAWG Secretary.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Land and Reservation Committee - No meeting since last Tribal Council meeting, next meeting to be held March 17, 2015.

Legal and Legislative Committee Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Otto to accept the verbal report of the Legal Legislative Committee as presented by Councilor Law, Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried. Ethics Committee - Last Ad Hoc Committee meeting was cancelled to

due weather. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the verbal report of the Ethics Committee as presented by Councilor

Otto, Committee Chairman. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

11:03 a.m. Break

### 11:08 a.m. Meeting Resumes

11:08 a.m. Emily Proctor-4- H Crooked Tree Youth Leadership Pro-

gram Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Denemy to welcome Citizen Emily Proctor and acknowledge the introduction of the 4-H Crooked Tree Youth participants.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried. Public Comment 11:47 a.m.

to accept Treasury Director Garrow's verbal and written report as presented on March 5, 2015.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Legislative Services Attorney Report

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Secretary Shananaquet to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report as presented on March 5, 2015.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

2:39 p.m. - 3:12 p.m. Prosecutor Interview – Angela Sherigan

2:40 p.m. Councilor Keshick exits

3:13 p.m. Public Comment opens:

Citizen Rochelle Ettawageshik invited Tribal Council to attend the Indian Child Welfare Commission meetings. She also announced her appointment as the Chairperson of the National Indian Child Welfare Board.

Citizen Linda Gokee spoke of her concerns with the Tribal Prosecutor interviewee

3:21 p.m. Public Comment closed. 3:22 p.m. Break. 3:33 p.m. Resume.

3:45 p.m. Odawa Fishery, Inc. Charter Position Interview - Ervin Bar-

Tribal Council

## Meeting Dates

May 5 Work Session May 7 Council Meeting May 19 Work Session May 21 Council Meeting

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

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

## Legislative

**Tribal Council Members** Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader

Marci Reyes, Treasurer Aaron Wayne Otto, Councilor John Keshick III, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase, Councilor Mike Naganashe, Councilor Beatrice A. Law, Councilor

#### Enjinaaknegeng

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Treasurer Reyes to accept General Counsel Bransky's verbal and written report as presented on March 5, 2015.

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

Motion carried. Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Law supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept Legislative Office Manager La-

#### Absent (Councilor Keshick) Motion carried.

4:33 p.m. Councilor Keshick returns.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Denemy to amend the agenda to include

Tribal Council appointment to the Water Quality Work Group and to approve travel to the Water Quality Standards Academy, Tribal Resolution: Decommission and Safe Removal of Pipeline Running under the Straits of Mackinac, Authorize Tribal Chairperson to sign the proposed 4th Amendment to the Resident Tribal Member's Sales Tax Agreement, and (3) motions pertaining to liquor licenses for Odawa Casino, Odawa Hotel and Biindagen.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet supported by Councilor Law to appoint Councilor Wemigwase and Councilor Otto to the LTBB Water Quality Work Group.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet supported by Councilor Law to approve travel for Councilor Wemigwase and Councilor Otto to attend EPA Water Quality Standards Academy on April 27, 2015 - May 1, 2015 in Washington, D.C. Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-

Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to approve the Odawa Fishery Inc. Corporate Charter Addendum 030515-01 that assigns Ervin Barrett to the Charter Board with term ending April 6, 2017.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve the issuance of a liquor license for sale of alcoholic beverages solely for consumption on the premises at the Odawa Hotel, which is located on land held in trust for the Tribe by the United States at 1444 US 131 S. Petoskey, MI 49770, until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or in 365 days, whichever is later; and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve the issuance of a liquor license for sale of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises at Odawa Casino Resort, which is located on land held in trust for the Tribe by the United States at 1760 Lears Road, Petoskey, MI 49770, and an "off-premises" license for wine sales at the "Just North" and the Sage Restaurant at the same address, until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or in 365 days, whichever is later; and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve a liquor license for Biindigen for "off-premises" license to sell alcohol at 2169 US 31 North, Petoskey, MI 49770 until the date of approval of Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-019 Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board Statute by the Bureau of Indian Affairs or in 365 days, whichever is later; and authorizes the Tribal Chairman to sign the license.

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Law to table Waganakising Odawak Statute Personal Protection Orders and No Contact Orders and Violations of Protective Orders.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes supported by Councilor Wemigwase to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute # 2008-006 Enrollment for Citizenship Statute.

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Lawyes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-ves, Councilor Wemigwase-ves, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-yes Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor Law

supported by Councilor Wemigwase to

pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Vic-

tim's Rights as sponsored by the VAWA

Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-

yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-yes,

Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shanan-

hick supported by Councilor Wemigwase

to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute

Amendment to the Child Protection

Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-

yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Council-

or Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-yes,

Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shanan-

Wemigwase supported by Councilor

Naganashe to adopt Tribal Resolution:

Decommission and Safe Removal of

Pipeline Running under the Straits of

Councilor Keshick-yes, Councilor Law-

yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-yes,

Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shanan-

and supported by Councilor Naganashe

to approve fourth Amendment to the Tax

Agreement between the Little Traverse

Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the

State Of Michigan and to authorize the

Tribal Chairperson to sign the proposed

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

5:23 p.m. Motion made by Coun-

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Please contact the Legislative Office

These Minutes have been read and

Julia A. Shananaquet, Tribal Coun-

Date

cilor Denemy and supported by Council-

fourth amendment on behalf of LTBB.

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes,

Motion made by Councilor Law

Motion made by

aquet-yes Motion carried.

aquet-yes Motion carried.

aquet-yes Motion carried.

Absent Motion carried.

Adjournment

or Law to adjourn meeting.

Motion carried.

