

ODAWA CASINO RESORT HERALDED AS "SIMPLY THE BEST" IN MICHIGAN

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Approximately a month before it celebrated its second anniversary on June 20, 2009, Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, received a "Best of Michigan" award for "Best Casino" from Michigan Meetings and Events Magazine.

The winners of the magazine's fourth annual "Best of Michigan" awards were selected through an online reader poll. Odawa Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, finished ahead of runner-ups MGM Grand Detroit and Motor City Casino, both located in Detroit, MI.

On Michigan Meetings and Events Magazine's website, it wrote, "Maybe they should go back to calling it Victories. Odawa Casino Resort (formerly Victories) edged out two

heavyweights in a very tight race. Odawa's sleek O Zone nightclub and its 'party pods' make it a northern Michigan standout, as does Sage, the casino's fine dining establishment. The 137-room hotel recently earned a three-diamond rating from AAA.

"Odawa also offers 19,000 square feet of meeting space, but what online reviewers frequently mention is the friendly and helpful staff."

"It's a major achievement especially when you think of the competition we were up against," Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Sean Barnard said. "We beat the Detroit casinos, and I'm very proud of that. This property is outstanding, not just in the beauty of the structure, but in every aspect of the fixtures and fittings. But, I don't want to miss the point the voters made. We were voted 'Best Casino' because of our friendly employees."

After the casino received the

award, Barnard said it was hard not to gloat.

"The team members, the culture and the fact we're a resort town distinguish us from the other casinos in the state," Barnard said. "Petoskey and the people who live and work here year-round understand hospitality. I don't think you can expect the same quality of service in a big city like Detroit. The team here really is 'Simply the Best."

To thank the Team Members for their hard work, the casino salutes them in a full-page ad on page 24 and also gave away a moped scooter to one lucky Team Member in June. The Team Member was selected in a raffle.

Barnard said the casino tries to do something every month to show employee appreciation.

"You can't say thank you in a memo," Barnard said. "It has to stay a fun place to work.

"We are always focused on doing



things for our employees and keeping morale up."

As part of its second anniversary celebration on June 20, 2009, the casino gave away two moped scooters, featured an Anniversary Buffet in Waas-No-De' Buffet for \$7.77 all day and hosted a "Malibu Birthday Beach Bash."

In the days leading up to its second anniversary, it hosted "Mike's Hard Lemonade Summer Bash with VOODOO LOUNGE" on June 17, "Bud Light Cruise Beach Party" on June 18 and "Red Stripe Big Stubby's Pool Party" on June 19. Its June promotion saw the casino give away a "The Best" continued on page 3.

Q AND A WITH ODAWA CASINO RESORT GENERAL MANAGER SEAN BARNARD AS ODAWA CASINO RESORT CELEBRATES ITS SECOND ANNIVERSARY ON JUNE 20, 2009

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Editor's note: Since starting as the General Manager of Odawa Casino Resort in mid-May 2008, Sean Barnard has always said he has an open door policy, so when Odawa Trails requested an interview with Barnard, he was happy to oblige. The interview was conducted on May 26, 2009.

Annette VanDeCar: "A grill was installed in the Copper Café in April 2008 so customers could purchase hot food items such as hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken fingers, hot wings, sandwiches, etc. there and also order items via take out. How has that affected the business in the café?"

Sean Barnard: "The grill was added, and we've seen numbers grow and grow to over double what we were doing this time last year."

Annette VanDeCar: "With the

customers?"

Sean Barnard: "We have to have added value, lower prices and new promotions. The customers are demanding more fun on a lower budget, and I think we've really stepped up our game. Our \$250,000 St. Patrick's Day promotion was one of the most successful days since we opened."

Annette VanDeCar: "Revenue was down 11% for the first quarter of 2009 compared to last year. Was that where you expected it to be?"

Sean Barnard: "This economy is so volatile, and I'm not 100% convinced the bumps in the Dow Jones are over yet and yes ... I was thrilled to see that we've held up as well as we have - especially when we hear how our competitors are suffering."

Annette VanDeCar: "How was the casino able to avoid the 20% decrease in revenue other gaming establishments suffered in the same time period?"

Sean Barnard: "We provide a consistently good product, in a consistently clean environment and our Team Members are consistently providing exceptional customer service. When you run a property like this



and the positive comment cards outweigh the negatives, then your team has to be doing something right."

Annette VanDeCar: "There are discussions as to whether to lower the gaming age in the casino (the gaming age is currently 21) and whether to allow employee gaming. What are the pros and cons of those? Ultimately, those decisions will be made by the Gaming Board of Directors correct?"

Sean Barnard: "The pros and cons are endless. The position I've taken is to report to my superiors what I believe each of the pros and cons are in an effort to assist them making what is ultimately a very difficult decision. Whichever way this turns out, there will be tribal citizens sis is in ensuring that the most 'informed' decision is made. Ultimately, the Gaming Board will make a proposal to the Chairman, who in turn, will pass it to Council."

Annette VanDeCar: "When will a decision be made about whether to lower the buffet price in the Waas-no-dé Buffet?"

Sean Barnard: "The decision has been made, and I'm really very excited about it. We're launching the new price structure soon, and it will be introduced on the second anniversary of the casino (on June 20, 2009)."

Annette VanDeCar: "What are the upgrades being done in Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI, and when are they expected to be completed?"

Sean Barnard: "We're talking about refurbishing a couple of the suites with new furniture and soft furnishings. I'd like them to get started at the end of the season and be ready to 'sell' in the last part of 2009. The wireless is already done at the hotel. We had wireless service in the hotel lobby before, but now, we have it in all the rooms. The exercise room

Annette VanDeCar: "The casino has approximately 500 fulltime employees now, down 300 from last year, is that correct? Of those employees, are 50% Native and 50% non-Native?"

or so."

Sean Barnard: "We're running at about 550 and that number will grow during the season with parttime and full-time seasonal employees, but yes, we're down by about 300. Currently, we're about 25% LTBB, 31% preference and 50% of our management is preference."

Annette VanDeCar: "What can the casino do to help boost gaming in the upcoming winter months when it is generally slower?"

Sean Barnard: "I don't know that you can ever fight with Santa Claus, and a lot of our customers are just not here in the winter months, so I'm reluctant to spend too much on promotions. What we will do though is continue to offer good value in each of our restaurants and the hotel."

Annette VanDeCar: "The switch to two Players Club cards oc-

sluggish economy, what have been the most effective ways to attract new

who think that the wrong decision has been made, so I think the empha-

will now be a business center. That will be completed in the next month

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

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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content. The deadline for the August issue of Odawa Trails is June 29.

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

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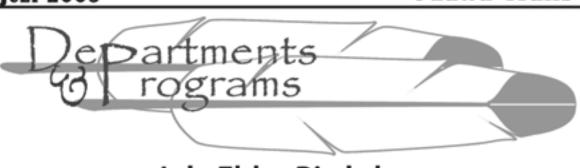
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Odawa Trails



July Elder Birthdays

July 1 Gloria Uleski

July 2 Jim Naganashe

July 3 Laverne Cherette Lawrence Minor

July 4 Robert Cutler Marylin Genia Arvilla Gibbs Don Sloniker

July 5 Claude Cutler, Sr. Clarence Daybird Naomi Dolezal Kevin Kilborn James Sessions John Sharkey

July 6 Larry Boursaw Georgia Wafer

July 7 Arthur Brewer Carole Glomson Howard Kischassey Gregory Swanson

July 8 Vergil Williams Gail Neidling

July 9 Raymond Beaver Kelly Casey Leo Delmas Samuel Leo Lawrence Shananaquet

> July 10 Mary Evans Sandra Walker

"The Best" continued from cover.

moped scooter every day in June. The casino also invited all of its "O" Card members to a VIP Dinner in the Sage Restaurant located inside Odawa Casino Resort on either June 18, 19 or 20. "O" Card members were allowed to bring one guest with them. Sage was closed to the public on those days for the VIP Dinners.

July 11 Hermenia Boucek Gerald Chingwa Betty Lee Delorme

July 12 Dorothy Gasco Debra Haza Mary Swingle

July 13 **Darlene Rittenhouse**

> July 14 Theresa Henry Viveca Thomas

July 15 **Rochelle Ettawageshik**

> July 16 Darlene Nowak Michael Peters Dwight Smith **Constance Steele Carole Thomas**

July 17 **Roberta Foster** Catherine Metzger Calvin Strate, Jr.

July 18 Dorla Field Mary Hoar Margaret Hudson Louise McNamara

July 19 **Cornelius Sochay**

July 20 Jean Trousdale

July 22 **Delores Bajt** Marshall Cude Audrey Hegenbarth Mary Longstreet

cialty shop for food and gift items featuring a blend of Michigan businesses, celebrated its grand opening on June 20. Products from Cherry Republic, Food for Thought, Brownwood Farms, Global Warming Salsas, Vickie's Jelly Jar and Germack Pistachio Company are on sale there. The shop specializes in custom gift baskets which may include jams, jellies, salsa, chips, crackers, pretzels, pastas

Roland Petoskey Nancy Shananaquet

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

July 24 Marilyn Williams **Ricky Samson**

July 25 Duane Kiogima Adeline Lyons Archie McMillan, Sr. Bernice Suhr

July 26 Patricia Borck Robert Field Leon Jackson Judith Woodaz Gary Kiogima Sandra Mettlefield Samuel Shenoskey Lucille Shull

July 27 Audrey Atkinson George Leo Darlyne Oakford Lulubelle Shananaquet

July 28 Odemin Waymegwance

July 29 Bernice Wardrop Nicholas Naganashe **Geraldine Smith**

> July 30 Ireta Persing

July 31 **Rita Blacklock**

and many other grab and go snacks. It also features cheeses, sausages and pates for snack trays and dip chillers, fondue pots, cocktail napkins, aprons

ATTENTION ELDERS

The Elders Program is making travel arangements for the 16th Annual Anishinaabe Family Language and Culture Camp held July 24-26 in Manistee, MI. If you or anyone you know is interested in attending, please contact Kathy McGraw at 231-242-1423, so your name may be put on the list. The Elders Program is limited to the number of participants it may take. The selection process is on a first-come, first-serve basis, so it is important to call as soon as possible.

Miigwetch - The Elders Program

Hidden River 2009 Golf Grant Opportunity for LTBB Citizens

Cart Fee \$11 for 9 holes \$22 for 18 holes

League Play May 4 through

LTBB Tribal ID Required

Tee times up to 1 week in advance

Collared shirt required

September 19, 2009

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Black out dates July 3 - 5, 2009

> NO OUTSIDE ALCOHOL

No Denim

Hidden River Golf Course is located at 7688 Maple River Rd. in Brutus, MI 1-800-325-GOLF Lisa Flynn 231-242-1401 or Pat Boda 231-242-1640

Moving?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Grants

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

and Donations Program

"Gourmet 2 Go," a unique spe-

and other specialty gift items. An ice cream shop also opened at the casino in mid-June.

The \$140 million, 300,000square foot facility features 1,500 slot machines, 30 table games, poker tables, several restaurants, a nightclub and two gift shops, but it will also start offering bingo in Ovation Hall this month.

"I've traveled to enough casinos in the state to know some are not to our standards," Barnard said. "We offer customers a full-range of amenities. There's not much we don't have here that Vegas has."

The photos appear courtesy of the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing De-

partment.

The Grants and Donations Program has imple-mented a new application process. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is August 21, 2000. If for submitting an application is August 31, 2009. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420.





HOMETOWN WIRELESS GROUP WILL GIVE 15% OFT ALL ITEMS TO ANY LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN, LTBB EMPLOYEE, OR FAMILY MEMBER OF AN EMPLOYEE, ALL WE NEED IS YOUR TRIBAL ID OR EMPLOYEE BADGE. WE HAVE 3 LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU:

HARBOR SPRINGS HARBOR PLAZA 8430 M-119 231-487-9390

ALANSON 7722 US 3I NORTH (NEXT TO SUBWAY) 231-548-5997

KALKASKA 559 S. CEDAR (131) 800-757-5997





Housing Department Programs

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



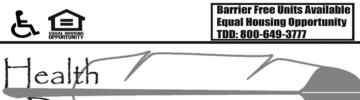
Application Availability Notification

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

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

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

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



Join the Fun at the **22**nd Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics

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Submitted by the Community Health Department

The 22nd Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics (MIFO) will be held July 24, 2009 at Bennett Track on the campus of Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, MI. If you would like to participate on the LTBB team, please complete the registration form accompanying this article and mail or fax it to the Community Health Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or fax it to 231-242-1619. If you live in the area, you can stop by the Community Health Department located at 1080 Hager Drive in Petoskey, MI, and fill out a registration form. This year, we have a limited amount of rooms for LTBB Tribal Citizens only. Because there is a limited amount of rooms, we need to have four people to a room. Groups

of four will be assigned rooms fir and groups of less than four will b put on a waiting list and assigne rooms only if the rooms are not fille with groups of four.

We are currently fundraising so the LTBB team can continue having all tribal community members and their families participate as team members.



How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

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

The first step in becoming a Resident Tribal Member (RTM) is officially changing your address with the Enrollment Department. All RTMs are verified through Enrollment. Enrollment in turn sends the Department of Commerce (DOC) notification of your status. Please note on your Address Verification Form (AVF) the township you reside in. This alerts the Enrollment Department for RTM status. When you change your address with the Michigan Secretary of State's office, you will be asked if you would like to register to vote; by doing so, it will note the township you reside in. Otherwise, ask one of the Enrollment Department staff when filling out your AVF.

Your RTM status does not become effective until the first day of the following month in which you moved.

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

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

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

Being an RTM exempts you from paying state sales tax on large tangible items such as vehicles, boats, snowmobiles and off the road vehicles. It also applies to affixation to your primary place of residence. There is a form that needs to be filled out to request a Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE). The <u>request</u> for this form (Request for TCE) can be found on the LTBB website <u>www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov</u> or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Chairman Bill Denemy, Sr. and Chairman Frank Ettawageshik (in the absence of DOC).

Please note: All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to purchase a vehicle or do any remodeling to your residence, please wait until after your RTM status is effective (after the first day of the following month in which you moved); otherwise, the State of Michigan will deny your claim for a refund.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

- 1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price)
- 2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
- 3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
- 4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
- 5. *Motor Fuel Tax (29 cents per gallon unleaded and 25 cents per gallon on diesel)
- 6. *Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes)
- (To purchase tobacco products, you MUST be 18 years of age or older!)

