

SINGERS POPULARITY SOARS

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Pretty soon, the Woodland Singers are going to need a booking agent.

The group recently opened for Yolanda Martinez, who won the 2005 Best Female Artist Native American Music Award and is nominated in the category again this year, on May 26 at the Petoskey Middle School Auditodition to the numerous tribal community events the group is asked to sing at. People contact Lynn if they want the group to play at certain events.

"It's (the group's popularity) surprising, but we're starting to get known in the area," Kishigo-Booth said. "It was a nice honor to be asked to open for Yolanda Martinez.

"We were thrilled when Yolanda and Mary (Redhouse, who accompanied Martinez in concert) joined us

The Woodland Singers performed at the Cheboygan Opera House on January 14

rium in Petoskey, MI.

At that particular event, the Woodland Singers were Harriet Kishigo-Booth, Vicki Lynn, Virginia Schansema, Andrea Otto, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Veronica Medicine, Yvonne Walker-Keshick, Debbie Martin and Marilyn Hume. Ten to 12 members are in the group.

The group also played at the soft opening of Odawa Casino Resort on lune 20.

Those performances were in ad-

onstage to play."

Simon Otto introduced the group before the Martinez concert, and the group performed six songs. For the last two songs, Martinez and Redhouse joined them onstage.

During her concert, Martinez invited members of the group to sing "Buffalo Woman" with her onstage. Ettawageshik, Medicine, Schansema and Martin joined her onstage.

"That was so exciting," Ettawageshik said. "I really enjoyed it.

Yolanda is very sweet and nice. She drums really fast. It was a complete surprise. It was spontaneous.

"I think of singing as raising my voice to the Creator."

Lynn said the group is unique because it brings women together from different circles.

"Women who would not normally travel in the same social circles have come together," Lynn said. "I have made a lot of friends I wouldn't have normally gotten to know."

Andrea Otto spoke of the group's camaraderie and the special friendships formed.

"We inspire and heal each other," Andrea Otto said. "We sing from the heart."

Said Walker-Keshick: "We belong to something special and unique."

Lynn spoke of the drum's healing powers.

"I have learned certain vibrations and musical poems are healing," Lynn said.

"We heal ourselves and others. When we sing songs in our language, the spirits are there to help us. It helps our ancestors. It helps our people."

Martin said the drumbeat represents the women's heartbeat.

"Native women have always drummed and sung," Martin said. "The spirits hear it, they come to it, and it brings the healing. It shows the power and strength of Native women.

"It brings total happiness to those around the women."

Roberta Shalifoe, who turns 18 on July 17, is one of the group's youngest members. She first saw the group perform at the Come Meet the



Firekeepers event on April 10 held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

"Their singing drew me in," Shalifoe said. "The main reason I was interested in joining the group was because I wanted to get more involved with my language and culture."

Some of the songs are sung in Anishinaabemowin and others are sung in English.

"I learn our language this way," Lynn said. "The other ways I tried, I wasn't retaining it."

At first, the group sang only ceremonial songs in private, but soon branched out because the members wanted to sing in public. Lynn wrote an original song she titled, "Aambe Giintam," (Come and Sing) which the group performs.

The group also gets songs from other women's hand drum groups and other sources.

"It is our goal for everyone to write their own song eventually," Walker-Keshick said. "Everyone has

their own song in them. We'll have to think and pray about it."

Because of their varying schedules, different members perform at different events. It means the members are constantly blending their voices.

'We sing where we are comfortable," Walker-Keshick said. "Andrea and Harriet sing higher. We practice a lot, and we see whose voices work well together."

Said Lynn: "It is challenging at times to get everyone synchronized. It takes a lot of practice to blend our voices together."

The group generally practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. at the governmental center. Anyone interested in learning about drumming and singing is welcome to come. People have asked the group to practice with the door open, so they can enjoy the music.

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By Akeshia Trudeau, 2006 Miss Ddawa

Editor's note: 2006 Miss Odawa

The pow wow was two, long days with full nights of straight pow wow. There were more than 3,500 dancers and even more spectators. Grand entry was so packed. It's really hard to dance when you're between thou-



sands of dancers. This pow wow made me realize how many different types of Indians there really are, and all the different styles of dance.

It felt amazing when little girls and people asked to take pictures with me because not only was I representing the Odawa people, but the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa people and my own reserve.

As I saw the last Miss Indian World (Violet John) give up her crown, and how proud she was, even without the crown, I realized it isn't the title you hold, but being proud of who you are, where you came from and what you are.



One of the coolest things I saw while I was down there was the Miss tional. I learned about the different types of Natives from all of America and got to see firsthand the differences in all the Natives. I saw the crowning of the new Miss Indian World: Megan Young from Poarch Band of Creek Indians in Alabama.

Of course, I danced fancy shawl along with about 50 other girls. All the categories had at least two groups, mine had two. Even with two groups, I had a hard time dancing around because I was still pretty squished between all the girls spinning. It was fun I made some friends, saw some old buddies and enjoyed my time. That's what matters. Provided photos.

Akeshia Trudeau attended the 24th Annual Gathering of Nations Pow Wow in Albuquerque, NM, April 26-

shawl dancers fill the dance arena

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Indian World pageant. All the contestants were beautiful and talented. I watched the talent shows. Some of them were pretty funny and educa-

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Odawa Trails

BEING ODAWA IS ALL ABOUT FREEDOM

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

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

The deadline for the August issue of Odawa Trails is June 25. You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in. Please e-mail submissions 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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Department of Commerce Tax Agreement Information

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

Department of Commerce

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all) Readmond (all) Bear Creek (all) Resort (partial) Friendship (all) Bay (partial) West Traverse (all) Hayes (partial) Little Traverse (all) City of Petoskey (all) City of Harbor Springs (all) 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)
- Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
 Income Tax (4% of Adjusted Gross Income)

- 4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
 5. *Motor Fuel Tax (32 cents per gallon unleaded and 28 cents per gallon on diesel)
 6. *Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes)

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

- The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.
- The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

Please note: Exemption for tobacco and fuel is for LTBB Tribal Members' sole consumption ONLY!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THE SWIPE CARD OUT TO ANYONE.

Business Registration Certificate (DBA) Filed

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce

During the month of May, the

following tribal citizen filed a DBA

through the Department of Commerce: White Feather Dreams, located in Petoskey, MI, filed by Rita Gasco-Shepard.

TRIBALLY-OWNED BUSINESSES SOUGHT

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The Department of Commerce (DOC) is compiling a database of tribally-owned businesses. If you are an owner or a partner of a triballyowned business, please send the following information to the DOC: Name of business, type of business, location (business address), phone numbers, e-mail address and website information. Please feel free to send

the information in any of the following formats: Business cards, letterhead, brochures, and/or fliers. Please mail all inquiries by e-mail, snail mail or fax to: Department of Commerce Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 tkeshick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov Fax number: 231-242-1599

The Department of Commerce would like to remind the membership about a few items pertaining to the Tax Agreement. First of all, I cannot express how important it is to keep your address updated.

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is to officially change your address with the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. This must be done in writing.

Being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt. There is a form that needs to be filled out, Tribal Form 3996, which is available at our office located at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI; and for those RTM's with Internet access, on the State of Michigan website noted at the end of this article. These are mailed out on a quarterly basis to the State of Michigan during the first week of January, April, July and October. Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, electricity, satellite, and cellular service. If you have not filled out a Utility Provider Survey, please contact our office

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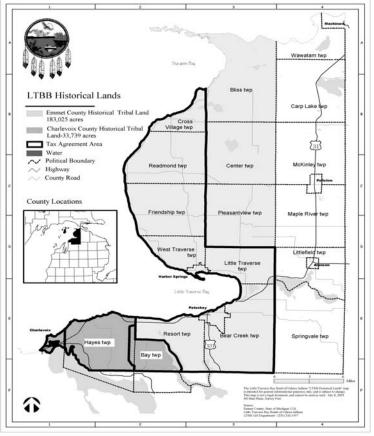
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and we will be happy to get one to you. These are available on LTBB's P-Drive, so any Tribal Government Employee can print one for you.

Another important thing to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area, your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month. Example: I moved to Petoskey, MI, which is in the Tax Agreement Area, on September 5, 2006. My RTM status began October 1, 2006. All updates are sent to the State of Michigan as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to purchase a vehicle or remodel, please wait until after the

first of the following month in which you moved. Otherwise, your refund will be denied by the State.

The LTBB Tax Agreement is viewable on the State of Michigan's website at: http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1748_23287---,00.html

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

The Tax Agreement Area map appears courtesy of GIS Director Alan Proctor.

Elder Birthdays Marilyn Williams July 13 Henry Daniels Darlene Rittenhouse **July 25** Duane Kiogima **July 14** Adeline Lyons Theresa Henry Archie McMillan, Sr. Viveca Thomas Bernice Suhr **July 15** Rochelle Ettawageshik **July 26** Patricia Borck July 16 Darlene Nowak Robert Field **Michael Peters** Leon Jackson **Basil Naganashe** Gary Kiogima **Constance Steele** Sandra Merrifield Carole Thomas

July 17 Roberta Foster Catherine Metzger

July 18 Mary Hoar Margaret Hudson Samuel Shenoskey Lucille Shull

July 27

George Leo Darlyne Oakford Lu Shananaquet



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ATTENTION! CANOPY SET-UP POLICIES

16th Annual

NAWA HOMECOMING JIINGTAMO

- All canopies must have <u>at least one</u> participant (dancer/singer).
- Set-up begins at 5 p.m., Friday, August 10 (NO EXCEPTIONS!).
- Canopy space is limited to a 10' x10' area.
- * Canopy areas are assigned on first come, first serve basis (NO EXCEPTIONS!).
- * YOU are responsible for canopy area CLEAN UP before
- All interested parties MUST check in with Pow Wow Committee Member prior to setting up.
- Canopy is limited to ONE per FAMILY even if there are multiple participants (NO EXCEPTIONS!).



<u>July 8</u> Virgil Williams July 9 Leo Delmas Samuel Leo Lawrence Shananaquet July 10 Mary Evans Sandra Walker July 11 Hermenia Boucek Gerald Chingwa Betty DeLorme

July 12 Dorothy Gasco Mary Swingle

Louise McNamara

July 19 **Cornelius Sochay**

July 22 Delores Bajt Audrey Hegenbarth Mary Longstreet **Roland Petoskey** Nancy Shananaquet

July 23 Joel Kilborn Mary Remley **Richard Wemigwase**

July 24 **Ricky Samson**

July 28 Odemin Ga-Tou-Geshik Waymegwance

July 29 Nicholas Naganashe Bernice Wardrop

July 30 Ireta Persing Brazil Petoskey, Jr.

July 31 **Rita Blacklock**

Education Department

Attention Graduates

Calling all graduates . . . High School, College, GED and Vocational! It is time to celebrate and honor your achievements. Please complete the form below and send it to the Education Department or e-mail your information to <u>mclaramunt@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov</u>. We will prepare our invitation list for the August 10 celebration, so be sure to e-mail to mclaramunt@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax to 231-242-1491 or call 231-242-1481. We have forms available in the Education Department located at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

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Post-Graduation plans:

Attention College Students

Are you ready for the 2007-2008 school year?

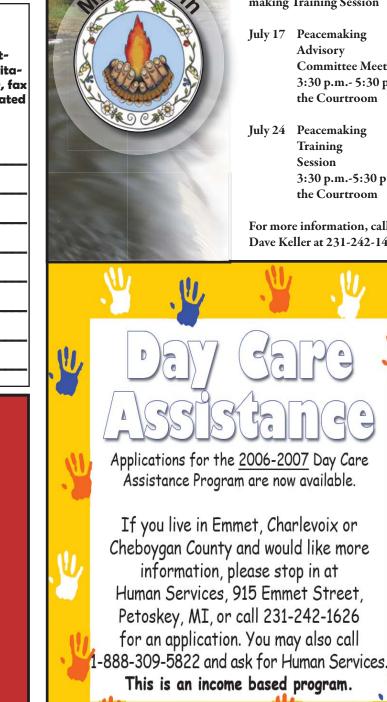
Michelle Chingwa Scholarship checklist:

-New Michelle Chingwa Scholarship application Available on the LTBB Education Dept. webpage at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

- Copy of 2007-2008 FAFSA Student Aid Report If you need assistance completing the FAFSA, please call Melissa Colby to make an appointment.

-Copy of class schedule.

Please call Higher Education Student Services Coordinator Melissa Colby with any questions at 231-242-1492.



Committee Meeting and Peacemaking Training Session

Committee Meeting 3:30 p.m.- 5:30 p.m. in the Courtroom

July 2007 Peacemaking Advisory

July 24 Peacemaking 3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. in the Courtroom

For more information, call Dave Keller at 231-242-1464.

ARRIVALS TO THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Turtle Warrior

This book was published in 2004, and it was written by Mary Relindes Ellis.