March 19, 2015

approved as corrected.

cil Secretary

Absent (Councilor Naganashe)

Next Scheduled Meeting

at 231-242-1403, 231-242-1404 or 231-

242-1406 for additional updates and clar-

ifications of these minutes as presented.

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes,

Motion made by Councilor Kes-

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes,

Councilor

Work Group.

Statute

Mackinac

plemental Funding for Traditional Burial Grounds Board in the amount of \$27,000.00 for Fiscal Year 2015 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Signed by the Executive on 02-24-15.

Tribal Resolution #021915-03-Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$215,000.00 for Security System for Government Buildings.

Signed by the Executive on 02-24-15.

Tribal Resolution #021915-04 Funding for FY 2015 Shortfall for Health Department.

Signed by the Executive on 02-24-15.

Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-002: Recall of an Official and Leave of Absence.

Signed by the Executive on 02-24-15.

#### Vetoes: None

Phone Polls: None

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept Secretary Shananaquet's verbal re-

#### opens:

Citizen John Kawegoma addressed the Healthy Heart Program budget, and a Casino Hotel.

Citizen Andrew Stich commented on Tribal Council travel and expenditures, and work session attendance.

Citizen Linda Gokee commented on nomination of Tribal Prosecutor and the position of Associate Judge Pro Tem. 12:11 p.m. Public Comment clos-

#### es.

12:12 p.m. Lunch 1:31 p.m. Meeting resumes 1:33 p.m. - 2:04 p.m. Appellate Iustices

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Denemy to acknowledge the verbal report given by Chief Justice Single regarding Appellate Back Log Report.

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

#### Legislative Office Reports: **Treasury Director Report**

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase Count's verbal and written report as presented on March 5, 2015

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

Action Items - Motions

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion 030515-01 Establish the Water quality Protection Work Group. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained. 1-

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Law to assign Ervin Barrett to the Odawa Fishery Inc. Corporate Charter Board. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried.

Councilor Motion made by Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to approve travel for Treasurer Reyes to attend the Great Lakes Food Conference, Green Bay, WI on April 14-16, 2015.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Vote: 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent Motion carried.

#### Action Items - Roll Call Votes

Motion made by Councilor Denemy supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Angela Sherigan for Tribal Prosecutor for a 3-year term.

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-no, Councilor Lawno, Councilor Naganashe-no, Councilor Otto-no, Councilor Wemigwase-no, Treasurer Reyes-no, Secretary Shananaquet-abstain Motion fails.

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase supported by Councilor Law to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Domestic Violence Statute.

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes, Councilor Keshick-no, Councilor Lawyes, Councilor Naganashe-no, Councilor Otto-yes, Councilor Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes, Secretary Shananaquet-no Motion carried.

#### 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 19, 2015

The Little Traverse Bay Bands

of Odawa Indians

Tribal Council Meeting

Tribal Council Chambers

Closed Session: Yes Call to Order: 9:05 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice Law

Council Present: Secretary Julia Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor Beatrice A. Law, Councilor Aaron Otto,

Absent: Councilor Keshick, Councilor Mike Naganashe, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Treasury Director Michael Garrow, Sr. Financial Analyst Stella Kay, Legislative Office Manager Michele La-Count

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Chairperson Gasco Bentley, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Tribal Administrator Al Colby

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*"Minutes" continued from page 21.* Odawa Casino Resort- Gener al Manager Eric McLester, Director of Property Operations Barry Laughlin, Director of Slots Dennis Shananaquet, Director of Hospitality Hank Rowland

Public: Citizen Virginia Lewis, Citizen John Kawegoma, Citizen Frank Bernard, Citizen Ezra Bernard, Citizen Alice Hughes

Invited Guests: Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Wesley Andrews

9:08 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase arrives

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasurer Reyes

to adopt the agenda of March 19, 2015 as amended.

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-Absent (Councilor Keshick, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 5, 2015, as corrected.

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-Absent (Councilor Keshick, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

#### 9:32 a.m.: Elder comments

Elder Citizen Virginia Lewis commented on Elder program cuts, marijuana cultivation. Holiday decorations

Elder Citizen John Kawegoma spoke his concerns of changes to the elder luncheon and other elder issues. Hotel Casino and stock market crash dates.

9:30 a.m. - 9:51 a.m. Presentation by Wes Andrews regarding State Historic Preservation Office.

9:52 a.m. Councilor Naganashe arrives

#### **Executive Updates**

Discussion: Lobbyist update/report regarding funding issues. 2nd EEOC complaint received, Commercial regarding VAWA, Space constraints - Departments will be shuffling around, MIS, Enrollment clarification, Introduction of new employee Brian Kujawa Tribal Administrator reported on Elder budget issues, Berg Farm, Staffing updates provided.

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the verbal Executive report of Chairperson Gasco-Bentley as presented on March 19, 2015 and acknowledge the March Executive Oversight Report.

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

Motion carried. Legislative Leader Report - Position is currently vacant

## Secretary Report:

The following Tribal Council adopted/approved documents were delivered to the Executive for signature:

Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-003; Domestic Violence was delivered to the Executive Department on 03-06-15 Signed on 03-06-15.

Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-004; Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2008-006 Enrollment for Citizenship Statute was delivered to the Executive Department on 03-12-15.

Status of document is pending. Waganakising Odawak Statute

2015-005; Victim's Rights was delivered to the Executive Department on 03-06-15 Signed on 03-06-15.

Waganakising Odawak Statute 2015-006; Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2012-010 Child Protection Statute was delivered to the Executive Department on 03-12-15.