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

*The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.

*The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

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

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

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We hope to raise enough money to cover the extra rooms, registration fees, snacks, drinks and team t-shirts. The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe will not be supplying MIFO tshirts this year.

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe has requested additional assistance with running the event. LTBB plans on assisting the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in that regard.

For more information, please contact Cathy Gibson at 231-242-1601.

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Please accept my entry in the 2009 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 2009 Michigan Indian Family Olympics.

SIGNATURE:

(Must be signed by a parent or guardian if participant is under 18 years old)

PRE-REGISTRATION CAN BE DONE ONLINE AT:

<u>http://www.sagchip.org/fitness/mifo/index.htm</u> *If you are sending this form to a team coordinator then they may do online registration for you. By pre—registering, it will allow the registration process go much quicker on the day of the event.

For questions, please contact Jaden Harman, MIFO Event Coordinator @ (989) 775-4694

c h a n g e y o u r address in writing at the Enrollment Department located i n t h e L T B B Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

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Second Annual Health Fair Offered LTBB Tribal Citizens a Plethora of Health-Related Information

Submitted by **Gwen Gasco**, Health Administrative Assistant

On May 8, 2009, the LTBB Health Department held its Second Annual Health Fair at Mina Mskiki Gumik Health Park in Petoskey, MI.

With the success of the 2008 Health Fair, it wasn't going to be easy to duplicate that same success this year. But it seems we may have accomplished it.

We hosted the Health Fair on the Friday before the Annual Tribal Membership meeting on Saturday, May 9, 2009 with the intention of providing those tribal citizens who may be coming home for the Annual Tribal Membership meeting the opportunity to participate. Tribal families from outside our area would then have the opportunity to visit the tribal health facility and participate in the Health Fair activities.

Participants in this year's event obtained health information from various agencies from the LTBB Government, local businesses, local and county health departments as well as federal health agencies.

Several health and safety topics



were covered such as fire safety tips, healthy eating and healthy snacks for kids.

Area children's programs outlined services available to the public, including the tribal community. Healthy foods and door prizes were offered to participating community members. The grand prize was a (nearly new) reconditioned Dell Latitude laptop computer loaded and ready to go with the latest Microsoft software installed. To enter the draw-



available within our own health department," LTBB Health Director Sharon Sierzputowski said. "By hosting this event at least once a year, we are also able to collaborate with outside agencies to bring more information about the services that are avail-



able to the tribal community in addition to the services of our health department."

The LTBB Health Clinic performed health assessments for 45 tribal citizens throughout the day.

Other divisions of the Health Department also offered services to visiting tribal citizens.

The Contract Health Services (CHS) office staff checked patient registrations for updates. Every year, Contract Health patients must update their registration. By offering this service during the health fair, this gave tribal citizens the opportunity to maintain compliance with CHS federal guidelines.

The LTBB Community Health Outreach Department has a diverse range of services it provides to the tribal community on a daily basis. One of the newer services it offers is nutritional education and counseling with a registered dietitian. Betty Noland, RD (registered dietician) was at the Health Fair to answer any questions attendees may have had regarding healthy eating habits and offered tips to improve their diets. Noland is contracted to provide medical nutrition therapy through the Diabetes grant; she sees patients who are referred from the LTBB Health Clinic twice a month.

Tina Shawano, RN (registered nurse) has been with the LTBB Health Department as the Maternal Child Health Nurse for the last four years and has been involved in several health fairs. She said, "I hoped to inform the broader LTBB Community about safe sleep for babies and SIDS (Sudden Infant Death Syndrome) prevention techniques." Shawano also gave information on the Healthy Start Program, parenting information, potty training, child development, smoking cessation, safe sex and the importance of women of child-bearing age to take folic acid supplements or increase their intake.

laxation before continuing on through the Health Fair and group acupuncture sessions by Substance Abuse Counselor Susan Yates. Mental Health Therapist Christopher LePage provided EMDR sessions during the second half of the Health Fair. EMDR stands for Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing; it is a therapeutic approach effective for treating a variety of mental health problems, including Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), Acute Stress Disorder, depression and other mood and behavioral challenges. All three sessions were well attended.

The Education Department did not have the opportunity to hold its annual Family Resource Fair this past fall, but fortunately, it was able to join the Health Department in this endeavor to help get valuable resources to the tribal community. Many par-



ticipants, who would have joined the Education Department's Family Resource Fair, were given the opportunity to participate in the Health Fair. Some organizations were the YMCA of Petoskey, The First Tee of Boyne Highlands and the Petoskey Public Library.

Along with Education, the Waganakasing Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) staff members gave tours to anyone interested in seeing their classroom lab set up within the Health Department. WOCTEP recently completed a semester of classes held at the LTBB Health Park as part of the certificate programs available to tribal citizens.

"It was a great opportunity to give a tour of the learning lab facility which many people did not realize was located at the Health Park," WOCTEP Project Director Debbie Young said. "People were surprised to see the hospital bed and dummy that is used for Certified Nurse Aid training, and they were even more surprised to see the life-like arms (com-



Chris Chingman, RN, and Sandra Dale. Photo by Mike Lyons

Child ID Kits and conducted Car Seat Safety Checks for those who requested them.

Long Distance Collaboration

Agencies as far away as Saginaw, MI, made the trip to the LTBB Health Department to contribute to the day's festivities.

One such agency was the Aleda E. Lutz Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) in Saginaw. In a meeting earlier in April, the VAMC and LTBB Health Department staff members met to discuss the services the VA has available to eligible veterans and to talk about future collaborations to meet the Native population needs. Paula Bebout is the Native American Liaison for the VA Regional Center in Saginaw. Bebout wanted to connect with tribal officials with the goal of enrolling more eligible tribal veterans into the VA programs. The LTBB Health Department has an active veteran population of 139 tribal citizens who use the LTBB Health Facility for their care, either Direct Services or through Contract Health Services.

VA staff members, Anne Milko-Delpier, Sandra Dale, Chris Chingman, RN and Bebout handed out information packets regarding the numerous VA services available to veterans. If a veteran was unable to attend, family members were given the packets to take to them.

Milko-Delpier serves as the Operation Enduring Freedom/Operation Iraqi Freedom Program Manager for the VA and said, "I was very pleased to be able to share information about the services of the VA and to also learn about the services in the area. I felt the atmosphere was very welcoming both for the LTBB Community Members who attended as well as for the participants from the various agencies."

The highlight of the VA's time here involved a situation where a tribal veteran needed help getting hearing aids. The VA assisted the tribal citizen to get the paperwork started in order to get the help needed. Both the veteran and his spouse were elated to hear the VA would assist them in getting the help they desperately needed. The VAMC staff was very helpful in other areas as well. When the Health Clinic needed a nurse to assist with the numerous health assessments being performed, Chingman helped the LTBB Health Clinic staff. Besides performing blood pressure checks and measurements, Chingman also provided some hypertension patient education during the assessment. The VA supplied many brochures on various health issues for tribal citizens to take with them.

Several participation activities were conducted throughout the day to motivate people to be active. One activity was a participation/demonstration of Zumba with instructor Christi Roman. Zumba is a type of exercise which combines dance and aerobics to a Latin beat. This was the first time Zumba was offered to tribal citizens at the LTBB Health Park. Participants of all ages danced their way to the start of living healthy. One elder was heard saying she "shook things she forgot she had." Two sessions were held during the morning portion of the Health Fair.

BJ Shawn, the owner of Bearcub Outfitters of Petoskey, offered a walking stick demonstration. Bearcub Outfitter's goal is to make it easier and more comfortable for people to get outside. The use of hiking poles during walking can benefit anyone with balance, fun, joint protection and an aerobic walking workout whether you are a beginner or advanced walker. This activity is for peo-



ple of all ages.

The Wii Bowling Challenge attracted the most participants and was held in the upstairs conference room. The Health Department staff members donated the use of their Nintendo Wii gaming system for the day and tribal citizens of all ages were anxious to try it. This was a low impact activity which didn't require lugging around a 10-pound bowling ball or paying to play. Many participants said they were recreational bowlers in the past, but couldn't bowl anymore because of the stress on their knees or other physical limitations. By using the Nintendo Wii, those tribal citizens bowled a game freely without the risk of injury. Thirty-four people ranging in age from 5-75 jumped at the chance to post their score and to get a chance to win a prize. The contest was divided into three categories: Men's, Women's and children's. The Wii Bowling Challenge winners and their scores were Doug Craven (174), Theresa Boda (224) and Waylon Wanegeshik (146). The Second Annual LTBB Health Fair was a huge success, and we at the Health Department enjoyed hosting it. We look forward to a bigger and better one next year. Miigwetch to all who came and participated.

ing for the laptop, participating tribal citizens were required to have a mini health assessment consisting of a blood pressure, height, weight, waist circumference and glucose checks along with Body Mass Index calculations at the Health Clinic. They also had to complete a short evaluation of this year's event. Larry Stead, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, was the lucky winner of the laptop.

"One of our objectives in hosting a health fair is to show the tribal community what health services we have Interdepartmental Collabora-

tion

Several LTBB Departments jumped at the chance to participate in this year's fair. Collaborating with the Health Department for the first time was the LTBB Substance Abuse and Mental Health Department. Dr. Cheryl Samuels, Substance Abuse Director, and her staff members provided information regarding their available programs. Armed with the Access To Recovery (ATR) grant, the Substance Abuse Department provided chair massages by Andrea Otto for anyone wishing to get a little replete with 'blood') which are used by Phlebotomy students to practice drawing blood."

LTBB Safety Specialist Sue Gasco provided information regarding fire safety tips, injury prevention and flu hygiene information.

"This was such a fantastic way to discuss the dangers of fire in our homes," Gasco said. "I was able to converse with tribal members about the common, everyday items that are dangerous to the household and to give them tips on prevention.

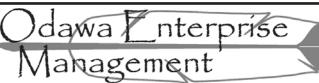
"An added bonus was getting to meet the tribal community."

Also representing LTBB was the Law Enforcement Department. Lead Dispatcher Breanna Thompson and Officer Ryan Roberts distributed

Getting Active at the Health otherwise noted. Fair

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar unless

Odawa Trails



During Recent Open House, Blindigen Offers Much Needed Relief at the Gas Pump



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator



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Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey, MI,

hosted its sixth open house on May 22 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring regular unleaded fuel for 1.98°. The dis-

count ran from noon to 2 p.m. with Biindigen selling 2,153 gallons of regu-



lar unleaded fuel while other area gas stations sold it for 2.59⁹.

WKLT 98.9 broadcast live from the event with NASCAR Steve, who hosts WKLT's Pit Stop on Mondays at 8:35 a.m. and Fridays at 5:35 p.m., mingling with the customers.

Customers spun the Odawa Casino Resort prize wheel to win \$5 off coupons for WKLT's online store; Odawa Casino Resort hooded sweatshirts, jackets, t-shirts and coffee mugs; Miller and Labatt Blue tshirts and baseball hats; key chains; WKLT t-shirts; B.C. Pizza gift certificates; and NASCAR Magazine subscriptions.

> The LTBB Youth Group sold a hot dog and a fountain pop for \$2 and raised \$342. Tannery Creek Market donated the hot dogs, Pepsi donated the fountain pop and S. Abrahams and Sons donated the hot dog buns.

The raffle item

was two pairs of tickets to the Starship with Mickey Thomas show scheduled for June 26 at Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey.

The Biindigen staff would like to thank all the customers who attended the event and thank Tannery Creek Market, S. Abrahams and Sons, Bayside Beverage, Huron Distributors and Pepsi.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.





Services Meet Interns Danielle Martinez and Chayla Rowley

Submitted by the Environmental Services Department



Environmental Intern Danielle Martinez

Hi, my name is Danielle Martinez, and I am an intern with the Environmental Services Department.

I currently attend Michigan State University where I am a senior in Environmental Studies and Agriscience. I have a concentration in Community Engagement and Education along with a specialization in American Indian Studies and Connected Learning. After graduation, I hope to work with tribes within their Environmental and Natural Resources departments. I am really excited to spend my summer working with the Environmental Services Department. I hope to gain a better understanding of the tribal culture and the tribal relationship with the environment. I look forward to learning more about the specific needs of the tribal community and how to recognize those specific needs.

to find solutions to those issues.

I am looking forward to learning new things in a hands-on approach. I hope to meet and interact with many tribal citizens throughout the summer. I know this internship will be an amazing experience.



Environmental Intern Chayla Rowley

First, let me extend a warm thank you to the staff at the Environmental Services Department of LTBB and the Michiganders who have made my transition here a congenial one. I am sure this experience will be wonderful, and I am grateful for the opportunity to work here over the following months. My name is Chayla Rowley, and I currently attend the University of Colorado at Boulder, working toward a degree in Civil Engineering with an Engineering for Developing Communities track. I plan to work for developing areas overseas or tribal reservations in the U.S. With this goal in mind, I am excited to work here because it will give me an overview of working with tribes on air and water quality, the main focus of my work. Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

BAAPAASAANDIP TELLS YOU HOW TO GET RID OF THOSE PESKY TENT WORMS



Image from: http://www.state.sd.us/DOA/forestry/programs-Services/forestry/broadleaf_insects_and_mites.htm

Submitted by the Environmental Services Department

Aaniin! Welcome to Ask Baa-

paasaandip! Recently, a tribal citizen asked about the safest way to get rid of tent There are several ways to get rid of these insects. One way is to remove the tents and egg masses from the tree by scraping them off and crushing or disposing of them. Another way to manage these pests is by using biological controls. Often, natural parasites or predators such as birds will help control them, but sometimes, they do not sufficiently control the population. Another biological control is Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt), which is a commercially available bacterium said to be effective with tent worms.

If nothing else works, and the problem is severe, you may want to consider using chemical control methods, including insecticides. These products should be used minimally and only when necessary as other predators may eat the chemicallytreated caterpillars.

I hope that helps to answer your question! Miigwech for your questions and keep them coming in!

Remember to send your questions to the LTBB Environmental Services Department by calling 231-242-1570 or by e-mail: EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

I have a strong background in agriculture and would like to use that background to help others better understand current issues facing agriculture and the environment and how worms.

Eastern tent caterpillars (scientific name: *Malacosoma americanum*) are very common insects that attack trees and build visible tents on trees, often at forks in the branches. A similar insect, known as the forest tent caterpillar (scientific name: *M. disstria*), may be common in forests, but they do not build tents.