The following is a brief synopsis of the book from the Amazon.com website:

"Having lied about his own military experience in World War II, John Lucas goads his eldest son, Jim, into 'becoming a man' by fighting in Vietnam, wherein Jim goes missing and is presumed dead. The novel focuses almost exclusively on the dysfunctional Lucases, save for the neighboring couple who acts as surrogates to the children. The townspeople note, 'John Lucas walked their streets like a film character, haunting them when they saw him in the bar, working at the mill or driving on the road. He was a wrong turn personified. A wrong turn they might have taken, might still take." The Mask Maker

becomes her way of relating to the world after she splits up with her husband, Bill, and finds herself frustrated, angry and adrift at her loss and her inability to find a place for herself in the world. The novel alternates between problematic interludes at school and scenes with Lewis at home in Pawnee with her erstwhile boyfriend, Bix, and her two sons, with virtually every aspect of each scene processed according to Lewis' ability to transform the interaction into an appropriate mask. It's fascinating to watch Glancy build an entire novel around her protagonist's ability to use masks to deal with every facet of her life, from Lewis' job problems and her struggles to successfully integrate a man into her life to issues involving character and spirituality." **Reservation Blues**

strument off his hands, Thomas soon forms an all-Indian rhythm and blues band with Victor and Junior. The group, Coyote Springs, plays small clubs and bars and eventually, goes on tour. They even attract their own groupies (white women, Betty and Veronica, and Indian sisters, Chess and Checkers Warm Water). Will they succeed and, if they do, will they lose their souls? Alexie, a Spokane/Coeur D'Alene Indian, excels at creating colorful characters, and he fills his narrative with subtle and affectionate homages to other contemporary Native American writers (Jim Northrup, Thomas King etc.). Hilarious but poignant, filled with enchantments, yet dead-on accurate with regard to modern Indian life, this tour de force will leave readers wondering if Alexie himself hasn't made a deal with the Gentleman in order to do everything so well." "An Inconvenient Truth" This documentary was released in 2006.

spair but rather a rallying cry to protect the one earth we all share."

Maria: The Potter of San Ildefonso

This book was published in 1948, and it was written by Alice Lee Marriott.

The following is a synopsis of the book from the University of Oklahoma Press website:

"María: The Potter of San Ildefonso is the story of Maria Martinez and her husband, Julian, who revived the ancient Pueblo craft of pottery making and stimulated interest in southwestern Pueblo pottery among both white people and Indians.

Maria Montoya Martinez or larie, as she sometimes signs her pottery, is a woman, who has become in her own lifetime, a legend. She lives in the pueblo of San Ildefonso near Santa Fe, NM, and although her life has been, as closely as she could make it, the normal life of a woman of her culture, her unusual qualities have set her apart and gained her fame throughout the world. Through her mastery of pottery making, Maria brought economic gain to her family and her village. However, distressing problems accompanied success and fame. Liquor ultimately wrecked Julian. There was dissension within the pueblo. There was the succession of admiring white people, who invaded her home and interrupted her work. Not least, in Maria's view, was the departure of her own children from many Pueblo customs.

Inextricably woven into the story of Maria is the story of the pottery of the southwestern Pueblos, a native craft that has become a national art interest, including the development of the unique black-on-black ware by Julian, the first of which is reproduced among the illustrations.

Margaret Lefranc's many accurate drawings of actual pieces of pottery provide an almost complete documentary history of the craft and show some of the finest examples of Maria's art. Her skilled pen has also interpreted faithfully the spirit of Maria, the Pueblo Indians and the pottery."

Indian Oratory: Famous Speeches by Noted Indian Chieftains This book was published in 1979,

July 2007

This book was published in 2002, and it was written by Diane Glancy. The following editorial review from Publishers Weekly appears on the

Amazon.com website: 'A Native American woman with a mixed heritage uses the art of mask making to try to reconstruct her identity after a difficult divorce in this third novel by Glancy. The book picks up when protagonist Edith Lewis lands a part-time job traveling to an Oklahoma public school to teach her craft. Lewis' interest in masks goes far beyond her profession as the art of making them

This book was published in 1995, and it was written by Sherman Alexie. The following editorial review from Publishers Weekly appears on the Amazon.com website:

"The characters of Alexie's acclaimed short fiction (The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven) Thomas Builds-the-Fire, Victor, Junior and the habitues of the Spokane Indian reservation return in this superb first novel, a lyric comic tale with magical realist overtones. A stranger arrives on the reservation carrying a magic guitar, which he's been given as part of his bargain with 'the Gentleman' for blues immortality. Now, he's trying to lose guitar, devil and deal. Taking the in-

The following is a brief synopsis of the documentary from the Amazon.com website:

"Director Davis Guggenheim eloquently weaves the science of global warming with Al Gore's personal history and lifelong commitment to reversing the effects of global climate change. A long-time advocate for the environment, Gore presents a wide array of facts and information in a thoughtful and compelling way. 'An Inconvenient Truth' is not a story of deand it was compiled by W.C. Vanderwerth.

The following is a brief synoposis of the book from the University of Oklahoma Press website:

"This collection of notable speeches by early day leaders of 22 Indian tribes adds a new dimension to our knowledge of the original Americans and their view of the tide of history that engulfed them."

LTBB Tribal Citizens can visit the Cultural Library located in the LTBB Education Department in Harbor Springs, MI, and check out any of these new arrivals for three weeks.

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS **OF ODAWA INDIANS**



PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT WILL HOLD A PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE ON

AUGUST 10

10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

At the LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Please come and visit the Legislative Offices and learn about the functions of the

three branches of government: Legislative, Executive and Judiciary

•UPDATES FROM TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS •OPPORTUNITIES TO VISIT AND ASK QUESTIONS •VIEW TRIBAL VIDEOS •HANDOUTS AND MATERIALS •LEARNING GAMES FOR ALL AGES WITH PRIZES •REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

FORMER APPELLATE JUSTICE HONORED

The Judicial Branch presented former Appellate Justice Donna L. Budnick with a Pendleton blanket during the Elders Luncheon held on May 17 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Budnick, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, resigned as an Appellate Justice when she accepted the position of Legislative Attorney.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Former Appellate Justice Donna L. Budnick, the Legislative Attorney, spoke to the rowd after receiving the Pendleton blanket as a gift from the Judicial Branch. Also victured is Appellate Justice Rita Gasco-Shepard.

IMPORTANT FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE CONTRACT HEALTH SERVICE

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.

Health Department

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

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.



JAMES GENIA JOINS LTBB'S JUDICIARY

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On May 17 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, Appellate Justice Rita Gasco-Shepard swore in James Genia as an Appellate Justice.

Genia replaces Donna L. Budnick, who resigned as an Appellate Justice when she accepted the position of Legislative Attorney.

LTBB's Judiciary is Chief Judge JoAnne Gasco, Associate Judge Jenny Lee Kronk, Appellate Justice Wenona Singel, Gasco-Shepard and Genia.

Gasco is a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, and Kronk is a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. Gasco-Shepard, Singel and Genia are all LTBB Tribal Citizens.

Photos by Annette VanDeCar.



bath of office to newly appointed Appellate Justice James Genia.



Citizen, signs the oath of office during the swearing in event.



L to R) Jenny Lee Kronk and JoAnne Gasco in the front row. ngel, James Genia and Rita Gasco-Shepard in the back row.



(L to R) Dave Keller and Bernadece Kiogima in the front row. Tiffany Willis and Linda Harper in the back row.



to R) Appellate Justice Wenona Singel, Associate Judge Jenny Lee Kronk, Chief Judge JoAnne co, former Appellate Justice Donna L. Budnick and Appellate Justice Rita Gasco-Shepard.

Making Connections Community Gathering

By Linda Woods, Substance Abuse Director

As I write this, I am reflecting on our community event held May 19 at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

We called it the Making Connections Community Gathering, and its purpose was to describe to the community what we did with a grant we received from the Department of Justice (DOJ) Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse program. The grant is ending.

Amy Kagabitang was the Project Coordinator and Anthony Davis was the Cultural Advisor of the grant. They did wonderful work, and we wanted the community to know about it.

Because it is from the DOJ, the goal is to interact or "make connections" with law enforcement agencies to reduce crime associated with substance abuse. It was a difficult thing to do. One of the key goals was to work with tribal law enforcement as well as the local law enforcement agencies in the northern Michigan area.

We did two things to get things started. We sent surveys to the tribal membership, the first to ask the membership about our services and if there was a need for prevention services, and the second was to survey the



Gene Thin Elk created the Red Road Approach membership about their perception so about alcohol, tobacco, drugs and rig gambling. Based on the results of the me surveys, Kagabitang began to develop red a plan to address how to work with law enforcement.

All healing is based on relationships with the Creator, with self and with others. Somewhere along the line, healing must occur between broken relationships. While there have been strained relationships with local law enforcement agencies in the area, naabek people, about LTBB and some LTBB history, perhaps.

There was no such program or project here in the United States. Kagabitang discovered a curriculum in Canada given to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), and she traveled to Canada (New Foundland) to witness the curriculum entitled, "The Aboriginal Perceptions," the RMP go through in their orientation process. It was a five-day curriculum taught to the RMP. Upon witnessing the curriculum, she decided this was something we could do here. Kagabitang, Davis and Leonard "Joe" Mitchell traveled to Canada to meet with a tribal elder, who was instrumental in developing the curriculum.

After much thought and consideration, they developed our own "Anishinaabek Perceptions" curriculum to be given to our local law enforcement agencies. As a result of this three-year grant, Kagabitang provided this training to 227 law enforcement personnel, including the Harbor Springs Police Department, Michigan State Police, both Petoskey and Cheboygan posts, Charlevoix and Emmet County prosecutors and oth-

> ers. It has shown to be a successful program with positive feedback. The end result was law enforcement has a "brochure" to carry with them in their vehicles when they interact with tribal citizens to hopefully gain some clearer understanding of what a tribal person may have in their possession. All in all, it was a positive healing step forward to "connect" with law enforcement. It was a first step towards the reduction of crime associated with substance abuse. Like I said before, relationships are critical in the healing process and must occur at

some point. The timing for this was right – maybe not for all, but for most. At least, that's the feedback we received from the evaluations.

The Red Road Approach

"The Red Road Approach is a holistic approach to spiritual, mental, physical and emotional wellness based upon Native American healing concept and traditions, and uses prayer as the basis of all healing. A relationship of mutual respect must exist for the afflicted, the medicine (therapy), and the healer (facilitator) before healing takes place." That was an excerpt from *Wounded Warriors – A Time for Heal*-



(Left to Right) Pat Boda, Anthony Davis, Gene Thin Elk, Amy Kagabitang and David Kagabitang.

ing. Gene Thin Elk is the creator of the Red Road Approach. We invited him to our community to participate in our Making Connections Community Gathering. We were very fortunate to have him make his presentation about the Red Road. What can I say about Gene Thin Elk's presentation? Wow! How he presented on living the Red Road and how to live that way of life everyday was absolutely wonderful. He said, "We are all sacred because we all have that sacred connection to the Creator. As sacred beings, we do not have to 'go here' or 'go there' to become spiritual, we already are spiritual by doing what we do if we follow that Red Road. He also said, "It is our privilege to help alcoholics and addicts to get back on the right road of life. The bottle or the drug keeps us from those things that we want most in life. It is the unnatural way of life.

For example, if we really value our families, freedom or relationships but we are drinking or using drugs, our real value is the bottle or drug. Those are what keep us from what we want: Family, relationship or freedom. He said. "Our spirit (in our heart) comes from the Creator who gave us a 'powerful' mind, and the heart interprets what our mind says we do. If our powerful mind tells us negative things, that's what we do. If our thoughts are in line with the Creator's and we listen to how the Creator guides us, we will do the right or positive thing." He said, "Healing is through feeling If we have lots of pain in our heart, we can heal by releasing ourselves from the pain. Ultimately, we are the healer because the

phy. The thing I'm attempting to convey is we have hope. We can recover from whatever trauma, incident or circumstance we have had in our lives just as we can recover from alcoholism or drug addiction.

He described the unnatural way of life and said for some of us - from our own history with the families we were raised in, we could not express our feelings. For example, perhaps, there was alcoholism or abuse of some type happening in our family, so we learned how to deny our feelings or the only time we could express our feelings was when we or our parents or another family member was intoxicated and then, it all comes out. He said, "When adults drink or use drugs, children go into 'safety mode,' and they know when it is safe to get the affection or attention or to be quiet. As an adult, then, they carry with them those same survival mechanisms and develop an 'at least' philosophy." An "at least" philosophy means people minimize what happened to them and tell themselves, Well, at least, it wasn't so bad" or "At least, I got some affection" and have a mindset they don't deserve what is the best for them, and they have learned to expect the "least" or to take second best. He said, "When someone goes into recovery, their minds have to come out of that mindset, and they have to 'call their spirits to come back to become whole again." In recovery, we have to let go of ego and become "we go" and allow others to help us find our way back to the right road. Whereas prior to recovery, the person had a relationship with that bottle or drug they must change or be transformed back to the person they were

selves, and then, they have to reestablish their relationship with others and back again like a healing circle.

Thin Elk described the *natural way of life* or what a 24-hour period looks like on the Red Road:

Spiritual is inspiration (We are spiritual beings):

1. Learn how to listen to the Creator (meditate – when we wake up).

2. Learn how to pray or communicate with the Creator.

Mental is creative (Our powerful mind):

1. Thought process ("How am I going to do this or that?" or "I think I'll do this or that.")

Physical is energy (Our bodies) 1. Planning ("I'm going to do this and that today, this way or that.")

