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LTBB STRENGTHENS COLLABORATIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH HARBOR SPRINGS PUBLIC SCHOOLS BY HOSTING HARBOR SPRINGS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Throughout the years, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Harbor Springs Public Schools have cultivated a collaborative working relationship.

The two governmental entities further strengthened that working relationship when the Harbor Springs Public Schools' Board of Education held its regularly scheduled meeting on February 9 in the Tribal Courtroom at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

The monthly meetings are normally held at Harbor Springs Middle School. The board plans to hold regular meetings at the governmental center in the future.

Tribal Chairman Frank Etawageshik welcomed the board members and thanked them for their cooperation.



"I've received positive feedback about it," said Education Director Melissa Claramunt who attended the meeting. "They liked the change of venue, they liked the good feelings here, and they liked the welcoming atmosphere."

"We saw this as another oppor-

tunity to work collaboratively with the school district. We're very fortunate to have a school district so willing to work with us. The opportunities to collaborate continue to grow."

Harbor Springs Public Schools Superintendent Mark Tompkins thanked the tribe for its hospitality.

"It's important to get out of our shell and to be in the community," Tompkins said.

LTBB representatives had previously attended a Board of Education meeting after there was an incident involving Native and non-Native students at a Harbor Springs Public School.

"We had attended the meeting to discuss the incident, and the board was receptive to us," Claramunt said. "We wanted to be pro-active about it."

While at a National Indian Education Association (NIEA) national conference, Claramunt had attended a session which discussed ways tribal governments and school boards could forge a stronger working relationship.

"We talked about ways to strengthen a good working relationship, and that was one of them," Claramunt said of hosting a school board meeting at a tribal building.

Harbor Springs High School worked collaboratively with the Education Department, the Language Program and the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department to establish the first Anishinaabemowin Language Class offered in a Michigan high school for graduation credit. The class was first offered in the 2007-2008 school year, and it was offered again in the 2008-2009 school year. Doreen Peltier, a fluent speaker who is a member of the Wikwemikong First Nation in Manitoulin Island, Ontario, Canada, is the instructor for the class.

"It's great to have this going on here," Harbor Springs Public Schools Board of Education President Rob Furhman said of the language class. "I am very impressed with the efforts of everyone involved with it."

During the meeting, Cheryl Hal-

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THROUGH WOCTEP, LTBB COLLABORATES WITH NORTH CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE IN PETOSKEY, MI, TO ESTABLISH NEW ANISHINAABEK CULTURE COURSE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

When LTBB applied for a Native American Career Technical Education Program (NACTEP) grant from the U.S. Department of Education, it included a cultural component.

After receiving the five-year, \$2.1 million NACTEP grant, LTBB created the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) and partnered with North Central Michigan College (NCMC) to offer certificate programs in Entrepreneurship, Nurse Aide, Medical Assistant, Phlebotomy and New Media.

One of the requirements of receiving a WOCTEP certificate is completing Sociology 115, Anishinaabek Culture.

The new, one-credit course is open to all NCMC students and was first offered in the 2009 Winter Semester. It will likely be offered again in the 2009 Fall Semester.

Half of the 28 students in the class are enrolled in the WOCTEP Program. Education Director Melissa Claramunt is the instructor of record, but she said her role was to coordinate the Native presenters who shared aspects of their Native culture with the

Native and non-Native students.

"It makes the certificates unique," Claramunt said of the cultural component. "It gives students an understanding of the cultural and economic contributions of the tribe. Also, when they work with or help Native people within the general community, they'll have a better understanding of where Native people are coming from."

"The college was surprised by the enrollment numbers for a first-time class."

The course description states the topics covered in the four class periods include the origin, culture, tradition and language of the Anishinaabek people. The course also covers historical and current issues of the tribe.

The first, third and fourth classes were held at the NCMC campus in Petoskey, MI, on January 23, February 20 and March 6. The second class was held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, on February 6.

The class at the governmental center began with Cultural Advisor Tony Davis speaking to the students in the fire pit area and smudging. Davis spoke on the Four Directions, the Circle of Life and other Native topics.

"When we start anything, we start it with a prayer," Davis said. "We

can't start anything without the Creator and his spiritual guidance. Anytime we start anything spiritual, we smudge. We have four medicines, but I am using sage. I was taught sage helps us to clear the mind and take in those good words and feelings so we can better understand those words. We need to purify ourselves to prepare ourselves for what we are about to do."

Davis concluded by sharing a joke with the students.

"Laughter is spiritual; it heals," Davis said. "It's why we're here after

500 years."

Claramunt said it was an opportunity to educate the students there is no separation of church and state in the Native culture.

"We wanted to show the students the tribal community starts events with a smudging," Claramunt said.

The students then returned to the Tribal Courtroom where Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr. spoke on tribal history and government.

The first half of the class con-

Cultural Advisor Tony Davis spoke to the students at the February 6 class held at LTBB.



cluded with a panel of LTBB Governmental Employees who briefly discussed some of the services and programs the tribe offers tribal citizens. There was also a question and answer period. The majority of the questions were for the Law Enforcement Department and the Natural Resource Department.

Employees included Natural Resource Director Doug Craven, Tribal Court Administrator Bernadece Kiogima, Chief Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Cobe, Health Educator Regina Brubacker-Carver, Archives Technician Yvonne Walker-Keshick and Claramunt.

After a short break, PEACE Coordinator Kristy Dayson started the second half of the class by speaking of various tribal gatherings. Dayson, a jingle dress dancer, talked about pow wows and shared the origin of the jingle dress as it was told to her. She also had various cultural items (a quill box, a dream catcher, a shawl, a jingle dress, a finger-woven belt, a hand drum, etc.) with her and had a collage of photos showing various tribal gatherings.

Brubacker-Carver spoke about some of the health issues facing Native people today.

Research & Repatriation Assistant Eric Hemenway spoke on tribal

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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

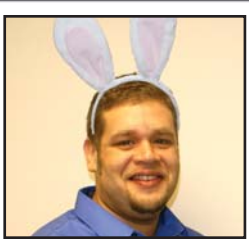
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The LTBB Communications Department wishes everyone a Happy Easter on April 12.

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

The deadline for the May issue of *Odawa Trails* is March 23.

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

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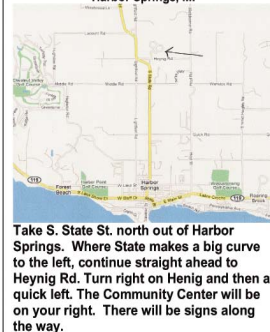
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Language Program

BAATIINAD GWAYA GEMIGWECHWENDIGIBA (THERE ARE MANY THINGS THAT ONE IS THANKFUL FOR)

Submitted by the Language Program

Baatiinad gwaya gemigwechwendigiba maampii Mshiikenh Mnis maadziyiing.

Niibna nibiish geyaabi gdaa'aanaa zhinda nikeyiing akiing. Baatiinok maampii akiing eyaasgook enjishiing nibiish waamnikweng.

Aakwaziigamigong ge'e gdizhaami giishpin aakwaziyiing. Aanin bimaadizijik oode endaa'jik nbaneyiing akiing, kaawii daa'ansiinaa'aa gego zhoonyaa wiizhaa'aad aakwaziigamigong pii aakwaziwaad. Niibna nbo'ok ji-gdimaa'g-waziwaad.

Weweni gwa zhinaagidoon wiigwaaman endaa'yiing. Baatiinok bimaadizijik eyaasgwa wiigwaaman waadaa'aad. Oode nikeyiing chigaamiing enjinigaaziwaad bimaadizijik, niibna gwajiing daawok,

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There are many things that one has to be thankful for while living here on Turtle Island.

We still have lots of water in this part of the world. There are many on this earth who do not have good water to drink.

We go to the hospital if we get sick. Other people, who live on the other side of the world, they do not have money to go to the hospital when they get sick. There are many who die because of their poverty.

Our houses that we live in look good. Many people do not have a house to live in. Over there, overseas where there is poverty amongst people, there are many who live outside; they are cold, and they are hungry.

Nobody will go hungry here because there are buildings that give free food. These buildings have different names. There are volunteers here that take care of the free food that is given away.

These are not the only ones that one has to be thankful for. There are many things that each and every one of us are thankful for: Our family, our children, our life, our work and still many more things.

ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE CARTOON BY TYLER LAUGHLIN

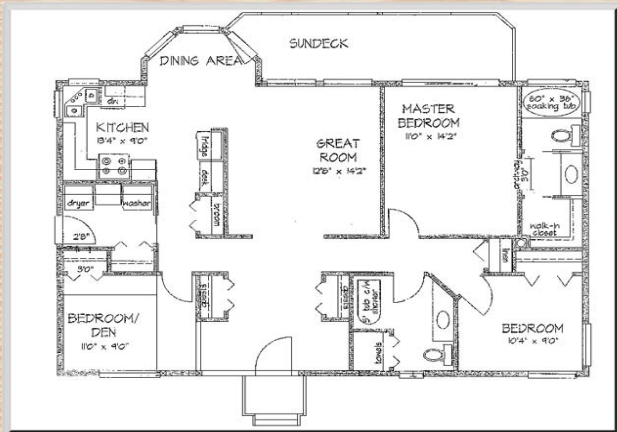
Students in our Harbor Springs High School language class created cartoons using language on their own for their teacher, Doreen Peltier. The one featured this month is by Tyler Laughlin. Translation: "Okay, I'm going to sugar bush."; "Oh my, there's no sap."; "Where is the sap?"; "I just don't know."



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Welcome Home!

The LTBB Housing Department is building a stick built home in the Village of Pellston to be available for occupancy by early summer 2009. We are seeking interested applicants to purchase this house with a conventional mortgage. The purchase price of the home will be approximately \$100,000 or \$650 per month with a 30 year mortgage. Most lenders will require a gross monthly income of approximately \$2500 to be able to afford this home.



Any qualified tribal citizen interested in purchasing this home should apply to the LTBB Housing Department or call 231-242-1540.

CELEBRATE WITH US!
Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.'s
FOUNDER'S DAY
April 18, 2009—REVISED DATE
9 a.m.—1 p.m.
Commons Area - LTBB Government Building
Food, Fun, Information & More
Everyone Is Welcome!

Save on your next computer with Dell

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

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

Craft Sale

May 9
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Greensky Hill Church
Charlevoix, MI
231-547-2028

See lots of native arts and jewelry, Petoskey stones, silver crafts, woodworks!

New this year -
Antique appraisals, just \$10/item.
Call 231-599-2915 for an appointment.

Health Department

Important Facts You Should Know About Indian Health Service Contract Health Service

I.H.S. - CHS coverage is not automatic. You must be registered with CHS. Should you have an emergency situation requiring you to obtain care at a non- I.H.S. facility such as urgent care or the emergency room, you must notify the CHS office at 231-242-1600 within 72 hours of that visit. If you fail to do so, you will be held responsible for the bill.

Eligibility Criteria:

- You must reside in the Contract Health Service Delivery Area (CHSDA).
- Be an enrolled member or descendent of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians or be able to prove social or economic ties to the community.
- A Native American claiming eligibility for CHS has the responsibility to furnish the tribal program with documentation to substantiate the claim.
- You must have an active and complete file with Contract Health before a reference number can be given.

Remember!!!!

Indian Health Service Contract Health is not an entitlement program - not everyone is eligible. Know your status before obtaining services.

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical

care that is not available in the Tribal Clinic. A referral is not an implication the care will be paid by CHS. A patient must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities and use all alternate resources available.

If a referral is denied for CHS payment, the patient may elect to obtain medical services at his or her own expense. In most cases, an approved referral is limited to one medical appointment. Please call Contract Health Services at 231-242-1600 prior to any follow-up appointments for approval to make sure your coverage is still in effect.

Alternate Resources:

Contract Health Service is the payer of last resort. When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Assistance, Workman's compensation, private insurance or any other coverage, it is considered the primary carrier.

Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

The system has highest priority to approve conditions related to life saving or potential death threatening situations, then we approve by severity of condition.