The Eastern tent caterpillar larvae are black in color with irregular blue and white mottling and have thick tan hairs. They prefer cherry trees, but can also be found on apples, ashes, maples, hawthorns and other trees. Just one or two colonies of these insects can completely defoliate small trees, leaving them base and starving. Cherry tree with Eastern tent caterpillar masses 5-09, Image from J. Pilette



Odawa Trails



Tribal Youth Enjoy a Variety of Fun Activities Courtesy of the Youth Services Department and Look Forward to More Fun Adventures in July

By Joe Lucier, Youth Services Coordinator

The following is a summary of Youth Group events held in May:

May 7 - Fifteen youth participated in the Sturgeon For Tomorrow Sturgeon Guard on the Black River in Cheboygan, MI. Every year, volunteers from all over northern Michigan watch the banks of the river during spawning season to ward off poachers. Two sturgeons were spotted during the visit, but the visibility was poor. Two of the youth, Will King and Hank Rowland, were brave enough to jump in the river to possibly stir up a sighting. Also spotted was a bald eagle that soared over the camp when the group arrived. Brenda Archambo met the group and provided information about the Sturgeon for



Tomorrow Project and how we can participate in the future. Matt Davis came along for the trip, and he gave a brief teaching on the sturgeon and shared a personal story about the first sturgeon he ever spotted. If anyone is interested in helping with the project next year, please contact Archambo at 231-625-2776.

May 13 - Twenty-six youth attended Movie Night at the White House located at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI. Before the movie, the youth enjoyed a meal together and



then read a booklet on the Seven Grandfather Teachings which will be used weekly at youth group meetings. While reading, some youth shared how the teachings applied to their lives during the week. Afterwards, the youth split up; some played basketball while the rest watched a movie.

movies, we decided to go with the chick flick "Bride Wars," but I think the boys ended up liking it even more than the girls.

May 16 - Fourteen tribal basketball teams from central and northern Michigan competed in the LTBB Hawks basketball team's home tournament. Teams from the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe won the older boys and the younger girls brackets while the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians took the older girls and the younger boys divisions. LTBB Hawks younger girls and older boys both received runner-up trophies. Twenty-five games were played throughout the day. The Powell family volunteered to prepare a meal of spaghetti with garlic bread for everyone in attendance, and other parents contributed desserts and salads. The Hawks are finished with basketball until next August when they will resume practice at St. Francis Xavier School gym in Petoskey. If you are interested in playing basketball for the LTBB Hawks, please contact Joe Lucier at 231-838-5473 or jlucier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov to start the paperwork.

May 20 - Eighteen youth gathered at the White House to discuss



and prepare for the annual hot dog sale at the Biindigen Open House on May 22. Youth made signs to be used at the event. When the signs were completed, youth participated in various activities at the youth center. Teachings and discussion for the night had an emphasis on respect. The group's assignment for the week was to show respect by going above and beyond to do something nice for one of their teachers as a sign of gratitude.

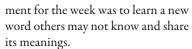
May 22 - Fifteen youth raised \$342 for the Youth Program at the Biindigen Open House. The team

paddling will be scheduled for this summer. Instead of going out on the bay, the youth stayed at the Youth Center once again and discussed preparations for the upcoming Jiimaan Journey and the End of Year Dance at the Community Center located north of Harbor Springs, MI. The youth staged a heated Guitar Hero battle in which a new young member named Tony Carson put the older kids to shame. Some youth played a basketball game called WIS-DOM which is a spinoff of the game PIG. Teachings for the night had an



the afternoon. Amber Nowell and Cheyenne Worthington addressed northern Michigan via the radio station WKLT who was also participating in the event. The girls talked about Waganakising Eshkiniigijik and some of the activities that take place. Rowland and Aaron Bertram teamed up to be the top sellers for the day, and everyone who participated had fun and worked hard. The group plans on participating in the open house again next year.

May 27 - Twenty-two youth met at the Youth Center. The group had planned on going out on the bay with the jiimaan (canoe), but the



Upcoming Events

July 2 – Waganakising Eshkiniigijik Sturgeon Bay Hike and Swim

July 3 – Waganakising Eshkiniigijik Independence Day Car Wash July 7 – Waganakising Binoojiinhak

- Bear River Canoe Livery excursion July 9 – Waganakising Eshkiniigijik

- Bear River Canoe Livery excursion July 14 - Waganakising Binoojiinhak – Activities TBD

July 16 - Waganakising Eshkiniigijik – Activities TBD

July 17 - Waganakising Eshkiniigijik – Mid-July Car Wash

July 21 - Waganakising Binoojiinhak – Activities TBD

July 23 - Waganakising Eshkiniigi-

jik – Emmet County Fair Fun Day July 24 – Michigan Indian Family Olympics

July 30 - Waganakising Eshkiniigijik - Children of the World in Harmony Welcoming

Note: Activities/dates are subject to change and additional activities may be added.

If you would like to be added to a contact list so you can be notified of any changes or additions, please contact Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier at 231-838-5473 or jlucier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

The photos appear courtesy of Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier.

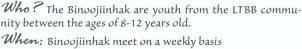


Who ? The Eshkiniigijik are youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 13-18 years old.

When ? Eshkiniigijik meet on a weekly basis. summer session: Thursdays, 1-6 p.m.

during school year: Thursdays after school til 7 p.m.

Where? Youth are informed weekly of different meeting places and special events via phone, text, and e-mail. However, it is usually at the LTBB White House.



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YOUTHADVOCACY GROUP

Parents and community members interested in sharing ideas and helping LTBB Staff develop programs are invited to attend Youth Advocacy Group meetings on the first day of every month from 5: 30 - 7 p.m. at the LTBB White House Youth Center.

VOLUNTEERS/MENTORS

Starting in June, volunteers and mentors are needed to help with Youth Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Any help will be much appreciated. To help out with Youth Services programming, please contact Joe Lucier, LTBB Youth Service Coordinator.

Youth Ser 231-242-1593, OFFICE; 231-838-5473, CELL JLUCIER@LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV



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4 - 6 Wirs. June 15 - 18, 8 A.M. - NOON

7 - 10 Yrs. July 27 - 30 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

III - IAF WIFS. August 24 - 26 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For more information or to register your camper, call the Education Department at 231-242-1480

ODAWA HOMECOMING Canopy Policies •All Canopies must have at least one participant (dancer/singer). •Set-up begins at 5 p.m., Friday, August 14 (N0 EXCEPTIONS!). Canopy space is limited to a 10' x 10' area. •YOU are responsible for canopy area CLEAN UP before leaving. •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!).

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CHECK OUT THESE NOVELS FEATURING INFLUENTIAL NATIVE WOMEN AVAILABLE AT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

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In last month's article, I highlighted some of the novels available in the LTBB Cultural Library featuring what Librarian Francine Thuston calls "power Native men."

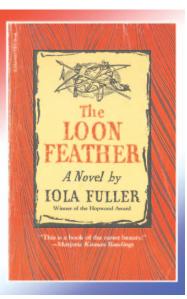
As promised, this month's article highlights some of the novels available there featuring "power Native women."

LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the following novels for three weeks.

The Loon Feather

This novel, written by Iola Fuller and first published in 1940, won the Hopwood Award and is intended for young adults in grades nine through 12 and for adults.

The following product description appears on the back cover of the novel: "*The Loon Feather* is the story of an Indian girl, Oneta, daughter of Tecumseh, destined to grow up with the incompatible traditions of her



own people and of the white traders on Mackinac Island. She learns French from a 'black coat' in a mission school, gradually becomes bound to the world of her French stepfather, Pierre Debans, and is educated in a convent in Quebec. Only when Debans, unable to reconcile tribal ways with his European background, nearly sparks an Indian uprising does Oneta make a choice between her two heritages.

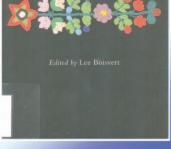
Continuously in print for more than 40 years, *The Loon Feather* is a story of universal appeal and one of the most popular books ever written

Com- about the conflict of alien peoples." *Keewaydinoquay: Stories From*

My Youth

Keewaydinoquay Peschel wrote this novel, published in 2006. Peschel, who walked on in 1999, was a Lecturer of Ethnobotany and Philosophy

KEEWAYDINOQUAY Stories from My Youth



of the Western Great Lakes Indians at the University of Wisconsin. Known as a scholar, ethnobotanist, herbalist, medicine woman, teacher and author, she was an Anishinaabeg Elder of the Crane Clan. She was the author of several books on herbs, Native American medicine and rare legends for children and adults. She lived in Ann Arbor, MI, Milwaukee, WI, Leland, MI, and Garden Island.

The following product description appears on the Amazon.com website: "In the captivating art of the oral tradition, told in the author's own voice, *Keewaydinoquay, Stories from My Youth* brings to life the childhood years of a Michigan woman, both Native American and white.

Presented here with the clarity and charm of a master storyteller, the words of Keewaydinoquay contain layers of understanding, conveyed by both what is said and how it is said. The values of the worldview she shares with us are ones that resonate on far more than just an intellectual level.

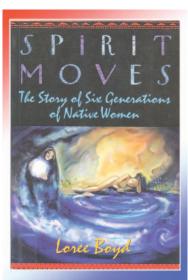
The stories span generations and cultures and shed a rare light on the living conditions of Native Americans in Michigan in the early 1900s. They recount Keewaydinoquay's education in the public schools, illuminate the role Christianity played in Native American culture, and reveal the importance of maintaining traditional c u s t o m s. Keewaydinoquay was one of the very few Native American women who was steeped both in the ancient folkways of her people as well as erudite in the American university system.

Ultimately, she wove her Native tradition and university learning together into a unique perspective that helped people understand the importance of nature and the human spirit."

Spirit Moves: The Story of Six Generations of Native Women

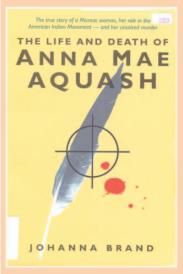
Loree Boyd, a Cree/Blackfoot Metis Indian, wrote this autobiography, published in 1996. She is involved in the development and production of educational, environmental and cultural programming for television and film.

The following is a *Library Journal* editorial review that appears on the Amazon.com website: "In this autobiographical memoir, Boyd comes to terms with her childhood by portraying six generations of her family. Her evocative stories about the lives of her great-grandmother, Margaret; her grandmother, Anne; and her mother, Silversong, are poetic and thoughtprovoking. 'It would not be an over-



statement to say I was often in awe of them,' the author writes, 'when I considered the courage, determination, and spirit that not only enabled them to survive... but to go that one step further.' Boyd tells about prejudice against Native Americans, physical abuse, and the cultural destruction of her people. While researching this work, she discovered both her grandmother and mother had sworn vows of silence to protect her. Her stories about the endurance of these women give readers a strong model of a family determined to survive."

The Life and Death of Anna Mae Aquash



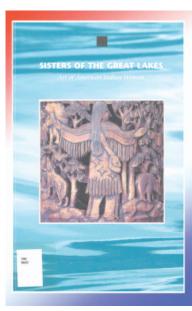
Johanna Brand, a Winnipegbased journalist, wrote this novel, published in 1993.

The following is a product description that appears on the Amazon.com website: "In February 1976, the body of a woman was found on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. The official autopsy attributed her death to exposure. Both hands were severed and sent to Washington for fingerprinting, and the body was hastily buried without legal d o c u m e n t s . When the FBI identified the woman as Anna Mae Aquash, a Canadian Mi'kmaq active in the American Indian Movement, her family and friends demanded a second autopsy. It revealed Anna Mae had been killed by a bullet fired execution style into back of her the head. Anna Mae Aquash worked alongside Leonard Peltier and other leading members of the American Indian Movement. Like Peltier, whose case is now a cause célèbre, Aquash was targeted by the FBI.

No serious investigation has ever been undertaken to determine the identities of her murderers, but evidence points to the involvement of American law enforcement officials. In this second edition of the book, former federal Member of Parliament Warren Allmand contributed a foreword, explaining the links between Peltier and Aquash's cases. Though some of the information in this book has become outdated as more information became available in 2001 and later about the complex facts surrounding Aquash's death, this book stands as the only publication that tells the story of her life and the puzzling circumstances of her murder."

Sisters of the Great Lakes: Art of American Indian Women

This book, written by Marsha MacDowell and Janice Reed, was



published in 1995 by the Michigan State University (MSU) Museum in collaboration with the Nokomis Learning Center in Okemos, MI.

The following product description appears on the MSU Museum website: "The publication and exhibition of the same name grew out of a series of professional development workshops for Native women artists hosted in 1994 at the Nokomis Learning Center. Essays by Deborah Galvan, Valorie Johnson and Janice Reed examine the sharing and celebration of identity by American Indian women in today's modern society. Artist portraits, biographies of artists, and color photographs of their baskets, pottery, beadwork, dolls, stained glass, sculptures, and drawings are included."

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

Graphics by Pre-Press Graphics Specialist David K. Burks.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Graduation Celebration Friday, August 14, 2009 6 P.M. LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI Please bring a side dish to pass. Join us for dinner, an honor song and recognition of graduates. Call 231-242-1480 to RSVP. Graduates of any academic program are encouraged to contact us and all tribal citizens are invited to attend.

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 mclaramunt@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Faxes can be sent 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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not an implication the care will be paid by CHS. A patient

must meet eligibility criteria, medical priorities and use all

may elect to obtain medical services at his or her own ex-

pense. 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 appoint-

ments for approval to make sure your coverage is still in ef-

When a patient has Medicare, Medicaid, Veterans Assis-

tance, Workman's compensation, private insurance or any

other coverage, it is considered the primary carrier.

Contract Health Service is the payer of last resort.

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a

The system has highest priority to approve condi-

The amount of funding we receive for CHS services

tions related to life saving or potential death threatening

is limited. When we run out of money toward the end of

the year, then we have to be very strict on referral ap-

provals and may only have the funds to pay for emer-

situations, then we approve by severity of condition.

If a referral is denied for CHS payment, the patient

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

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

Eligibility Criteria:

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

Remember!!!!