2. Action ("I do it.")

Emotional is evaluation (Our heart – feelings):

1. Aware ("I'm aware of myself, my surroundings and others.")

2. Share (with others).

Thin Elk went on to talk about our belief system, our values, our lifestyle and our identity. How we live our life is our identity. He said, "The cycle of unnatural living is in direct contrast to the original teachings of our people." He stressed the use of ceremonies and belief systems to break this unnatural cycle. He said, "We must become whole once again, in balance, walking the sacred Red Road. Healing is a way of life for the Native American, who understands and lives the cultural traditions and values."

There was so much information he shared with us in a short amount of time. It is hard to summarize it all, but I hope I conveyed the heart of

we realized this was going to be a delicate area to address. We decided we would provide law enforcement with a picture of who we are as Anishi-

Creator made us whole." Of course, I'm paraphrasing, and it takes a long time to absorb this type of philosobefore the alcohol or drug and form a relationship with the Creator. They then have a relationship within themwhat he said.

Thin Elk is a humble man with a wonderful sense of humor and a gentle way of connecting with people. I am truly grateful he was a part of our day.

If you have any questions regarding the Red Road Approach, we have information at our office such as books, tapes, videotapes or other materials. Please do not hesitate to call us at 231-242-1640 or 231-242-1642. If you want to change your life to be on the Red Road, call for an appointment. Remember, you have a powerful mind and are a sacred being. It is our privilege to serve you.

Photos courtesy of Linda Woods.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT THIRD ANNUAL HUNTERS SAFETY COURSE

AUGUST 28, 29, AND 30 CLASSROOM TIME AUGUST 28 AND 29, 6 P.M.-9:30 P.M. NRD BUILDING IN HARBOR SPRINGS MI.

RANGE TIME AUGUST 30, 9 A.M.-2 P.M. HARBOR SPRINGS GUN CLUB IN HARBOR SPRINGS MI.

THE CLASS IS LIMITED TO 30 STUDENTS WITH NO AGE RESTRICTIONS

FOSTER CARE HELP NEEDED

Foster parents, individuals or families, are urgently needed to provide permanent and temporary foster care for our tribal children.

If you can:

-Provide love and guidance -Help maintain our native cultural values and teachings for a foster child. And you are willing to: -Obtain background check clearances.

Please contact the LTBB Social Services Program, Human Services Department, at 231-242-1623 for more information.

Housing Department Programs

Services are available to citizens residing within the 27 county service area.

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.

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

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$5,000 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and Can Be Used to Purchase or Re-finance 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 St. Marie, MI; this program provides the resources and technical assistance associated with the installation on a new well and sanitation service or replacement of deficient existing well/septic.

Credit Counseling: Our counseling provides tribal citizens the knowledge it takes to gain financial stability and credibility.

Transitional Housing Program: This program is designed to assist families, for a limited time, until permanent housing can be found. (Limited Availability). Please submit a Letter of Interest and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

Elders Housing Development: Wah-Wahs-Noo Da Ke Elder Housing Development consists of 12 units and is designed to meet the needs of very low to moderate income level elderly tribal citizens, age 55 and older. Please complete application and your name will be placed on our Waiting List.

GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program is up and running again. The deadline to submit your requests is August 31. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420. There are three programs available. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Business grants are available for LTBB Tribal Citizens to help with an existing or new business endeavor. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations.

Temporary Help Wanted Would you like to:

Gain experience?

Work in an office?

Make a little extra money?

Work in the tribal community?

Are you a tribal citizen?

TEMPORARY POSITIONS NOW AVAILABLE!

Work as little as one day or as long as a month!!!

Contact the Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa INDIANS' HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT TODAY!

CALL: 231-242-1555

LTBB HOUSING **U** E P A R T M E N T

The Housing Department is now accepting bids for the entrance sign to Wah-Wahs-Noo-Da Ke Housing Development in Harbor Springs, MI.

Ideal Dimensions: 6'o" width X 4'0" height. Lettering must contain: Wah-Wahs-Noo-Da Ke, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indiuns; Housing Symbols:



(ii) Must be located near the site manager's of fice when the housing project has multiple site and portable signs must be placed where va cancies exist at other site locations of a "scat tered site" housing project:

(iii) May be of any shape;

(iv) Must be not less than 16 square feet of area for housing projects with eight or more rental units (smaller housing projects may have smaller signs);

(v) Must be made of durable material including its supports;

(vi) Must include the housing project name;

(vii) Must show rental contact information inng but not limited to the office lo

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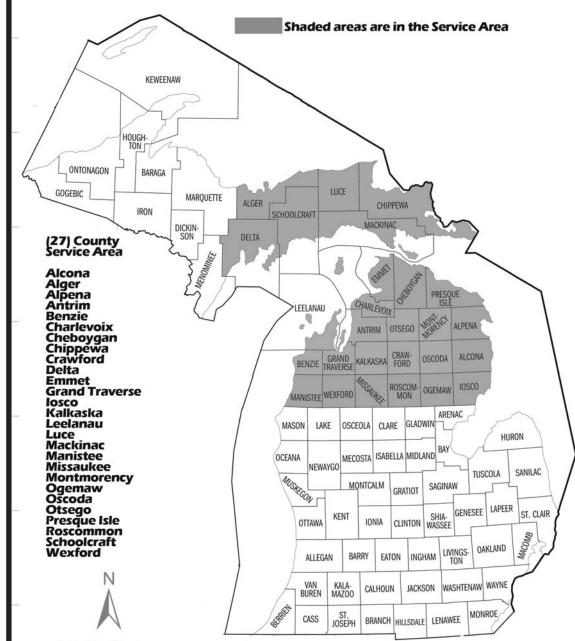
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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Service Area



Odawa Trails

Design must include lighting and meet the requirements listed below:

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(d) Housing sign requirements. (I) A permanent sign identifying the housing project is required for all housing projects approved on or after September 13, 1977. Permanent signs are recommended for all housing projects approved prior to September 13, 1977. The sign must meet the following requirements:

(i) Must be located at the primary site entrance and be readable and recognizable from the roadside,

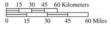
of the housing project and a telephone number where applicant inquiries may be made;

(viii) Must show either the equal housing opportunity logotype (the house and equal sign with the words equal housing opportunity underneath the house); the equal housing opportunity slogan "equal housing opportunity"; or the equal housing opportunity statement, "We are pledged to the letter and spirit of U.S. policy for the achievement of equal housing opportunity throughout the nation. We encourage and support an affirmative advertising and marketing program in which there are no barriers to obtaining housing because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin." If the logotype is used the size of the logo must be no less than 5% of the total size of the project sign.

(ix) May display the Agency or Department logotype; and

(x) Must comply with state and local codes.





Programs receiving funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and some Indian Health Services (IHS) are limited to serving members within a 27 county service area.

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Language Program

Head Start Children Thank Language Instructor



L to R) Isabelle Osawamick and LTBB Head Start Director Mickey Kilpatrick.

Submitted by the **Language Program**

The children from the Head Start Program recently presented Language Instructor Isabelle Osawamick a card and gift.

The children had beautifully decorated the card and wrapping paper. The gift was a rain drum, given in appreciation, and the card reads 'Miigwetch."

Osawamick taught the Anishinaabe language to the children during the 2006-2007 school year. Each week, she spent an hour or so with the children and spoke to them only in Anishinaabemowin. She did storytelling and cultural activities, and the children loved it. The children and Head Start staff gave Osawamick this gift of thanks at the end of the school year.

Osawamick had this to add: Head Start Mjimendomowinan

Pii shkwaandem nsaakinamaa, miigwa noondwagwa binoojiinhak debaapiwaad. Kina gwaya zhiitaa wiimaamwi yaa'aang ode ewaawiiyaak naakniiganiing. Miisa zhinda binoojiinhak kinoomaagaazwaad wazhi Anishinaabemowaad pii ngamwaad, dewegewaad, niimiwaad miinwa bzindamowaad aansookaanan.

Geyaabi ngwaamaak binoojiinhak memezhkwad pkwenezigewaad. Aapiji gwa bekaayaawok, giikendaanaa'aa yaawang mnaadendmowin. Binoojiinhak ge naangwadnong giikwedwewok aanin Anisinaabemowin kidwinan. Giibshigendaanaa'aa binoojiinhak ngamwaad miinwa aapiji giibshigendaanaa'aa dewegewaad. Binoojiinhak giibshigenmaa'aan damnowaaganan enaangedoonjik.

Binoojiinhak giikendaanaa'aa zaagidwin. Aapiji gwa nzaagigo ngiinendam pii getin aabtoojiishwaad. Kina gwa enchiwaad zhoomiingwenook pii niimiyaang (waawye gaa'ang). Gaa gwaya gego gidsii pii niimiyaang. Kina gwaya baapbibiza. Miigwechwiwok binoojiinhak gaazhinoomowaad. Aapiji kitchi twendaagziwok binooojiinhak.

Head Start Memories

As soon as I open the door, I could hear the children laughing. Everybody is getting ready for us to be together at the "circle" carpet. This is where the children learn Anishinaabemowin through singing, drumming, dancing and listening to stories.

I can still see the children take turns smudging each other. They are so quiet; they know the meaning of respect. Sometimes, the children asked for some Anishinaabemowin words. The children liked singing, and they really liked drumming. The children liked the talking puppets.

The children know the meaning of love. I really felt loved when they hugged me tightly. All of them are smiling when we dance (the round dance). Nobody says a thing when we dance. Everybody is bouncing. I thank the children for what they taught and showed me. The children are very sacred. *Provided photo*.

ATTENTION TRIBAL CITIZENS

The following information is provided for Tribal Citizens who are seeking nominations for an appointment to a LTBB Commission, Board and/or Committee. Those interested in an appointment, please submit a letter of interest along with your resume' to:

> Tribal Chairman LTBB of Odawa Indians 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Fax 231-242-1419 or e-mail: chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

BAAMAAPII AND GOOD LUCK CRYSTAL GREENSKY

Submitted by **Carla McFall,** Language Program Coordinator

Crystal Greensky is a LTBB Tribal Citizen originally from Cloquet, MN. She grew up on the Fond du Lac Reservation, listening to her father and grandmother speak the Ojibwe language. Anishinaabemowin has been a passion of hers from a very young age.

In 2004, Greensky moved to northern Michigan to pursue her higher education. She worked for her tribe as the Language Program Assistant. She worked with the program for more than one and a half years and was an inspiring asset.

Although we'll miss her, we wish



her all the best in the future. Greensky recently completed the second year of the three-year Native

Language Instructors Institute in Brimley, MI, through Bay Mills Community College. She plans to continue her study of Anishinaabemowin while attending Lake Superior State University (LSSU). Greensky graduated from North Central Michigan College and is transferring to LSSU to earn a Bachelor's degree in Administration. She is an honor roll student.

Greensky is very dedicated to the Native American community and has so much to offer.

Miigwech Crystal for all you have contributed to our program and community and great successes to you in the many opportunities that lie ahead. Baamaapii Kawaabmigo! *Provided photo.*

Anishinaabemowin Language Immersion Classes



nguage Instructors perform skits during Immersion classes

Submitted by Carla McFall, Language Program Coordinator

The name of the class may have you thinking it is for advanced language learners, but that is not the case. The class is designed so both beginners and advance learners can each benefit on individual levels and at their own pace.

We invite you to attend for a few hours or the entire weekend to observe (please see summer schedule below). You need to check it out in person to understand what we do and how it could work for you.

The teachers tell stories, play guessing

games and put on skits. There are several community elders who attend along with enrolled students. Everyone has a good time.

This is an eight-credit course accredited by Bay Mills Community College, offered through the Nishnaabemwin Pane Immersion Program. We are completing our first year of offering the course in Petoskey, MI, and have had an excellent response.

Registration for the fall semester is starting. Please call the Anishinaabemowin Language Program at 231-242-1456 for more information.

Summer Schedule: Fridays 1 p.m. – 9 p.m. (dinner provided), Saturdays 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. (lunch & dinner provided) and Sundays 8 a.m. noon.

Dates: July 6 - 8, August 3 - 5 or August 24-26.

Location: MskikiGamik Health Park, 1080 Hager Drive, Petoskey.

The photo appears courtesy of Mike Lyons.

Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation

Quillwork Research Project

Submitted by the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department

Archives Technician Yvonne Walker-Keshick is working in collaboration with Andriena Greci Green, formerly of the Nokomis Learning Center in Okemos, MI, on a porcupine quillwork research project.

They will be in the Commons Area of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, on July 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be provided.

The project began when the book *Quillwork on Birch bark* by the Harbor Springs Historical Society was published in 1999, and the names of the artists were not included. The Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department hopes to

identify the artists, and in doing so, give credit to the artists and enrich the family histories of tribal citizens. There is no monetary gain for this project, only the educational gratification of knowing about past tribal artists and the knowledge this information will be preserved for future artists and their families.

This project researches quillworking techniques, construction of boxes, threads used, and designs and patterns, in the hopes of identifying older, unsigned boxes in public and private collections and in museums.

One step is to have an informal exhibit where tribal citizens and the

be used as a cross reference to aid in identifying other quill boxes the person may have made. The individuals bringing in quill boxes will receive photographs of the boxes they bring in.

The Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department researched the names of individuals listed in the Emmet County census who did bark work, quillwork baskets and other cultural arts.