Status of document is pending. Tribal Resolution- 030515-01: Decommission and Safe Removal of Pipeline Running under Straits of Mackinac was sent to the Executive Department on Absent (Councilor Keshick) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Denemy and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge receipt of written and verbal report of Secretary Shananaquet regarding Hearing 111214-01and the verbal report regarding additional work load taken on by the Legislative administrative staff due to additional program and tribal charters, and the written and verbal Travel Report of Secretary Shananaquet regarding attendance at 2015 National RES.

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

- Motion carried 11:00 Break
- 11:05 Meeting Resumes

11:05 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by to Councilor Wemigwase to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by and supported by to return to open session. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

11:05 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by to Councilor Wemigwase to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried

11:47 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to return to open session.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried Public Comment 11:48 a.m. opened

11:51 a.m. Public Comment closed **Tribal Council Member Reports** continued:

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Reyes to acknowledge the verbal travel report of Councilor Wemigwase regarding her attendance at MAST Impact Week, held in Washington DC on March 9-11, 2015, and the verbal report regarding attendance at the Water Quality Protection Workgroup.

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

Motion carried.

12:12 p.m. Lunch

1:33 p.m. Meeting Resumes Councilor Otto absent

1:36 p.m. Councilor Otto arrives

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Denemy to acknowledge the verbal travel report of Treasurer Reyes regarding her attendance at MAST Impact Week, held in Washington DC on March 9-11, 2015.

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Council Committee Reports:

Gaming Authority Committee -Next meeting scheduled for 3/24/15

Motion made by Secretary Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept the verbal report of the Gaming Authority Committee as presented by Councilor Otto, Committee Chairman.

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

Motion carried.

#### Agriculture Assessment Work Group

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the verbal report of the Agriculture Assessment Work Group as presented by Councilor Otto, Committee member.

## **ODAWA TRAILS**

3:07 p.m. Public Comment opens Citizen Kave Rowland presented housing tax credit issues recently learned in a training paid for by an Enterprise Grant. Citizen Rowland invited Tribal Council to participate in the up-coming trip to Wisconsin and Minnesota (April 6-9, 2015) regarding Section 8, tax credit housing. There is no other Michigan Tribe participating in this program.

3:18 p.m. Public Comment closes Legislative Office Reports:

**Treasury Director Report** Motion made by Councilor

Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasury Director Garrow's verbal and written report as presented on March 19, 2015.

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

Legislative Services Attorney Re-

port Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to

accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report as presented on March 19, 2015. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried.

#### Enjinaaknegeng - No Report Legislative Office Manager

Motion made by Councilor Law supported by Treasurer Reyes to and accept Legislative Office Manager La-Count's verbal and written report as presented on March 19, 2015.

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

Motion carried. Action Items - Motions

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to approve mileage for Councilor Keshick to travel to and from Ziibimijwang on February 1, 2, 15, & 23, 2015 and March 1 & 2, 2015 as well as future mileage on behalf of and as recommended by motion of the Ad-Hoc Agricultural Work Group for reimbursement. Funding to come from Legislative Branch Budgets: 1101-0-70 & 2000-0-70.

6-Yes, 1-No (Secretary Vote: Shananaquet), 0-Abstained, 1-Absent (Councilor Keshick) Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Law to approve Certified Motion #031915-01; Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services FY 2015 Family Violence Prevention and Services Program

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion #031915-02; Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs FY 2015 Rights Protection Implementation.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion #031915-03; Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Justice Adult Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program FY 2015 White Feather Adult Drug Court Enhancements.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Naganashe and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion #031915-04; Request for Funding from the Administration on Children, Youth and Families Tribal Court Improvement Program Child Welfare Tribal

er Reyes to approve Certified Motion #031915-07; Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs IRR Tribal Transportation Program-Funding Increase for FY2015 Funds.

**MAY 2015** 

hearing that the action was inadvertent,

(Secretary Shananaquet, Councilor Na-

ganashe, Councilor Winnay Wemigwase

did not participate in Hearing) 1-Absent

Action Items: Roll Call Votes

and supported by Councilor Wemigwase

to pass the Tribal Human Resources De-

Councilor Keshick-absent, Council-

or Law-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes,

Otto-yes,

Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes,

Wemigwase and supported by Councilor

031915-01; Funding for Email Archival

Server for Legal and the Reservation Res-

toration Plan in the amount of \$8,235.00

Councilor Keshick-absent, Council-

or Law-yes, Councilor Naganashe-yes,

Otto-yes,

Wemigwase-yes, Treasurer Reyes-yes,

or Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes

Next Scheduled Meeting

to come from prior period funds.

Secretary Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried.

these minutes as presented.

approved as corrected:

cil Secretary

April 9, 2015

Adjournment

to adjourn meeting.

Secretary Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Law

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes,

Motion made by Councilor

to adopt Tribal Resolution

Roll call: Councilor Denemy-yes,

4:41 p.m. Motion made by Council-

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Please contact the Legislative Of-

These Minutes have been read and

Julia A. Shananaquet, Tribal Coun-

Date

fice at 231-242-1403 or 231-242-1404 for

additional updates and clarifications of

The Little Traverse Bay Bands

of Odawa Indians

Special Tribal Council Meeting

Tribal Council Chambers

7500 Odawa Circle

Harbor Springs, MI 49740

March 27, 2015

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice Law

Council Present: Secretary Julia

Absent: Councilor Michael Naga-

Legislative Office Staff Present:

Executive Officials and Staff Pres-

Invited Guests: Hogen Adams -

10:06 a.m. Councilor Wemigwase

Motion made by Councilor Dene-

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-

10:08 a.m. Motion made by Coun-

my and supported by Treasurer Reyes to

adopt the agenda of March 27, 2015 as

Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Na-

cilor Law and supported by Councilor

ganashe) Motion carried.