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

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical care that is not available in the Tribal Clinic. A referral is

Commissions, Boards and Committees Notice: Current Vacancies

Commission	Term/Yrs.	Positions Open	Term Expires
Economic Dev.	3 yr. term	1	2011
Trust Fund	4 yr. term	1	2013
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Commission	Term/Yrs.	Vacancies
Economic Dev.	3 yr. term	3
Education	4 yr. term	1
Housing	4 yr. term	1
Indian Child Welfare	3 yr. term	4
Natural Resources	4 yr. term	3
Gaming Regulatory	3 yr. term	1
Election Board	4 yr. term	3
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	3

The following information is provided for LTBB 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 resumé to:

Tribal Chairman LTBB of Odawa Indians 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Fax 231-242-1411 E-mail chairman@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

The Executive Office notifies applicants when letter and resume' are received. The Chairman's nominations are forwarded to Tribal Council. Thereafter, the Legislative Office handles all interview

Notice of Changes to LTBB Dental Program

Submitted by the Health Department

The mission of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Health Department is to provide the highest quality health care to all Anishinaabe clients.

The Dental Program is part of the Health Department and is considered a Direct Care Service under Indian Health Service (IHS) rule. When a program is considered direct under IHS rule, it means any members of federally recognized tribes and descendants of LTBB citizens are eligible to receive this service.

Due to the increasing number of patients and budget constraints, the LTBB Dental Program will no longer be able to cover the cost of dental appliances ordered from outside dental labs for patients who have no dental insurance. This includes but is not limited to dentures, bridges and crowns. The fees for any of these appliances will have to be paid in full directly to the outside dental lab before the procedure can be started. The appointments for services will be booked when the Dental Lab notifies the LTBB Dental Office the lab fees are paid in full.

This is effective July 15, 2009.

After Hours Clinics for LTBB Tribal Patients

Weekend Urgent Care Alternatives

Boyne Country Urgent Care 1937 M-119 Petoskey, MI 49770 231-348-9200

Quick Care Walk-In Medical Center 116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770 231-348-2828 These clinics can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

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

PATH Workshop Offers Tools to Help Live With Chronic Conditions

Submitted by **Regina Brubacker-Carver**, Health Educator

The Partners on the PATH (<u>Personal Action Toward H</u>ealth) Workshop will be offered starting July 8, 2009 at Mina Mskiki Gumik in Petoskey, MI.

The six-week, chronic disease self-management program teaches the knowledge and skills needed to better manage chronic diseases and has been proven in studies to reduce symptoms and physician visits as well as increase self-management abilities and communication with physicians.

Developed at Stanford University, the program is taught by Stanford Chronic Disease Self-management Program (CDSMP) certified instructors. Each leader has completed in-depth training on the CDSMP. At least one leader lives with and manages a chronic disease.

Through informal small group discussion and easy to understand course materials, participants learn

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practical tips and techniques to take control of their conditions. Workshops address ways to reduce pain and stress, cope with fatigue, use medications wisely and highlight the benefits of exercise.

Participants also learn about self-help devices that can enhance daily activities and are offered an opportunity to seek answers to questions that concern them the most. The program is suited for both the newly diagnosed as well as those seeking optimal management in order to enjoy an improved quality of life.

Pre-registration for the PATH Workshop is necessary, and enrollment is limited. Dates are Wednesdays, July 8, 15, 22 and 29 and August 5 and 12; the time is 6-8:30 p.m. Registration deadline is July 1.

For more information, contact Regina Brubacker-Carver at 231-242-1664 or Tina Shawano at 231-242-1614.

Qualifications: •Must include a copy of ye

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

The Enrollment Office has

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scheduling and correspondence. **Compensation:** Commissioners will be compensated according to LTBB Statute and current LTBB Government Policy.



LTBB Tribal Directories for sale. The tribal directory includes adults' names and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled prior to February 1, 2009, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included. payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians Mail to: LTBB of Odawa Indians Attn: Enrollment Office 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521 or 231-242-1520.

LTBB ID CARDS

The Enrollment Office has new picture identification cards. YOU DO NOT NEED A NEW PICTURE IDENTIFICATION CARD UNLESS:

•Your tribal identification card has expired •Your tribal identification card has no magnetic strip •Your tribal identification card has a post office box and not a physical address If you have an address change and you want the address change to reflect on your card, there is a \$5 fee. Please keep in mind there is a \$5 replacement fee for the card. Free to elders. Enrollment Assistant Linda Gokee 231-242-1521 Enrollment Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

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Novel HINI Flu Situation Update Issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

On June 11, 2009, the World Health Organization (WHO) raised the worldwide pandemic alert level to Phase 6 in response to the ongoing global spread of the novel influenza A (H1N1) virus. A Phase 6 designation indicates a global pandemic is underway.

More than 70 countries are now reporting cases of human infection with novel H1N1 flu. This number has been increasing over the past few weeks, but many of the cases reportedly had links to travel or were localized outbreaks without community spread. The WHO designation of a pandemic alert Phase 6 reflects the fact there are now ongoing community level outbreaks in multiple parts of world.

WHO's decision to raise the pandemic alert level to Phase 6 is a reflection of the spread of the virus, not the severity of illness caused by the virus. It's uncertain at this time how serious or severe this novel H1N1 pandemic will be in terms of how many people infected will develop serious complications or die from novel H1N1 infection. Experience with this virus so far is limited, and influenza is unpredictable. However, because novel H1N1 is a new virus, many people may have little or no immunity against it, and illness may be more severe and widespread as a result. In addition, currently, there is no vaccine to protect against novel H1N1 virus.

In the United States, most people who have become ill with the newly declared pandemic virus have recovered without requiring medical treatment, however, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) anticipates there will be more cases, more hospitalizations and more deaths associated with this pandemic in the coming days and weeks. In addition, this virus could cause significant illness with associated hospitalizations and deaths in the fall and winter during the U.S. influenza season.

Background

Novel influenza A (H1N1) is a new flu virus of swine origin which first caused illness in Mexico and the United States in March and April 2009. It's thought novel influenza A (H1N1) flu spreads in the same way regular seasonal influenza viruses spread, mainly through the coughs and sneezes of people who are sick with the virus, but it may also be spread by touching infected objects and then touching your nose or mouth. Novel H1N1 infection has been reported to cause a wide range of flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue. In addition, many people also have reported nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea.

The first novel H1N1 patient in the United States was confirmed by laboratory testing at CDC on April 15, 2009. The second patient was confirmed on April 17, 2009. It was quickly determined the virus was spreading from person-to-person. On April 22, CDC activated its Emergency Operations Center to better coordinate the public health response. On April 26, 2009, the United States government declared a public health emergency and has been actively and aggressively implementing the nation's pandemic response plan.

Since the outbreak was first detected, an increasing number of U.S. states have reported cases of novel H1N1 influenza with associated hospitalizations and deaths. By June 3, 2009, all 50 states in the United States and the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico were reporting cases of novel H1N1 infection. While nationwide U.S. influenza surveillance systems indicate overall influenza activity is decreasing in the country at this time, novel H1N1 outbreaks are ongoing in parts of the U.S., in some cases with intense activity. CDC is continuing to watch the situation carefully, to support the public health response and to gather information about this virus and its characteristics. The Southern Hemisphere is just beginning its influenza season, and the experience there may provide valuable clues about what may occur in the Northern Hemisphere this fall and winter.

CDC Response

CDC continues to take aggressive action to respond to the outbreak. CDC's response goals are to reduce the spread and severity of illness, and to provide information to help health care providers, public health officials and the public address the challenges posed by this new public health threat. CDC is

issuing updated int e r i m guidance in response to the rapidly evolving situation.

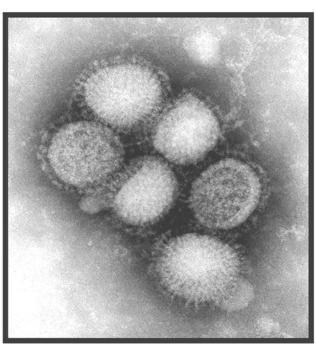
Clinician Guidance CDC

has issued in-

terim guidance for clinicians on identifying and caring for patients with novel H1N1, in addition to providing interim guidance on the use of antiviral drugs. Influenza antiviral drugs are prescription medicines (pills, liquid or an inhaled powder) with activity against influenza viruses, including novel influenza H1N1 viruses. The priority use for influenza antiviral drugs during this outbreak is to treat people hospitalized with influenza illness, and to treat people at increased risk of severe illness, including pregnant women, young children, and people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes and other metabolic diseases, heart or lung disease, kidney disease, weakened immune systems and persons with neurologic or neuromuscular disease.

Public Guidance

CDC has provided guidance for the public on what to do if they become sick with flu-like symptoms, including infection with novel H1N1. CDC also has issued instructions on taking care of a sick person at home and the use of facemasks and respirators to reduce novel influenza A (H1N1) transmission. Everyone should take everyday preventive actions to stop the spread of germs, including frequent hand washing and people who are sick should stay home and avoid contact with others in order to limit further spread of the disease.



Testing

CDC has developed a PCR diagnostic test kit to detect this novel H1N1 virus and has now distributed test kits to all states in the U.S. and the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. The test kits are being shipped internationally as well. This will allow states and other countries to test for this new virus.

Vaccine

Vaccines are a very important part of a response to pandemic influenza, and the U.S. government is aggressively taking early steps in the process to manufacture a novel H1N1 vaccine, working closely with manufacturers. CDC has isolated the new H1N1 virus, made a candidate vaccine virus which can be used to create vaccine, and has provided this virus to the industry, so they can begin scaling up for production of a vaccine, if necessary. Making vaccine is a long, multi-step process requiring several months to complete.

Stockpile Deployment

CDC has deployed 25% of the supplies in the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) to all states in the continental United States and the U.S. territories. This included antiviral drugs, personal protective equipment and respiratory protection devices. The influenza A (H1N1) virus is susceptible to the prescription antiviral drugs oseltamivir and zanamivir. These supplies and medicines will help the states and the U.S. territories respond to novel H1N1

virus.

Surveillance

Novel influenza A (H1N1) activity is now being detected through CDC's routine influenza surveillance systems and reported weekly in Flu-View. CDC tracks U.S. influenza activity through multiple systems across five categories. While our influenza surveillance systems indicate overall influenza activity is decreasing in the United States, novel H1N1 outbreaks are ongoing in different parts of the U.S., in some cases with intense influenza-like activity. Most of the influenza viruses being detected now are novel H1N1 viruses.

Shared Responsibility

Individuals have an important role in protecting themselves and their families.

Stay informed. Health officials will provide additional information as it becomes available.

Everyone should take these everyday steps to protect your health and lessen the spread of this new virus:

1. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

2. Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after you cough or sneeze. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.

 Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread this way.

 Try to avoid close contact with sick people.

5. If you are sick with a flu-like illness, stay home for seven days after your symptoms begin or until you have been symptom-free for 24 hours whichever is longer. This is to keep from infecting others and spreading the virus further.

6. Follow public health advice regarding school closures, avoiding crowds and other social distancing measures.

For updated information on H1N1 Flu, please visit the CDC website at www.cdc.qov.

JULY Promotions at Udawa Casino Kesort in Petoskey, MI

July 14 - July 25, 2009, Twelve Days of Christmas

Guests will be able to qualify July 1 - July 25, 2009.

Forty-eight Christmas presents will be given away.

Drawings will be at 6 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m. and 9 p.m., July 14 - July 25, 2009.

Guests will choose a wrapped box from the toy bag and inside the box will be a piece of paper with the present they have won on it.

Presents will include Wii gaming systems, iPods, TVs, Blu ray players, etc.

Guests receive one entry for every 100 base points earned. \$15 in

dining, a hotel stay, hand-paid jackpots more than \$400, new card signups and table games play also provide guests with entries into the drawing.

We will call a name until a winner is present.

The winning tickets each night will not be placed back into the barrel. Winners will be able to take their present the night of the drawing. Bud Light Cruise Boarding Pass Giveaway, July 25, 2009 at 7 p.m.

Three guests win boarding passes for their chance to set sail on the Bud Light Cruise to Paradise Island! Guests may earn tickets by purchasing any Bud Light product or getting 4-of-a-kind naturals on any video poker machine at the Rendezvous Lounge from July 1 until July 25, 2009 at 6 p.m. Drawing will be at 7 p.m.

Boarding passes provide guests with a chance to win two tickets to board the Bud Light Cruise. The final Bud Light Cruise Party for all northern Michigan finalists will be at O zone on the evening of August 8, 2009. All northern Michigan Finalists will gather to see who wins at 11 p.m.

Bud Light bottles will be featured for \$2 all day at the Rendezvous Lounge on the July 25 date of the

drawing.

Detroit Tiger Ticket Giveaway, July 3, 2009

Rendezvous Lounge will be giving away four tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game plus a parking pass. Guests will begin qualifying June 22, 2009. The drawing will be on July 3, 2009 at 6 p.m. The game is on July 11, 2009, Tigers vs. Indians. Earn entries by purchasing any Budweiser product or by hitting 4 ofa-kind natural on video poker. Additional prizes to include dinner in the Sage Restaurant (two winners) and dinner for two at the Waas no dé Buffet (four winners). Must be present to win. One prize per person. Detroit Tiger Ticket Giveaway, August 7, 2009

Rendezvous Lounge will be giving away four tickets to a Detroit Tigers baseball game plus a parking pass. Guests will begin qualifying July 4, 2009. The drawing will be on August 7, 2009 at 6 p.m. The game is on August 15, 2009, Tigers vs. Royals. Earn entries by purchasing any Budweiser product or by hitting 4 ofa-kind natural on video poker. Additional prizes to include dinner in Sage (two winners) and dinner for two at the Waas no dé Buffet (four winners). Must be present to win. One prize per person.