The amount of funding we receive for CHS services is limited. When we run out of money toward the end of the year, then we have to be very strict on referral approvals and may only have the funds to pay for emergency conditions.

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facier, Director of Indian Education for Harbor Springs Public Schools, gave a presentation on Indian Education and the Anishinaabemowin Language Class. Part of the presentation was a video featuring the Anishinaabemowin Language Class students. The students introduced themselves in their Native language, and some of the students performed a skit using their Native language. Neewin Wemigwase, who attended the meeting and is a student in the class, explained what the students said in the video.

"Isn't it something to be the first?" Tompkins said. "It's something very positive to build on."

LTBB also collaborated with Harbor Springs Public Schools is the Blackbird Literacy Night to be held

on March 5. A theme related to Native culture is being discussed for the event.

Claramunt presented the board members with Our Land and Culture: A 200 Year History of Our Land Use, a book compiled and printed in November 2005 by LTBB. The book was funded by a grant from the Indian Land Tenure Foundation, and the project director was Cultural Preservation Director Winnay Wemigwase. Wesley Andrews wrote the book, and tribal youth assisted by conducting elder interviews for it.

Claramunt also presented them with other reference materials such as LTBB maps, the Seven Grandfather Teachings and a Medicine Wheel page.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Biindigen Business Hours:
 Mon. - Thurs. 6 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 Friday 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.
 Sat. 7 a.m. - 10 p.m.
 Sun. 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.
 2169 US 31 N
 Petoskey, MI 49770
 231-487-1093

Grab a slice of delicious pizza!
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Biindigen is always accepting applications for clerk positions.

Waganakising SHKINIIGIK
"Young People From the Place of The Crooked Tree"

LTBB YOUTH WEDNESDAYS!
 We meet every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.:

- 1st Wednesday of each month
Monthly Planning Meeting & Youth Activity
- 2nd Wednesday of each month
A community project decided on by youths
- 3rd Wednesday of each month
Youth talking circle & a cultural activity or field trip
- 4th Wednesday of each month
Youth Advisory Committee Meeting and guest speaker

If there's a 5th Wednesday, there will be a surprise activity!

Free! to youths ages 12-19

Any tribal community member between the ages of 12-19 are welcome. Bring a friend! The grub is served at 5:30 p.m. and the activities immediately follow. We're located at the "White House," 1345 US-31 North in Petoskey.

Youth Services Coordinator
 Joe Lucier
 231-242-4593 office
 231-838-5173 cell
 jlucier@ltbbodawa-usn.gov

Traditional Healer Jake Pine
 is available for appointments on
April 27-28, 2009
 All appointments at
 the LTBB Community Health Department,
 1250 Lears Road, Petoskey, MI, 49770

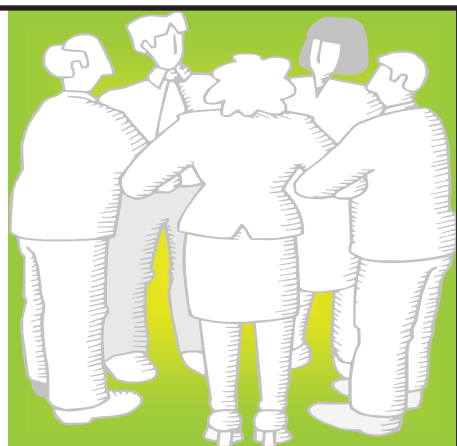
For more information
 or to schedule an appointment,
 please call 231-242-1601.

LTBB (Walk-In) Grief & Loss Support
And how to help people who are grieving

Community & Staff Members Welcome
 Tuesdays - 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
 101 Greenwood Road
 Petoskey, MI 49770

Facilitators:
 Dr. Cheryl Samuels-McCue &
 Chris LePage TLLP, LLMSW, CAAC
 Refreshments Provided

For more information, call 231-242-1640



THE LTBB 2nd Annual Health Fair

Mini-Mskiki Gumik
 1250 Lears Rd.

Friday May 8, 2009
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program has implemented a new application process. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2009. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatroluk at 231-242-1420.

Don't forget to send in your May birthday announcements by 5 p.m., April 13.
 By e-mail, send to:
newsletter@ltbbodawa-usn.gov.
 By phone, call Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or David Burks at 231-242-1429.

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Education Department

WOCTEP STUDENTS SHARE SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF ENROLLING IN THE PROGRAM

Submitted by the WOCTEP Program

By now, most of you have probably heard about WOCTEP.

The Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP), operating under a five-year, \$2.1 million U.S. Department of Education grant and partnering with North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI, began offering college-accredited courses in summer 2008.

WOCTEP offers certificates of development in New Media, Entrepreneurship, Phlebotomy, Certified Nurse Aide and Medical Assistant. These short certificates can be completed in as little as three part-time semesters.

They offer many advantages to our students: Gaining useful skills quickly makes you employable in high growth job areas and provides a strong foundation for lifelong learning.

Program benefits include strong student support from WOCTEP staff, early registration opportunities, need-based financial assistance and an Anishinaabe cultural component in all certificates (*Please see the related article about Sociology 115, Anishinaabek Culture, which appears on the cover of this Odawa Trails newsletter.*)

The following is what two of our students are saying about the program

and its classes:

"I've always done arts and crafts,



WOCTEP student Audrey Atkinson

but I wanted to develop the business side of what I do," Audrey Atkinson said. "The Entrepreneurship program gave me the basics to get started. The ENT110 instructor worked with us to develop a business plan. It showed me things I never would have considered or thought of."

Regarding WOCTEP staff, Atkinson said: "I like that they track my progress, so I know where I'm at. I'm taking other courses, but I like to know that my Entrepreneurship certificate classes are being tracked. I like the early registration for this program; it's easy to register."

Another WOCTEP student, Stacia Defeudis, said she chose New Media because "it was a program that offered flexibility in a field that had never been offered before and that I was deeply interested in. I am learn-

ing something new and something that is relevant *now*. New Media is pertinent to today's environment. It is about having new skills that are current, and that is extremely important."

When asked, "What is the benefit of being a WOCTEP student?" Defeudis said, "This is a unique environment; I feel very lucky to be included in this program. It offers a certain amount of diversity but still feels inclusive and makes me feel part of one community because we are all working together."

If you are interested in enrolling



WOCTEP student Stacia Defeudis

in classes in these certificate areas, please call 231-242-1485 for more information.

The photos of Audrey Atkinson and Stacia Defeudis appear courtesy of the WOCTEP Program.

Call for Summer Registration Information

Registration is now open for the following certificate programs:

- Phlebotomy
- Nurse Aid
- New Media
- Medical Assistant
- Entrepreneurship

Classes are held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, the LTBB Health Park and North Central Michigan College Petoskey Campus.

For more information or to register, please call Dawn at 231-242-1485.

"WOCTEP" continued from cover.

community group activities such as maple sugar bushes, berry picking camps, sweat grass picking, harvesting birch bark, etc.

The class concluded with an informal talking circle where the students shared their thoughts about the class.

At the first class, the students took a cultural quiz as an icebreaker, watched the "Journey to Sovereignty" video and listened to guest speakers, Hemenway and MSU Tribal Extension Educator Emily Proctor.

At the third class, Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik spoke on the historical significance of the word "Odawa," how the tribe has economically sustained itself and how tribal citizens have been successful entrepreneurs.

The fourth and final class involved cultural activities.

After each class, students were required to write a reflective paper about what was presented to them during class.

Course materials included *Our Land and Culture: A 200 Year His-*

tory of Our Land Use, a book compiled and printed in November 2005 by LTBB, a recommended reading list, a bibliography, Internet resources, a map showing where the 12 federally recognized tribes in Michigan are located and other cultural items.

Photos by Annette VanDeCar.

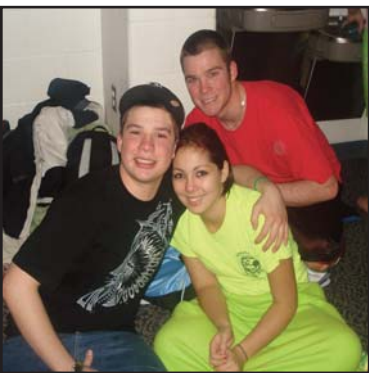


Research & Repatriation Assistant Eric Hemenway was one of the class' presenters.

Waganakising SHKINIIGIK

DURING THE COLD WINTER MONTHS, TRIBAL YOUTH ENJOY A PLETHORA OF INDOOR ACTIVITIES

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



(From left to right) Dustin Grundy, Yarrow Nowell and Devin Grundy are all smiles at the LTBB Native Youth Lock-In.

The Youth Services Department, the Education Department and the PEACE Program partnered to sponsor the Second Annual LTBB Native Youth Lock-In held at Harbor Springs High School in Harbor Springs, MI.

The event, which drew approximately 110 youth from Peshawbestown, MI, East Jordan, MI, Boyne City, MI, Petoskey, MI, Harbor Springs, MI, Alanson, MI, Pellston, MI and Cross Village, MI, started at 5 p.m. on January 17, 2009 and concluded at 7 a.m. on January 18, 2009.

Turtle Concepts gave a two-hour presentation on positive lifestyle choices and positive self-esteem. According to the Turtle Concepts website, www.turtleconcepts.com, Turtle Concepts provides training on vari-

ous subjects for people of all ages all across the world with a real passion for Aboriginal youth. The cross cultural training includes developing self-confidence and social skill building including leadership, communication and parenting. Dave Jones (Ojibwe) of the Garden River First Nation is the founder and owner of Turtle Concepts.

Turtle Concepts also hosted a dance for the youth in a nightclub like setting.

"It was an awesome dance; it was the best dance I've been at," Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier said. "They really made the kids feel special. It had an Ultra Cool theme.

"There was a VIP section, there were bouncers at the door, there were candles everywhere, and there were dance platforms for the kids to dance on. The kids had a great time."

The youth also enjoyed sports (basketball and dodge ball), watched movies and played video games there.



Turtle Concepts hosted a dance for the youth at the LTBB Native Youth Lock-In event.

Cathy Davis provided the meals at the event.

Lucier wanted to thank PEACE Coordinator Kristy Dayson and all of the volunteers who helped to make this event successful.

- On February 4, 2009 and March 18, 2009, the Youth Services Department and the Community Health Department sponsored Family Sledding Party events at Kiwanis Park in Harbor Springs.

- On March 11, 2009, the Youth Services Department sponsored a LTBB Youth and Elders Dinner and Dance at the Community Center located north of Harbor Springs. Lucier served as the DJ for the event.

- At the January 25 Tribal Council meeting, LTBB Tribal Citizens Sarah Schilling and Becca Lynn gave a 15-minute presentation to Tribal Council on their Phoenix, AR, trip to the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Annual Convention in November 2008.



Sarah Schilling (right) and Becca Lynn (left) attended the NCAI Annual Convention last year.

Schilling and Lynn participated in the Youth Track there, which included workshops on tribal government, tribal sovereignty, financial planning, the 2008 Presidential election, positive lifestyle choices, drug and alcohol abuse and prevention and tribal culture.

They shadowed LTBB Tribal Citizen Cynthia Biro, who participated in the NCAI Youth Commission as an Alternate Representative. Biro served as an Alternative Representative from 2006-2008.

"Cynthia took them under her wing and showed them around," Lucier said. "I appreciate her doing that."

Schilling and Lynn also visited the Heard Museum, which specializes in Native cultures and art, and Rawhide Wild West Town, an 1880's Western Town, and attended a Phoenix Suns basketball game on the trip.

The Youth Services Department held an essay contest to determine the two tribal youth selected to represent

LTBB as Youth Representatives there.

Lucier wanted to thank Marvin Mulholland for donating the money used to purchase the Phoenix Suns tickets.

- The LTBB Hawks basketball teams practice on Mondays and Tuesdays from 6-8 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier School Gym in Petoskey. The younger Hawks teams (13 and under) practice on Mondays and the older Hawks teams (14-17) practice on Tuesdays. The boys and girls teams practice at the same time.