Shananaquet, Treasurer Marcella Reyes,

Councilor Bill A. Denemy, Councilor

John Keshick, Councilor Beatrice A. Law

nashe, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor

Legislative Services Attorney Don-

na Budnick, Enjinaaknegeng General

ent: Natural Resource Department Di-

Andrew Adams III, William Szotkowski,

Public: Citizen: none

Closed Session: Yes

Winnay Wemigwase

Counsel James Bransky

rector Doug Craven

Jessica Intermill

arrives

presented.

Call to Order: 10:04 a.m.

Councilor

Councilor

(Councilor Keshick) Motion carried

Vote: 4-Yes, 0-No, 3-Abstained

and technical in nature.

partment Statute.

Councilor

Otto

Councilor

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve Certified Motion #031915-08; Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs P.L. 93-638 Annual Funding Agreement FY 2015 Contract Increase. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Absent (Councilor Keshick) Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Treasurer Reyes to approve Certified Motion #031915-09: Request for Funding from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) Indian Housing Block Grant Program.

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

Motion made by Councilor Law supported by Treasurer Reyes to and amend agenda to include acknowledgment of Nomination of Wes Andrews and Ethic's Hearing regarding Complaint 111214-01. Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Councilor Law

and supported by Councilor Wemigwase

to acknowledge receipt of nomination

of Wesley Andrew as the Tribal Historic

Preservation Officer and waive the in-

terview process and appoint Wesley An-

drews as the Tribal Historic Preservation

Officer to serve at the pleasure of Tribal

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Secretary Sha-

nanaquet and supported by Councilor

Wemigwase to approve Certified Mo-

tion #031915-10; Request to the Sec-

retary of the Interior to assume State

Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) re-

sponsibilities and establish a Tribal His-

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Councilor Na-

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Councilor Law

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

and supported by Councilor Denemy to

approve appointment of Catherine Laba

to Educational Appeals Board with term

and supported by Treasurer Reyes to ap-

prove Tribal Council attendance at the

Ad-hoc Violence Against Women Act

/ Tribal Law and Order Act Committee

and supported by Councilor Law to ap-

prove Enrollment List C- Voluntary Re-

linquishment dated March 2015 for total

ganashe and supported by to Councilor

Otto approve the Local Food Promotion

Program Grant Consultant, 7 Genera-

tions Architecture & Engineering, LLC.

toric Preservation Office Program.

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

work group meetings.

of two.

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

ending September 21, 2018.

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

Motion carried

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Absent (Councilor Keshick)

Motion carried

Motion carried

Council.

Status of Document is pending. Vetoes: None

Phone Polls: None

03-12-15.

Motion made by Treasurer Reves and supported by Councilor Denemy to accept Secretary Shananaquet's report as presented on March 19, 2015.

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

Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer Report:**

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Naganashe to accept the Treasurer's report as presented by Treasurer Reyes on March 19, 2015.

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

Motion carried.

#### Tribal Council Member Reports:

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Denemy to acknowledge verbal report of Councilor Law regarding her attendance at the Traditional Burial Board Meeting.

Vote: 7-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 1-

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

#### Land and Reservation Committee

- No meeting.

Legal Legislative Committee -Next meeting 04/07/15 at 9:00 a.m.

Motion made by and supported by to accept the verbal report of the Legal Legislative Committee as presented by Councilor Law, Committee Chairman.

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

#### 2:52 p.m. Break

#### 3:05 p.m. Resume meeting Ethics Committee

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to accept the verbal report of the Ethic's Committee as presented by Councilor Otto, Committee Chairperson.

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-Absent (Councilor Naganashe, Councilor Keshick) Motion carried.

State Judicial Forum.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Denemy to approve Certified Motion #031915-05; Funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities America's Division of Preservation and Access Preservation Assistance Grants for Small Institutions Archives Preservation Assessment.

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

Motion carried

by Councilor Motion made Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Certified Motion #031915-06; Request for Funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs Road Maintenance Program Contract.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Councilor Wemigwase and supported by Treasur-

Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to approve appointment of Lily Anderson to Educational Appeals Board with term ending September 21, 2018.

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

Motion carried

Motion made by Treasurer Reyes and supported by Councilor Otto to approve appointment of Angela Woodin to Educational Appeals Board with term ending September 21, 2017.

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

Motion carried

A Tribal Council Ethics Hearing was held on March 13, 2015, that was posted as a Tribal Council Ethics Hearing and not as a "Special Meeting"; in order to rectify any issue of the legitimacy of the motion made at the hearing, the motion is readdressed as follows: Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Law to dismiss the Ethics complaint 111214-01 filed against Fred Kiogima after being found at a public

Wemigwase to go into closed session for Legal matters

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Naganashe)

11:34 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to return to open session.

Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 2-Absent (Councilor Otto, Councilor Naganashe) Motion carried.

#### Adjournment

11:36 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Law and supported by Councilor Wemigwase to adjourn meeting.

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

#### Motion carried.

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

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Julia A. Shananaquet, Tribal Council Secretary Date

## **MAY 2015**

*Youth Services' continued from page 1.* Human Services Department. The staff works a noon to 8 p.m. schedule Monday through Thursday and normal business hours (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) on Friday.

The after-school program, which operates on the Petoskey Public Schools calendar, consists of a mandatory read and homework hour from 3:30-4:30 p.m., followed by a meal, an activity and a snack. On Mondays, there is a sports or crafts activity and also youth drumming. On Tuesdays, the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department works with the youth, and the department holds a community drum practice. On Wednesdays, the staff receives a mandatory language lesson from LTBB Language Department staff, and there is drum practice for the youth. On Thursdays, the youth have been attending the Anishnabe Dance Lessons sponsored by the LTBB Education Department. The department will begin drum practice more than once a week in the future. The after-school program averages 12 to 26 youth daily. The department provides transportation to the after-school program via three routes: Central Elementary School in Petoskey, MI, and youth can schedule pick up at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, and at Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI. Youth must be picked up from the Youth Services Department or Biindigen and the LTBB Governmental Center if scheduled with Youth Services.