July



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28th Annual Sault Tribe Competition Pow Wow and Summer Gathering Sault Ste. Marie, MI Contact Information: Josh Homminga at 906-635-6050

July 4-5 14th LRBOI Traditional Jiingtamok Manistee, MI Contact Information: 1-888-723-8288, 231-398-6891, 231-398-6893, 231-398-6895, traczkowski@lrboi.com, jsam@lrboi.com or vchandler@lrboi.com July 18-19 Dancing Wolf's First Native Gathering

Cass City, MI Contact Information: Janice Reed at 586-634-2674 or basbabys@yahoo.com

July 24-26 31st Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Pow Wow Baraga, MI Contact Information: 906-353-6626,

906-353-6623 or 906-524-4411 July 25-26

11th Gagaguwon Pow Wow Oscoda, MI Contact Information: 989-739-1994, 1-800-235-4625 or gagaguwon@yahoo.com

July 25-26 Dancing Cranes Pow Wow Bellevue, MI Contact Information: 269-763-<u>3197 or</u>

bellevuepowwow@yahoo.com

<u>August 1</u> Celebrate Native Health Youth Empowerment Pow Wow Rexton, MI

Contact Information: Lisa Burnside at 906-484-2727, Dee Eggert at 906-635-7010 or Patty Teeples at 906-341-3362

August 7-9 25th Annual Saginaw Chippewa Pow Wow

Mt. Pleasant, MI Contact Information: Angel Loonsfoot at 989-775-5701, Craig Graverette at 989-775-4081 or Maia Montoya-Pego at 989-775-4227

August 8-9

Northern Lake Huron Pow Wow and Rendezvous Rogers City, MI <u>Contact Information: Mark Thompson</u>

at 989-734-4121 or bradleymuseum@i2k.com

August 8-9

Fifth Black River Pow Wow and Historical Gathering Wadhams, MI

Contact Information: 810-985-8669 or josephgreaux@att.net

August 14-16 17th Annual Gathering of the Fagles

August 28-30

Rendezvous at the Straits Pow Wow and Historical Camp St. Ignace, MI Contact Information: 906-643-8717 or 1-800-970-8717

Minnesota

July 3-5 Leech Lake Fourth of July Traditional Pow Wow Cass Lake, MN Contact Information: 218-335-7573, 218-335-3784, Jerry.Morgan@leechlakegaming.com or lance.kingbird@llojibwe.com July 10-12 Fond du Lac Veterans Traditional Pow Wow Sawyer, MN Contact Information: Mary Northrup at

218-878-7583 or marynorthrup@fdlrez.com July 10-12

Dakota Wacipi Contest Pow Wow Prairie Island, MN Contact Information: 1-800-554-5473, ext. 3023, 651-385-4132, www.prairieisland.org or bmireau@piic.org July 17-19 Mii-Gwitch Mahnomen Days 47th Annual Traditional Pow Wow Ball Club, MN Contact Information: Milton Gotchie at 218-308-3680, 218-335-7046, 1-800-216-6329 or milton.gotchie@llojibwe.com July 24-26 Onigum Traditional Pow Wow

Onigum, MN Contact Information: 218-547-4090 or 218-536-0213

July 25-26 13th Annual Keepers Traditional Pow Wow Pipestone, MN Contact Information: 507-825-3734, www.pipekeepers.org or pipe@iw.net July 31-August 2 31st Honoring Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow Sawyer, MN Contact Information: 218-879-6731

August 7-9 16th Annual Dakota Wacipi Spirit of the Eagle Traditional Pow Wow Granite Falls, MN Contact Information: 320-564-6016, 320-564-2360, www.uppersiouxcommunity-nsn.gov or theresa@prairiesedgecasino.com

August 7-9 Pine Point Traditional Pow Wow Ponsford, MN

Contact Information: 218-573-2154, 218-573-3007 or mikes@whiteearth.com

Inger, MN Contact Information: 218-335-8250, dorothy.robinson@llojibwe.com or lavonne.thompson@leechlakegaming.com

August 29-30 Third Annual Callaway Niimiiwin Traditional Pow Wow Callaway, MN

Contact Information: Thomas Mason at 218-375-4900 or roymas@arvig.net

<u>Wisconsin</u>

July 3-5 37th Annual Oneida Contest Pow Wow Oneida, WI Contact Information: 920-496-7897, 1-800-236-2214, www.oneidanation.org or

lpowless@oneidanation.org July 3-5 31st Annual Red Cliff Traditional Pow

Wow Red Cliff, WI Contact Information: 715-779-5597, 715-779-3700, www.redcliff-nsn.gov or mark.montano@redcliff-nsn.gov

July 16-19 36th Annual Honor the Earth Traditional Pow Wow Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924 www.lcoschools.bia.edu or lco_hte@yahoo.com

July 24-26 10th Annual Nations of Warriors Traditional Pow Wow Deerbrook, WI

Contact Information: Stan Haling at 715-588-3695

July 25-26 25th Annual Nations of Warriors Traditional Pow Wow Antigo, WI Contact Information: 715-588-3695 July 30-August 2

43rd Annual Menomonie Nation Contest Pow Wow

Keshena, WI Contact Information: 715-799-5113 or 715-799-4849

August 7-9 33rd Annual Mohican Veterans Traditional Pow Wow Bowler, WI Contact Information: 715-793-4111, 715-793-4392 or www.mohican.com August 21-23 _____

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August 21-23 Mawio'mi Whispering Pines Traditional Pow Wow Rapid River, MI Contact Information: Bradley Nedeau at 906-474-9084

August 7-9 Grand Portage Rendezvous Traditional Pow Wow Grand Portage, MN Contact Information: 218-475-2239, 218-475-2415 or www.grandportage.com August 14-16 43rd Annual Mille Lacs Traditional Pow Wow Mille Lacs, MN Contact Information: 320-532-7496, 320-532-8800 or mj@grandcasinos.com August 14-16 Shakopee Mdewakanton Contest Pow Wow Prior Lake, MN Contact Information: 952-445-8900, 952-496-6160, www.shakopeedakota.org or www.mysticlake.com August 21-23 29th Annual Cha Cha Bahning Traditional Pow Wow

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Anishinaabemowin Harbor Springs High School Class, ChiNishin!



By **Carla McFall**, Language Program Coordinator

It's that time of year again as we begin to prepare for summer and wrap up the school year.

The Anishinaabemowin class is going great and approximately six students who completed year one and year two will be returning in the fall to take a third year of the Anishinaabe language class. Please continue to support and encourage their efforts. Congratulations to those students who are graduating.

Tecumseh Adams, who is a very remarkable young man, is graduating and will be attending Central Michigan University in the fall. "Tec" has completed two years of the high school language class, and he plans to continue learning Anishinaabemowin at college.

Megan Keller commented, "It's

2008-2009 Harbor Springs High School Anishinaabemowin Language Class Fwo-Day Black Ash Basketmaking & Woodsplitting Workshop Standing from left: Emilio Benento; Taylor Fisher; Rene "Wasson" Dillard, Basketmaker; Alex Fisher; Tyler Laughlin; Natasha Peltier; Megan Keller; and Michael Keshick. Front Row: Cheryl Halfacer, Title VII Coordinator; Neewin Wemigwase; Tecumseh Adams; Dylan Keller miinwaa Memahgwanz Shomin.

easier to learn when you're having fun, and it's not boring and you're not just sitting there. She (Doreen) plays games and talks to us with respect and we enjoy it more. Last year, my favorite word was 'ngitim' because I was really lazy."

Megan, who is going to be a kindergarten teacher, said, she "appreciates the opportunity to learn the language."

Alex Fisher summed up his ex-

perience: "I learned a lot last year, but this year, I learned to, like, tie it all together and to bring together all the stuff I learned last year into sentences." His advice for language learners is "keep training ...it's a lot different than English, a lot different."

Mehmaygwanz Shomin, whose name means Little Butterfly, said about the class, "Very chill, relaxing, it makes the whole school day a little better. She (Doreen) gives us five minutes to wind down before the bell rings. She lets you learn at your own pace ... and very hands-on ... which I think is key to why we learn a lot."

Michael Keshick, who likes getting to go outside occasionally, said, "It's not like a normal class, but still has structure, and it works."

Emilio Benento says about the class, "I like the environment. It's humorous in weird ways."

Emilio joined the class at the beginning of second semester and says he'll be coming back this fall. He said he wasn't interested in learning Spanish or French. Some brief responses from other students were: Tyler Laughlin says "Biidoon Zhoonyaa." Neewin Wemigwase said his favorite part of class was the presenters and Tawnee Mickalacki said it was the activities used to help learn the language. Taylor Fisher's favorite word learned is "baashkaakaminsigan-biitoojiishkweginigan."

What a great group of youth. It's no wonder Doreen has such passion for her students and job. They're young, a fun bunch, a bit wild, crazy or goofy, but they're very bright and quite impressive.

Doreen often brings in community members for special cultural presentations. If you would like to visit the class, be a presenter or volunteer on occasion as a "teacher's assistant," please give Doreen a call at 231-242-1456. Miigwech.

Courtesy photo.



Students in our Language class at Harbor Springs High School created cartoons using language on their own for their teacher, Doreen Peltier. This month's featured cartoon is by Tawnee Mickalacki. Translation: "Aapiish Tricia?!"; "Miptoon!"; "Bagwashknin mtigwaakiising!"; "Shhh! Tkwanwenini!!!"; "Wegnesh bandek mshkimdaang?"; "Madaasanan!"; "Wow!"

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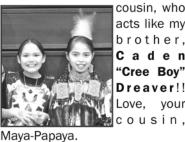
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'Kokum" Cindy Shawanibin-Schuyler, who celebrated on May 31. With lots of love from your family, William, Nigel, Ayashay, Marie, Harvey, Heather, Chris, Maya, Caden and Kayla. We love you Mom/Kokum.

Belated birthday wishes go out to my sister, Eileen Dennis, my granddaughter, Absydee Field, my daughter-in-law, Stacy K. Field, and my niece, Marie F. Skippergosh. Forgotten in the tribal newsletter, but not in my heart!!! All my love, Judy.

Happy belated birthday to my



Happy belated birthday to my cousin, Sandi Shepard, who celebrated on June 5. Think of you often and would love to receive a letter from you. Love, Ann Antoine-McClellan.

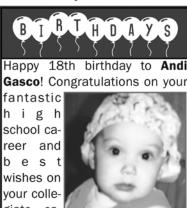
Happy belated birthday to my son, Shawn Keshick. Love to you al ways, Dad.

Happy birthday wishes to Gwen Gasco on the 8th! May you have many blessings and many more birthdays to come. The Gasco's.

Happy birthday Billy Mac! Hope July 12 is one happy day for you. You "R" the #1 plumber for Odawa and for your Aunt Nell, too. Have a wonderful birthday. Lots of love, Aunt Nell, Tarbaby and Sassy.

Happy birthday #4 to Isabella Portman on July 14 and her mama, Shannon, on July 24! We love you guys, (Aunt) Michele and (Uncle) Greg.

Happy 51st birthday on July 19 to Brian Carver. Thanks for being there for me so much this past year. Your support made an unbearable year much easier to take. I love you. Regina.



giate career. We are always behind you 100%! We wish you much success at Trine. From the cradle to the record books, you have blazoned a path throughout Michi gan. You have made us very proud. Love you, D. Love, Mom Dad & Evil.

Happy birthday to Marilyn Williams! We hope your special day is filled with much joy and happiness. All our love, Robin, Dorothy, Kelly and Brook.

Happy birthday to my big BRO Archie L. Kiogima III, whose special day is July 16!! You are the brotha like no otha' ... I hope you day is fabulizzo foshiizzle!! Gza aguhn, Gina.

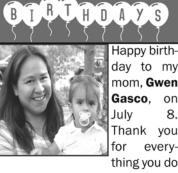
Birthday greetings to my siblings Doe, Bob and son, Jeff Field, on your special day. Can't wait to celebrate your birthday Jeff with Elton John!!!! Yippeeeeeee!!! Love, Judy.

Gchinendam Brother! Have a great day and remember, SMILE, it looks good on YA! My younger bro is ... nope, I won't tell, July 31 19 :) July 31 is a good day for me because my bro was born on that day. Your loving brother.

Happy birthday on July 15 to Suzeque in Ohio. The cows still aren't home, so keep the party going! Love ya, sis! Gina.

Happy birthday wishes to Andi Gasco on the 13th! We all wish you the very best on your special day and on your new journey ir life. You go girl! The Gasco's.

Happy birthday to my Buzigan (Archie Kiogima III). "May your birthday bring you as much hap piness as you bring to me!" Gzaagiin "Forever and Always, your Buzigan (Melissa Wiatrolik).'



for me. You're the best! Love, Tiki

Happy birthday to Joe Lucier on July 8. It's been such a joy watch ing you grow up into the wonderful person you are; keep it up Aunt Gina.

Happy July birthdays to Patrick and Richard Wemigwase. With love from Shannon and Charlotte.

Happy birthday Brother! I have a little memory problem, and I think the date is July 5, 19.. Uhhh, don't want to do that to you either Lil' Bro. So I just want to wish you a happy birthday and all the love an older brother has for his little brother. Gzaagin Nekawne! PEACE!

Happy birthday to Cathy Portman on July 19. Let's make it a good weekend! Love, Michele and Greg.

Happy birthday to Wayne Carver on July 21; hope you have a great day. Love, Dad and Regina.

Happy birthday, happy birthday Dustin Field, I love you so. Sixteen candles in my heart will glow. Forever and ever, for I love you so! Family tradition .. Grandma will sing the song as I have for all your aunts and uncle on your special day! All my love, Grandma Judy.

Hey Brother! Happy birthday! I my memory serves me right, I believe the date is July 31, 19 .. naa! I can't do that to ya! Happy birth day! Gzaagin Nekawne! PEACE!

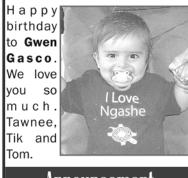
Happy birthday to Rita Blacklock on July 31. Love you Cousin! Michele, Greg and Mom Suzanne.

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The family wishes Ronnie Bottoms a happy birthday on July 24

Birthday wishes for Gloria Uleski (July 1), Victoria Evianda Boda (July 1), James Naganashe (July 2), Brandon Berry (July 2), Kenneth Dewey (July 7), Kim Yates (July 10), Eli Boda (July 10), Stanley Bozelle Dewey (July 11), Ar lena Chavlz (July 11), Melissa Naganashe (July 14), Brandon Shenoskey (July 14), Sandra Shenoskey (July 15), Veronica Shananaquet (July 17), Eric Naganashe (July 19), Ronald Boda II (July 19), Trisha James (July 21), Nancy Shananaquet (July 22), Diane Henry (July 24), Cole Hume (July 25), Annette Kimalae (July 25), Sam Shananaquet, Jr. (July 28), Nicholas Naganashe (July 29), Felicia Wilson Boda (July 29) and Maddison Bott (July 27). From Don and Dorothy Boda

Dear Momma, wish you a happy birthday, from both your sons Nicholas and Luis.