Everyone is welcome to attend, see if they have an ancestor on the census list, fill out the questionnaire, offer information, advise, bring in their quill art pieces and socialize. For more information, contact Walker-Keshick at 231-242-1452 from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Commission	Term/Years	Positions Open
Education	4	1
Health	3	3
Citizenship	4	2
Housing	4	2
ICWC	3	1
NRC	4	2
Regulatory	3	1
GBOD	Indef	1
Election	4	2
Trust Fund	4	2

<u>Compensation</u> Commissioners will be compensated according to LTBB Statute and current LTBB Government Policy. public can come to look at photographs, slides and boxes, and fill out survey forms and, perhaps, bring in existing quill boxes to have the boxes photographed. The photographs will

The LTBB Elders Program seeks a lawn maintenance contractor to mow elders' lawns during the summer of 2007.

Interested individuals should submit an application to the Accounting Department located at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, or call Kristina Baller at 231-242-1443. CALLING ALL DANCERS The LTBB Pow Wow Committee seeks dancers to ride on a Fourth of July parade float. If you are interested in volunteering, call Shanna Wemigwase at 231-526-7904.

Executive Branch

FROM THE DESK OF THE TRIBAL CHAIRMAN FRANK ETTAWAGESHIK

June 2007 Executive Oversight Report

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Ambassadorial Activities Meetings in Lansing, MI: On

May 15, I drove to Lansing early in the morning and had a meeting at Jim McClurken's office at 10 a.m. We discussed the research work he is doing for us and worked on a plan for the rest of the year's work.

At 11 a.m., I met with Representative (Rebekah) Warren in her office on environmental issues.

I then had a noon meeting with Representative Dave Agema about his proposed legislation to end the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver. One of Agema's staff, Mary Lindemann, and Representative (John) Garfield were also at this meeting. Lindemann and I had a follow-up meeting with Representative Garfield in his office.

At 1:30 p.m., I had a meeting with Dave Holtz of Clean Water Action at the State Plate (HOB cafeteria). I stayed there after this meeting and met with Lindemann until it was time to go to the Dykema Law Offices for Richard McLellan's retirement reception at 4 p.m. McLellan and his firm worked for us on the TOMAC (Taxpayers of Michigan Against Casinos) case that was just decided in our favor at the Michigan Supreme Court.

Meeting on Local Roads Issues: On May 17, representatives from Bear Creek and Resort Townships, the Emmet County Road Commission, the City of Petoskey and LTBB held a meeting at Bear Creek Township Hall. We talked about our current plans for the Hager Drive improvement project at the Health Park in Petoskey, MI.

We also discussed traffic issues we will need to address for the casino opening on June 20. The Emmet County Road Commission and the City of Petoskey were in agreement with our plan for the closing of Cemetery Road between Sheridan and Lears Roads for a few hours on June 20 to allow local resident and business traffic only. We also have been meeting with Tribal Police, City Police and the Emmet County Sherriff on this issue. In coordination with our Casino Security Director, we have developed a plan to handle the traffic issues.

Petoskey Rotary: The Petoskey Noon Rotary Club met in the LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area on May 23. (Odawa Casino Resort General Manager) Barry Milligan and I presented on the new casino and answered questions. I also spoke about tribal government and answered questions for approximately 20 minutes. The feedback has been very positive from the community members following this meeting.

United Tribes and Tribal State Summit: These meetings were scheduled for May 24 and May 25 in Sault Ste. Marie, MI, at Kewadin Casino Conference Center. We had a reception for United Tribes of Michigan at 7 p.m. that lasted until about 9:30 p.m.

John Wernet from the Governor's office had contacted us all earlier to let us know Governor (Jennifer) Granholm would not be able to attend the summit because of the state's budget crisis.

The next morning at the United Tribes meeting, Wernet gave us Granholm's regrets for not being able to attend the summit, and Granholm's wish to reschedule the summit.

The election of officers for United Tribes of Michigan (UTM) was as follows: Chief Fred Cantu of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is the UTM President; Chairman Aaron Payment of the Sault Ste. Marie (SSM) Tribe of Chippewa Indians is the Vice President; Chairman John Miller of Pokagon Potawatomi is the Secretary and I was elected the UTM Treasurer. We had a report on the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver from the Education Directors and attorneys, and I gave an update from our lobbyist.

TOMAC Case: We got word late May 30 the Michigan Supreme Court ruled the amendment process in our gaming compact is legal. With this upheld, we now have the option of opening a second casino site, and we have a 10-year extension on our compact until the year 2028.

Burt Lake Legislation: Congressman (Bart) Stupak with co-sponsorship from Congressmen (Dale) Kildee has introduced legislation to recognize the Burt Lake Band.

Oversight of Commissions and Programs

Pow Wow Committee: We have new co-chairs for the Pow-Wow Committee this year, Annette Van-DeCar and Winnay Wemigwase. The committee is meeting every other Tuesday at 6 p.m. in Room 312 at the LTBB Governmental Center.

Enterprise Oversight

Victories Casino: The Vice Chairman (Bill Denemy, Sr.) and I continue to attend nearly every Gaming Board of Directors meeting. The main issues we are following are the approval of policies and the preparations for the move to Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey.

Odawa Casino Resort Project Report: As reported above, we worked on the traffic issues for the opening on June 20. The project was still within the budget and on schedule. Things were getting hectic as we got closer to completion of the construction. We were working on the highway sign that will be placed on the Victories property on US-131 at Lears Road for the new casino.

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Ettawageshik, Tribal Chairman





Are You Interested in Working for the LTBB Government?

If you would like to be included in the LTBB Human Resources database, please send resumé and cover letter to:

jwerner@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov (send as Microsoft Word or as a PDF)

or LTBB Human Resources 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740

(IMPORTANT: We need an e-mail address to notify you when a position that meets your interests becomes available.)

Please check our website, www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, for current openings or call our toll free job hotline at 1-866-582-2562. Job postings are updated every Friday.

MEET THE NEW EMPLOYEES SERVING OUR TRIBAL COMMUNITY



teaching the Anishinaabemowin Language class starting in the fall at Harbor Springs High School in Harbor Springs, MI.

She said her favorite group to work with is high school students. Peltier is a member of the WikPeltier taught Anishinaabemowin on the Wikewemikong Unceded Reserve starting in 1999.

"I believe our language is a part of our soul," Peltier said. "You need to satisfy your soul.

"I want to share what I have. I



troit (Michigan) and graduated from River Rouge High School in River Rouge, MI. He attended Wayne State University and North Central Michigan College where he studied Public Relations and Marketing.

Burks previously worked for the

Doreen Peltier

Doreen Peltier started as an Anishinaabemowin Language Instructor on May 7.

Her Anishnaabe Noozwin (Indian name) is Waabshki-Aankwad Kwe (White Cloud Woman). She works in the Anishinaabemowin Language Program, a part of the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department.

One of Peltier's duties will be

wemikong First Nation in Manitoulin Island, Ontario, Canada, and grew up on the Wikwemikong Unceded Reserve there.

"I grew up in an isolated area, so that (Anishinaabemowin) was all I knew until I started school and learned English," Peltier said. "I have always wanted to speak my language. "My father (the late William Trudeau) cherished our language and was vocal about the importance of preserving it. Growing up, my family only spoke our language." Delaier agrand an Associate' do

Peltier earned an Associate's degree in Social Work from Cambrian College in Sudbury, Ontario, Canada. She worked in the Social Work field for almost 20 years. Prior to taking her current position, hope I see the day when all of the people speak it."

Her parents were the late William and Helen Trudeau, and she is one of 10 children. She has three children: Roger Peltier, 41, Doris Peltier, who turns 39 in July, and Annette Peltier, 36. Roger is a businessman involved in fish farming, Doris works for the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization, and Annette owns a graphic design business.

In her free time, Doreen likes to sew, work with leather, play bingo and spend time with family and friends.

David Ken Burks

David Ken Burks started as the Pre-Press Graphics Specialist in the Communications Department on June 4.

Burks, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, had been working in the department on a temporary basis since April 24. Burks replaces Aaron Wayne Otto, who left to take a Production Artist position with Odawa Casino Resort. Burks grew up in southwest DeDetroit Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau for three years as a Staff Assistant for the Tourism and Sales and Research, Records and Special Projects departments. He also worked as a Cashier at Victories Casino in Petoskey, MI.

His mother is Mary (Pierce) Burks and his grandmother was the late Dorothy (Wasaquam) Pierce. He has six sisters and a brother. His cousins, Laura Schrock, Chris De-Lorme and Jill Bair, all work at Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey.

In his free time, Burks enjoys beading, gardening, reading and rollerblading.

Articles and photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDe-Car.

Odawa Trails July 2007 Natural Resource Department Summer Youth Camps **June 18-22** INTERNATIONAL BOW EDUCATION PROGRAM 4-6 year olds. 8 a.m. to Noon Submitted by the Natural Resource Department June 25-29 The LTBB Natural Resource and care of game, basic first aid, sur-Building located near the LTBB Gov-Department (NRD) is once again ofvival and much more. ernmental Center in Harbor Springs, 7-10 year olds. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. fering a bow safety class for tribal and The IBEP class is a specialty MI. We will go outside for a number non-tribal citizens who live in and July 9, 11 and 13 class that covers more than the Michiof activities, so please wear appropriaround our community. gan Hunter Safety Class covers. The ate clothing. 11-14 year olds. 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The International Bow Educa-IBEP class is not a substitute for the The class is limited to 30 partiction Program (IBEP) class is eight Michigan mandatory hunter safety ipants, so pre-registration is required credits. The class covers the history of class and does not fulfill the mandato reserve your spot. Full-day campers need to bring a sack lunch. Come bow hunting, wildlife conservation, tory hunter safety training require-For more information and to join us for action-packed summer days! For more inpre-register, please contact NRD at responsibilities, safety, equipment, ments in Michigan. formation and registration, call the Education De-The class will be held August 18 231-242-1670. how to practice, methods, tree stands, anatomy, shot placement, recovery from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the NRD partment at 231-242-1480. ealth epartment **Drop-off** locations: LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, 20th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics and the Waterfront in Petoskey, MI. Come join the fun at the 20th Annual Michigan Indian Family MIFO PARTICIPANT NUMBER Olympics on July 20 at Central 20th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics (EVENT DAY USE ONLY) Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, **Event Times** 20th ANNUAL MICHIGAN INDIAN FAMILY OLYMPICS The Little Traverse Bay Bands Friday, July 20, 2007-Central Michigan University-Bennett Track ATTENTION: PLEASE READ **Registration Form** of Odawa Indians have won the last ***Registration Fee: \$5.00 per person for ages 5-54*** hree Michigan Indian Family *This event is open to all Native Americans and their family members who reside in the state of Michigan* *This is an Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs Free Event These are approximate times. Athletes need to be ready and in the designated area by this time. Olympics. The 115-member team They need to listen to the announcer for the first and second calls so they will not miss the race von the 19th Annual Michigan In-FIRST NAME (PLEASE WRITE IN UPPER CASE LETTERING) GENDER No race will be re-run unless otherwise announced by the Family Olympics Committee. lian Family Olympics with 300 Coordinators from each Tribal community and parents are responsible for their athletes. The MALE FEMALE points to second-place Huron exact times of the races and field events will depend on the number of heats per races or LAST NAME Potawatomi's 223 points. participants per field event. LTBB first sent an organized ***LIMIT 4 EVENTS PER PARTICIPANT *** eam to the event in 2000. ADDRESS The team is again sponsored by *These times are approximate-they may run later than scheduled.* CITY ZIP he LTBB Community Health/Dia-AGE GROUP (PLEASE "X") EXAMPLE: (DA) 7:00 AM Registration starts at 7:00 AM oetes and STEPS programs. LTBB Baby 9:30 AM (1-2) **OPENING CERMONIES** (3-4) (5-6) (7-9) (10-12)(13-15) Fribal Citizens of all ages compete in 10:00 AM 400M Walk Softball Throw (5-6,7-9, 10-12) Baby Crawl (16-18)arious events. (19-24) (25-32)(33-40) (41-54) (55 & Up) (41- 54, 55 & Up Softball Throw (From 13 & Up) Tot Trot 10M (1-2) 10:15 AM This year, we hope to take a 20M (3-4) 400M Run TRIBE/ORGANIZATION (PLEASE "X") EXAMPLE: AK eam of 150. In the past, the LTBB Bean Bag Toss (13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-54, 55-Up) AIS (American Indian Services) BMIC (Bay Mills Indian Community) 10:45 AM Jump Rope DU/NAIA (Det. Urban/Native Am 1600M Run (4 & Under) eam has been lacking in a couple of (5-6, 7-9, 10-12) (13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-54, 55-Up) CH (Chickhane) ge groups, mainly the girls and boys GLT (Gun Lake Tribe) GR (Grand River) 11:00 AM **Running Long Jump** 3-15 and 16-18 divisions. If you 3-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-54, 55-Up) GTB (Grand Traverse Bay Band) HIC (Hannahville Indian Community) HP (Huren Petewistomi 11:30 AM have never participated before, we 50M Run (5-6, 7-9, 10-12, 41-54, 55 & Up) IHFS (Indian Health and Family Services) KBIC (Keweenaw Bay Indian Comm.) LRB (Little River Band vould love to have you on our team. 400M Pre/Post Natal Wall Everyone is welcome. LTBB (Little Traverse Bay Band) MSCG (Mutobase) PP (Pokagon Potawatomi 11:45 AM LUNCH STARTS LUNCH STARTS For registration information, SCIT (Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe) SSM (Secilt Ste. Marie Tribe WI (Walpole Island) OTHER all Cathy Gibson at the Commu-1:00 PM Football Throw (5-6,7-9, 10-12) 800M Walk ity Health Department at 231-242-Please accept my entry in the 2007 Michigan Indian Family Olympics. I hereby state that I have conditioned myself properly for the activities I will participate in. I waive any right that I have against the Family Olympics officials, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, and all the participating groups for damages or injuries occurred by my participation in the 2007 Michigan Indian Family Olympics. Football Throw (From 13 & Up) (41-54, 55 & Up) 601. Deadline for registration is 1:30 PM 100M Run (7-9, 10-12) (13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-54, 55-Up uly 12 by 5 p.m. with no exceptions. 2:00 PM Standing Board Jump SIGNATURE 2:15 PM (Must be signed by a parent or guardian if participant is under 18 years old) 800M Run (5-6,7-9, 10-12) (Date) (13-15,16-18, 19-24, 25-32, 33-40, 41-54, 55-Up) PRE-REGISTRATION CAN BE DONE ONLINE AT: 3:00 PM Team Relays http://www.sagchip.org/fitness/mifo/index.htm *If you are sending this form to a team coordinator then they may do online registration for you. 3:15 PM Team Tug-O-War By pre-registering, it will allow the registration process go much quicker on the day of the event. 4:00 PM CLOSING CEREMONIES For questions, please contact Jaden Harman, MIFO Event Coordinator @ (989) 775-4694 Walking Challenge 2007 Tax

Migwech to all of you who have been taking part in the Walking Challenge. As I write this, almost 200 people have joined in. Hopefully, besides helping your tribe, you have also received some benefits: Maybe a little lower blood pressure, a little looserfitting pants or increased exercise tolerance. There is still more

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

Forms are also available at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Click on Offices/Government Center/Enrollment Department and c<mark>lick on the app</mark>ropriate form. The adult form must be printed on legal size paper and the minor form on letter size paper. We will continue to add forms there in the future.