Youth Services has recently collaborated with the LTBB Education, LTBB Language, LTBB Health and LTBB Elders Departments and looks forward to collaborating with other LTBB departments in the future. It is assisting the SPRING Program with its year-end celebration on May 8, 2015 and will assist the Education Department with its Summer Program at the LTBB Community Building.

There will be a couple weeks between the summer and when school starts where the department will not provide services to the youth. The department will announce those weeks in advance so people can plan accordingly.

Each staff member has his or her own niche': Boda handles the administrative duties as the coordinator; Bott facilitates transportation and helps with the wellness and sports activities as well as drum practice; and Smith coordinates drum practice and other cultural activities and also assists with the sports and wellness activities. The department works with Charla Gordon, a dietician contracted by the LTBB Health Department, on meals and snacks planning. The department's logo now includes Waaniigaanzijik (The Ones Who Will Lead in Anishinaabemowin). Despite the department being created by a statute in 2006, there are no regulations, procedures or policies for it, so Boda will be working on developing those.

through the budget formulation process, and by the PEACE grant. PEACE stands for Positive Enrichment and Cultural Education Program, whose mission statement is all LTBB youth will be educated spiritually, mentally, physically and emotionally to create a strong, safe and sober community. Its vision statement is to inspire young leaders to serve our community through PEACE (Positive Enrichment and Cultural Awareness). It is funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Preventions Tribal Youth Programs, is offered in school cultural education through collaborative efforts with Title VII Coordinators and provides cultural activities during youth groups and community events.

#### Meet Youth Services Coordinator Bernadece Boda

Bernadece Boda, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, started as the Youth Services Coordinator in December 2014. Bernadece is the daughter of Frances Compo and Ronald Yob of Grand Rapids, MI, and the granddaughter of the late Frank and Viola (Shomin) Compo of East Jordan, MI. She previously worked in the LTBB Tribal Court as the Probation Officer from 2003-2006 and as the Court Administrator from 2006-2013.

Prior to working for LTBB, she worked as a Youth Specialist in Kent County (Michigan) from 2000-2003. She earned both a Master's in Public Administration and a Master's in Science from Grand Valley State University.

She is married to Jesse L. Boda, who is also from Grand Rapids, MI, and an LTBB Tribal Citizen. Bernadece and Jesse have eight children, Sara, 23, Mshkoadekwe, 19, Jacob, 18, Joy, 15, Sierra, 14, McKenzie, 8, Cameron, 7, and Jesse, 1-1/2. Six of her children are LTBB Tribal Citizens and two are Pokagon Band Citizens.



Meet Youth Services Assistant Barry Bott Barry Bott, an LTBB Tribal

## **ODAWA TRAILS**

John Bott, Sr., both of whom have worked for LTBB at the casino and in the tribal government for several years. Diane is a Healthy Heart Specialist in the Healthy Heart Program, which is part of the Community Health Department. John Bott, Sr. is an Assistant Manager at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

He has two brothers, John Bott, Jr., and Blayne Bott. John Bott, Jr. and his wife, Shelly, have three children, John Bott III, Darian and Ayana. John Bott, Jr. is a Corrections Officer for the State of Michigan. Blayne Bott and his wife, Sara, have two children, Lily and Elly. Blayne is the Lead Gaming Inspector in the LTBB Regulatory Department.



#### Meet PEACE Grant Youth Outreach Assistant R.J. Smith

R.J. Smith, who is Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe on his mother's side and Fort Peck Assiniboine on his father's side, was the department's first coordinator. He returned to the area when his wife, Netawn Kiogima, became an Anishinaabemowin Language Teacher in the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department in June 2013. Prior to accepting his current position, he worked as a temporary worker in the LTBB Education Department and in the LTBB Youth Services Department last year. He has worked with youth for 26 years as the first LTBB Youth Services Coordinator and as a Cultural Coordinator at the Boys and Girls Club of LCO in Wisconsin where he founded the youth drum, the Grindstone Lake Singers. He started a youth group, the Urban Natives of Chicago Youth Council and Dance Troupe, while living in Chicago, IL.

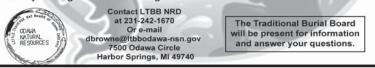
Smith grew up in Chicago, IL, and attended Loyola University, the School of the Art Institute of Chicago, NAES and Mid-Michigan Community College after graduating from high school.

He is a traditional dancer, who was featured in a Gatorade

## LTBB NATURAL RESOURCE COMMISSION

Annual Hunting/Fishing Meeting May 16, 2015 3 pm - 7 pm

You are invited to join the Natural Resource Commission and Department for an evening at the Soaring Eagle Casino Resort 6800 Soaring Eagle Blvd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858. Hear what the Natural Resource Commission and Department has accomplished in the last year and plans for the future. We would like to hear Tribal Members opinions and suggestions. Meeting will be from 3 pm to 7 pm. Dinner will be served at 4:30 pm. and door prizes will be given away throughout the meeting.



### 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 <u>72 hours prior to their appointments</u>.

Transportation is based on availability.