Larry Denemy coaches the older Hawks teams while Bernadecce Kiogima and Jeannie Norris coach the younger Hawks teams.

The teams' first tournament is April 4-5 in Mt. Pleasant, MI, and they will play at another tournament held on April 18-19 in Peshawbestown. It has not yet been determined whether LTBB will host a tournament this year.

The photos appear courtesy of Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier.



Connor Kroswek (McGraw) at the Family Sledding Party held on February 4. Photo by Theresa Keshick.



How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is officially changing your address with the Enrollment Department. All RTMs are verified through Enrollment. Enrollment in turn sends the Department of Commerce (DOC) notification of your status. Please note on your Address Verification Form (AVF) the township you reside in. This alerts the Enrollment Department for RTM status. When you change your address with the Michigan Secretary of State's office, you will be asked if you would like to register to vote; by doing so, it will note the township you reside in. Otherwise, ask one of the Enrollment Department staff when filling out your AVF. **Your RTM status does not become effective until the first day of the following month in which you moved.**

Example: I changed my address with the Enrollment Department on May 3. My RTM status did not go into effect until June 1.

It is VERY important you notify Enrollment immediately when you move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA).

It is your responsibility to notify Enrollment of any changes in address or name; the DOC cannot backtrack or backdate documents in order to qualify for RTM status.

Being an RTM exempts you from paying state sales tax on large tangible items such as vehicles, boats, snowmobiles and off the road vehicles. It also applies to affixation to your primary place of residence. There is a form that needs to be filled out to request a Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE). The **request** for

this form (Request for TCE) can be found on the LTBB website www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Tribal Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr. and Chairman Frank Etawageshik (in the absence of DOC).

Please note: All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of

the month as possible. If you plan to purchase a vehicle or do any remodeling to your residence, please wait until after your RTM status is effective (after the first day of the following month in which you moved); otherwise, the State of Michigan will deny your claim for a refund.

Being an RTM also exempts you from sales/use tax on utilities such as phone, Internet, satellite, gas, electric, propane and cellular service. Please fill out the **Residency Form for Tax Agreement** and return it to the address noted on the bottom of the form.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price) via Form 4013
2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
3. Income Tax (4% of Adjusted Gross Income)
4. Single Business Tax (1.9% of the applicable tax base)
5. *Motor Fuel Tax (currently 32 cents per gallon unleaded and 28 cents per gallon on diesel)
6. *Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)

* All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.
 *The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.
 *The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Citizens ONLY! Purchasing tax exempt fuel and tobacco for non-tribal citizens is strictly prohibited!

Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit (MI Form 4013)

The Department of Commerce mailed out Tribal 4013's (Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit) in January. Instructions were included with the form. If you have any questions regarding the form, please contact Department of Commerce Assistant Theresa Keshick at 231-242-1584. These forms were mailed only to those tribal members residing within the Tax Agreement Area.

Tribal Business Files Business Registration Certificate

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

of Commerce:
A Basket Case located in Harbor Springs, MI, filed by Renee Wasson Dillard.

During the month of February, the following LTBB Tribal Citizen filed a DBA through the Department

LTBB Tribal Directories

The Enrollment Office has LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

Qualifications:

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

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

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

LTBB ID CARDS

If you live out of the state of Michigan and would like a picture identification card, send us a recent picture of yourself and your signature on white paper with no lines. Please include your date of birth or enrollment number so we can identify you. The identification cards are used at Biindigen Gas Station for a discount on gas and other products. The identification cards are also used for secondary proof of identification when applying for a Michigan Driver's license.

If you have any questions, please give us a call.
 Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521
 Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

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.



Housing Department Programs

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Dept. for processing to determine qualification. To obtain an application, please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-242-1540.

Short Term Rental Assistance: This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used **ONE TIME ONLY** and the rent requested must be affordable and may not exceed 30% of the household's monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

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

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$3,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home.

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 regarding their financial stability and credibility.

Tribal Housing Rental Program: This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. Please submit a letter of interest and your application will be put on our waiting list for when LTBB rentals become available.

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

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE
Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

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

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

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

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

Barrier Free Units Available
Equal Housing Opportunity
TDD: 800-649-3777



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 Saturday, May 2, 2009 • 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
 Emmet County Drop-Off Center
 7363 Pleasantview Road, Harbor Springs
 For more information call 231-348-0640

No commercial or medical facilities, please. No meds stored overnight.

A project of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in cooperation with the Emmet County DPW, with funding from the United States EPA.

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Education Department

SUE HARRISON'S NOVELS TRANSPORT READERS ON EPIC JOURNEYS TO PREHISTORIC PLACES

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Author Sue Harrison offers the following invitation to readers on her website www.sueharrison.com: "If you are an adventurer, if you long for the extraordinary, then you have chosen well! Please accept my invitation to travel in ancient lands where we will plumb the depths of our strengths to live lives far beyond the usual."

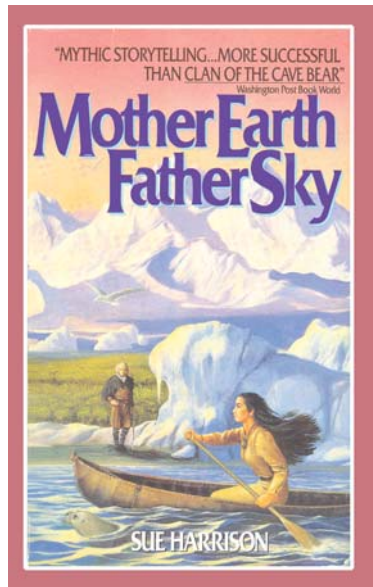
You can accept her invitation by exploring her Ivory Carver Trilogy and her Storyteller Trilogy, both available at the LTBB Cultural Library located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of her six novels for three weeks.

The Ivory Carver Trilogy includes the novels, *Mother Earth, Father Sky, My Sister the Moon* and *Brother Wind*.

Mother Earth, Father Sky

Published in 1990, *Mother Earth*

Father Sky is the first novel of the Ivory Carver Trilogy. It introduces readers to Chagak, a young woman who struggles to survive when she is left alone after her family and her fellow villagers are slaughtered by a warring tribe.



The following is a *School Library*

Journal editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website:

"(Sue) Harrison has gone back 9,000 years in time to tell the story of Chagak, a young woman who struggles to survive when her family and village are slaughtered by the warlike Short Ones. Her only ally is a crippled recluse who offers her shelter on his island. But, what can either of them do when Chagak is demanded in marriage by one of the men who killed her family? Likely to be compared to Jean Auel's *Earth's Children* books, Harrison's novel is constructed

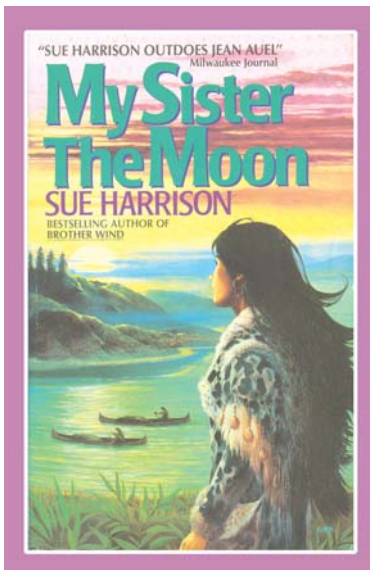
on a much smaller scale, but her depiction of early American civilizations is nevertheless convincing. Chagak is a believable and appealing heroine; readers will care what happens to her."

My Sister the Moon

Published in 1992, *My Sister the Moon* is the sequel to *Mother Earth, Father Sky*.

The following is a *School Library Journal* editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website:

"Set in the prehistoric Aleutian Islands, this is a sequel to *Mother Earth, Father Sky* (Doubleday,



1990). At her birth, Kiin's father had planned on killing her so his wife might immediately produce a son. She is saved, however, when the chief claims her as the wife for his infant son. Her life is one of difficulty and abuse, her father beats her regularly and gives her to traders for the night to improve his exchanges, but her inner strength enables her to survive through the turbulent, stormy times. This moving story keeps readers in its grip because every hint of peacefulness is upended by another difficulty. Although readers will enjoy this novel as much as its predecessor, it is more disturbing as the excellent characterizations involve readers significantly, causing them to share the tense emotional drama with Kiin."

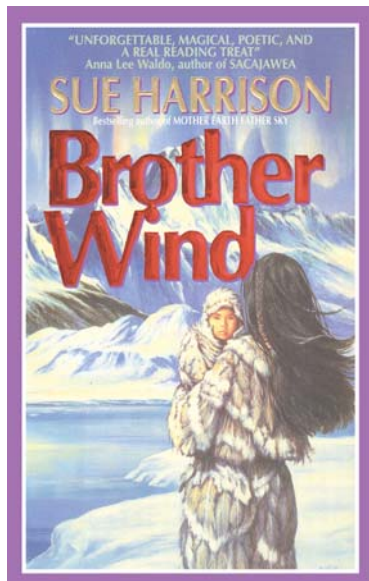
Brother Wind

Published in 1994, *Brother*

Wind is the final novel in the Ivory Carver Trilogy.

The following is a *Publishers Weekly* editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website:

"(Sue) Harrison completes her prehistoric trilogy with this engrossing wrap-up of the harsh and dramatic adventures of Kiin, Samiq and other Aleutian Islanders of 9,000 years ago. When her husband is killed by Raven of the Walrus People tribe,



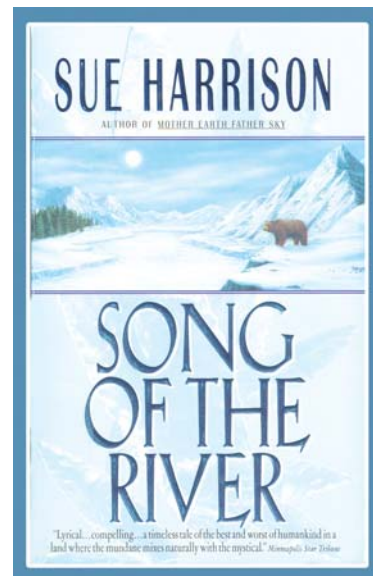
Kiin, an accomplished carver, is forced to abandon both her own tribe of the First Men and one of her twin sons and return with the killer to his village. In revenge, Samiq, chief hunter of the First Men and brother of the murdered man, seeks Raven's death. Meanwhile, Kukutux of the tribe of Whale Hunters bewails her own husband's death and her subsequent life of abandonment. Playing a pivotal role in bringing these stories together is a selfish con artist, Waxtal, who, banished from the First Men for stealing spearheads and oil that he trades for tusks to carve, vows revenge on Samiq. Deceit leads to a series of violent deaths culminating in a knife fight back dropped by beach fires and falling snow. Informed by Native American legends, myths and traditions and replete with convincing recreations of trading practices, seal hunting and vision fasts, this novel offers an emotionally compelling conclusion to a monumental saga."

The Storyteller Trilogy includes the novels, *Song of the River, Cry of the Wind* and *Call Down the Stars*.

Song of the River

Published in 1997, *Song of the*

River is the first novel in the Storyteller Trilogy.



The following is a product description that appears on the Ama-

zon.com website:

"Returning to the harsh and breathtaking landscape she so vividly recreated in her bestselling *Mother Earth, Father Sky*, author Sue Harrison brings us the first book of her remarkable Storyteller Saga. It is the tale of Chakliux, abandoned as a baby to die on the Arctic ice, only to be rescued and raised to manhood by K'os, a cold and cunning woman seeking vengeance on the men who defiled her. At the age of 20, Chakliux occupies an honored place as his tribe's storyteller, and is sent to a neighboring enemy village to secure the peace by marrying the shaman's daughter. But, a shocking double murder sets the storyteller on an extraordinary journey across the frozen wastes in search of the strange truth about the offenses for which his people have long suffered and about the hateful, scheming woman who raised him, who may turn out to be his most dangerous enemy."