Announcement



Sr. of Murfreesboro, TN, and formerly of Elmira, MI, wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Holly Marie Gasco, to Joseph Victor LaCombe, both of Elmira. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor (Karen Gille spie) LaCombe of Boyne City, MI The bride elect is a 2005 graduate of Boyne Falls Public School and a 2008 graduate of North Central Michigan College with an Associate of Applied Science de gree in Early Childhood Educa tion. She is employed a Sagamores at the Inn at Bay Har bor in Petoskey, MI, and at Tiny Treasures Day Care in Gaylord MI, as a preschool teacher. The groom elect is a 2000 graduate of Boyne City High School and a 2003 graduate of Ferris State University with an Associate of Applied Science degree in Diesel Mechanics. He is employed by La-Combe Transportation in Boyne City/Elmira and K.B. Matz Transportation in Petoskey/Elmira. The wedding date has been set for July 11, 2009, and will take place in Boyne Falls, MI, with a recep tion to follow in Elmira.

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Happy belated 36th wedding anniversary to William Schuyler, Jr. and Cynthia Schuyler. After all these years, you two have stayed together. Many family members and friends weren't always as fortunate to love as long as you two have. Thank you for being the best parents and grandparents to us and your grandchildren. We are lucky to have you both together and in our lives. Love, Marie, Harvey, Nigel, Ayashay, Heather, Chris, Maya, Caden and Kayla.

Happy anniversary to **Dawn** and Frank Pesino on July 10. Love you both very much, Mom in Petoskey.

Anniversary wishes for Trisha and Rodrick James (July 2) and Justin and Chris Shananaquet (July 3). From Don and Dorothy Boda.

They found their thrill on Jim Cooper's hill!! Happy 35th wedding anniversary to Robert and Beverly Wemigwase on July 27!! I hope that someday I will be lucky enough to have what you two have! I love you so much!! Winnay.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Harbor Springs High School graduate Tecumseh Adams, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, for finishing second in the 1,600 meter run in a time of four minutes and 20.68 seconds and finishing ninth in the 3,200-meter run in a time of 10 minutes and 6.4 seconds at the 2009 Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Division 4 Boys Track and Field State Finals on May 30, 2009.

His second place finish in the 3,200-meter run earned him First Team All-State honors for the first time in his career.

Adams finished fifth in the 3,200meter run at both the 2007 MHSAA Division 4 Track and Field State Finals and the 2008 MH SAA Division 3 Track and Field State Finals, earning him Second Team All-State Honors.



Happy birthday Sputch!! Two girls and a truck can do anything! With love, from your sister-in-law.

Gchinendam Nekawne! Hey Lil Bro, happy birthday from your lov ing brother. Brian Davis is .. naaa! I better not tell. :) Love al ways, Bro on July 5, 19 :)

A super big happy birthday to my sister, Kimmy Symanski, on July 18; Sturgeon River birthday tubing time! Get up here! We love and miss you, Michele and Greg

Happy birthday to our Joyful, Joy Kiogima, who turns 10 on July 27. Love, Mom, Dad, Sara Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Mckenzie and Cameron.

Happy birthday to Sandra Yoder on July 5. Have a wonderful day Love, from your sister, Debra.

Happy birthday to Tom Teuthorn on the 14th! May your birthday be filled with joy and happiness. The Gasco's.

MinoDibishkaak Ndanwenmaa ganak! Nbazigim gwisan **Ma**heengunse Osawamick, aka MAI, Nwiitaawisak Dawn Shenoskey miinwaa Matt Boulton, Niingonisak Archie Kiogima III miinwaa Ryan Chamblee. Gzaaginim, Carla.

Happy birthday to Michelle Har mon on July 21. Hope you have a wonderful day. Mom, Tarbaby and Sassy.

Happy birthday to Margie Pratt on July 14. Love, your family.

Happy birthday to Stanley Fred erick Petoskey, Jr. on July 4 (IN DEPENDENCE DAY). Your friend, Pauline.

Rosella Gasco Rakowski, 78

Rosella (Gasco) Rakowski, 78, passed away on May 10, 2009, in Roseville, MI. She was born June 17, 1930 in Harbor Springs, MI She is survived by her daughters, Selena Arredondo and Henrietta Smith. She is also survived by her brother, Douglas Gasco, and her sister, Nancy Bennette, seven grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry "Hank," her parents, Alex and Louise Gasco, sisters, Beatrice Gasco Bolyard, Janice Gasco Keller and Ruth Gasco Carver.



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Doreen Peltier, Instructor

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Alex Fisher, Chris Ronk, Taylor Fisher, Wesley Willis, Tecunseh Adams, Michael Keshick, Tyler Laughlin, Jasmine McFall, Cheyenne Worthington, Tawnee Mickalacki, miinwaa Megan Keller, Class of 2008

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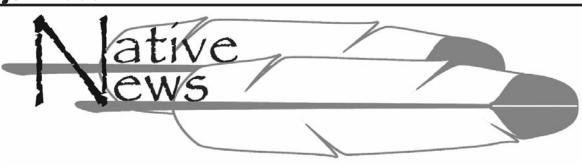


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This is an income based program.





NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS): HELPING PEOPLE HELP THE LAND

Submitted by **Bill Borgeld**, District Conservationist from NRCS Petoskey

Editor's note: This is the final article in a series of articles introducing LTBB Tribal Citizens to the Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) and the programs it offers. In the first article that appeared in the May issue of Odawa Trails, you were introduced to NRCS. In the second article that appeared in the June issue of Odawa Trails, you were introduced to three of the programs NRCS offers. This final article introduces you to five more programs NRCS offers.

These programs are all included in a five-year Farmbill.

There are some easement programs where the landowner allows the government to put an easement on the eligible property in return for either one-time or annual payments depending on the program from 10 years to perpetuity (life).

These are:

The Grasslands Reserve Program (GRP): This program is for long-term protection of grasslands and grazing lands. It had run out of funding in the past, but is now being brought back under the new Farmbill. It is designed to maintain and improve "open space" that meets the criteria.

The Wetlands Reserve Program (WRP): This program has been extremely popular and successful though quite competitive. The purpose of the WRP is to restore and protect wetland habitats that have been somehow altered or degraded in the past. The area must contain eligible soils which are considered to be poorly drained and must have been altered by tiling, ditching or pastured by livestock. Areas which are hayed may be eligible if they meet the soils and hydrology criteria.

The WRP offers the landowner three different options. 1. Restoration Only-This would result in construction of a minimum half acre size push-out which is a shallow wildlife pond. The landowner would receive 75% cost-share and would agree to keep the push-out for at least 10 years. 2. 30-Year Easement-Under a 30-year easement agreement, the landowner allows the government to place a 30year easement on the area included, and in return, receives 75% of an appraised value per acre included and 75% of the cost to install push-outs in the wetland areas. There is a new process on how the appraised value is determined. This will be in the new Farmbill rules. 3. Permanent Easement-Under the permanent easement, the landowner receives 100% of the appraised value and 100% of the cost to create the wildlife pushouts. The land accepted into the WRP under this easement will remain that way forever and cannot be developed or have the wetlands destroyed in any way. There are many acceptable compatible uses which can be included in a contract such as leasing the land for hunting, planting food plots and many others. There is a maximum amount which can be received per acre, and this will come out with the new program information.

The Farm and Ranchland Protection Program (FRPP): The FRPP is a program to assist landowners in placing a permanent easement on farmland by purchasing development rights so the land will remain if agricultural. Landowners eligible for this program must be actively working with a land protection entity such as the Little Traverse Conservancy and have a pending offer in the works. The Natural Resources Conservation Service provides 50% of the agreed to appraised value, and the entity and landowner come up with the rest.

There is also a new program which will be available this year that we have not had in this area before which is the **Healthy Forests Reserve Program (HFRP).** Its purpose is to promote the recovery of threatened and endangered species, to improve biodiversity and enhance carbon sequestration which is talked about a lot now with the increasing global warming concerns. There will be easements and cost-share agreements and a 30-year contract will be available for tribes.

There will also be a **Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP)** which will reward agricultural landowners for good stewardship practices that they have done in the past and are still in place. This will involve annual payments for a period of five consecutive years.

All of these programs should be available for funding in the spring hopefully in April or shortly thereafter. They all start with the development of a conservation plan which can be done at any time. Please feel free to call the office with any questions about these programs or any other environmental or natural resource issue. If we don't deal with a subject of interest, we, hopefully, can lead you to where you can find the answers and information you request.

NRCS Contact Information NRCS Petoskey 231-347-5255

or www.mi.nrcs.usda.gov (Michigan website)

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Charlevoix Conservation Dis-

"Q and A" continued from the front cover.

curred earlier this year. Has that worked out the way you expected it to?"

Sean Barnard: "Even better than I had hoped. We started out with 600 players who had earned a minimum of 50,000 points over the previous 12 months, and we've seen the 'O' Club grow by about 60 new members each month, so we're very happy. Keeping our guests loyal is a big key for success."

Annette VanDeCar: "You started as GM in mid-May 2008, and there was considerable work to be done to right the ship so to speak. Have things progressed how you expected them to? What still needs to be done?" ployee morale is my #1 job more than ever. We've got competition opening not so far away, and we're not ignoring the threat of losing good, good people. But as sad as we are to say goodbye to some of our people as they go and explore new opportunities, we need to remember that this opens a new door for someone else here. We don't forget that for our tribal citizens, this will always be home. When it's time for them to return, they'll be more experienced, and ultimately, so much more valuable to their own casino."

Annette VanDeCar: "Are all the LTBB service payments and loan interest payments current?"

Sean Barnard: "Yes. We have



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Executive		Room Attendant (Hotel) Hotel Attendant (Hotel)	FTS PTS
Operations Manager	FT	Hotel Manager (Hotel)	FT
Finance Compliance Manager	FT	Bartender (Rendezvous) Cocktail Server (Rendezvous) Buffet Server (Buffet)	PTS PT, FTS, FT PTS
IT SR IT Manager	FT	Cashier/Hostess (Buffet) Line Cook (Sage)	PT FTS
HR-Wardrobe		Food Runner (Sage) Cocktail Server (O zone)	PTS PTS
Wardrobe Attendant Marketing	PTS	Bartender (O zone) Night Club Supervisor (O zone)	PTS PTS
Guest Services Representative	FT	Line Cook (TDR) Deli Line Cook (Copper Café)	FTS FTS
Table Games Dealer	FT, PTS	Cashier/Hostess (Copper Café) Deli Attendant (Copper Café)	FT, FTS PT
Pit Clerk	FT	Property Operations	
Hospitality Retail Clerk Call Center Operator	FTS, PT, PTS FT	Security Officer I and II Housekeeper Groundskeeper Shuttle Driver	FT PT, PTS FTS PTS
Steward	PTS, FTS	Valet Attendant	PTS, FT

Sean Barnard: "The year I've been here has passed in a flash. I've overseen the spending cuts and watched the costs come into line much quicker than many companies our size can manage. I've also overseen the promotion of several good people who have become managers, and they have really stepped up to the challenge as they work on growing their careers.

What I need to do in the next year is really focus on how to keep growing the revenues, make sure that we stabilize the loyal work force we have, reassure our Team Members that we need them to stay with the Best Casino in Michigan and keep Odawa Casino Resort as somewhere people really want to work. Em-

not missed any payments in 2009." The photo of Sean Barnard appears courtesy of the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing Department.

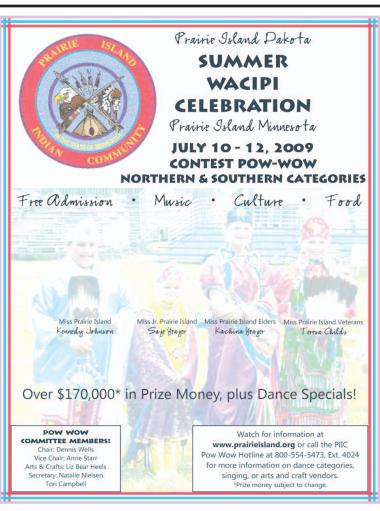
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Odawa Trails

U.S. Newsroom Employment Declines to the Levels Seen in the Early 1980s

American daily newspapers shed 5,900 newsroom jobs last year, reducing their employment of journalists by 11.3% to the levels of the early 1980s.

The American Society of News Editors (ASNE), which has conducted a census of newsrooms since 1978 primarily as a means of measuring minority employment, also found the percentage of minorities in newsrooms stood at 13.41%, a decline of .11 percentage points from a year ago.

Of the journalists who departed newsrooms, 854 were minorities according to ASNE's 2009 census. The overall year-over-year drop left 46,700 journalists, including 6,300 minority professionals, on newspaper staffs at the end of December 2008. The number of minority journalists stands at the level reported in the 1998 census.

"The loss of journalists is a loss for democracy," ASNE President Charlotte Hall said. "The loss of people of color from our newsrooms is especially disturbing because our future depends on our ability to serve multicultural audiences. ASNE is committed to keeping newsroom diversity on the front burner even in tough times."

The overall job loss was the largest one-year decline in employment in the history of the ASNE census and followed a drop of 2,400 a year ago. Since a modern era peak of 56,400 reported in 2001, newsroom jobs have decreased by 9,700. The highest employment level in the survey's history was 56,900 reported in 1990.

In this decade, there has been a net increase of Latino, Asian and Na-

tive American journalists and a net decline of African-American journalists.

Highlights of the 2009 survey

Supervisors: Minorities account for 11.2% of all supervisors in newsrooms, which remains virtually unchanged for the past two years. Of all minorities, 22% are supervisors.

Newspapers with no minorities: 458 newspapers responding to the ASNE census had no minorities on their full-time staff. This number has been growing since 2006. The majority of these newspapers have circulations of 10,000 or less. All newspapers with circulations of 50,000 or more that responded to the census had at least one minority staffer.

Where do minorities work: Nearly two-thirds of minorities work at newspapers with circulations exceeding 100,000. The percentage of minorities working at newspapers with more than 500,000 circulation is 17%; 250,001 to 500,000 circulation, 19%; 100,001 to 250,000 circulation now account for 29%.

Other Findings

Online: The census found 2,300 journalists worked solely online of which nearly 19.6% were minority. ASNE started counting online-only journalists in 2007. Then, there were 1,900 online journalists of whom 16% were minorities.

Internships: The percentage of interns who are minorities stands at 26.4%, a decrease from 28% last year.

First time hires: Minorities represented 16% of the journalists hired for their first full-time newsroom job down from 17.6%.

time in daily newspapers total about 17,300 or 37%. Minority women accounted for 16.6% of female newsroom staffers.