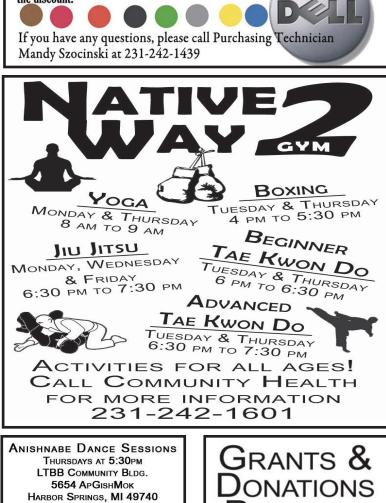
Call 231-242-1601 to set up a ride as soon as possible.

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

## Save on your next computer with Dell

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The department is funded by general funds, which are appropriated by Tribal Council Citizen, started the Youth Services Assistant on August 23, 2010. He has worked for LTBB since 1999, working at Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI, for eight years, at Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI, for three years and is in his fifth year as the PEACE Grant Youth Assistant.

Bott, who grew up in Mt. Pleasant, MI, until moving to Petoskey, MI, in July 1999, graduated from Petoskey High School in 2000. He is a member of the Spirit Lake drum.

He and his wife, Alisha, have been married for 12 years, and they have two children, Maddison, 7, and Whitney, 6. His parents are Diane and commercial, and the lead singer of the War Club Singers drum and has served as Head Male Dance Judge and Arena Director at pow wows.

He and his wife, Netawn, have two children, Miigwaans (Little Feather in Anishinaabemowin), 16, and Zhaawon (Bluebird in Anishinaabemowin), 11. Netawn, Miigwaans and Zhaawon are all LTBB Tribal Citizens. Netawn and Miigwaans, both fancy shawl dancers, both represented LTBB as Miss Odawa Nation in 1992-1993 and 2013-2014 respectively. They are believed to be the only mother and daughter to be crowned Miss Odawa Nation. Zhaawon is a traditional dancer and drums and sings.

## April 2 - Dance 9 - Dance info on Pow Wows 16 - Traditional Dance 23 - Jingle/Grass Dance 30 - Fancy Dance May 14 - Dance 21 - Dance 28 - Dance JUNE 4 - Dance 11 - Dance Dates/Sessions may change due to unforeseen circumstances and we will try to notify participants using contact information from sign-ir sheets and participant cards. For More Information, please contact Dawn - LTBB Cultural Services at 231-242-1487 or the Main Education Number 231-242-1480

## PROGRAM

Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for both Native and non-Native organizations. If you would like an application, please call 231-242-1420. The deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2015. Please note that the Grants and Donations program is NOT intended for small business purposes.

# Sth Annual Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) Tribal Economic Forum



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A variety of topics will be presented to help encourage all Michigan tribes with their economic and community development initiatives at the 5th Annual MEDC Tribal Economic Forum to be held May 13-14, 2015 at the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort in Mt. Pleasant, MI. There is no cost to attend this conference.

The MEDC has reserved a block of a limited number of rooms at Soaring Eagle. To make a room reservation, please call 1-888-732-4537 or visit www.soaringeaglecasino.com and use the group promotional code: TEF51315.

The Michigan Economic Development Corporation is the state's marketing arm and lead advocate for business development, talent and jobs, tourism, film and digital media incentives, arts and cultural grants, and overall economic growth. The MEDC offers a number of business assistance services and capital programs for business attraction and acceleration, entrepreneurship, strategic partnerships, talent enhancement and urban and community development.

*Courtesy graphic.* 

## National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Internships



NCAI offers internships to provide an opportunity for young leaders from throughout Indian country to serve on the front lines of legislative action and policy development. All interns are selected through an application and interview process.

Students enrolled in institutions of higher learning are invited to apply for semester or summer-long internships (for which most institutions will offer college credit) with one to two applicants selected for each term. NCAI interns work with various staff on the issues they are most interested in pursuing.

NCAI is committed to investing in the next generation of leaders to protect and advance tribal sovereignty for generations to come. Young Native leaders are invited to apply for our Fall 2015 internship.

The application can be completed online at this link: http://tinyurl.com/NCAIapp

Applications will be accepted until June 22, 2015 with decisions made no later than July 20, 2015.

More details regarding internships at NCAI can be found on our website at www.ncai.org *Courtesy graphic.* 

## Native American Business Institute



Who is This For? Native American high school students who will be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the Fall 2015- Spring 2016 school year interested in learning more about college and opportunities in business.

#### What is NABI?

The Native American Business Institute is a week-long, pre-college summer program for Native American high school students who will be in the 10th, 11th or 12th grade during the Fall 2015- Spring 2016 school year. Participants work with MSU admissions officers, college counselors, tribal community leaders and corporate representhem to numerous academic and professional opportunities.

When is NABI?

The Native American Business Institute will take place at Michigan State University campus during the following dates and location: Sunday, July 26, 2015-Saturday, August 1, 2015 in East Shaw Residence Hall.

What Will I Gain From This Experience?

• Develop time management and study skills

• Receive tips and strategies for gaining admission to college

• Learn how to navigate the financial aid/scholarship jungle

• Form lifelong friendships with other Native youth, MSU students and MSU support staff

• Strengthen communication and interpersonal skills

• Attend corporate, cultural and leadership development workshops

• Cultivate a deeper appreciation and understanding of their culture

• Foster networks with business leaders and other professionals Most importantly—they learn how to WORK HARD & PLAY HARD!

Application Period/Deadlines

First round of applications are due by Friday, May 1, 2015. Late applications will be placed at the "end of the line" for review, and students are accepted on a space available basis.

Eligibility

To be eligible, each student must:

• Be a current high school student

• Have a 2.8-3.0 cumulative grade point average

• Submit a completed application packet by the established deadline.