Cry of the Wind

Published in 1998, *Cry of the*

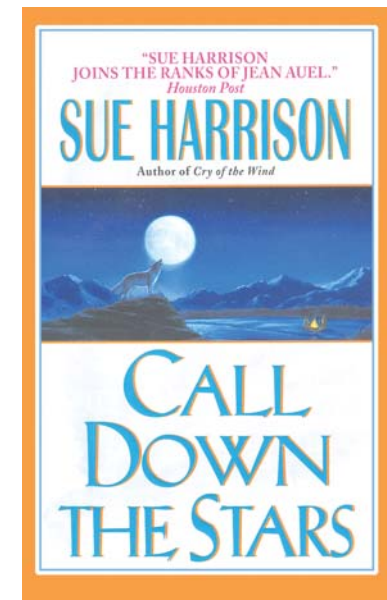


Wind is the sequel to *Song of the River*.

The following is a *Publishers Weekly* editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website:

"Book Two of the Storyteller Trilogy continues Harrison's tale of intertribal warfare and its tragic consequences some 80 centuries ago in the stark and inhospitable land that is present-day Alaska. In the Near River Village, the Aleut healing woman K'os swears vengeance against Fox Barking, who had enslaved her after his brutal rape left her unable to bear children. Not even her adopted son, Chakliux, the storyteller, is safe from her obsessive need to avenge her misery. Chakliux, of the Cousin River Village, has another problem as well. He loves beautiful Aqamdax, who is caught in a loveless marriage to the cruel Night Man. The love between Chakliux and Aqamdax and the dangers they face as they try to elude K'os

form the central plot of this wide-ranging tale. Harrison's research is clearly reflected in her meticulous attention to details as disparate as the careful sewing of a parka and the rituals of a caribou hunt. Her characters are based on ancient Native American mythologies and storytelling tradi-



tions."

Call Down the Stars

Published in 2001, *Call Down the Stars* is the final novel in the Storyteller Trilogy.

The following is a product description that appears on the Amazon.com website:

"On that day of great terror and sadness, the girl called Daughter escaped with her grandfather across the icy North Pacific to find shelter on the islands of the Whale Hunters. But, peace was not to be their lot. For here, the mad medicine woman, K'os, was scheming vengeance against her most despised enemy, the revered warrior and statesman called Chakliux, her son. This young, innocent female from a far-off place was the key, the final, essential ingredient in a demonic brew of suspicion, hostility and forbidden love that K'os would prepare with an expert hand to poison the lives of those she hated and would see dead."

Harrison, a non-Native, grew up in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan in Pickford and is a 1968 graduate of Pickford High School. She graduated summa cum laude from Lake Superior State University in 1971 with a Bachelor of Arts in English Language and Literature. She lives in Pickford with her husband and two children.

Her books have been published in 20 different countries and in South America. She is currently working on a new series. For more information on Harrison and her books, please visit her website at www.sueharrison.com.

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Executive Branch

From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik

February 22, 2009

Michigan Climate Action Council (MCAC): The last meeting of the Michigan Climate Action Council was held in Lansing, MI, on January 28. We had one more conference call to discuss any corrections to the final report before the report was submitted in early March. If you are interested in reading the report, you can find the draft report at www.miclimatchange.us/stakeholder.cfm. As this Council is ending, I was asked to serve a short-term appointment on the Great Lakes Wind Council (GLWC). This was just created by Governor Jennifer Granholm the second week of February and is expected to give its final report by September. The GLWC will be collecting public comments and reviewing criteria to assess offshore installations of wind turbines for electricity generation.

Bay Harbor: On January 29, we attended a series of meetings regarding the environmental cleanup at the Bay Harbor Development west of Petoskey, MI (the former cement plant site). We met with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency personnel, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality personnel and representatives from CMS Energy in the afternoon for a briefing of the progress and to present our concerns and questions. In the evening, we participated in a public forum meeting at North Central Michigan College in Petoskey at which approximately 100 people attended.

Building Strong Sovereign Nations Training: The first training session was held at Turtle Creek Casino Hotel on February 4 and 5. For the last several years, I've served on the steering committee that has overseen the development of this program by the MSU Extension Service, the MSU Native American Institute and the Native American Law and Policy Institute at the MSU Law School. I attended the first day of this session as a presenter on a leadership panel. The reports were good on the training, and we expect it will be an annual offering. The primary audience for the training is newly elected or appointed tribal officials, but it will be available on a broader scale as well.

Boundary Waters Treaty Centennial Symposium: I spoke on a panel at this event held at the Wayne State University Law School on February 5. The 1909 Boundary Waters Treaty was signed by the U.S. and Canada and led to the development of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement which sets forth a strong environmental agenda to protect the Great Lakes. Through the Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA), we have participated in several of the lake committees and other organizations that have their roots in this agreement.

Michigan Ground Water Conservation Advisory Council (MGWCAC): I attended the Michigan Ground Water Conservation Advisory Council meeting in Mt. Pleasant, MI, on February 6. On Monday, February 2, we held a tribally specific informational session on the Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool. The tribal representatives who attended

provided considerable feedback to the trainer on the strengths and weaknesses of the application of the assessment tool. This is part of Michigan's implementation process for the Great Lakes Compact approved by the U.S. Congress last fall.

Michigan Indian Education Council (MIEC): The Michigan Indian Education Council meeting for February was in Lansing on the 13th. I attended the meeting by telephone. This year's Critical Issues Conference was held at the Soaring Eagle Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) in Mt. Pleasant on March 12, 13 and 14. We honored Dr. George Cornell with this year's Distinguished Service Award at the opening banquet on Thursday evening, the 12th.

CORA Meeting: February's meeting was to be held at the Little Bear Arena on the 19th. As of this writing, no agenda had been distributed.

Resolutions and Statutes: I have signed the grant funding resolutions passed by Tribal Council at the last meeting. I also signed the Tribal Treasurer Responsibilities Statute and the statute repealing the Health Commission Statute.

I have vetoed the revised Tribal Preference in Employment Statute. While I agreed with nearly all of the provisions in the statute, I felt a part of the statute was in conflict with our constitution. I also noted during the public hearing held by Tribal Council, there was strong support for including spouses in the preference statute, and this provision was not included in the version Tribal Council sent to me.

Regulations: We have submitted regulations for the Welfare of Adults Statute to the Tribal Council Office for consideration.

Health Commission: I attended the final meeting of the Health Commission on February 9. I hand delivered a letter to the members of the commission at the meeting, thanking them for their service to the tribe.

Odawa Enterprise Management: We reported in the work session at the last Tribal Council meeting. We are working on a resolution to implement the discussion on Bell's Fishery which was concluded at the work session.

Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc: We have been busy working on the Nimkee Technologies, LLC projects. We have had considerable activity regarding potential solar energy installations. So far, we still have not either spent or received any significant amount of funds. We have been working with the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) on its promotion of alternative energy projects. We also noted Governor Granholm's State of the State address in which she emphasized strong state support for alternative energy production.

March 22, 2009

Letter from the Mackinac Bands: Article VII (A) of our constitution provides in part that we will acknowledge and maintain relations with other peoples, nations and governments who recognize the same in-

herent rights as we do in our constitution and who recognize the sovereignty of the LTBB. We do not as yet have a statute which establishes a process for implementing this provision of our constitution. We recently received a letter requesting support from the Mackinac Bands as they seek recognition separately from the Sault Ste. Marie (SSM) Tribe of Chippewa Indians. Because they are eligible for citizenship in SSM, the current federal law and regulations provide they could not go through the process of the Federal Acknowledgement Office; under current regulations, they would have to seek legislation. I've been told the Mackinac Bands number nearly 15,000 people. They have also told me they have been studying our constitution for ideas in the drafting of their own. As this is a significant portion of the SSM tribal membership, we would need to research and consider this request carefully before taking action.

MCAC: The final meeting of the Michigan Climate Action Council has now taken place, and the final version of the report is on the State of Michigan website at www.miclimatchange.us/ewebeditpro/items/O46F21226.pdf. As I've reported before, this report suggests to the state it negotiate and sign a Climate Change Accord with the tribes. We prepared a discussion draft and sent it to the Tribal/State Forum meetings a couple of months ago. Several minor edits have been made by the tribal staff participating in the forum calls, and a final draft is now ready to circulate to the Tribal Councils of the 12 tribes for approval. Assuming we get the approvals, the Climate Change Accord is scheduled to be signed during the Tribal/State Summit on June 11, 2009.

Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST): On February 15-18, MAST met for its annual Impact Week in Washington, D.C. While there, we made Capitol Hill visits to the offices of several members of Congress. The team I was on included the MAST representative to the National Indian Health Board, Jessica Burger (the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Health Director). We met primarily on Indian Health funding issues, especially the disparity of funding for the Bemidji Area tribes. We also worked on getting support for the attempt in this new Congress for the Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

Chairman Derek Bailey of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Chairman Joe McCoy of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and I met in Congressman Bart Stupak's office (along with Chairman Jeff Parker of the Bay Mills Indian Community on a speaker phone; we spoke with Ogema Larry Romanelli of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians just after this meeting as I was not able to get him on the phone for the meeting). We had this special meeting to work on additional funding for Great Lakes fishing programs, and we also talked about the request we have

"From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman" continued on page 12.



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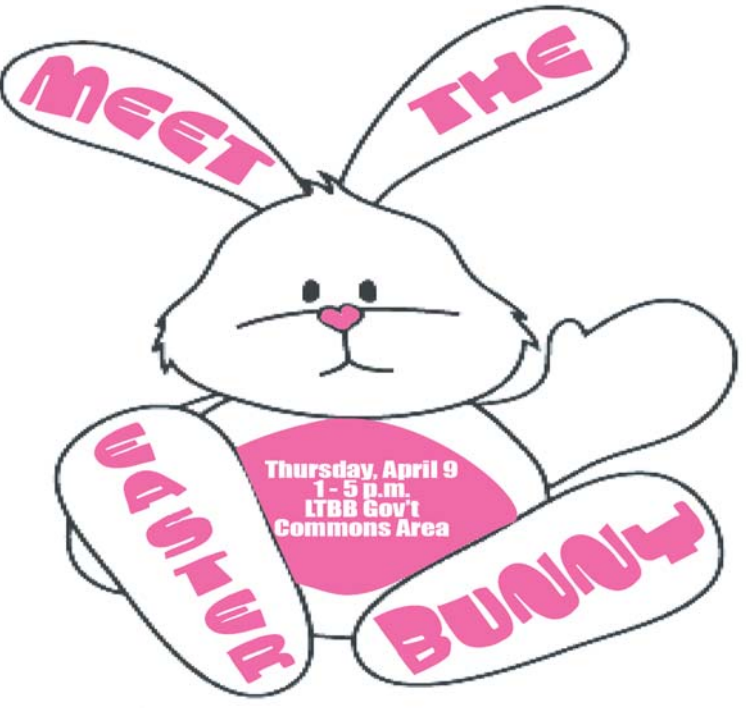
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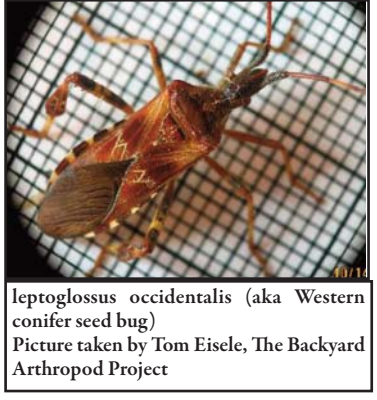
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Environmental Services

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Submitted by Environmental Services Dept.



Leptoglossus occidentalis (aka Western conifer seed bug)
 Picture taken by Tom Eisele, The Backyard Arthropod Project

Aaniin! Welcome to Ask Baapaasaandip! Have you seen any of these odd-looking bugs lately? You might have seen them in the fall or even in the winter inside buildings, sometimes near windows. This is a leaf-footed bug that is commonly called the Western conifer seed bug, or Leptoglossus occidentalis in Latin, and is one of several species of "stink bugs" found here in Michigan. Leaf-footed

bugs are nicknamed "stink bugs" because they secrete a smelly fluid to protect them from predators such as birds, spiders and assassin bugs.