Men: Men total just under 29,400. Minority men account for 11.5% of male newsroom staffers.

Since 2001, Asian American journalists have increased by 167, Latinos by 23 and Native Americans by 44. The number of African-American journalists decreased by 539.

Benchmarks

In 1999, the ASNE board of directors adopted a revised mission statement and a new system of tracking the industry's progress. The mission statement said, "The percentage of minorities in the newsrooms of the national's daily papers must be on parity with the percentage of minorities in the general population by 2025 or earlier.

In September 2000, the ASNE board created a system of three-year benchmarks. These five benchmarks are designed to help the industry measure its progress toward meeting the 2025 goal.

The benchmarks compared to actual numbers:

2009 Benchmark Versus 2009 Actual

Minority employment: 21.55%, 13.41%

Minority Supervisors: 19%, 11.2%

Interns: 38.6%, 26.4%

Number of newspapers with no minorities on staff: 230, 458

Number of newspapers achieving parity with their community: 522, 111

Women: Women working full-

NCAI's Embassy of Tribal Nations in Washington, D.C. a Reality

Indian country's dream of a permanent embassy for tribal nations in Washington, D.C. is now a reality.

With the help of generous tribal and individual donations, the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) through its Embassy of Tribal Nations Capital Campaign purchased a building that will house its offices as well as related tribal organizations to enhance its presence in the nation's capital.

"To have our own home in Washington, D.C. sends the message that tribal nations are serious about working closely with Members of Congress and federal agencies on issues important to Indian country," NCAI President Joe A. Garcia said. "We are eager to continue our work on behalf of tribes in our new embassy."

Five years ago, NCAI initiated the Embassy of Tribal Nations Capital Campaign with the hopes of owning a building for tribal leaders to meet and exchange dialogue with federal agencies and other organizations on issues important to Indian country.

The Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community's \$1 million challenge donation to the campaign launched an extensive contribution outreach with the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation matching the challenge, and the Chickasaw Nation and San Manuel Band of Mission Indians each donating \$100,000 each.

Other tribes that donated to the campaign are the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Santo Domingo Pueblo, Redding Rancheria, Jamestown S. Klallam Tribe, Siletz Tribe, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Tohono O.Odham Nation, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Ak-Chin Indian Community, Central Council Tlingit and Haida Tribes, Aqua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Coeur d' Alene Tribe, Pakenta Band of Nomlaki Indians, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate Sioux Tribe, Quileute Nation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Oneida Tribe of Wisconsin, Swinomish Tribal Community,

Seneca Nation, Pakenta Band of Nomlaki Indians, Absentee Shawnee Tribe, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, Coquille Indian Tribe, Wiyot Tribe, Table Bluff Reservation, Yavapai-Apache Nation, Hualapai Tribal Nation, Mescalero Apache, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation.

NCAI also received over 100 individual donations.

"NCAI is grateful to all the tribes and individuals who helped make the embassy happen," Garcia said.

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It's not only a home for NCAI staff offices, but also a place where tribal leaders can gather to conduct business in Washington.

A big thanks to all of you who helped make this dream a reality.

The LTBB Pow Wow Committee seeks dancers to ride on a Fourth of July float in the Harbor Springs and Petoskey parades. If you are interested in volunteering for one or both of the parades, please contact Annette VanDeCar at 231-242-1427 or Winnay Wemigwase at 231-242-1453.

TRIBAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS RAPID RESPONSE EXERCISE CONDUCTED AT PUBLIC HEALTH INSIDE THE PETOSKEY PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AND AT THE LTBB HEALTH CLINIC

By Norm Emery, Safety Coordinator

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the North West Michigan Health Department (NWMHD) conducted a full-scale emergency exercise on May 28, 2009 to test their efficiency and accuracy in dispensing oral antibiotics to both public and tribal citizens and to develop a plan for providing risk communications and medication for special populations.

One major objective was to determine the throughput of medications dispensed by professional staff and volunteers per hour. The second was to test communication plans and techniques for public information at the beginning of the exercise, during and after the exercise concluded. Two drive-through clinics were set up in Emmet County, MI; Public Health was located at the Petoskey Public Safety building in Petoskey, MI, and LTBB was located at the Health Department on Hager Drive in Petoskey.

The exercise was two hours in length and provided us with valuable information that will assist in preparation for our next emergency exercise, still in the planning stages and scheduled to be conducted prior to the end of August.

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) was implemented after 9-11 and is used by all law enforcement and emergency response agencies throughout the country.

LTBB has 35 staff members who have received a total of 65 certifications of the various available NIMS courses. Each of the certification courses range from one to 40 hours, and a person must pass a written test prior to receiving a certificate. Use of the NIMS structure was also tested during this exercise.

LTBB and NWMHD have been working closely in emergency preparedness for the past four years; this



last exercise was the fourth in which they have participated together. This last event was by far the largest yet.

LTBB and NWMHD received awards from the Michigan Department of Public Health in 2008 at the Homeland Security Conference in Grand Rapids, MI, for the emergency programs they had successfully produced and completed in Charlevoix and Emmet counties.

In accordance with the NIMS requirements, at the conclusion of the exercise, each of the participants stated their views of positive and negative issues that had occurred during the course of the event. Negative comments are as important as positive input; these comments are the key to making us a stronger working unit and improving the quality of our performance. Each exercise has a controller and an evaluator who both take

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LTBB Governmental Offices Closed The LTBB Governmental Offices will be closed from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, July 15 due to the 2009 LTBB Government Employee Appreciation Picnic. Please plan ahead accordingly.



notes throughout the event and who submit a written report a few weeks after the event. The one comment they did share with us at the conclusion of the exercise were compliments of the high level of enthusiasm from our LTBB Responders in the performance of their assignments. One stated the responders received their assignment and went to work, they did not become concerned with stumbling blocks put in their way, and they adjusted, adapted or overcame the problem and continued working toward their goal.

We had several volunteers assisting with the exercise, including the American Red Cross, Radio Amateur Radio Civil Emergency Service (RACES) and a number of volunteers who played the part of patients driving their cars to each health department as part of the incident.

We also had one bus, provided by the Friendship Center in Petoskey, filled with volunteer patients.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



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HOW SHOWING

Evenings at the Longhouse 2009

IN JULY

- 7 Opening-Renee Wasson Dillard, Black Ash Baskets
- 14 -Veronica Medicine, Odawa History
- 21 -LTBB Archives & Records, Toys & Games: More than Just Fun
- 28 -Arlene Naganashe, Corn Husk Dolls, Storytelling

OTHER EVENT

18 -Sixth Annual North American Indian Art Fair

For more information, call: Andrew J. Blackbird Museum, Joyce Shagonaby at 231-526-2705.

Native Against Native Racism

By Alfred Walking Bull

Editor's note: This story originally was published by Reznet (reznetnews.org) and is used with permission. Reznet is a Native American news, information and entertainment website that also trains and mentors American Indian college students around the country as they prepare for journalism careers. Now in its seventh year and a project of the University of Montana School of Journalism, Reznet is funded by four foundations: The John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the Ethics and Excellence in Journalism Foundation, the McCormick Foundation and the Gannett Foundation. The intent of Reznet's training and mentoring program is to produce more Native American professional journalists. For more information on Reznet, please visit the organization's website at www.reznetnews.org.

When I first heard the term, "lateral racism," I was astounded that such a condition had a name and, sadly, that it existed long enough to earn that name. It's still a relatively new concept. When I searched for the term, one hit came up for the Tribal College Journal of American Indian Higher Education in an article written by Ron Selden. In the article, Anishinaabe activist and writer, Winona





LaDuke said, "We cannot struggle against the oppressor, so we struggle against each other ..."

I heard it in high school, taking a tribal government class from one of my favorite teachers, Mr. Martin. He put it simply, "You see me. I'm brown ... just another 'dirty Indian' to you and you ignore anything I have to say! You look at some of the white teachers around here and you sit up and listen! That is lateral racism."

While I'd always had a degree of respect for the toiling Mr. Martin, just by virtue of his being a teacher, it increased tenfold after that statement. He hit the issue at the time right on the nose. The other students in the class were freshmen and sophomore mostly who took the class because it was, in their words, "an easy class." After all, who knows more about tribal government and, indeed, tribal people than us?

But when that figurative hammer struck my mind, shattering that curiosity of why I didn't respond to Native teachers. I realized that we don't know as much as we think we do. How many of us have looked at someone on our reservation or colony or housing complex and thought ill of them? Admittedly, when the election season rolled around my brother, who is a former police officer from both Pine Ridge and Rosebud, said to me, "Indians ain't never going to vote for a black man! They will look at the Clintons or McCain and think they'll protect them because they're white!"

That simple statement illustrated two main points of lateral racism to me. The first being that my brother, who saw a lot of the bad things both reservations can yield, be it domestic violence, drug abuse or murder, had developed his own prejudice against our people. The second point being that even though the source of that statement is suspect, it holds some water. We've been programmed from the beginnings of our relations with the United States to respond to the authority (backed up with the gun, no doubt) of its white leaders.

On my own reservation, there is an historic case of lateral racism. In 1881, Chief Spotted Tail was killed by Chief Crow Dog in a dispute that's still debated by historians today. Whether it was about a wife or over power, the effects of this action gave birth to many rifts and had consequences that resulted in the passing of the Major Crimes Act of 1885. To this day, there are Sicangu who still respect Crow Dog and others who believe otherwise. On the other side are those who believe that Spotted Tail, pejoratively known as a "Paper Chief," appointed by the federal government, had no right to claim the title in the first place. Over the generations, incidents like these escalate into family grudges and when blood quantum is involved and which family is, "more Indian" or "less Indian," it gets downright cruel. It's gotten to the point that even when I think of any children I might raise in the future, I worry about their blood quantum first and whether they'll have ten fingers and ten toes next. But over my short time in the world, I've realized one thing: The more we fight amongst ourselves, the less hope all our children have for seeing their respective nations continuing to exist. These days, it's easier for Native

youth to hate on each other. We've been given a popular culture archetype thanks to MTV and My-Space: The hater and the hated. We allow ourselves to mimic big-time male rappers legendary grudges or the catfights between women on reality television. While most tribes enjoy a cordial relationship with the federal government these days, its predecessors in the Congress of the 19th century almost certainly developed the "divide and conquer" strategy toward our collective people. What's worse is that it continues to work even after those members of Congress and senators were dead and buried.

This past summer, I addressed a group of Native youth at a Unity conference here in Reno, on behalf of Sen. Barack Obama. In that room, I was able to expound upon the virtues of the candidate as he related to Native people. But the one thing that sticks with me was not the trills, cheers or applause, but it was two words: "Psssh, whatever." I introduced myself in the traditional Lakota greeting, "Cante waste nape ciyuzapi," translated as, "I shake your hand with an open heart." A student sitting up front uttered those two words that brought me back to that classroom at Todd County High School all those years ago.

It proved to me that lateral racism exists in Indian Country and that, more than anything, needs to be seriously addressed. The life of a Native, whether on the reservation or off, is a hard one. We not only carry our own hardships, but because of our tribal culture, we bear the transgressions of past generations, of our parents and grandparents against each other. We are programmed to think it's stoic not to forgive each other and unite to preserve our people. All the while, our elders die around us at an alarming rate, heartbroken that they haven't seen the seventh generation reach its full potential in uniting our people, putting all ill will aside and accepting ourselves and fighting for our rights and our heritage. Native life and Rez life are hard enough; there are those of us who have the lowest life expectancy in the Western Hemisphere behind only Haiti.

Whether it's today, tomorrow or next year, we owe it to our ancestors to stop this foolishness of fighting amongst ourselves. We need to stop teaching our children and grandchildren that one family is worse than another or that respect should not be given to a certain person because of a second-hand story. Respect is an integral virtue built into our people; we have endured long winters and hot summers, the rage of animals three times our size and disease; we have learned that respect for every living being and person is not earned, it is given. We cannot afford, with such little time left, to hate on each other. If we're going to get anywhere in this world, if we're going to start making good on our promise to improve our lives, it must begin here and now; we move together or not at all. At the time, I don't think I had the courage to thank Mr. Martin for his clarity and true education, but I'd like to think that so long as another Native student reads this in his senior, junior, sophomore or - hopefully freshman year, his mission at educating us is not in vain.

Tribal Council

Meeting Dates 2009

July 11 Work Session

July 25 Work Session

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July 26 Council Meeting

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ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL

MEETINGS AND WORK

SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE

TRIBAL COURTROOM

LOCATED AT

7500 Odawa Circle,

HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

Legislative

Tribal Council Members

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary

Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor

Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor

Alice Yellowbank, Councilor

Dexter McNamara, Councilor

Marvin Mulholland, Councilor

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Secretary Gasco

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bent-

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

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa

and supported by Councilor Mulholland to

adopt Tribal Resolution Approval of Lease

with Berg Property for Natural Resources

Hunting and Gather and appropriate \$8,000

Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mc-

Namara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes,

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July 24, 25, 26 2009

9:15-Noon Presentations/workshops

1:15-5 Presentations/workshops

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Harrington,

ley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to ac-

cept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and

Rita Shananaquet, Councilor

Bentley), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

written report for May 17, 2009.

Motion carried.

from Prior Period Funds.

Absent

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians invites you to the 16th Annual Anishinaabe Family

Language / Culture Camp

No registration fee

Celebrating the unity of our language and culture

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise Ceremony) daily

Saturday, July 25

8 a.m. Breakfast

Noon Lunch

Bring your nation flag and gift for the giveaway

Motion carried.

Beatrice A. Law, Legislative Leader

Gerald Chingwa, Treasurer

August 22 Work Session

ibal Council Meeting Minutes

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 May 3, 2009

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

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

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik, Assistant General Counsel Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, General Counsel James Bransky, Chief Financial Officer Valerie Tweedie, Gaming Board of Director Chairperson Carol McFall, Gaming Board of Directors Judy Pierzynowski, Fred Kiogima and Sheran Patton, Gaming Board of Directors Office Manager Cathy Portman, Director of Property Operations Barry Laughlin, Casino General Manager Sean Barnard, Casino Human Resource Director Denise White, Casino Director of Finance Scott Cannaday, Casino Table Games Director Susan Foster, Casino Hospitality Director Mike Bodjiak, Casino Marketing Director Phil Gonzales, Casino Slot Director Frank Kersh, Casino Director of Player Development Mark Aiello

Judicial Officials Present: none

Guests: Ken Harrington, Marty VanDe-

Car Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt the agenda for May 3, 2009 with additions.

