

Odawa Trails

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LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN RENEE WASSON DILLARD RECIPIENT OF A 2010 MICHIGAN HERITAGE AWARD

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

LTBB Tribal Citizen Renee Wasson Dillard has spent her life teaching

others the traditional arts of black ash basketry, finger weaving and other natural fiber arts.



She feels it is her responsibility to pass on the knowledge she received from elders to future generations be-

cause for her, it is an essential part of Native culture.

To honor her lifelong efforts, the Michigan Heritage Awards Program named Dillard a 2010 Michigan Heritage Award Recipient for her "lifelong work in, and perpetuation of black ash basketry, finger weaving and other natural fiber arts traditions." LTBB Tribal Citizen Marie "Tootsie" Miller nominated her for the award while LTBB Tribal Citizen Carla McFall, Michael Aloway and Christian Carron all wrote letters of support for her.

The Michigan Heritage Award ceremony is scheduled for August 14, 2010 in East Lansing, MI.

"I was so honored and excited when I found out," said Dillard, a Har-

bor Springs, MI, resident. "It feels really good because someone else nominated me and because people thought enough of me to write letters of support for me.

"I want to make sure I acknowledge my silent partner Edward (Peterson). I am the one up front presenting and teaching, but he does 75% of the process because he gathers everything. It enriches our relationship."

Dillard said she considers herself a finger weaver first, but she is focused right now on making black ash baskets because they can be mass produced, there is a market for them and because she is not sure how much longer black ash trees will be available due to the Emerald Ash Borer. She and Peterson, a member of the Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians, have been making black ash baskets full-time for the past six years. They made 255 baskets last year and 334 in 2008.

"My mother always admired black ash basket makers, and my grandmother used to make black ash baskets back in the 1960's when people called them arts and crafts," Dillard said. "It offended my grandmother when people called them that because it is a way of life, not arts and crafts. Growing up, I went to no extracurricular activities because my parents wanted all of us girls to learn about the traditional arts. We did several traditional art forms."

Her family learned from Paul and Vivian Jackson and Rose Shagobaby.

"Paul and Vivian Jackson showed us techniques for a few weeks when I was 9 or 10," said Dillard, who grew up south of the Grand Rapids, MI, area. "I wanted to do it, but they wouldn't give me anything sharp because I was too young. I sat under the table playing with the scraps and imitating them. I didn't receive a lot of instruction; I learned by watching and

mimicking others. Doing it has taught me all Seven Grandfather teachings.

When Dillard teaches others the process of making black ash baskets, she teaches them to do everything by hand and not using power tools.

"It gives you a deeper appreciation for our ancestors when you do it that way," Dillard said. "I like working with natural fibers more because our ancestors hear those sounds, and they come back. I'm never alone when I do them."

Her son, Isaac, 28, makes baskets. Her grandson, Michael Thomas, 8, is learning how to pound bark and has made his first two baskets. Her granddaughter, Sierra, made her first two baskets this year. She made a black ash bassinet for her grandson, Isaac Dillard, Jr., who was born on February 3, 2010. She also has a granddaughter, Madison, 6.

Dillard was not enrolled with any tribe for several years although "Dillard" continued on page 11.

NEW ART-TEXTILES CERTIFICATE PROGRAM NOW AVAILABLE THROUGH THE WAGANAKISING ODAWA CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Through the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP), LTBB is partnering with North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI, and Cross Village Rug Works (CVRW) in Cross Village, MI, to offer an Art-Textiles certificate program.

It is the seventh certificate program offered through WOCTEP; the other certificate programs include New Media, Graphic Arts, Entrepreneurial Essentials, Certified Nurse Assistant, Phlebotomy Technician and Medical Assistant. The Art-Textiles certificate program, which was developed by NCMC Art Department Director Shanna Robinson, consists of 22 credit hours. The following is the program description: "This certificate is designed to provide a foundation of study in the textile arts. Students who complete this certificate will be prepared to transfer to a four-year program or enter the workforce as an entry level textile worker."

Similar to the other WOCTEP certificate programs, the Art-Textiles

certificate program is open to any student, offers early registration for WOCTEP students, has a culturally-based curriculum, offers an academic liaison to help students through the program and has need-based hourly stipend and childcare and transportation assistance available to eligible participating students.

Art-Textiles Curriculum Coordinator Amber Holt can be reached at 231-242-1493 for assistance in any of the aforementioned areas. The program started Winter Semester 2010 with registration starting this month.

Cross Village Rug Works was incorporated and endorsed by the State of Michigan on August 17, 2007 and achieved its non-profit status by early spring 2008.