The Western conifer seed bug is a relatively recent arrival from the west coast that is spreading its range east, and was only just recently documented here in Michigan in 1990. Leaf-footed bugs go through egg, nymph and adult phases. They feed on scotch pine, red pine, and white pine. Most leaf-footed bugs are herbaceous and have piercing and sucking mouth parts that let them suck the juices and sap from plants, while other predatory leaf-footed bugs may go after caterpillars, grasshoppers and other insects for prey. They have the potential to pierce skin, although they rarely do. If you happen find them in your house, don't worry – they need to have live plants to feed on and won't cause any harm to you or your home.

Other similar looking bugs include the box-elder bug and the squash bug - both of which are scentless and considered pests.

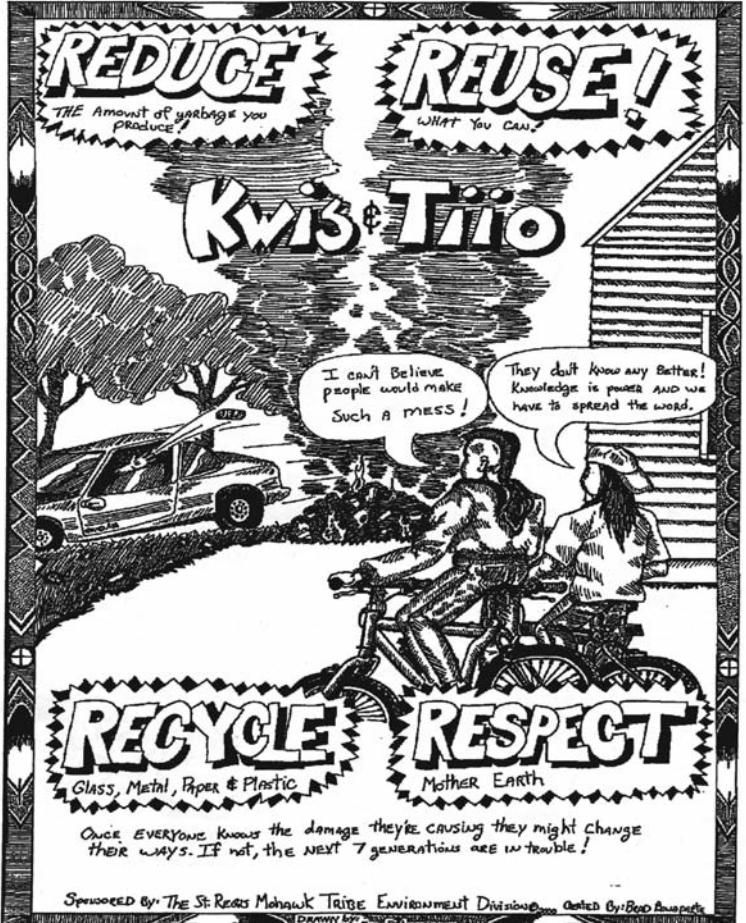


Box-elder bug
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Squash bug
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Please see the Ask Baapaasaandip! advertisement that appears on page 18 of this Odawa Trails newsletter.



On the Pow Wow Trail

Compiled by *Odawa Trails* staff



Michigan	John Glas Fieldhouse in Bemidji, MN	April 25	16th Menominee Sturgeon Feast Pow Wow
April 4-5	Contact Information: 218-755-2032, 218-766-2378 or harlan.johnson@stbemidjistate.edu	Menominee High School in Keshena, WI	Contact Information: 715-799-5258 or e-mail dgrignon@mitw.org
Saline Middle School Fieldhouse in Saline, MI	May 9-10	Mother's Day Traditional Pow Wow	Cedar Field in Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: Conner Sandefur at 734-565-8670 or powwow_committee@yahoo.com	May 22-24	Leech Lake Veterans Memorial Traditional Pow Wow	Cass Lake, MN
May 2	American Indian Festival	Algonac Elementary in Algonac, MI	Contact Information: Lance Kingbird at 218-335-3784, 218-335-7034 or lance.kingbird@llojibwe.com
Contact Information: 810-989-2727 or e-mail slkota@yahoo.com	May 22-24	Fifth Annual Seven Clans Contest Pow Wow	Seven Clans Casino in Thief River Falls, MN
Minnesota	April 4	MN State Drum & Dance Competition PreK-12th Grade Pow Wow	Ponema School in Ponemah, MN
Contact Information: Orianna Kingbird or Elaine Armstrong at 218-554-7337 or oriannak@redlake.k12.mn.us	April 10	St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Program Monthly Traditional Pow Wow	Battle Creek Middle School, located at 2121 North Park Drive, in St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191 or www.indianeducation.spps.org	April 18	20th Annual the Woodlands & High Plains Traditional Pow Wow	NDSU campus in Moorhead, MN
Contact Information: 218-477-4272, www.ndsu.edu/multicultural or jaclynn.wallette@ndsu.edu	April 25	16th Annual St. Cloud State University Traditional Pow Wow	Halenbeck Hall on the campus of SCSU in St. Cloud, MN
Contact Information: 320-308-5449, 320-308-6424 or atc@stcloudstate.edu	May 1-3	36th Annual Council of Indian SDT Traditional Pow Wow	John Glas Fieldhouse in Bemidji, MN
			April 25
			16th Menominee Sturgeon Feast Pow Wow
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			Mother's Day Traditional Pow Wow
			Cedar Field in Minneapolis, MN
			Contact Information: 612-724-0023
			May 22-24
			Leech Lake Veterans Memorial Traditional Pow Wow
			Cass Lake, MN
			Contact Information: Lance Kingbird at 218-335-3784, 218-335-7034 or lance.kingbird@llojibwe.com
			May 22-24
			Fifth Annual Seven Clans Contest Pow Wow
			Seven Clans Casino in Thief River Falls, MN
			Contact Information: 218-679-3361, ext. 1404, www.sevenclan-casino.com or ralussier@sevenclan-casino.com
			May 25
			Veterans Memorial Day Traditional Pow Wow
			Lacs Indian Museum in Mille Lacs, MN
			Contact Information: 320-532-3632 or www.mnhs.org
			Wisconsin
			April 5
			34th Wunk Sheek Spring Pow Wow
			University of Wisconsin Fieldhouse in Madison, WI
			Contact Information: Alison Bowman at 715-304-9033 or ambowman@wisc.edu
			April 25
			Madison Area Technical College Return to Tradition Pow Wow
			Redsten Gym on the Truax Campus in Madison, WI
			Contact Information: Valentina Ahedo at 608-246-6461, 608-246-6458 or e-mail VAhedo@matc-madison.edu
			May 2
			36th A.I.R.O. Traditional Pow Wow
			UWSP Berg Gym in Stevens Point, WI
			Contact Information: 715-346-3576 or e-mail scloud@uwsp.edu
			May 15-17
			20th Gathering of Warriors Pow Wow
			Woodland Bowl in Keshena, WI
			Contact Information: 608-567-9986, 715-851-4748, 920-544-9709 or westmartin@new.rr.com
			May 22
			End of the School Year Celebration and Traditional Pow Wow
			Tribal School in Keshena, WI
			Contact Information: 715-756-2354
			May 23-25
			Ho-Chunk Wazijaci Memorial Contest Pow Wow
			Red Cloud Memorial Park in Black River Falls, WI
			Contact Information: 1-800-294-9343, ext. 1123 or 608-847-5694
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pending for funding for inland hunting and fishing conservation management issues. We have no answers yet as to the level of funding we will get, but we were encouraged by the support we received during our meeting.

United Tribes of Michigan: On Wednesday, the 25th of February, following the funeral services for Tribal Councilor Shirley Oldman, I drove to Lansing for the United Tribes of Michigan Legislative Reception. I was able to meet and talk with several legislators who will be important to our legislative struggles this session regarding the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver, Elders funding and protecting the Indian language programs in our high schools.

National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Winter Session: I flew to Washington, D.C. on February 28 and stayed until the morning of March 4. I represented the Midwest Area at the Executive Board Meeting and the General Sessions as the Alternate Vice President because our Area Vice President, Chairman Bob Chicks of Stockbridge-Munsee of Wisconsin, was unable to attend. Our board meeting was on Sunday, the 1st; I attended the morning session and then co-chaired the Federal Acknowledgment Task Force meeting from 1-5 p.m. Sunday afternoon. In the morning on Monday (March 2), we had a special early morning Executive Board meeting followed by a 9 a.m. - noon Climate Change Meeting. I served as a panelist at this meeting with the Chairman of the Sowimish tribe of Washington State and with Dr. James Hanson of NASA. Following the general session in the afternoon on Monday, I attended a briefing on the Climate Change legislation being proposed for this session of the federal Congress. This briefing was done by the National Tribal Environmental Council and NCAI. Tuesday's (March 3) general sessions were capped by a presentation of the new Secretary of Homeland Security, Governor Janet Napolitano, from Arizona. She spoke eloquently and was received very well by the members of NCAI. One of the ongoing themes of the conference was nearly constant discussion of the Carcieri vs. Salazar ruling from the

U.S. Supreme Court. This ruling limits the authority to place land into trust for tribes recognized after 1934. We are not affected because we have a separate trust authorization in our reaffirmation act (PL 103-324). I returned early from the NCAI meeting in order to attend the Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 4.

CORA Meeting: February's meeting was canceled due to severe weather. We plan on meeting on March 26 at the Little Bear Arena in St. Ignace, MI.

Resolutions and Statutes: I signed the resolution passed by Tribal Council on January 25 which required each branch of tribal government to prepare and submit a revised 2009 budget. We presented a draft of the revised Executive budget to the Appropriation and Finance Committee on Wednesday, March 4. We used feedback from this meeting to work on finalizing the details of our proposal for a presentation to the Program Directors and Program Managers in the afternoon on Friday, March 6 to give them an overview of the proposed draft budget. We presented the proposed budget revision at the Tribal Council Meeting on March 8 at 1:30 p.m. After the Tribal Council presentation on the 8th, the Tribal Council acknowledged receipt of the budget revision, thanked the Executive for the work everyone did to prepare it, and decided to shelve the revision at this time until we need to implement a budget revision.

Regulations: We have submitted revised regulations for the Welfare of Adults Statute to the Tribal Council Office for consideration.

Waganakising Odawa Development (WOD), Inc: Nimkee Technologies, LLC is in the process of closing out the project for the remodeling of the White House Conference Center in Washington, D.C. As we have previously reported, Nimkee Technologies is being mentored under the Northwest Band of Shoshone Economic Development Corporation to assist Nimkee in getting 8a status through the U.S. Small Business Administration. We expect to have a final report ready by the time of the Tribal Council meeting. When this is done, we expect to have the WOD, Inc year-end report ready as well.

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Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 February 8, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:34 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Marvin Mulholland

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Shirley Oldman
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount, Paralegal Intern Michael Lyons

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, General Counsel -James Bransky

Guests: Ken Harrington, Rita Shananaquet, Fred Kiogima, John Bott

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt the agenda for February 8, 2009 with additions.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve the minutes of January 28, 2009 with corrections.

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

9:55 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to go into closed session for legal and confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried.

11:40 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to return to open session.

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

Motion carried.

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

11:47 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to approve Confidential Memo 020809-01.

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

Motion carried.

12:03 p.m. Lunch recess.

1:35 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Councilor Oldman arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept Treasurer Chingwa's Treasurer/Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Oldman to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Tribal Council member Chingwa's verbal report regarding the Pellston Michigan Tribal property.

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

Motion carried.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment: Michele LaCount spoke regarding the utilization of fundraisers for programs or as additional support for other Tribal events. Rita Shananaquet spoke regarding Tribal Council not taking cuts to their own pay based on the amount of work they do. Rita also spoke for keeping educational programs. Ken Harrington spoke regarding Nimkee Technologies and its solar application versus the use of wind energy. Ken also spoke regarding the development decisions of the Odawa Casino.

3:11 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:11 p.m. Recess called.