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than a month left in the challenge, so it's not too late to "step up" your activity! If you haven't been keeping accurate records, please, don't just guit and throw them out. I will gladly include eight weeks worth of steps over not having any from you at all. Just do the best you can with your log sheets, and don't forget to send them back to me by July 13. I will give them to the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, who will calculate the steps and announce the winner at the 2007 Michigan Indian Family Olympics on July 20. If you have any questions I haven't answered, please feel free to contact me at 231-242-1601 or e-mail me at rbrubacker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Submitted by Health Educator Regina Brubacker

Enrollment Office Closed August 8

The Enrollment Office will be closed August 8 due to a meeting covering enrollment issues with the 12 federally recognized tribes in Michigan.

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

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

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

If you are incarcerated and would like to continually receive the newsletter, you must keep your address current. Towards the end of the year, we will notify you for purposes of the per capita payment.

Adult verification form must be witnessed. Minor verification form must be notarized.

Please contact Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee at 231-242-1521 or Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton at 231-242-1520.

order to become <mark>a Resident Tribal</mark> 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.

July 2007

Graduation Announcements



Mitch Baker was born in Petoskey, MI, and attended Petoskey High School. He earned his general education diploma in 1980 and earned an Associate of Science degree from North Central Michigan College in 1982. In 2003, he earned an Associate's degree in Business Administration from Lake Michigan College. On April 28, he graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration in Food Consumer Packaging Goods Marketing.

He lives in Berrien Springs, MI, with his wife, Sue, and two sons, Nathan, who graduated from Berrien Springs High School earlier this month, and Andrew, who will graduate from Berrien Springs High School next year.

His future plans are to work for a food distributing company in southwestern Michigan.

Currently, he is busy at home getting caught up with the house projects that were set aside while he attended college and helping with Nathan's graduation party.

He also has two adult sons and an adult daughter from a previous marriage. *Provided photo.*



<u>Michigan</u>

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June 29-July 1 Bay Mills Honoring Our Veterans Contest Pow Wow 11386 W. Lakeshore Drive in Brimley, MI Contact Information: Richard LeBlanc at 906-

On the Pow Wow Trail Compiled by Tina Sutton

Contact Information: Richard LeBlanc at 906-248-3715 or releblanc@bmic.net

June 30-July 1 Sixth Annual Monding

Sixth Annual Mending the Sacred Hoop Pow Wow

300 W. Russell Road, Calzorn Park in Tecumseh, MI

Contact Information: Abel Cooper at 517-263-3233

July 14-15

Black River Pow Wow and Historical Gathering

Wadhams, MI

Contact Information: Joe Greaux at 810-985-8669 or www.blackriverpowwwow.com

July 21-22

City by the Water Bay County Fairgrounds in Bay City, MI Contact Information: Native American Pride Committee at 989-684-8311 or natam2000@hotmail.com

July 28-29

Bellevue Dancing Cranes Pow Wow 201 West St. in Bellevue, MI Contact Information: Frank Snyer or Leslea Boyd at 269-763-3197 or bellevuepowwow@yahoo.com

August 3-5

Saginaw Chippewa 23rd Annual Pow Wow 7529 E. Tomah Rd. in Mt. Pleasant, MI (tribal campground) Contact Information: Pow Wow office at 989-775-4071 or sagchippewa@sagchip.org

August 11-12

16th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Harbor Springs, MI Contact Information: Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or Winnay Wemigwase at 231-242-1453

<u>Minnesota</u>

July 2-4 Red Lake Nation Independence Day Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Red Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-679-3341 Contact Information: 218-246-8055, www.deerriver.org or driver@deerriver.org

July 20-22

Traditional Pow Wow National Monument in Pipestone, MN Contact Information: 507-562-1009

July 28

Keepers Pow Wow Leon H. Moore Park in Pipestone, MN Contact Information: Bud or Rona Johnston at 507-825-3734 or www.pipekeepers.org

August 3-5

29th Annual Honoring Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow Mash-Ka-Wisen Treatment Center in Sawyer, MN Contact Information: 218-879-6731

August 3-5

14th Annual Dakota Traditional Pow Wow Upper Sioux State Park in Granite Falls, MN Contact Information: www.uppersiouxcommunity-nsn.gov or theresa@prairiedgecasino.com

August 10-12

Mendota Mdewakanton Dakota Community Eighth Annual Traditional Pow Wow 1404 Sibley Memorial Highway, St. Peter's Church Grounds in Mendota, MN Contact Information: Curtis LaClaire 651-452-4141, mmdcorg@comcast.net or www.mendotadakota.org

August 10-12 Grand Portage Rendezvous Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Grand Portage, MN

Contact Information: 218-475-2239, 218-475-2415 or www.grandportage.com

August 17-19 Red Lake Nation Fair Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Red Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-679-3341

August 17-19

41st Annual Mille Lacs Traditional Pow Wow. Pow Wow Grounds in Mille Lacs, MN Contact Information: 320-532-7496, 320-532-8800 or mj@grandcasinos.com

August 17-19

Shakopee Mdewakanton Contest Pow Wow

Pow Wow Grounds in Red Cliff, WI Contact Information: 715-779-5437, 715-779-5597, www.redcliff-nsn.gov or mark.montano@redcliff-nsn.gov

July 6-8

35th Annual Oneida Contest Pow Wow Norbert Hill Center in Oneida, WI Contact Information: 920-496-7897, 1-800-236-2214, www.oneidanation.org or lpowless@oneidanation.org

July 13-15

25th Annual Bear River Traditional Pow Wow Indian Village Rd. in Lac du Flambeau, WI Contact Information: Teresa Mitchell at 715-588-3333 or bearriver_ldf@yahoo.com

July 20-22

34th Annual Honor the Earth Traditional Pow Wow LCO Pow Wow Grounds in Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924, www.lcoschools.bia.edu or lco_hte@yahoo.com

July 20-22

13th Annual Ho-Chunk Neesh-La Contest Pow Wow Highway 12 across from Ho-Chunk Casino in Lake Delton, WI Contact Information: 608-355-9608 or 1-800-492-5745

July 27-29

Eighth Annual Nation of Warriors Traditional Pow Wow Lake Park in Antigo, WI Contact Information: Stan Haling at 715-588-3695 or food vendors call Sue Haling at 715-

3695 or food vendors call Sue Haling at 715-588-3695

August 3-5

41st Annual Menominee Nation Contest Pow Wow

Woodland Bowl in Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-799-5997 or 715-799-4849

August 9-12

13th Annual Gathering of the Potawatomi Nation Pow Wow

July 13-15

Dakota Wacipi Contest Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Prairie Island, MN Contact Information: Shelley Buck-Yeager at 651-385-4126 or www.prairieisland.org

July 13-15 14th Annual Fond du Lac Veteran's Traditional Pow Wow Mash-Ka-Wisen Pow Wow Grounds in Sawyer,

MN

Contact Information: 218-879-4593 or marynorthrup@fldrez.com

July 14-15 Miigwetch Mahnomen Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Ball Club, MN Pow Wow Grounds in Prior Lake, MN Contact Information: 952-445-8900, 952-496-6160, www.shakopeedakota.org or www.mysticlake.com

August 31-September 3 35th Annual O-Bah-Shing Labor Day Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Ponemah, MN Contact Information: 218-554-7474 or 218-574-7347

August 31-September 3 Wee Gitchie Ne Me E Dim Contest Pow Wow Veteran's Memorial Grounds in Cass Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-335-7400

<u>Wisconsin</u>

July 6-8 29th Annual Red Cliff Traditional Pow Wow

Forest County Potawatomi in Crandon, WI Contact Information: 1-800-960-5479 or www.fcpotawatomi.com/html/calendar_events .html

August 10-12

31st Annual Mohican Veterans Traditional Pow Wow

Many Trails Park in Bolwer, WI Contact Information: 715-793-4111 or www.mohican.com

August 18-19 15th Annual Mno Keno Ge Wen Traditional Pow Wow Pow Wow Grounds in Carter, WI Contact Information: 715-478-7374 or 715-478-7377



Nathan Baker graduated from Berrien Springs High School in Berrien Springs, MI, on June 10. His parents are Mitchell and Susan Baker. Baker was on the honor roll, he played on the golf team, and he played in the band. He will attend Western Michigan University in the fall, but is undecided on his major. Great job Nathan. We are very proud of all your hard work.

Love, Dad, Mom, Andrew and older brothers and sister, Mitch, Angie and Matt. *Provided photo.*

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting April 15, 2007 Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle 9:15 a.m. Smudging 9:30 a.m.

Closed Session: none Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Mary Roberts, Councilor Regina Gasco Bentley, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr.

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Treasurer Shirley Oldman

Executive Office Present: Executive Assistant Rebecca Fisher

Legal Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick

Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele La-Count

Commission, Boards, and Committees: none

Guests: Andrea Nixon

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda, with amendments, for April 15, 2007.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

March 25, 2007. stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor

If you live out of state 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 the Biindigen

Gas Station for a discount on gas and other products. The identifica-

tion cards are also used for secondary proof of identification when ap-

plying 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

Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to ratify the Phone Poll for March 27, 2007. The reason for the Phone Poll was there is a deadline of March 29, 2007 for this Resolution request for funding from the Bureau of Justice Statistics, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY 2007 Tribal Criminal History Record Improvement Program. The Phone Poll passed. Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Coun- 11:55 a.m. cilor Harrington), 0 - Ab-

2 Absent stained, Shananaquet, (Councilor Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

Tribal Elder comments: none

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to adopt Tribal Resolution Protecting Tribal Authority on Tribal Lands by Electing to Participate in the United States National Sex Offender Registry System. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Recog-Motion made by Councilor nizes the Bay Mills Commu-Yellowbank and supported by nity College Cultural and approve the minutes for Our Community and Authorize a Donation to the College Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab- for \$5,000 to come from Prior Period Funds.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Legislative Kiogima-yes, Leader Law-yes Motion carried.

10:15 a.m. Recess called. 10:29 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

11:45 a.m. Public Comment opened: Andrea Nixon 11:53 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Lunch recess called. 1:30 p.m. Meeting recon-

vened.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to adopt Tribal Resolution for Funding Notification by Mail and Luncheon for 2007 Annual Tribal Membership Meeting in the amount of \$8,000 to come from prior period funds. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Roberts-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to adopt Tribal Resolution Approval of Residential Lease of Tribally Owned Land. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Gasco Bentley-yes, Councilor

Harrington-yes, Councilor Councilor McNamara-yes, Roberts-yes, Shananaquet-absent, Coun- Tribal/State Summits in Sault Councilor Gasco Bentley to Academic Contributions to cilor Yellowbank-yes, Treas- Ste Marie, Michigan, in May urer Oldman-absent, Secretary Kiogima-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes Motion carried.

May 25

June 9

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve Enrollment list A - Eligible for Citizenship dated March 20, 2007, for a total of 12.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor McNamara to approve Enrollment list B -Declination (Ineligible) dated March 20, 2007, for a total of Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 2 Absent Shananaquet, (Councilor Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Legislative reports for April 15, 2007, including the confidential information. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Tribal Council attendance at the Tribal Justice and Safety Training July-August 2007.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to approve Tribal Council attendance at Councilor the United Tribes and

Oldman) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Roberts and supported by Councilor McNamara to set the telephone conference interview for the Appellate Justice on May 5, 2007, at 1:30 p.m.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer Oldman) Motion carried.