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

Motion carried.

9:44 a.m. Councilor Shananaquet arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to approve the minutes of April 19, 2009 with corrections.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to ratify into the record the phone poll dated April 23, 2009: To Approve "NEXT STEPS" outlined in Confidential Memo 042309 submitted to Tribal Council from Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney dated April 22, 2009 to meet immediate deadlines. The phone poll passed.

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Elder Comments: no comments at this time.

9:54 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Mulholland to go into closed session for proprietary and legal issues.

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

10:53 a.m. Recess called.

Motion carried.

11:03 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

11:52 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Yel-

lowbank to return to open session. Vote: 9 ¬¬- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0

- Absent 11:55 a.m. Public Comment opened: no

comments. 11:56 a.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Harrington, Jr., to authorize an engagement letter for services with Fredericks, Peebles & Morgan LLP to represent Tribal Council and authorize the Tribal Chairman through his administrative oversight authority to sign an engagement letter for services with Fredericks, Peebles and Morgan LLP.

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

Motion carried.

12:00 p.m. Lunch recess called. 1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Gaming Board of Directors, GM and the Casino Directors to Discuss the Quarterly Business Plans and a Financial Update.

2:22 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to go into closed session for confidential business.

Vote: 7 ¬¬- Yes, 0 - No, 0- Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor McNamara)

2:42 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to return to open session.

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

- Motion carried.
 - 2:50 p.m. Recess called.

2:53 p.m. Meeting reconvened. 3:03 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:03 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Legislative Leader Law's verbal and written report for May 3, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Treasurer Chingwa's Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal Chairman report for May 3, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairman Kiogima's verbal report for May 3, 2009. Vote: 9 ¬¬- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept Councilor Harrington, Jr.'s verbal Tribal Council member report regarding Bay Mills Board of Regents for May 3, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for May 3, 2009. Vote: 9 ¬¬- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to pass the Education Appeals Board Statute.

Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-no, Councilor McNamarayes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

4:02 p.m. Recess called.

4:09 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to pass

the Gaming Delegation and Authority Statute. Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes,

Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamarayes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to pass the Child Welfare Commission Statute.

Roll Councilor Harrington, Jr. -yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor McNamarayes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to disapprove the Natural Resource Commission Regulations for Licensing and Permits.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to post to the Legislative calendar Tribal Citizen and North American Indian Preference in Tribal Employment Statute.

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

Motion carried.

5:00 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Harrington, Jr., and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected.

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

> The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 May 17, 2009

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:32 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Beatrice A. Law

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

Absent: none

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick,

Office Manager Michele LaCount Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik

Judicial Officials Present: none Guests: Ken Harrington, Renee' Dil-

lard, Fred Kiogima, Kathy Shomin

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt the agenda for May 17, 2009 with additions.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to approve the minutes of May 3, 2009 with corrections.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley

to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated May 8, 2009 to approve "Next Step" outlined in confidential memo 050809-01 submitted to Tribal Council from Legislative Services Attorney Donna L. Budnick dated May 8, 2009 to meet immediate deadlines. The phone poll passed with 8-yes, 1-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent.

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

and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to

ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated

May 13, 2009 to approve the confidential let-

ter of engagement with the expressed limited

sovereign immunity waiver clause to meet an

immediate deadline. The phone poll passed 7-

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Mul-

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and

supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve

budget modification 2000-01-02 reinstating

\$8,032 of the original \$62,260 budget reduc-

tions and budget modification 1101-0-02 re-

instating \$9,627 of the original \$57,520 budget

reductions, in accordance with the Tribal

Motion is on hold in consideration re-

Council budget reduction savings plan.

10:39 a.m. Recess called.

Motion resumes

Meals are provided

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Manistee, MI

Friday, July 24

Noon Lunch

1.15-5 Presents

10:49 a.m. Meeting resumed.

Motion carried. Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa

yes, 1-no, 0-abstained, 1-absent.

Motion carried.

cess.

holland), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

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5 p.m. Dinner 7 p.m. Jiingtamok/Pow Wow

Sunday, July 26 8 a.m. Breakfast

9:15 - Noon Presentation/workshops Noon lunch, Giveaway & closing

8 a.m. Opening Ceremony & Breakfast

ions/workshops

9:15-Noon Presentations/workshops

5 p.m. Dinner Crystal Shawanda performance at LRCR Doors open at 7, Performance at 8 Meet & Greet after the show Tickets go on sale on May 9, 2009 For tickets, call 1-800-585-3737 or go to www.starticketsplus.com

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Councilor Shananaquet-no, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept Treasurer Chingwa's Treasurer/Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal report for May 17, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept the Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept Councilor Shananaquet's verbal Tribal Council member report for May 17, 2009. Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 -

Absent

Motion carried.

11:45 a.m. Public comment opened: Fred Kiogima spoke regarding the Victories Casino site responsibility. Ken Harrington spoke regarding the Victories Casino site also. Michele LaCount spoke regarding Berg Lease resource. Renée' Dillard spoke regarding the Berg Lease also.

> 12:02 p.m. Public Comment closed. 12:02 p.m. Lunch recess

1:31 p.m. Meeting resumed, Councilor Harrington, Jr., absent.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to accept Councilor Yellowbank verbal Tribal Council member report for May 17, 2009.

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

Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Kiogima to accept the Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for May 17, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to authorize and request the Tribal Chairman

through his administrative oversight, to the extent necessary, and provide an internal due diligence on Property #29 to Tribal Council as soon as possible but no later than July 24, 2009

Vote: 5 - Yes, 3 - No (Treasurer Chingwa, Councilor Shananaquet, Legislative Leader Law), 0 - Abstained, 1 – Absent (Councilor Harrington, Jr.)

Motion carried

3:00 p.m. Public Comment opened: Kathy Shomin spoke regarding Casino surveillance. Ken Harrington spoke regarding Per Cap and the next Housing Commission meeting at 3: 00 p.m. tomorrow.

3:18 p.m. Public Comment closed. Motion made by Councilor Mulholland

and supported by Councilor McNamara to accept the Tribal

Chairman verbal and written report with confidential items contained therein.

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

3:19 p.m. Recess called. 3:33 p.m.

Meeting reconvened. Motion

made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor

Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for funding from the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan (AAANM), Michigan Office of Services to the Aging (OSA) FY 2010-2012 Multi-Year Aging Services Contract, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Elders' Program.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellow-

for Funding from the U.S. Department of Energy National Energy Technology Laboratory Recovery Act - Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2009 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Project.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for funding from U.S. Department of Health and

Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Funding for Tribes under Title IV-E of the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoption Act, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2009 Title IV-E Plan Development Grants.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution to Request for Funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health, Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP), FY 2010 Governor's Discretionary Grant, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2010 Safe Communities Program

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution to Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FY 09 Region 5 Wetland

Program Development Grants, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Wetland Program Development.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to

adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Rural Housing and Economic Development Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Innovative Housing and Economic Development.

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

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment List B- Declination (Ineligible) dated April 16, 2009 for a total of

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to accept Enrollment List C- Voluntary Relinquishment dated April 16, 2009 for a total of

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by to adopt Tribal Resolution Limited Sovereign Immunity Waivers in Odawa Casino Resort Contracts.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to pass Amendment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2006-004 Tribal Elections and Election Board Statute.

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

Motion carried.

5:07 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adjourn.

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

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

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Law-yes Motion carried. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment list A- Eligible for Citizenship dated April 16, 2009 for a total of





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bank and supported by Councilor Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution to Request

Law-yes Motion carried.

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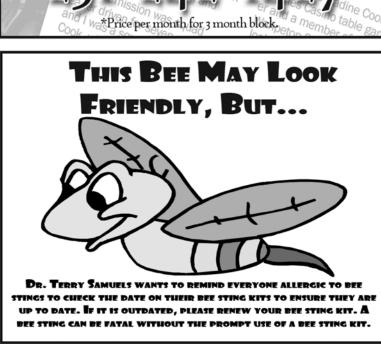
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Odawa Trails

Native News Briefs

Aapiji Kiinagachtoon Bobbi Zeeff and Isaac Dillard



Aapiji Kiinagachtoon (Congratulations) to Bobbi Zeeff and Isaac Dillard. A traditional marriage ceremony, performed by Jack Chambers (Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians), was held on May 23, 2009 for Bobbi and Isaac. Both the bride and the groom wore traditional Native regalia for their ceremony.

Bobbi (Three Fires Potawatomi) was given in marriage by her father, Robert Zeeff, and her mother, Mona Crampton Whitmore (Three Fires Potawatomi).

The groom (Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians) is the son of Renee Dillard (Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians) and the late Michael Gene Dillard.

The ceremony was held at the Wah-Wahs-Noo-Da Ke Community Building in Harbor Springs, MI. After the feast at the Community Building, a giveaway was done in honor of the couple.

Both the bride and the groom are employed at Schuss Mountain in Bellaire, MI.

Photo by Mike Lyons.

Updated Version of Gah-Baeh-Jhagwah-Buk Book Now Available Gah-Baeh-Jhagwah-Buk (The Way It Happened): A Visual History

of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa written by James McClurken was first published in 1991, and it chronicled more than 300 years of



Odawa history.

Graphic by Pre-Press Graphics Specialist David K. Burks. LTBB Tribal Citizen Donates

Autographed Record to Tribe

Tribal Councilor Dexter McNamara, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, presents his original 78 r.p.m. album of Little Richard to Archives and Records



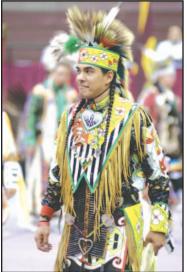
Technician Yvonne Walker-Keshick. The album, which McNamara donated to the Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department, was autographed by Little Richard during his visit to northern Michigan for his May 2, 2009 concert at Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI.

Photo by Communications Coor-

dinator Annette VanDeCar. Native Traditional Dancer Fea-

tured in Gatorade Commercial Gatorade featured men's tradi-

tional dancer R.J. Smith, the husband of LTBB Tribal Citizen Netawn Kiogima, in a commercial recently.



The commercial features Smith dancing in segments with the following dialogue, "For those who find themselves through motion, define themselves through action, honor their elders through rhythm, we salute you. "Crow Hop" by Red Bull is the music used in the commercial.

The photo of R.J. Smith at the 20th Annual Central Michigan University Pow Wow is by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



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Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Open Museum and Cultural Center

The Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians held a grand opening celebration for its \$1.65 million, 8,500-square foot Eyaawing Museum and Cultural Center in Peshawbestown, MI, on May 30.

Eyaawing translates to "who we are," in Anishinaabemowin. It was built with \$729,000 in GTB funds, a \$500,000 Indian Community Development block grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and a \$425,000 grant from the U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs.

It is open Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are accepted.

Due to Economic Climate, Schemitzun Canceled for 2009 and Beyond

On June 8, 2009, Indian Coun-

try Today reported Schemitzun, the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation's annual Feast of Green Corn and Dance, has been canceled for 2009 and beyond.

The tribal nation announced the cancelation last month in letters to tribal members, employees, tribal leaders, vendors and sponsors. The letter stated, "We extend our sincere gratitude to you for many years of participation and appreciation for the annual Schemitzun pow wow and rodeo held here in Southeastern Connecticut. Unfortunately, due to the current recession in the U.S. economy and in conjunction with cost-saving measures already underway throughout the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation, the Tribal Council has determined the need to cancel and/or postpone certain activities that are not considered essential in nature." The Mashantucket Pequot first hosted Schemitzun in 1991. Learn How to Protect Your Trees and Shrubs from Pests and Diseases The Emmet County MSU Extension Office is holding a "Tree and Shrub CSI Diagnostic Workshop" on July 11 at the Emmet County Fairground's T-Barn from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Participants will learn about pests and diseases common in northern Michigan. Participants are encouraged to bring in up to two samples of problem issues from their yards. Cost is \$20 per person. For a detailed informational brochure with a registration form, please call 231-348-1770.

Primary Election May 11, 2009

Chair/ViceChair		Votes	Rank
Team 1	Ettawageshik/Demeny	285	1
Team 2	Petoskey/Emery	115	3
Team 3	Dyer-Deckrow/LaCroix	103	4
Team 4	Harrington/McNamara	232	2
WAGANAKISING ODAWA	Bea Law	275	4
	Yvonne McShane	174	13
	Alice Yellowbank	269	5
	Christine Shomin	194	10
	Catherine Laba	192	11
	Belinda Bardwell	259	6
	John Bott	326	3
	Julie Shananaquet	345	1
	Melvin Kiogima	342	2
	Audrey Perry-Atkinson	218	7
	Angie Woodin	123	14
	Aaron Otto	212	8
	Roy Smithkey	183	12
	Paul Eames	201	9

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Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

If you live in Michigan and need assistance with fuel oil, propane, electric, natural gas or wood/coal and are low income, please stop by Human Services at 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, MI or call 231-242-1620 for an application.

You can apply once during January 1, 2009 to September 30, 2009 for each type of assistance available.

- 1. Direct. Any assistance not an emergency.
- 2. Emergency. Will help with shut-off or tank less than 10%.
- 3. Weatherization. Insulation, storm door, etc.

Applications for all programs are accepted until funds run out.

A limited supply of heaters, window plastic kits and weatherstripping are available for pickup at the Human Services Building during regular business hours.



The Michigan State University (MSU) Museum and LTBB recently collaborated to publish an updated version of the book.

It is now available for purchase through the Archives and Records Department. For LTBB Tribal Citizens, the cost is \$50. For non-tribal citizens, the cost is \$53. If you would like the book shipped to you, there is an additional cost of \$7. For more information, please contact the Archives and Records Department at 231-242-1450.

To fund the reissue, LTBB contributed \$8,000, Consumers Energy gave \$10,000 in the form of a grant and the remaining \$8,000 came from revenue generated from the first edition's sales.

Exhibit Highlights Native American Innovations

The Andrew J. Blackbird Museum in Harbor Springs, MI, is currently running an exhibit titled, "Native American Inventions." The exhibit, which will run through May 2010, features examples of Native American inventions and innovations. The intent of the exhibit is to create a better understanding of how much society owes to the imagination and ingenuity of the Native American people. The exhibit opened on June 2,2009.

The museum is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is by donation.

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