3:24 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for funding from the n4a (National Association of Area Agencies on Aging) DIGITAL TV: KEEPING SENIORS CONNECTED CAMPAIGN "Ready-to-Go" Agencies Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders' Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -yes, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice Fiscal Year 2009 Tribal Courts Assistance Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2009 Tribal Court Assistance Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -yes, Councilor Yellowbank -no, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Oldman and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from Fiskars Brand, Inc. 2009 Project Orange Thumb; Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Orange Thumb Garden Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -yes, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Coca-Cola Company, National Recycling Coalition Bin Grant Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2009 Coca-Cola Recycling Bin Grant Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -yes, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated January 23, 2009 for a total of 12.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve List B - Declination (Ineligible) dated December 17, 2008.

Motion Withdrawn

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to acknowledge the receipt of the Welfare of Adults Regulations REG-W OS-2005-07 0222407-002.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Oldman to approve List B - Declination (Ineligible) dated January 23, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

5:08 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

February 22, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:35 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland,

Absent: Councilor Shirley Oldman, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Chief of Police Jeff Cobe, Prosecutor Office Manager Carla Steingold

Guests: Debra Smithkey-Browne, Roger Emery, Fred Kiogima

9:42 a.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt the agenda for February 22, 2009 with additions.

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2009

**April 4 Work Session
April 5 Council Meeting
April 18 Work Session
April 19 Council Meeting**

**May 2 Work Session
May 3 Council Meeting
May 16 Work Session
May 17 Council Meeting**

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Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor
Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor
Alice Yellowbank, Councilor
Dexter McNamara, Councilor
Marvin Mulholland, Councilor
Vacant, Councilor**

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve the minutes of February 8, 2009 with corrections.

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

Motion carried.

There were no phone polls.
Elder's Comments: no comments at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor McNamara to request an extension for implementation of the Tribes participation in the National Sex Offender Registry System and approve the Executive submission of such request.

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

Motion carried.

10:42 a.m. Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to go into closed session for legal and confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried.

12:05 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to return to open

session.

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

Motion carried.

12:07 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

12:07 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Treasurer Chingwa's verbal report for February 22, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for February 22, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for February 22, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution: Approval of FY 2009 Tribal Transportation Improvement Program.

The above motion is on hold in consideration of Public Comment.

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: Debra Smithkey-Browne spoke regarding Tribal Council communication with each other during the meeting. Debra also spoke about the casino layoffs with regard to management pay levels.

3:02 p.m. Public Comment closed.

The above motion continues.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

3:08 p.m. Recess called.

3:17 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from U.S Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Fiscal Year 2009 Tribal Juvenile Accountability Discretionary Grants Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -no, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2009 Grants to Indian Tribal Governments and Sexual Assault Services Program.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S Department of the Interior, National Park Service, Native

American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Program (NAGPRA) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Fiscal Year 2009 Repatriation and Documentation Grants.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept Enrollment List - C Voluntary Relinquishment dated February 12, 2009 for a total of 1.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Tribal Chairman verbal and written report for February 22, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to pass the Child Protection Statute.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -yes, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to pass the Child Welfare Commission Statute.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima -yes, Councilor McNamara -yes, Councilor Mulholland -yes, Councilor Oldman -absent, Councilor Yellowbank -no, Treasurer Chingwa -yes, Councilor Yellowbank -no, Secretary Gasco Bentley -yes, Legislative Leader Law -yes

Motion carried.

4:40 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Tribal Council to adjourn in honor of Tribal Councilor Shirley Oldman in honor of her past contributions to the Tribes reaffirmation, the new constitution and general work for our people throughout her life.

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

Motion carried.

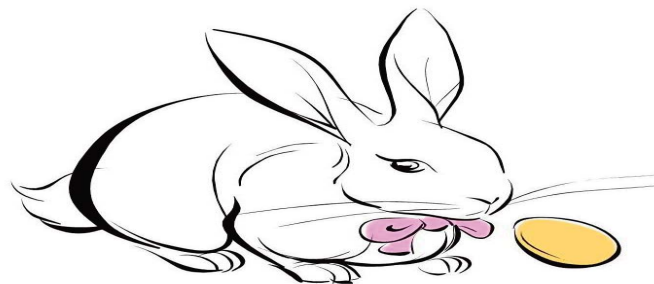
These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected.

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

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Lines From our Membership



BIRTHDAYS



Happy birthday to "The Princess" and "The Penguin." You're two of the coolest chicks around!!! I love you very much! Aunt Winnay.

Happy 45th birthday to the Mayor on April 18. With all the outspoken women in your family, you're lucky to get a word in edgewise. Don't worry, we'll allow you to speak on your birthday. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

The Good Hart mafia wishes John Kenoshmeg, Sr. a happy birthday on April 1 and Marie Newman a happy birthday on April 8.

Happy birthday to Marilyn Hume (April 2), Jess Boda (April 4), John Naganashe (April 11), Lilian Bott (April 11), Matt Miller (April 11), Josephine Laughlin (April 11), Jeanie Boda (April 23), Vivian Pelcher (April 24) and Elizabeth Shananaquet. Love, Dorothy and Don Boda.

Happy first birthday to our little smiley boy, Caleb Carver, on April 15. We're so glad to have you added to the family. Love, Papa Carver and Regina.

Happy birthday to my big brother "Mighty Mouse" on April 3. May you have a super day! Love, your 'lil sister.

Happy birthday and happy Easter to the best big sis ever, Laverne Bottoms. Love, from all your siblings in Louisville, Kentucky.

Aanii Ngwis! Mno-Dibishkang Ginwe Nnoos! Hope you are having a great day and many, many more springs. I love you with all the love a father has. You are truly a man, father, son, lover, brother and most of all, Anishinaabe and African! I am proud of you and all that you have done and are going to do. Gazaagin! The day you were born will always be the biggest, best day of my life.

To my darlin' daughter, Anjanette! I hope you have a wonderful super great birthday on April 16. Have an awesome year. Love, Mommy Dearest.

Happy birthday Peyton James Harmon on April 10. Don't let anyone tell you that you are in the *Terrible Two* stage. Two is a great time to learn and explore and find out who you are as a little person. Grandma and Tarbaby will help you this year to be the best you can be. That will be a Big 10/4 little buddy.

Happy, happy birthday to our spring beauties! Wasseey Wemigwase turns

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one year old on April 5, Anna Wemigwase turns eight years old on April 18 and their mom, Shanna Wemigwase, celebrates her birthday on April 29! We love you all! Mom, Matthew and your sisters!

Happy birthday to Marie Newman on April 8. Hope you are having fun even though you have been experiencing "cooler" weather in Florida. But being a "Michigander" who is used to it, here's hoping you will get out into the pool, so you have some "fun" wearing your Florida thong, and enjoy that glass full of wine.

MnoDibishkaak niingonis Archie Kiogima IV, Lansing endaad, miinwa nwijikiwenh Isabelle Osawamick. Gzaaginim!

Happy 60th b-day to our mom, Nellie "Momma Willis" Harmon on April 27. Love, your three sons.

Happy 72nd birthday to the General on April 24. You've always had the courage to stand up for what is right, to speak your mind and to speak up when something important needs to be said. Because of that, we've always admired and respected you. Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy birthday to our special Mom, Lisa Young. We are very lucky to have you as our mom. You make every day special and have taught us so much. And Mom, you were a great soccer coach and always will be!! We love you! The Jewells, Jayden and Jaxon.

Happy birthday to Michael Keshick on April 27!!! It's your 16th birthday, but you're still my baby and always will be. I hope you have a great day and an awesome year! May the Creator continue to bless you, Mukwah. All my love, Mom.

Happy birthday to Shane McNamara, the big 22, on April 7. We are very proud of you. Love, Dad, Mom, Derek, Billy, Gunnar and Grandma.

Happy birthday Mom/Grandma Michele (LaCount) on the 23rd! Love, Liz and Avery.

A very happy fifth birthday to our Damie - Love!! You are growing up so fast. We love you! Mommy, Daddy, Orion and Sidra.

Happy birthday to a great daughter, Brittany Bentley, on April 12. We love you, Mom and Dad.

Happy 52nd birthday Sadi Synn. From your family in Michigan.

Wishing my baby girl, Lisa "Weezer" Young, a happy birthday on April 14!!! Hope you have a great day, and I know Jay and Jax make it all very special! Love and miss you! Mom.

To my older brudder Mike: Happy

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birthday!!! Even though we go at it every day, I love ya! Love, Jordan.

Happy b-day to Haley "Sweep" Harmon on April 26. Love, Uncle Phil, Jen and Peyton.

Happy birthday to John Kenoshmeg, Sr. on April 1. You are still our "shuttle driver of the year," but especially, so on your birthday. We have never forgotten your statement when we were kids out in Good Hart of, "Mine's all gone," when we were all naming what kind of ice cream we were eating. Such good memories. From your cousins.

Happy birthday Hayley Harmon. WOW, how time does fly. On April 26, you will be "Sweet 16." Everyone is getting ready to come to GR to help you celebrate such a momentous occasion. Get ready to "Party Hearty" 'cause grandma has a very special gift just for you. Lots of hugs and kisses, Grandma, Tarbaby and Sassy.

Happy 72nd birthday to the General on April 24. Thank you for always loving and supporting me. I couldn't have asked for a better mother or a better role model. Love, General Junior.

Happy birthday to an awesome cousin, Brittany Bentley, on April 12. Love, your favorite cousin Chewy.

Happy 29th birthday sis, Lisa Young. Hope you have a happy one! Do you remember I was actually due on your birthday??? We could have shared birthdays!!! Ha Ha. Love ya, Skippy.

Congratulations

Congratulations Eric Hemenway on your prestigious appointment. Your Aunt Dew & Uncle Tom in C-Town

Miigwetch

are extremely proud!

The beloved family and friends of Shirley Naganashe Oldman would like to offer their sincerest gratitude to the entire community for the love, support and generosity shown during this difficult time. It is with heartfelt thanks that the family would like to recognize those who supported Shirley and the entire family as she courageously battled cancer. Miigwetch to those of you who sent flowers, cards and food; to those of you who came together for the community drum; to those of you who assisted with the funeral luncheon; and to those of you who offered your thoughts and prayers. Chi-miigwetch, also, to the LTBB Facilities Department for all of its hard work and assistance during the services. Shirley loved her community, and you all truly showed an outpouring of support.

Anniversaries

Happy 45th anniversary to James and Arlene Naganashe on April 4. Love, Dorothy and Don Boda.

Happy 36th anniversary to Don and Dorothy Boda on April 26. Love, your family.

Walking On...



Basil Andrew Naganashe, 69 Basil Andrew Naganashe, 69, walked on January 28, 2009 at Central Michigan Community Hospital in Mt. Pleasant, MI. He was born on July 16, 1939 in Burt Lake, MI, the son of George and Josephine (Petoskey) Naganashe. He married Sharon Isaac in 1969 in Mt. Morris, MI. He served in the Marine Corp until 1963 and worked for General Motors Buick City in Flint, MI, for 30 years. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Borley Hanel VFW Post, the F.O.E. in Mt. Pleasant and the Clare Moose Lodge. He enjoyed bingo, cards, golf and bowling and loved his grandchildren. He is survived by his children, Vivian (Milton "Beaver") Pelcher of Mt. Pleasant, Charlene (Robert) Chancellor of Flint, Andrew (Amber) Naganashe of Coldwater, MI, and Karen (Chris Laughlin) Naganashe of Mt. Pleasant; grandchildren, Christina, Marcine, Crystal, Theresa, Clara, Emily, Angela, Bianca, Basil II, Dakota and Kasina; great-grandchildren, Joseph, Robert, Sharon, Isaac and Miengun; brothers, Thomas (Dianna) Naganashe of Harbor Springs, MI, Jim (Arlene) Naganashe of Petoskey, MI, Nicholas Naganashe of Brutus, MI; sisters, Nancy (the late Sam) Shananaquet and Dorothy (Don) Boda of Brutus and Clara (Gary) Miller of Lansing, MI; and special uncle Jute (the late Susan) Lewis. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sharon, in 2002 and sisters, Elizabeth "Liza," Cecilia and Mary Jane.