2:42 p.m. Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Roberts to adjourn. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer

Oldman) Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written: Approved:

Melvin L. Kiogima, Tribal Council Secretary Date

TRIBAL COUNCIL **MEETING DATES 2007**

July 7 Work Session July 8 Council Meeting July 21 Work Session July 22 Council Meeting

August 4 Work Session August 5 Council Meeting August 18 Work Session August 19 Council Meeting

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE TRIBAL COURTROOM LOCATED AT 7500 Odawa Circle, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

2007. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Shananaquet, Treasurer

2007 ELECTION SCHEDULE

BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER OF CANDIDATES, NO PRIMARY ELECTION IS NEEDED GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS MAILED TO REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY GENERAL ELECTION "MEET THE CANDIDATES FORUM" AT LTBB GOVERNMENTAL CENTER, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

MONDAY JUNE 25, GENERAL ELECTION DAY GENERAL ELECTION CERTIFIED JULY 10

NEW TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS WILL BE SWORN IN AT THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING

LEGISLATIVE **TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS BEATRICE A. LAW, LEGISLATIVE** LEADER SHIRLEY OLDMAN, TREASURER MELVIN L. KIOGIMA, SECRE-TARY FRED HARRINGTON, JR., COUN-CILOR REGINA GASCO-BENTLEY, COUNCILOR MARY ROBERTS, COUNCILOR RITA SHANANAQUET, COUN-CILOR ALICE YELLOWBANK, COUN-CILOR

DEXTER MCNAMARA, COUN-

CILOR



Birthdays

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Happy 20th birthday to Maritza Fuerte on July 31. May all your wishes come true today and always. Love, Aunt Linda and kids. Birthday wishes are being sent to

Justin Keshick on July 30. Have a fabulous day!

Love, Aunt Linda and kids. Happy birthday to **Patrick** Wemigwase on July 16! Hope you have a great day.

Lots of love from your girls.

Happy birthday to Richard Wemigwase on July 23!! Hope you have a great day. With love from Pat, Shan and Char.

Happy second birthday to Isabella Portman on July 14.

Love, Mommy, Daddy and Donny, Happy second birthday to our granddaughter. Isabella Portman. on Julv 14. Love, Grandma and Papa.

Happy birthday to Michael Arthur on July 16. Love, Mom, sisses and familv.

Happy birthday to Kimmy Symanski on July 18. Love, Don, Shannon, Donny and Izzy.

Happy birthday to our daughter Kimmy Symanski, on July 18. Love, Mom and Dad.

Happy birthday to Shannon Port man on July 24.

Love, Don, Donny and Izzy.

Happy 27th birthday to Joe Lucier on July 8. Love, Sara and Tavien. Happy belated birthday to George Santiago, who celebrated on June 9. Love, Aunt Mary K.

Happy birthday to Maritza Fuerte on July 31, and birthday wishes to Justin Keshick on July 30. Love and best wishes, Grandma Mary Happy 27th birthday. . . LOL on July 19 to Bob Bateman.

From Don & Shannon Portman. Happy birthday to Alex Fisher on July 13 and Nick Fisher on July 17. From your crazy sis, Becca. Happy birthday to Bob Bateman

on July 19. From the Biindigen staff.

Jenna Wood turns 13 on July 24! You're now officially a teenager. Yikes!! We hope you have a great day and an even better year. Loads of love, Mom, Matthew and your sisters.

A very happy birthday to Gwen Gasco, who celebrates on July 13, and Tom Teuthorn, who celebrates on July 14. Happy birthday cial day on July 31. Love, Aunt

Birthdays

for being there throughout the

years for all of us. As we look

back on the many stages of

our lives, we found that quite

often you were our rock, qui-

etly coming to the rescue for

each and everyone of us at

one time or another. Your pa

tience and understanding

sweetness and affection, even

when life gets demanding, are

always there. Thank you for

the life and love you share

with us. We can't do without

you! Love you lots, Mom and

Dad, Michele, Greg, Chrissy,

Jen, Liz, John, Michelle,

Michael, Don, Shannon, Donny,

Isabella, Danny, Traci, Danni,

Christopher, Jeremy, Duane,

Happy birthday to our cousins,

Marcus Gasco and Carmen

Gasco, and a belated happy birth-

day to Bill Gasco, Jr. From your

To Justin Keshick: Enjoy your spe-

cial day on July 30. From Auntie

Have a very special boomin' birth-

day, son-in law, John Kamenicky.

A very special belated birthday

wish to Lakaia, Princess! From

Happy 19th birthday to my

nephew, Justin Keshick, on July

Happy birthday wishes to my

cousin, Rita Blacklock, on July

31. I won't say her age because

we still have to go fishing togeth-

cousin, Zoey Cloud, on July 31. I

hope your day is as special as

Happy birthday to my lovely

daughter, Maritza Fuerte, who

turns 20 on July 31. All my love

and best wishes on your special

Happy birthday to Justin Keshick

on July 30!! Love, Aunt Theresa,

Birthday wishes to Maritza

Fuerte !! Hope you enjoy your spe-

day. Love, Mom.

Michael and Jordan.

you are! From Cousin Yvonne.

little

cuzzes, Tootsie and Amelia.

Tootsie and Auntie Amelia.

With love, Mama Marie.

Nana and Auntie Tootsie.

30. From Aunt Yvonne.

ers. From Cousin Yvonne.

Happy birthday to my

Nicholas and Brandy.



Kiogima, who both completed a highly successful year at CMU. Krystal, your hard work and dedication has earned you high honors toward your degree in Environmental Conservation. We are so happy for you. Max, you wowed us with all A's during your first year of graduate studies. Your goal is now within reach. We couldn't be more proud of you. We love you both so much, Mom and Dad Field, and your brother, Jav.

Our Babe (Krystal Kiogima)

When you were a baby. I looked into those big brown eyes, you made us fall in love with you. When you left me on your first day of school, you waved with a big smile, you made us cry. When you lie in the hospital not knowing which way you would go, you broke our hearts. When you brought a handsome Anishnabe man home, Max Field, we were relieved. When you called from CMU announcing you made the dean's list, we were so very proud. Love, Mom and Dad.

UBITUARY

Charles H. Willis, 59

Charles H. Willis, 59, of Bay Shore, MI, walked on May 19 at his home. He was born in Petoskey, MI, on August 29, 1947, to Homer H. and Nelle Ruth (Ashmun) Willis. He grew up in Bay City, MI, and was a graduate of T.L. Hardy High School. He later attended Saginaw Valley State College. He was proud of his military service, having served with the 173rd Airborne Brigade in Vietnam from 1968 to 1970. He was awarded the Order of the Purple Heart for wounds suffered in action against the enemy in Viet nam. He was a member of the Lit tle Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, and was active in Native American dance. His hobbies included model building and auto mechanics. He is survived by four

Announcements

Closing of Holy Childhood of Jesus School

Holy Childhood of Jesus School in Harbor Springs, MI, will be taken down soon. On June 30, a final blessing and ceremonial closing of the school will take place at 8 a.m. at 150 Main St. in Harbor Springs. It will include a pipe ceremony, drumming, a flag ceremony, a Catholic prayer, an Anishnabe praver by Joe Kishego. a chance to share memories, final tours of the school and a luncheon. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Attention Fishers and Fish Processors

A seafood Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) certification training, conducted by Michigan Sea Grant Agent Ron Kinnunen, is scheduled for July 10-12 in Baraga, MI. Those completing the course will receive Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) certification. If you are interested in registering for this course, contact Kinnunen at 906-226-3678 or at Kinnunen@msu.edu.

Attention College Students The Michigan Indian Elders Asso ciation (MIEA) offers one \$1,000 and four \$500 scholarships to qualified students. For qualification information or to obtain a registration form, please visit www.michiganindianelders.org

Milgwetch

The LTBB Head Start Children and Staff would like to say Miigwetch to the Elders and those who bought chicken dinners. Because of your support, we purchased our new playground equipment. A special Miigwetch to the Elders for their continuing support.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LTBB Tribal Citizen Connie Steele is proud to announce the birth of her second

great-granddaughter, Bella Bernicia Milk. Bella came into this world surrounded by her grandmothers, aunts and her family on May 2. She weighed nine pounds

Announcements

Maple Ridge Golf Reciprocal Program

Maple Ridge Golf Course has brought it to our attention LTBB Tribal Citizens can access other golf courses through the Golf Membership Grant described in the June issue of Odawa Trails.

Discounted golf is available at the following courses: Black Bear in Vanderbilt, MI, Cedar Valley in Comins, MI, Cheboygan Country Club in Cheboygan, MI, Green Briar Golf Course in Lupton, MI, Indian River Country Club in Indian River, MI, Maple Ridge Golf Course in Brutus, MI, Roger City Country Club in Roger City, MI, Stoney Links in Onaway, MI, Thunder Bay Resort in Hillman, MI, and White Pine National in Spruce, MI.

To receive the discount at those courses, please call ahead of time to make reservations and present a LTBB Odawa Walking Membership Pass.

Contact Black Bear at 989-983-4441, Cedar Valley at 989-848-2792, Cheboygan Country Club at 231-627-4264, Green Briar Golf Course at 989-473-4900, Indian River Country Club at 231-238-7011, Maple Ridge Golf Course at 231-529-6574, Roger City Country Club at 989-734-4909, Stoney Links at 989-733-2683, Thunder Bay Resort at 989-742-4875 and White Pine National at 989-736-3279.

To obtain a walking membership pass, you can contact Maple Ridge. The passes need to be returned to Maple Ridge.

The Fitness/Wellness Golf Membership grant encourages an active lifestyle while enjoying a sport enjoyed by all age groups.

This particular grant is based on a "walking membership," which means walking the golf course is encouraged. The grant is available through the LTBB Grants and Donations Program. If you have any questions, please contact Michael McCreery at 231-838-9746 or Maple Ridge.

The Education Department will host a Graduation Celebration honoring all 2007 graduates on August 10 in the Commons Area Cen



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Melissa Naganashe-Laughlin a	Carol Tally, and four nieces and	Dana (Miller) Milk and Tahca Milk	Graduates wishing to attend
happy birthday.	nephews.	of Traverse City, MI, where great-	the celebration should complete
Love, Mom and Dad.	Λννινρηφιστρο	grandma, Connie Steele, also re-	and send the form on Page 4 to
Happy birthday to my great-	ANNIVEK SAKIE S	sides. Congrats!	the Education Department.
grandfather, Roland Petoskey . He	Tamora,	Maya	Summer Valunteere Sought
celebrates on July 22.	and the second se	Josephine	Summer Volunteers Sought
Love, "Little Michael."		Keshick was	The LTBB Elders Association
Happy birthday to my grandfa-		born May 8	seeks summer volunteers willing
ther, Roland Petoskey! Love, Tina.	more each	at Northern	to assist in making flower crowns to be placed on tribal graves in
	day. Love,	Michigan	
Melissa Laughlin, on July 14.	Jim.	Hospital in	cemeteries around the northern
Love, Coley.	Happy an-	Petoskey, MI. She weighed seven	Michigan area. The flower crowns
Happy birthday to my aunt, Tr-	niversary to	lbs. and 14 oz. and was 19.75	will be placed on graves in late October.
isha James , on July 21.	Rodrick and	inches long. Her parents are Kim	
Love, Coley.	Trisha James	Keshick and Russell Worthington	If you are interested in volun-
Happy birthday to our little baby	on July 2.	of Alanson, MI. Her siblings are	teering or if you have any ques-
cuz, Michael Arthur , on July 16.	Love, Mom,	Shylee,4, and Hunter, 2. Her	tions, contact Harriet Kishigo- Booth at 231-838-6547 or
From your up north cuzzes, Ken,	Dad, Nicole &	grandparents are Yvonne Walker-	
Lia and the boys.	Josie.	Keshick and John Keshick, Sr.	Virgina Lewis at 231-330-8491.
	On July 14, we would like to wish Melissa Naganashe-Laughlin a happy birthday. Love, Mom and Dad. Happy birthday to my great- grandfather, Roland Petoskey . He celebrates on July 22. Love, "Little Michael." Happy birthday to my grandfa- ther, Roland Petoskey ! Love, Tina. Happy birthday to my mom, Melissa Laughlin , on July 14. Love, Coley. Happy birthday to my aunt, Tr- isha James , on July 21. Love, Coley. Happy birthday to our little baby cuz, Michael Arthur , on July 16. From your up north cuzzes, Ken,	On July 14, we would like to wish Melissa Naganashe-Laughlin a happy birthday. Love, Mom and Dad. Happy birthday to my great- grandfather, Roland Petoskey. He celebrates on July 22. Love, "Little Michael." Happy birthday to my grandfa- ther, Roland Petoskey! Love, Tina. Happy birthday to my mom, Melissa Laughlin, on July 14. Love, Coley. Happy birthday to our little baby cuz, Michael Arthur, on July 16. From your up north cuzzes, Ken,	On July 14, we would like to wish Melissa Naganashe-Laughlin a happy birthday. Love, Mom and Dad.He is also survived by his sister, Carol Tally, and four nieces and nephews.inches long. Her parents are Dana (Miller) Milk and Tahca Milk of Traverse City, MI, where great- grandfather, Roland Petoskey. He celebrates on July 22. Love, "Little Michael."M a y a Josephine Keshick was born May 8 at Northern Michag to my grandfa- ther, Roland Petoskey! Love, Tina. Happy birthday to my grandfa- ther, Roland Petoskey! Love, Tina. Happy birthday to my grandfa- ther, Roland Petoskey! Love, Tina. Happy birthday to my mom, Melissa Laughlin, on July 14. Love, Coley.M a y a Josephine Keshick was born May 8 at Northern Mich ig a n hiversary to Rodrick and Trisha James, on July 21. Love, Coley.M a y a Josephine Keshick was 1000000000000000000000000000000000000



Youth Enjoy Fun and Feast Night

By Robert "R.J." Smith, Youth Services Coordinator

On May 18 at Harbor Springs High School in Harbor Springs, MI, Title VII along with LTBB Mental Health/Substance Abuse and LTBB Youth Services sponsored a Feast and Fun night for area Native high school students.