To download an application, visit https://mbp.broad.msu. edu/nabi/

Mail, e-mail or fax applications to:

Kevin Leonard, Ph.D. Multicultural Business Programs 645 N. Shaw Lane, Rm. 419

East Lansing, MI 48824 517-353-3524



**Down Payment Assistance:** This program offers up to \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

**Foreclosure Prevention Program:** This program offers up to \$3,000 to assist in foreclosure prevention.

Well & Septic Assistance Program: Funded by the Indian Health Services located in Sault Ste. Marie, MI this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation of a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

**Credit Counseling:** We provide confidential advice and referrals to assist tribal citizens in regaining their financial stability and credibility.

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



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tatives in a seven-day "business boot camp" which prepares students for the college and exposes • Expose students to various careers and opportunities in business

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WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help.

Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get assistance with a well and septic system or replace your current system.

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

## 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 documentation.

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

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

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

Adult verification form must be witnessed.

Minor verification form must be notarized.

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

# May

N	Sunday (Name-Giizhigat)	Monday (Ntam-Nokii-Giizhigat)	Tuesday (Niizho-Giizhigat)	Wednesday (Nso-Giizhigat)	Thursday (Niiwo-Giizhigat)	Friday (Naano-Giizhigat
M E	Elders Open Swim Odawa Hotel Pool, Petoskey, MI Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm Call 231-242-1423 for details					Child Welfare Commission Meeting 1 pm Govt. Center Rm. 312
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	24	25 Memorial Day Governmental Offices Closed	Elders Luncheon at Noon 26 Election Board Primary Election Certification Gaming Authority Cmte. Meeting 10 am Tribal Council Chambers	Agricultural Assessment Work Group Meeting 4 pm Tribal Council Chambers GRC Meeting 5:30 pm 911 Spring St. Natural Resource Commission Meeting 6 pm Natural Resource Bldg.	Elders Luncheon at Noon 28	Meet The Candidates Forum 7 pm-10 pm LTBB Governmental Center

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#### "Tar Sands" continued from page 1.

shippers of oil in North America, its vast network of pipelines transport crude oil, including dirty tar sands oil, to refineries around the continent. These oil pipelines such as Line 5 are a threat to our way of life in Northern Michigan. An oil spill at the Straits of Mackinac or in another waterbody would cause serious damage to the local recreation and tourism industry, fish and wildlife, Native American traditions and the Great Lakes. Currently, no tar sands oil is being shipped through Line 5.



Pictured from left to right are Tribal Council Treasurer Marci Reyes, LTBB Interim Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley and Winona LaDuke.

The event began with a potluck dinner with music provided by Younce Guitar Duo. LTBB Natural Resource Director Doug Craven then welcomed those in attendance and gave a brief overview of the agenda for the evening. The Spirit Lake drum provided a welcome song, followed by words from LTBB Interim Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley and Tribal Council Treasurer Marci Reyes.

## **ODAWA TRAILS**

Reyes spoke of the Tribal Council Declaration, Statement of Concern Regarding the Enbridge Pipeline Under the Mackinaw Straits Because of the Potential Devastating Impact on the Tribe's Resources and Treaty Rights signed on February 2, 2014 by the LTBB Tribal Council (John Keshick III, Bill A. Denemy, Beatrice A. Law, Winnay Wemigwase, Mike Naganashe, Aaron Otto, Marci Reyes, Julie Shananaquet and Regina Gasco-Bentley) and then Tribal Chairman Fred Kiogima and Tribal Resolution #030515-01 Decommission and Safe Removal of Pipeline Running Under the Straits of Mackinac passed on March 5, 2015 by the LTBB Tribal Council (Bill A. Denemy, John Keshick III, Beatrice A. Law, Mike Naganashe, Aaron Otto, Winnay Wemigwase, Julie Shananaquet and Marci Reyes) and signed by LTBB Interim Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley on March 19, 2015.

Other speakers included Eriel Deranger, Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation; Jim Lively, Michigan Land Use Institute; Phil Bellfy, Article 32; Rebecca Glotfelty and Michelle Barlond-Smith, community members with stories from the Kalamazoo, MI, Line 6B spill; Valerie Jean and Lisa Leggio from the Michigan Coalition Against Tar Sands (MICATS); Andy Pearson, MN350.org; Shane Davis, fractivist. org; and Winona LaDuke, Honor the Earth.

A group photo was taken at the conclusion of the event with the Spirit Lake drum providing a traveling song.

For more information on the Enbridge Tar Sands Resistance Tour, visit the Facebook page titled, "Enbridge Tar Sands Resistance Tour."

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar and courtesy graphic.



## 2015 Miss Odawa Nation Contest LIVE THE LEGACY.

A crown has been worn by a young Odawa woman for over 70 years. These young women proudly display the finest qualities.

> To be considered for this high honor, you must be: Between the ages of 13 to 19 A positive role model for all youth Knowledgeable in Odawa culture A young lady with Odawa lineage





who is at least 1/4 Native American Single with no dependents A Pow Wow dancer

> Application materials available online at: www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or Contact Shanna Wemigwase at 231-838-1979 or littlefeather1983@yahoo.com

> > Miss Odawa 2015 to be crowned at the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Saturday August 8th, 2015

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#### **MAY 2015 ODAWA TRAILS** 27 NES FROM OUR EMBERSHIP Birthdays Birthdays Birthdays LTBB's Healthy Heart Program purchased a rototiller for use in



Happy 34th birthday to our Mother's Day baby, David King, who celebrates on May 10. We'll never forget your adventures Up North such as your tumble down the stairs, your go-cart driving and your putt-putt golfing skills. Have a great day. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to me. I'm more than 53. I'll take a steak and a hug.