Avalynn Sky Keway, 2

Avalynn Sky Keway, 2, of Sault Ste. Marie, MI, passed away unexpectedly on January 29, 2009.

She was born January 23, 2007 to Christine (Nettleton) and Gregg Keway. Surviving

Avalynn are her parents, Gregg and Christine; her sister, Mashya Marie; her aunts, Sarah (Sean) Gallagher, Megan (Tim) Podoba of Sault Ste. Marie and Ashlee (Brandon) Cowperthwaite of Virginia; and uncle Brian Keway of San Antonio, TX, as well as other aunts, uncles, cousins,



Walking On...

nieces and nephews. Her paternal grandparents are Gregory Keway and Donna Beaudry, both of Sault Ste. Marie. Maternal grandparents are Veronica (Paul) Learst of Farmington Hills, MI, and Ron Nettleton of Pickford, MI. Paternal great-grandparents are Leona Honson and the late Alvin "Vince" Keway.



Shirley Marie Naganashe Oldman, 53

Shirley Marie Naganashe Oldman, born May 9, 1955, began her journey on February 22, 2009, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and served as a member of the Tribal Council until her death. Born to Daniel Naganashe and Eva Petoskey in Harbor Springs, MI, she grew up in Indiantown and attended Holy Childhood of Jesus Boarding School. She went on to attend the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, NM, the University of Colorado and then graduated from Haskell Indian Junior College in Lawrence, KS. After meeting the love of her life, Steven Oldman, Sr., and upon graduating, she moved with Steven to Wyoming to raise their family. After several years away from Michigan, she felt it necessary to move home to care for her terminally ill sister, Margaret. She, Steven and their five children returned home to her birthplace where she resided until her death. She dedicated her life to her family, which she defined as her children, grandchildren and the Native community. She played an integral role in representing the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in the tribe's efforts to become reaffirmed. She also dedicated her services to the tribe and the community. She was instrumental in organizing the annual pow wow and served on various committees and commissions. She was a dedicated employee of the First Community Bank for 10 years and was most recently an employee of Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey where she served until she began her journey. She was preceded in death by her parents, Daniel and Eva; her sisters, Agnes and Margaret; as well as five siblings who died in infancy. She loved her family dearly and left behind her husband, Steven; her children, Jason (Aaron), Steven, Jr., Eva, Gregory and Jesse; her grandchildren, Maria, Alonzo, Alexa, Donovan and baby Jason; her siblings, Joseph (Ann) Naganashe, Ann (Francis) Stead, Patrick (Velissa) Naganashe, Diane (Thomas) Naganashe and Beverly (Robert) Wemigwase; and many other family, friends and loved ones.

Legislative Corner

Submitted by **Beatrice A. Law**, Legislative Leader and **Donna L. Budnick**, Legislative Services Attorney

1357 for the Reaffirmation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, September 1994.

Committee, Housing Commission, Education Commission, Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee, Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee and the Tribal Council Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Dedicated in the Memory of Shirley Oldman

It seemed fitting Tribal Council was altogether and "in session" when we all heard the news our esteemed colleague Shirley Naganashe Oldman walked on February 22, 2009.

Why it seems fitting is because Shirley served on Tribal Council since 1989 and was the longest seated Tribal Council member in the tribe's recent history. Shirley dedicated 18 years to the tribal government. She started when her oldest child, Jason, was 14 and her youngest child,



Jesse, was two with three other children in between, Steve, Jr., Eva and Greg. Raising five children and spending every other weekend in long council meetings could not have been an easy feat without the love and support of her husband, Steve, Sr.

Shirley was present and instrumental during the era of the tribe's pursuit of federal reaffirmation. She represented the tribe before the United States Senate Committee on Indians Affairs for the passage of SB

Shirley was part of the history making of the tribe. She witnessed and was essential in the formation of the tribal Constitution, the reemergence of the Homecoming Pow Wow

Shirley also contributed tirelessly representing LTBB Tribal Citizens on the Tribal Council as Vice Chairperson and Treasurer, served on the Health Board and served on the Andrew J. Blackbird Museum Board.

Shirley spent countless hours of her time on the preservation of our tribal culture by creating and producing two video productions. These videos, "History of the Waganakising Odawa, Journey to Sovereignty" and "Four Directions" ensure

and the start of tribal gaming with the opening of Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI. Shirley was employed with the opening of the first casino and was a part of the management team, Account Team Manager, of the current casino, Odawa Casino Resort, in Petoskey.

Shirley touched so many aspects of the tribe's history beyond Tribal Council. She served the tribe as the Chairperson of the following commissions and committees: Enrollment

future generations will have a glimpse into our past and will learn more about our shared history and culture.

Shirley has shown, through the help of her family and friends, what it is to give of yourself for the benefits of all, what it is to truly be a tribal citizen.

We will miss you Shirley, but you will never be forgotten.

Photo of Shirley Oldman and Steven Oldman, Sr. by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE 2009 ELECTIONS

With a Primary Election (With No Primary Election)

Monday, January 5 (Monday, January 5)
Call to Election sent to all eligible voters

Monday, February 9 (Monday, February 9)
Last to register for the Primary Election by 5 p.m.

Friday, February 13 (Friday, February 13)
Nomination Petitions due back to the Election Board by 5 p.m.

Friday, February 27 (Monday, March 2)
Election Board certifies the Candidate Nomination Petitions

Friday, March 27 (Friday, March 27)
Candidate information mailed to all registered voters as of February 9, 2009

Last date for candidates to withdraw from election in writing to the Election Board

Tuesday, March 31 (Tuesday, March 31)
Last date to register for the General Election by 5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1
Election Board approves the final ballot for the Primary Election

Saturday, April 4
Candidates Forum in Lansing, MI

Monday, April 6
Primary ballots mailed to all registered voters as of March 31, 2009

Saturday, April 25
Candidates Forum at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI

Friday, May 8
Election Board finalizes the ballot for the General Election

Monday, May 11
Primary Election Day, Tribal Courtroom

Friday, May 15
Ballots for the General Election mailed to all registered voters as of March 31, 2009

Friday, May 22
Primary Election certified ballot for General Election finalized

Tuesday, May 26
Ballots for General Election mailed to all registered voters as of March 31, 2009

Monday, June 29
General Election Day, Tribal Courtroom

The following dates will be the same even if we have no Primary Election.

Monday, July 13
General Election certified

Sunday, August 16
Oath of Office for newly elected officials

OFFICIAL CANDIDATE LISTING LTBB PRIMARY LISTING MAY 11

CHAIRPERSON/VICE-CHAIRPERSON TEAMS

- Frank Ettawageshik/William Denemy
- Warren Petoskey/Roger Emery
- Patricia Dyer-Deckrow/Timothy LaCroix
- Ken Harrington/Dexter McNamara

TRIBAL COUNCIL

- Beatrice Law
- Yvonne McShane
- Rita Shananaquet
- Alice Yellowbank
- Christine Shomin
- Catherine Laba
- Belinda Bardwell
- John Bott
- Julie Shananaquet
- Melvin Kiogima
- Audrey Atkinson
- Angeline Woodin
- Aaron Otto
- Roy Smithkey
- Paul James

WAGANAKISING ODAWA

Meet the Candidates Forums

April 4, 2009 at 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
LANSING WEST HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER,
7501 W. SAGINAW HWY.
LANSING, MI 48917
517-627-3211

April 25, 2009 at 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
LTBB GOVERNMENTAL CENTER
7500 ODAWA CIRCLE
HARBOR SPRINGS, MI 49740

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:
DENISE PETOSKEY 231-881-2994
CAROL QUINONES 616-774-9534
ELLIE BARBER 231-242-0587

**Primary Election
May 11**

**General Election
June 29**

Images from the 26th Annual MSU Pow Wow of Love, February 21-

Photos by Communications
Coordinator Annette VanDeCar



22, at Jenison Field House on the MSU Campus in East Lansing, MI



Tribal Extension Educator Emily Proctor Works to Enhance the Lives of LTBB Tribal Citizens

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On February 10 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, Emily Proctor gave a 30-minute presentation titled, "Relationship Building with Tribal Communities in Michigan: Making Educational Impacts," and described her position as the Tribal Extension Educator for the Emmet County MSU Extension Office.

As the Tribal Extension Educator, Proctor works with the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Burt Lake Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Her objectives are to address tribal community needs as identified by tribal communities, County Extension Councils and local needs assessments; work effectively with tribal communities and families, MSUE Extension Educators and community partners; build upon existing resources and programs; enhance capacity for tribal families and communities to address issues of daily living; and to develop and deliver educational programs in the six Michigan tribal communities.

Since starting the position in July 2008, Proctor has familiarized herself with the histories of the six tribes, has met with elders and youth from the tribes to assess their needs, has established relationships and partnerships with the tribal departments and programs and other community organizations serving those tribal communities and has co-spon-



sored events in those tribal communities.

Proctor has also conducted surveys which identified several areas for potential educational programming in the tribal communities. The areas identified reflect the cultural diversity of the six tribes.

LTBB has already partnered with MSU Extension to sponsor tomato canning, applesauce canning and venison canning workshops. They are sponsoring a Fruit Tree Renovation Workshop on April 4 at

the LTBB Community Center north of Harbor Springs.

Before answering questions from the crowd and concluding the presentation, Proctor outlined her short and long-term goals and future professional development opportunities.

MSU Extension helps people improve their lives through an educational process that applies knowledge to critical issues, needs and opportunities. Offices in counties across the state link the research of the land grant university, MSU, to challenges facing communities. Citizens serving on County Extension Councils regularly help select focus areas for programming. MSU Extension is funded jointly by county boards of commissioners, the state through Michigan State University and federally through the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Proctor, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, earned a Masters degree in Social Work and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Social Work from Michigan State University and previously worked two years as a Tribal Child Protective Services Worker/Social Worker for LTBB. She is the daughter of Denny and Sarah Proctor and the granddaughter of John and Alice Dubiel and Donald and Lucille Proctor.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Native News Briefs



Schansema Family "Officially" Complete

We are happy to announce the long wait is finally over.

Our family is complete down to the last one, and he is officially a Schansema ... on paper and always in our heart. As of February 5, 2009, Francis Alexander was adopted.

We never thought this was going to be possible to have children to love, cherish and hold, but we've been blessed by three.

Each one has been a great blessing for everyone to enjoy.

Our lives feel complete. We're very happy.

The Schansemas.

The photo appears courtesy of the Schansemas.

LTBB Tribal Chairman Appointed to Newly Created Great Lakes Wind Council

Following an executive order from Governor Jennifer Granholm, Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik was one of 13 people appointed to the Great Lakes Wind Council on February 6, 2009.

The wind council, an advisory body within the Department of Energy, Labor and Economic Growth

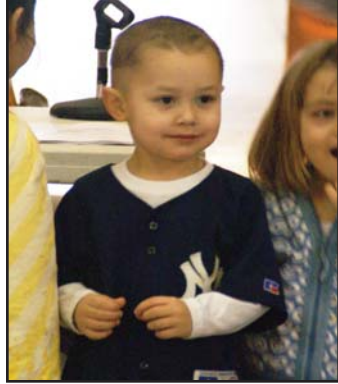
will provide citizens with a public forum to begin to identify, where in the Great Lakes, wind energy systems may be prudently sited. The council will provide a full report to the governor by September 1, 2009.

Ettawageshik also serves on the Michigan Groundwater Conservation Advisory Council, and recently finished an appointment on the Michigan Climate Action Council.

LTBB Head Start Children Visit Elders

Children from the LTBB Head Start Program visited the elders at the Elders Luncheon on February 26, 2009, at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Little River's Plans for Proposed Casino Move Forward

On July 17, 2008, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians purchased Great Lakes Downs racetrack and other property at the junction of I-96 and U.S. 31 in the Muskegon, MI, area for \$13.5 million.