It was the first of several planning meetings regarding the formation of a



LTBB UNITY (United National Indian Tribal Youth) Youth Council. UNITY is a national network organization promoting personal de-



velopment, citizenship and leadership among Native American youth. Its mission is to foster the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of Native youth to help build a strong, unified and self-reliant Native America through greater youth involvement. The heart of UNITY is its affiliated youth councils, which are sponsored by tribes, Alaska Native villages, high schools, colleges and urban organizations. The UNITY network



fered by the Odawa Institute. After several warm-up games, including People Bingo and Zidan, Ningan, Misud, and Dip (Feet, Hands, Stomach and Head based on Simon Says),



the group went to work reviewing the steps to form a Youth Council.

Those in attendance spent the rest of the evening doing activities such as singing at the big pow wow drum, shooting some hoops, competing on the Dance, Dance, Revolution (DDR) machine and playing several other games.



Many thanks to those who helped with and attended the event, including several parents and community members.

Updates regarding the progress toward bringing UNITY to LTBB will be forthcoming.

Photos provided by R.J. Smith.



EDUCATIONAL INCENTIVES OFFERED BY MIEA AND LTBB **ELDERS** Association

NOTICE TO ALL LTBB GRADE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STU-**DENTS**: Once again this school year, the Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) will hold a lottery to award incentive monies to all tribal students kindergarten through 12th grade who receive straight A's or had perfect attendance for one or both of the first two marking periods of the current school year. There are no losers because the LTBB Elders Association will pay the incentives to any qualifying LTBB Students who are not selected in the lottery. IN ADDI-TION, the LTBB Elders Association will extend this program to pay any LTBB Student who maintains the same level of achievement for the third and fourth marking periods. ALSO, if any student maintains at least a B or better grade level on their report card throughout the entire school year, and

they are not eligible for the all A's incentive, they shall be eligible for a \$20 incentive.

Students must submit a copy of their report card together with a copy of their tribal ID to the LTBB Elders Association, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs MI 49740, after the second marking period and prior to March 1, 2007. For the second installment or the B or better incentive, students must submit a copy of their report card together with a copy of their tribal ID after the last marking period of the school year and no later than July 1. Strict rules will apply. Students must submit their report cards in a timely manner. ONLY perfect attendance and straight A's will apply for the \$25 incentives. NO EX-**CEPTIONS**. B or better incentives paid only at the end of the school year. COLLEGE STUDENTS: MIEA is offering one \$1,000 and four

\$500 scholarships to qualified students. Check with the LTBB Education Department for information and application forms. ALSO this year, the LTBB Elders Association is offering four \$500 higher education scholarships to our LTBB College Students. To qualify for these scholarships, the student must be an enrolled LTBB Tribal Citizen, a high school senior or returning college student, enrolled as a full-time student, and have a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. THIS IS NOT A CONTEST. The winning students are drawn on a lottery basis and the funds are sent directly to the student, not the university or college. Contact the LTBB Education Department for the application form and deadlines.

THESE INCENTIVES ARE SPONSORED BY THE LTBB **ELDERS ASSOCATION.**

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders Association Scholarship Scholarship Application	Scholarship Application Form Information must be typed or written legibly. Deadline – Completed Application with all attachments must be received in the LTBB Education Department Office by August 1 st Important: Be sure to enclose transcripts. Mail to LTBB Education
anli Student,	Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI. 49740
he following items detail the requirements and guidelines for applying for the TBB Elders Association scholarship.	Name D.O.B. / / Social Security # Tribal ID#
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Applicant must be a high school senior or returning college student enrolled as a full-time student.	Name
3. <u>High School students</u> : Applicant must have a high school grade point average (g.p.a.) of 3.0 or higher. Applicant must attach to this application form the current official high school transcripts. <u>Current college students</u> : Applicant must have a cumulative g.p.a. of 3.0 or higher. Applicant must attach to this application form the current official college transcripts. Contact schools early in order to receive your transcripts in time to mail with this application. High school transcripts are not necessary if you have completed at least one semester of college and are presently	I WILL BE A: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate I declare that the information given by me on this form is true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge, and that if granted assistance I will use it only for educational expenses.
attending college. 4. Completed application with all required attachments must be in to the	Signature of student Date
LTBB Education Department office by August 1 st prior to the fall semester of intended enrollment.	

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consists of more than 200 diverse vouth councils in 34 states. LTBB would like to be a part of this network.

The evening began with a prayer by Anthony Davis. Many compliments go to the cooks, especially, Cheryl Halfacer and her student crew, who supplied the meal.

Speakers included Elders Coordinator Marie "Tootsie" Miller, who invited the youth to participate with our elders on the community garden, Odawa Casino Resort Recruiter Lynn Trozzo, who recruited for summer employment at Odawa Casino Resort, Peacemaking Coordinator Dave Keller, who talked about peacemaking opportunities and Matt Lesky, who talked about the summer programs of-



is available for appointments on the following dates:

July 23 and 24 Aŭgüst 27 and 28 September 24 and 25 October 22 and 23 November 26 and 27 December 27 and 28

All appointments at the LTBB Community Health Department located at 1080 Hager Drive in Petoskey, MI. For more details or to schedule appointments, call 231-242-1601.



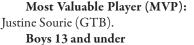


2007 LTBB Native Youth Basketball Tournament



Submitted by Cathy Gibson

The LTBB Hawks hosted the 2007 LTBB Native Youth Basketball Tournament on May 12 and 13 at Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI.



First place: GTB coached by Chris Two Crow.

Second place: GTB coached by Harvey Tarlton

Third place: SCIT coached by Gene Vasquez.

MVP: Chad Two Crow (GTB).

Girls 14-18

First place: LTBB coached by J.D. Gibson. Team members included Brooke Whittaker, Sondra Bennett, Carrie Eggleston, Cassandra Gibson, Trisha Heron, Gaila Vertz, Breanna Cepeda-Mulholland, Courtney Schneider, Kasheena Shananaquet,



Owl, Alden Andy and Trey Wemigwase.

Girls Division



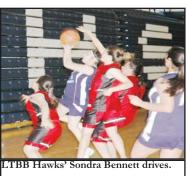
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Congratulations to the following winners: M

Girls 13 and under

First place: Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians (GTB) coached by Michele Shaw. Second place: Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe (SCIT) coached by Peter Elizaide.

Third place: Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians (LTBB) coached by Bernadece Kiogima.



Team members included Amber Nowell, Yarrow Nowell, Izzy Olson, Marlene Powell and Ashley Dominic. Second place: SCIT coached by Bernie Sprague.

Third place: Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) coached by Teri Delora.

MVP: Brooke Whittaker (LTBB).

Boys 14-18

First place: GTB coached by Chris Two Crow.

Second place: LTBB coached by J.D. Gibson. Team members included Anthony Bear, Tony Cepeda-Mulholland, Devin Gundy, Ben Huyck, Sam Rojas, D.J. Whitehouse, Eli Olson, Darron Munson and Michael Keshick.

Third place: Grand Rapids coached by Kristi Shananaquet.

MVP: Dwuan Anderson (GTB).

Sportsmanship Awards Boys Division

Coach: Gene Vasquez (SCIT). Players: Grant Trepanier, Kyle Shomin, Skyler Neyome, Kashtin **Coach:** Bernie Sprague (SCIT). **Players:** Corrina Harris, Chanise Perez, Demmie Hayes, Theresa Peck, Miranda Plecher, Rebecca Jackson, Aleigha Owl and Cassie Chavarria.

Miigwech to all of the participating teams. Miigwech to all of the referees, coaches, scorekeepers, maintenance workers, youth and volunteers, who helped to make the



tournament a success. Despite 20 participating teams, the tournament ran fairly smooth.

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians invites you to the 14th Annual Anishinaabe Family Language / Culture Camp

Celebrating the unity of our language and culture Bring your nation flag and gift for the giveaway

Meals are provided

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July 27

8 a.m. Opening & Breakfast 9:15 a.m. Presentations/workshops 10:45 a.m. Presentations/workshops Noon Lunch 1:15 p.m. Presentations/workshops 2:45 p.m. Presentations/workshops 4 p.m. Anishinaabemowin bingo 4 p.m. Anishinaabe baseball

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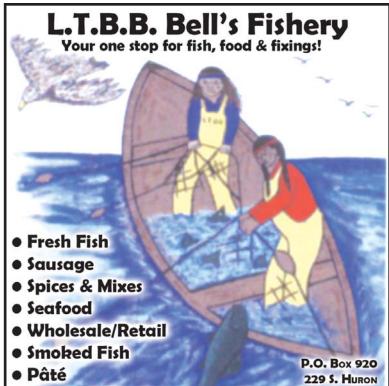
5 p.m. Dinner

Presentations include cultural teachings, language learning, pipe teachings, natural medicines, drum making, hoop dancing, flute playing, basket making, hide tanning and games. Presentations and workshops for all ages. We politely ask English be the second language used at this camp. Presentations will be in both English and Anishinaabemowin. First-come, first-serve for the camping area. This event will take place at the corner of M-22 and U.S. 31 across from the Little River Casino Resort. There are showers onsite. Bring your nation flag, and we will display it to show the unity of our language and culture. We encourage every family to bring a gift for the giveaway.

Noon Lunch, Giveaway & Closing

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians of the Anishinaabe Nation

For more information, please call Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant at 231-933-4406 or 231-690-3508 E-mail: <u>kennypheasant@charter.net</u> Websites: <u>www.anishinaabemdaa.com</u> and <u>www.anishinaabemowin.org</u>.



Andrea Reese, Kaitlyn Shananaquet, Alexandria LaVake and Carrie Eggle-

The photos appear courtesy of Theresa Keshick.

Bell's Fishery Representatives Visit Elders

On May 31 at the Elders Lunchcon held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, Odawa Enterprise Manager Chuck Schofield, Bell's Fishery Store Manager Kevin Schlappi and Bell's Fishery Sales Representative Bill Mogford visited the elders.

They told the elders about the 50% elders discount at Bell's Fishery in Mackinaw City, MI.

They also announced elders could order fish at the Elders Lunchcons on Thursdays, and their orders would be delivered at the Elders Luncheons on the following Tuesdays. Photo by Annette VanDeCar.



Cheese & Crackers
 Party Platters
 Vacuum Packing
 Delivery & Shipping Available





Appette VapDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Approximately 100 people attended the Fifth Annual Family Resource Fair held April 28 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

The fair, coordi-Department, the Language Pro nated by the Education Program, the Youth Servgram at Boyne Highlands Department, featured in-Department, Resort, McLean & Eakins ÎCes the formational booths by the Petoskey and Charlevoix Booksellers, Char-Em Early Public Libraries, the Edu-Education and Charlevoix Pellston Fire Department, cation Department, the the LTBB Head Start Pro-Hospital. gram, Substance LTBB Cultural Library, the The event, which was the Abuse/Mental Health De-Law Enforcement Departfree and open to the pubpartment, the Environment, Safety Coordinator lic, featured a raffle and a mental Services Norm Emery, First Tee lupch.

It also served as a kickoff event for the LTBB and the Greater Community Big Read Project 2007 Each family received a complimentary copy of Te Kill a Mockingbird. Photos by Communications Coordinator Appette VanDe

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2007 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians held the 2007 Annual Membership Meeting on May 12 at Petoskey Middle School in Petoskey,

Prior to the meeting, Tom Teuthorn smudged people as they entered the auditorium. General Membership Speaker Ken Harrington invited Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima onstage to give the opening prayer.

After Kiogima's opening prayer, Leonard "Joe" Mitchell and Tony Davis performed a pipe ceremony.

Following the pipe ceremony, a drum group consisting of Jim Naanashe, Patrick J. Naganashe, Mike Naganashe, Patrick V. Naganashe, Raymond Martell, John Naganashe and J.D. Gibson sang a flag song and an honor song for veterans.

The Honor Guard brought in

may identify an issue he or she wishes to discuss.

3. Please remain respectful at all times.

4. General Membership Speaker will end discussion and identify the issues, which require action.

5. Questions to Tribal Council and the Executive are from LTBB Tribal Citizens, parents and spouses of LTBB Tribal Citizens.

6. Please state your full name before questions, and one question per person. If time permits, additional questions may be asked by the same LTBB Tribal Citizen.

7. Written questions to Tribal Council and the Executive may be answered in written form to the tribal citizen. Questions and answers will be posted on the LTBB website.

8. General Membership Speaker should be notified about two months prior to the meeting for suggestions as to what items might be on the agenda.