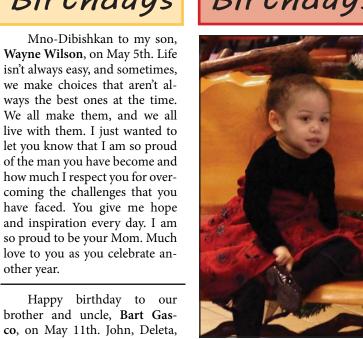
Happy birthday to our favorite Aunt, Dorothy May Boda, who celebrates on May 22. Thank you for always remembering our birthdays and making us feel special. Love you Auntie, the Laughlin girls.

Happy birthday to Nicole Laughlin, who is one year closer to 21. Love you, Mama.

Happy birthday to my sister, Anna Mae, who celebrates on May 8. From your sister, Diane.

Happy birthday Grumpa! We love you very much!! Love you, Lane, Kentin & Audrey.

Happy birthday to my brother, Wayne Wilson, on May 5th. From Chris.



Happy birthday to Bedassige Adassa James. Love, Mom.

Happy birthday to Bedassige. From Auntie and Cousins.

Wayner, happy birthday to you on May 5th. Uncle John.

Happy 20th birthday Coco. Love, Mama and Josie.



Happy birthday to our pretty girl, McKenzie Kiogima, and our little buddy, Cameron Kiogima!! We love and miss you to the moon and back! You two are forever in our hearts and minds! WE LOVE YOU! Grandma and Grandpa Kiogima and family.

home gardens. We don't have staff to transport and run it for people, but if anyone is interested it can be borrowed this spring.

See below for details:

- 1. Borrower must be able to transport and move tiller on their own. It does have a trailer to haul it.
- Security deposit of \$25 must be left with Community Health; when tiller is returned in same condition it was borrowed in, the deposit will be returned. If the tiller is damaged, the deposit will be put towards any necessary repairs.
- 3. Gas tank will be full when picked up and should be returned with a full tank. If it isn't returned full, the deposit will be used to refill the tank, and the remainder will be returned to the borrower.
- 4. Borrower will be required to sign a waiver.
- 5. The tiller must be picked up and returned the same day. Borrowers must live within the area to accommodate this.

For more information, contact Regina Brubacker-Carver, RN LTBB Health Educator at 231-242-1664

## Miigwetch

Greetings fellow LTBB Citizens

This is a letter of appreciation written to show my gratitude for the Chingwa grant ad-



Happy Mother's Day at Waas No De' Buffet

To Include Peel and Eat Shrimp, Deviled Eggs and Smoked Whitefish with Egg, Red Onion and Capers

Full Salad Bar

other year.

on May 25.

Wayner and Chris.

Mno Dibishkaan Nbazgim

Wayne, I took care of you

when you were a baby and

watched you grow up through the

years. It gives me great pride to

see the man you are today. Happy

birthday, Love Grandma Petoskey.

Carvery Roasted Strip Loin with Au Jus

Red Skin Mashed Potatoes and Scalloped Potatoes Maple Glazed Baby Carrots and **Dinner Rolls** Baked Ziti with Italian Sausage Frittata with Asparagus, Tomato and Fontina

ministered by Jon Anthony and the team at WOCTEP; Kim Gabrick, Sean Kutzler, Mary Gasco, Dan Hinmon and Tina Dominic for their dedication to upgrading and improving the abilities and skills of the tribal citizens. When my wife and I first arrived back home, we were welcomed by them and immediately began attending college. Due to their dedication and encouragement, I've been able to graduate every year achieving an expertise in the current Adobe media available today. These tribal organizations have assisted me in seeking three certificates and training in New Media, Graphic Arts and the Business of Art and learning the skills necessary for using the Adobe Creative Suites. This collection of 11 interactive programs makes accessing the Internet easy and contemporary with today's rapidly changing scenarios.

I also wish to show my gratefulness to the Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department; Carla Osawamick and Gwen Gasco for their hard work in revitalizing our Anishinaabemowin language. They have been instrumental in assisting me in persevering to learn the language. Although I do not consider myself to be a fluent speaker, I am capable of understanding the many stories told in the Language Immersion program. And, I am gradually getting better at speaking. Another department I want to acknowledge is the Elders Department; Arlene Naganashe and Tammy Okuly-Shananaquet for their continuing daily work in programs to assist elders with housing, medical and rides as well as sending elders to the Anishinaabemowin-Teg Conference. This conference helped me to see the vast amount of work being done by so many people in revitalizing the Anishinaabemowin language.

Hickory Smoked Ham with Rum Raisin Sauce

## Brunch Menu

Scrambled Eggs, Denver Eggs, Bacon, Link Sausage, Corned Beef Hash, Biscuits and Gravy, French Toast with Maple Syrup and Eggs and Omelets to Order

Wild Rice Stuffed Pork Loin Southern Fried Chicken and Fried Pork Chops with Waffles and Honey Grilled Salmon with Dilled Cream Coconut Shrimp and Fried Pollock Cornbread Asparagus with Hollandaise

Breakfast Potato Skins and Assorted Pizzas Broccoli Au Gratin Wild Mushroom Risotto Bread Pudding, Fruit Cobbler, Assorted Cakes, Pies, Mousses and Sugar Free Desserts

Along with many more of your Waas No De' Favorites

Adults - \$20.95 Children Under 12 - \$14.95 Under Five - Complimentary

Hours of operation on Mother's Day

Dinner/ Brunch Served All Day 11 am - 8 pm

Sunday, May 10th, 2015

Miigwetch, (thank you), Frank Bernard, Band Member No 117

WindJammer Marina

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SATURDAY

DRAWINGS 6PM-10PM

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MAY 23 THE SLEEPING GYPSIES (IN OVATION HALL) MAY 29 LOUD MOUTH SOUP MAY 30 STEREO ARTIFACTS

**DDAWA** Casino