Little River is currently pursuing the establishment of a casino at the former Great Lakes Down racetrack site.

An impact study, covering everything from environmental issues to infrastructure, is expected to be conducted in May 2009. Once completed, there will be a six-month review period for the study. The study is necessary before the land, 40 to 60 acres, can be taken into trust by the U.S. Department of Interior for gaming activities.

If the land is taken into trust, it may be used for the casino portion of the proposed development by the tribe. The remainder of the 233 acres acquired by the tribe can be used for other parts of the overall development, including hotels, restaurants, stores and entertainment venues often built near casinos.

In early March 2009, the Fruitport Township Board approved a resolution recommending the transfer of the liquor license from the former Great Lakes Downs racetrack owners to the Little River Band. The Michigan Liquor Control Commission makes the final decision on any transfer or issuances of licenses.

The Little River Band currently owns and operates the Little River Casino in Manistee, MI.

Learn About Preserving Fish!!



FISH CANNING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, May 6, 2009

5 - 9 PM (or until done)

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Governmental Center

Commons Area

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI

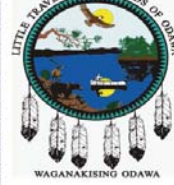
Cost: \$15 Per Person or \$25 Per Family
Cost will be covered for LTBB Citizens and Employees

Includes one free Food Preservation cookbook per household. Participants will pick up jars later after cooling. Class size is limited to 30 — registration is required.

Melissa Wiatrolik 231-242-1420

Deadline to register is April 30, 2009

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling 231-242-1420 by April 30, 2009 to make arrangements. Requests received after that date will be fulfilled when possible.



Food preservation guide is also available FREE online From National Center for Home Food Preservation www.homefoodpreservation.com

This is a hands-on class. All supplies and equipment are provided.

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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)** or you will not receive the tax exemption. Since January 1, 2008, the tribe no longer uses the Refund

method (as posted in the January 2008 and subsequent issues of the *Odawa Trails*), you must complete 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. **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 231-242-1584.

Boozhoo,

Baapaasaandip ndizhnikaa, Waganakising Odawa ndonjiba.

Hey, I was wondering if anyone has a science question?

Are you curious about what happens to recycled materials? Want to know a little more about wetland functions or the groundwater cycle? Do you have a picture of a tree or an animal that needs to be identified? Just ask me, BAAPAASAANDIP "Know it all!" If I don't know the answer, I will find someone who does!!

Send us your questions and/or pictures by e-mail!!

Each month, we will select a question or two submitted by LTBB Citizens and Employees and will post the Q/A in the upcoming *Odawa Trails*!

Submit questions or pictures/images to: EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

or mail to:

Ask Baapaasaandip
Attn: Environmental Services
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI
49740



VEGETABLE GARDENING 101

Where:

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Governmental Center
7500 Odawa Circle off Pleasantview Rd
Harbor Springs

Wednesdays 6pm-8pm

April 14

Why, Where, What and How To Grow

May 20

Soil Quality-It's Not Just Dirt

June 17

Composting and Vermicomposting

Take home a worm bin.

This workshop will cover everything a beginning gardener needs to know to grow vegetables regardless of space available or present soil quality. We will help you grow healthy nutritious produce in a way that will save you time and money.



Cost of each Workshop

is \$15/person
\$25/family

LTBB Member's registration will be covered by a grant.



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Registration is required by calling Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420 before April 10th.

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Odawa Casino Resort Announces Redesigned Website

For Immediate Release
February 27, 2009

Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, announced today the immediate launching of its totally redesigned website.

The site, www.odawacasino.com, was completely rebuilt to reflect the rich earth tones and north woods-based architecture of the building as well as the cultural heritage of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

“This is more than an update; it’s a brand new look for us. Just as our casino is completely unique from any other in the state, our website now accurately reflects the quality, warmth and casual sophistication that appeals to the residents of our local communities as well as visitors from more metropolitan cities. Our casino provides an overall experience that goes far beyond slots, table games and restaurants. One look at the website and you get an immediate feel for just how beautiful this premier destination is,” Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Sean Barnard said.

Website visitors will find it easier to discover weekly promotions and events, find their favorite slots and learn how to play table games. They can get detailed information on the casual to gourmet restaurants and get a glimpse of upcoming entertainment. A web promotion is planned for Optimum Rewards members who visit

the site each day in March.

“Today’s customer wants easy online access and the ability to plan an evening or a getaway with friends and family. With our new website, visitors can quickly make reservations at Odawa Hotel, Sage Restaurant, sign-up for the Optimum Rewards players club and learn about meeting and group facilities,” Barnard added.

Odawa Casino Resort Director of Marketing Phil Gonzales acknowledged the talents of Maxwell + Miller Marketing Communications in Kalamazoo, MI, and Stone I.G. of Ann Arbor, MI who were responsible for the design and programming, saying, “The challenge we gave these creative people was simple. This has to be the best casino resort website in Michigan and clearly they delivered. We couldn’t be happier.”



Odawa Casino Resort Assists Special Olympics Michigan and the American Red Cross

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Odawa Casino Resort sponsored a dinner in Ovation Hall for the Wertz Warriors as they concluded their 900-mile, seven-day, Snowmobile Endurance Ride on February 7 in Petoskey, MI.

The Wertz Warriors embarked on the 28th Annual Snowmobile Endurance Ride on February 1 in Chesterfield, MI, to raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics Michigan.

The 2009 Wertz Warriors consisted of 41 snowmobile riders and 31 support crew members. They stopped at more than 35 locations along the route, raising donations for the Special Olympics Michigan State Winter Games. Since the first ride in 1982, the Warriors have traveled a combined 1,058,467 miles on their snowmobiles and have raised more than \$7.2 million.

The Wertz Warriors is one man’s dream transformed into reality. Vic Wertz, former Detroit Tiger great, had a dream to underwrite the costs of the Special Olympics Michigan State Winter Games, which were held this year at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme, MI, Schuss Village in Bellaire, MI, and Howe Ice Arena in Traverse City, MI. He enlisted many of

his friends to assist him in this endeavor. Wertz and his newly founded Warriors considered a variety of ways to generate the money before completing their first Endurance Ride in 1982.

For more information on the Wertz Warriors and Special Olympics Michigan, please visit www.SOMI.org.

●Odawa Casino Resort sponsored a blood drive at Ovation Hall on February 4 where 52 units of blood were collected, surpassing the goal of 45 units.

Odawa Casino Resort wanted to thank the Odawa Casino Resort Team Members, LTBB Governmental Employees and the public who donated blood at the drive.

Anyone who donated or attempted to donate blood was entered into a drawing for a chance to win a casino stay, play and dine package. Errica Hovie won a stay, play and dine package to Bay Mills Casino and Resort in Brimley, MI, and Carla McFall won a stay, play and dine package to the Little River Casino Resort in Manistee, MI.

For more information on the American Red Cross Northern Lower Michigan Chapter which serves Antrim, Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties, please visit www.arcnlm.org.

LTBB TRIBAL COMMUNITY CITIZENS FEATURED IN ANNUAL PARENTING SECTION BY THE PETOSKEY NEWS-REVIEW



Sara Lucier with son Tavien in the parade at the 14th Annual Sovereignty Day Celebration last September.



Ben Banfield with his son Mason at a recycling event last April.



Gwen Gasco with daughter Tikibiinh at the 14th Annual Sovereignty Day Celebration last September.



Theresa Keshick with son Jordan Bussey at the Family Sledding Party last March.

Odawa Trails staff report
The *Petoskey News-Review* published its annual parenting section titled, “Parenting is for a Lifetime: A Special Section of the *Petoskey News-Review*,” on February 27. Included in the section is a “Parenting Awareness Month Community Activities” scrapbook featuring 36 photographs of community members at events. Nine photographs featured LTBB Tribal Community Citizens. All the photographs were taken by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar except for the photograph of Theresa Keshick and Jordan Bussey. That photograph was taken by Gwen Gasco.

Shanna Wemigwase with daughter Waaseyaban at the Traditional Pow Wow last September.



Virginia and Ron Schanema with sons, Francis, Dominic and Xavier, and nephew, Travin, at the Traditional Pow Wow last September. Francis is being held by his mother, Dominic is seated and is wearing green dance regalia, Xavier is standing and is wearing red and black dance regalia and Travin is seated and eating the apple.



Tom Teuthorn and daughter Tikibiinh at the Traditional Pow Wow last September. It was Tikibiinh’s first time dancing.



Russell and Kimberly Worthington and their children, Shylee, Hunter and Maya, trick or treating on Halloween last year. Shylee is the witch, Hunter is the Power Ranger and Maya is the fairy.



David M. Harrington with his daughter Morgan at the Science is Wild - Family Night event last March.



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Every Saturday in April at 6:00pm

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Plus (1) \$500.00 Cash Winner
(5) \$100.00 Cash Winners

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Enjoy Easter Brunch at Waas-no-de' Buffet at Odawa Casino Resort



2009 EASTER BRUNCH MENU



Full Salad Bar
Clam Chowder, Chicken Noodle and Cream of Mushroom Soup
Chilled Peel and Eat Shrimp with Cocktail Sauce

Roast Prime Rib of Beef
Aujus

Hickory Smoked Ham
Rum Raisin Sauce

Cajun Fried Shrimp Batter Fried Pollock

Grilled Great Lakes Whitefish with Garlic Butter

Odawa Fried Chicken

Roast Loin of Pork Sauce Robert

Asparagus with Hollandaise Broccoli Au gratin

Red Skin Mashed Potatoes Maple Glazed Sweet Potatoes

Baked Egg and Cheddar Cheese Casserole

Eggs Benedict

Grilled Italian Sausage with Peppers, Assorted Pizzas

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Along with More of Your Waas-no-de' Favorites

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EVERY THURSDAY
BEGINNING AT 8 P.M.

ZONE

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Tuesday, 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Odawa Casino Resort
Administration Offices,
911 Spring St., Petoskey, MI

Wednesday, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.
LTBB Governmental Center,
Harbor Springs, MI

Mike Breen, Instructor

For more information, please call
the Education Office at
231-242-1480.

Enjoy Easter Brunch at the Sage Restaurant at Odawa Casino Resort



Easter Brunch at the Sage



\$30
Served 12 noon until 5pm

Amuse
Fruits and Sweet Breads
The freshest fruits available, House made Sweet breads, Honey butter

Starters
Tempura Shrimp
Tempura Shitake Mushrooms, Peppers, Haricot vert, Sesame Soba Noodle Slaw
Ponzu Dipping Sauce & Mango Basil Vinaigrette

Caesar Salad
Spanish White Anchovy, Parmesan Cheese, Focaccia Croutons, Caesar Dressing

Sage "Waldorf" Salad
Dried Cherries, Blueberries & Cranberries, Julienne Apples Spiced Pecans, Baby Spinach
Apple Rosemary Vinaigrette

Wild Mushroom Bisque
Chive Crème Fraiche, Sautéed Morels & Caramelized Onions

Main
Apple Cinnamon Stuffed French Toast
House made Brioche, Grilled Dearborn Breakfast Sausage, Powdered Sugar & Maple Syrup

Eggs Benedict
Toasted English Muffin, Canadian Bacon or Smoked Salmon, Poached eggs, Chive Hollandaise
Home fries

Lobster Frittata
Sweated leeks, Roasted Tomatoes & Spinach, Tarragon, Crème Fraiche, Home fries

Any Style Eggs
Two Eggs made to your liking, Home fries & your choice of Apple Wood Bacon or Sausage & Wheat Toast

Grilled Beef Tenderloin Chimichurri
Chimichurri Sauce, Arugula, Shaved Fennel, Avocado, Roasted Corn & Tomato Lime Salsu

Dessert
Strawberry Rhubarb Tartlet
Basil Ice-Cream, Balsamic Caramel Sauce, Candied Citrus Zest
Vanilla Syrup

Chocolate Cherry Mousse Bombe
Chocolate Mousse, Cherry Gellee Center, Hazelnut Pralines
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