12. Iembers of the Woodland Singers performed during the 2007 Annual Membership Meeting on May

Jr. then gave a cultural presentation. Kiogima spoke in Odawa, and Harrington, Jr. translated what Kiogima said into English.

The Woodland Singers then sang a song in honor of Deleta Gasco Smith and sang a traveling song. The Woodland Singers were Virginia Schansema, Jannan Cornstalk, Rochelle Ettawageshik, Andrea Otto, Harriet Kishigo-Booth, Marilyn Hume and Roberta Shalifoe.

After the Woodland Singers finished, LTBB Attorney Allie Greenleaf Maldonado talked about Article XIV Initiative and Referendum.

Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik and Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr. then spoke about the Odawa Casino Resort project in Petoskey, and a PowerPoint presentation showed the various stages of the project.

The initial facility will include a gaming floor with 1,500 slot machines; 30 table games and six poker

July 25, and Bill Cosby is the opening act at the entertainment center. A hotel will be built as part of Phase II, but Phase II cannot begin for 12 months. The 50% tribal discount previously available at the Mukwa Café at Victories Casino in Petoskey cannot be offered at the new facility be-

cause of bond indenture. It had not been determined at that time if any discount would be

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meeting by reading a letter written by Wes Andrews that appeared in the Red Letter in 2000. The approximately 200 LTBB Tribal Citizens in attendance elected Marci Reyes as the 2008 General

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Kiogima all spoke.

Left to Right) Ray "Zeebee" Kiogima and Fred Harrington, Jr

Kishigo-Booth, Vir-Von der lippe, Laura Lonand Denise

Treasurer Shirley Oldman then gave a Treasurer's Report, highlighting some of the information Membership Speaker. Reyes received 40 votes, Ken Harrington received 20, Kawegoma received 15, Susan Swadling received 14 and Stead received 11. The event closed with a lunch-

eon prepared by Odawa Hotel staff.

Editor's note: Because of space constraints, the questions asked by LTBB Tribal Citizens and the answers were not included in this article. The written general questions submitted by LTBB Tribal Citizens were given to the Legislative Office, so the questions could be answered and the responses sent to the individuals who asked them.

The Election Board, 2007 General Membership Speaker Ken Harrington and Executive Assistant Rebecca Fisher all contributed to this

Photos by Annette VanDeCar.



the colors and staffs as the drum played the flag song. After the honor song for veterans, the colors and staffs were posted.

The Honor Guard was Tony Davis and Richard Wemigwase with the eagle staffs, Mike Smith with the LTBB flag, Maggie Gasco with the American flag, Matt Davis with the Canadian flag and Arlene Naganashe with the Prisoner of War/Missing In Action flag.

After the posting of the flags and staffs, Election Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey, Election Board Vice

9. Food for those who are diabetic or have other health problems needs to be available.

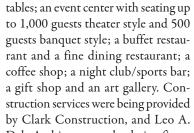
10. Agendas need to be available onsite

11. State of the Waganakising Odawa Nation Report from Tribal Chairperson. Reports from the Legislative and Judicial Branches shall also be given.

12. Cell phones need to be turned off during prayers and cere-

13. Medical personnel needs to be available.





neral Membership Speaker Ken

Annual Report. If you would like a complimentary copy of the 2006 Annual Report, please contact the Legislative Office at 231-242-1406.

Oldman said the 50% tribal discount at Mukwa Café costs \$55,000

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goma, Tim Ettawageshik, Harriet

L to R) Bill Denemy, Sr. and Frank Ettawageshik in the front row. Ken Harrington in the back

Chairperson Eleanor (Harrington) Barber and Election Board Secretary/Treasurer Carol (Martell) Quinones led a discussion about what to include in the Rules of Conduct for the following year's annual meet-

The Rules of Conduct voted on and adopted for the 2008 Annual Meeting were:

1. General Membership Speaker will convene the meeting.

2. All Tribal Membership meetings shall be open to all LTBB Tribal Citizens. Any LTBB Tribal Citizen

14. Program displays shall be available.

15. Video or audio taping will be made and copies will be available. After the Rules of Conduct were adopted, a drum group consisting of Jim Naganashe, Patrick J. Naganashe, Mike Naganashe, Patrick V. Naganashe, Martell, John Naganashe, Gibson, Aaron Wayne Otto and Joe Medicine played a song.

Otto then played Native American flute in honor of the late Victor Kishigo.

Kiogima and Fred Harrington,

Daly Architects was the design firm. Council sug Frank Ettawageshik said the gested offerproject was on time and under ing a 10% budget. tribal dis-

On average, 220 workers were count at the onsite every week. Of those 220 new facility, workers, 26 were Native with 21 and the Fibeing LTBB, two Sault Ste. Marie nance Com-Tribe of Chippewa Indian members, mittee two Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa suggested and Chippewa Indians members and offering a one United Lumbee Nation member. 20% tribal discount. Three LTBB subcontractors were onsite and three more Native subcon-The issue tractors were onsite. Eight LTBB had not Tribal Citizens were in apprenticeship been reprograms. solved.

Frank Ettawageshik then dis-Tribal cussed the June 20 soft opening of citizens were Odawa Casino Resort. The grand then asked opening of Odawa Casino Resort is their for



Election Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey.

July 2007 Yolanda Martinez Trio Concert



By Annette VanDeCar, Comnunications Coordinator

The Yolanda Martinez Trio perormed in concert on May 26 at Petoskey Middle School in Petoskey, MI.

The trio included Yolanda Martinez, Patrick Flynn and Mary Redhouse.

Martinez, an Apache/Hispanic Indian, is a singer, songwriter and performer. She has recorded six albums with her latest being "America."

In 2005, Martinez won the Best Female Artist Native American Music Award (NAMA or NAMMY). She was nominated for the Best Female Artist NAMMY again this year.

Martinez owns Legends Alive



Productions based in Las Cruces, NM. The company makes Native American hand drums and ceremonial drums. Martinez does drumming circles, drum making workshops and women's moon lodging gatherings. She led a Drum Making Workshop on May 26, and led a Drumming and Feast event on May 27.

Concert sponsors were the S.A.G.E. Center, Bay Area Substance Education Services, Northern Michigan Cancer Crusaders, the Grain Train and Victories Casino and Hotel.

The Woodland Singers were the opening act for the Yolanda Martinez Trio concert.

The Woodland Singers were Harriet Kishigo-Booth, Vicki Lynn

Virginia Schansema, Andrea Otto Rochelle Ettawageshik, Veronica Medicine, Yvonne Walker-Keshick Debbie Martin and Marilyn Hume.

Photos by Communications Coor dinator Annette VanDeCar.



VICTORIES VOICES NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE HONORS TEAM 99ERS

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Victories Voices Newsletter Committee hosted a luncheon honoring Team 99ers on May 11 at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI.

Team 99ers refers to the 57 people employed by Victories Casino and Hotel since July 16, 1999 – the grand opening date for Victories Casino in Petoskey. Victories Casino was forced to close on August 31, 1999 until the



property could be put in trust and reopened on January 26, 2000. All the employees were rehired on January 21, 2000.

The newsletter committee (Shirley Oldman, Diane Bott, Amanda Carriere, Julie Keller, John Bott and Phil Hutchison) wanted to do the luncheon as the final edition of Victories Voices, the newsletter for Victories Casino and Hotel employees. A new name for the newsletter

will be selected with the opening of Odawa Casino Resort. Odawa Casino Resort's soft opening was June 20 and the grand opening is July 25.

Diane Bott opened the event by welcoming those in attendance and called the Team 99ers "the backbone of Victories." Besides being a member Resort." Ettawageshik said the opening of Victories Casino was a milestone, and the opening of Odawa Casino Resort is another milestone.

Victories General Manager Barry Milligan spoke before Oldman gave



the invocation and spoke to the group.

Besides being a member of the newsletter committee, Oldman is a



Left to Right) Sherry Schrage, Jerry Hollopeter and Royce Juntunen in the front row. Gene Fritz, Miles Ritter, Steve Mead, Glenn Blackburn, Willis Root and Rob Sineway in the back row. All are Team 99ers from Slots.

Cori Adams, Cage Patty Archamboult, Audit Mary Belanger, Slots Dalonda Bernard, Cage Jlenn Blackburn, Slots Dorothy Boda, Drop Ronald Boda, Slots Rich Borths, Maintenance Diane Bott, Executive Donna Carpenter, Housekeeping George Coonrod, Housekeeping Douglas Dodge, Kitchen Shannon Dryer, Cage Tim Ettawageshik, Executive Jennifer 'Fields, Dining Room Rebecca 'Fields, Beverage Terry Frederick, Guest Services Jene Fritz, Slots Marie Garrett, Audit Staci Gray, Cage Tim Grube, Security Beth Haudy, Dining Room huck Hebert, Security Mark Henderson, Slots Gerry Hollopeter, Slots Royce Juntunen, Slots Susan Keller, HR Vietoria Kiogima, Drop Mary Kline, Guest Services

Team 99ers

Casimer Kolinske, Housekeeping Dave LaCroix, Executive Donna Laviska, Slots Cathy Marshall, Cage Heather Martinez, Dining Room Lynette McCreery, Purchasing Števe Mead, Slots Kim Norton, Cage Shirley Oldman, Drop Mike Patrick, Security Lucy Rich, Dining Room Miles Ritter, Slots Juanita Rogers, Executive Willis Root, Slots Romeo Salar, Security Sherry Schrage, Slots Christina Šchweitzer, Slots Susie Searles, Cage Janine Shearer, Cage Rob Sineway, Slots Dorothy Sly, Slots Robert Sly, Slots Judy Sculliere, Housekeeping Sue Vallance, Dining Room Larry Ward, Cage Melissa Welles, Beverage Geri Williams, Cage Ron Willis, Slots





of the newsletter committee, she is a Team 99er and works as Victories' Public Relations and Communications Manager.

Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik told the Team 99ers, "Victories Casino's success is because of the hard work you have put in over the years." He went on to say, "I am confident the new casino will be in good hands, and I am excited for a successful future at Odawa Casino

Team 99er and works as Victories' Count Team Manager. Oldman thanked Ettawageshik, Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr., Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law and the mem-





Left to Right) Cathy Marshall, Dalonda Bernard, Janine Shearer, Kim Norton, Staci Gray and Susie Searles in the back row. Larry Ward and Geri Williams in the front row. They are all Team 99ers from Cage.



bers of the Gaming Board of Directors for attending the event. Oldman said, "This is a sad time and an exciting time with the closing of Victories Casino and the opening of Odawa Casino Resort."

After having lunches prepared by Odawa Hotel staff, Team 99ers shared stories and memories. They gathered outside the hotel for a group picture, and pictures of each department were taken inside. Cake was served, and they mingled to end the event.

The Victories Voices Newsletter Committee contributed to this article. Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

ODAWA CASINO RESORT CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



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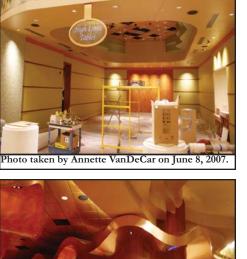




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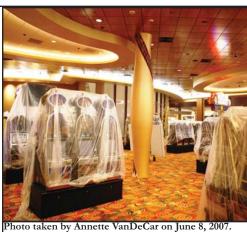






Photo taken by Annette VanDeCar on June 8, 2007





Yolanda Martinez joined the Woodland Singers onstage for their final two songs

Walkers perform in 2003. The Water Walkers are a group of Anishinaabekwe and supporters who have carried a bucket of water around Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Lake Michigan and Lake Ontario in past years to raise awareness of how we as human beings on this planet need to take care of our precious resource, the water. They walked around Lake Erie earlier this year.

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"SINGERS" CONTINUED FROM COVER "People open up after they sing a while," Lynn said. "Most people are shy at first." The idea of starting a LTBB Women's Hand Drum group started after some members of the Woodland Singers saw the Mother Earth Water

Photo taken

by Annette

Photo taken by David Ken Burks on June 8, 2007.



"Michele Keshick started making drums shortly after that, and some of us made drums at a workshop held by Fred Harrington, Jr.," Lynn said. "Michele taught us some songs in the language, and we started learning new songs. It snowballed from there."

The majority of the women in the group have made their own drums. "I'm proud of the women in this group," Martin said. "The elders sparked it."

The group became more organized three years ago, and the members chose the name, Woodland Singers, this year. "We wanted a name that encompasses everyone and our area," Lynn said.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Selection Requirements:



- Is a role model for all Native American youth.

- Represents the Odawa people.

- Essay with the prompt, "What Miss Odawa means to me." The essay should be I 1/2-2 pages double spaced in Times New Roman font and a point size no larger than 12.

- 19 1-2 page biography.

- Signed release forms (if under 18, include parent or guardian's signature).

- Public Speaking, Interview and Dance exhibition.

If you possess these qualities and would like to be considered for Miss Odawa, please complete the registration forms. Each <u>COMPLETE</u> entry <u>must</u> have a completed essay and signed release forms or will not be considered. **The DEADLINE for entry is July 27, 2007 by <u>mail or fax only</u>. No e-mail entries will be accepted.**

For entry submission: Shanna Wemigwase, Miss Odawa Entry, Communications Dept. LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-242-1430



For more information and registration forms: Shanna Wemigwase 231-526-7904 or littlefeather1983@yahoo.com

Registration forms can be obtained at the LTBB Governmental Center Front Desk or at: www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and click on the Miss Odawa Tab.