According to Cross Village Rug Works' website, research revealed people indigenous to the Cross Village area have been weaving natural fiber floor coverings for centuries, and that a successful "rug works" program, implemented in the 1930s in Cross Village, helped alleviate the economic suffering of area residents who were taught to braid rugs for sale to the burgeoning tourist trade.



Thus, the decision was made to establish a rug works in Cross Village as a cottage industry for the purpose of providing self-sustaining skills and employment for underprivileged residents, providing relief from chronic unemployment through education and skills building, preserving the area's agricultural community and pre-

serving the cultural resources through documentation and education.

So far, Cross Village Rug Works has provided approximately 24 northern Michigan area residents, who meet requirements based upon the U.S. Census Bureau's economic poverty guidelines, with artisan apprenticeships and employment. Ten

punch needle apprentices and eight weavers are now at CVRW.

In October 2009, Cross Village Rug Works Production Director Pam Keller was selected as the CVRW weaver for the "Fleece to Shawl" competition at the Rhinebeck Sheep & Wool Festival in Rhinebeck, NY, and her punch needle rug "The Pike Runner" captured first place in the "Make It With Wool" competition there.

For more information on Cross Village Rug Works, call 231-526-7849 or visit www.crossvillagerugworks.com.

WOCTEP is funded by a five-year, \$2.1 million Native American Career Technical Education Program (NACTEP) grant from the U.S. Department of Education. In 2008, LTBB partnered with NCMC to offer certificate programs through WOCTEP.

For more information on WOCTEP, call 231-242-1485.

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Being Odawa is all about Freedom

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

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of the LTBB Mission Statement

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The 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 April issue of *Odawa Trails* is March 1, 2010.

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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| March 4
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Darla Lewis
Deanne Samuels | March 16
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Carla Hilyard | March 24
Sharon Sanders
Mildred Shomin |
| March 5
Dennis Hardwick
Karen Randolph | March 17
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| March 7
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William Kiogima | March 27
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Janet Sagataw |
| March 8
Mary Lawler | March 19
Joseph Allen
Theresa Fischer
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Wendy Morris |
| March 9
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Neomi Simons | March 20
Roseanna Alexander
John Beaver
Bennie Lacroix
Donald McMillan
Sheran Patton
Patrick Sloniker | March 29
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| March 10
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| March 11
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| March 12
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Elders Program

ELDERS PROGRAM REPORT

By Marie "Tootsie" Miller, Elders Program Coordinator

Aanii Kikaajik!

We have had a healthy winter, and not nearly as much blowing, drifting snow as last year! I trust this newsletter finds you well and healthy. Just a reminder that the LTBB Elders Program is committed to utilize all resources available to provide a permanent accessible tribal support system for all LTBB Tribal Elders. Currently, there are 947 elders registered with our tribe.

Our housekeeping and snow removal programs are moving along smoothly. We know it will continue that way! Once more, we are happy

to say we have been budgeted to receive the Food and Utility Reimbursement program. The food and utility applications will be mailed by March 2010 to every tribal citizen who will reach the age of 55 in 2010.

It is very important you read the application and follow the directions on the accompanying cover letter. Your utility receipts must show you paid your bills in the year 2010, and grocery receipts must show they were bought in the year 2010. Applications for the food and utility reimbursement will be accepted until the end of September 2010.

Burial request program regulations have been delegated to the Human Services Department. Burial as-

istance funds are limited to \$8,000 per deceased citizen. Human Services staff will verify any items submitted are allowable under the Burial Program Statute WOS 2006-017 before processing burial funds requests. If you have any questions regarding this, please call Fiona Banfield at 231-242-1626.

And, a final Chi Miigwetch to Tribal Council and the Department of Health and Human Services for supplying our funds for the Elders Program. We are eternally grateful to you for giving us a great start to 2010!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 231-242-1422 or 231-242-1423.



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- Harvey Dreaver, (Saskatchewan)
- Gabe Gaudet, (Ontario)
- Dan Isaac, (Michigan)
- Gordon Sands, (Saskatchewan/Ontario)
- Eligah Stevens, (Ontario)
- Jacob Faithful, (Alberta)
- Matt Isaac, (Ontario)
- Vydel Sands, (Saskatchewan/Ontario)
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- Jermaine White Bull, (Wyoming)
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Legislative Corner

Over the last couple of months, Tribal Council has received questions about our LTBB Tribal Constitution from LTBB Tribal Citizens. In particular, people are interested in the "separation of powers" within our constitution. Because our constitution is the framework of our tribal government, we would like to provide some thoughts and answers on this subject. First, our LTBB Tribal Constitution has similarities to other sovereign nations such as the United States and the State of Michigan in so far as each of the governments has three branches: Legislative, Executive and Judiciary. Apart from this similarity in appearance, our government is very different in function from the United States or Michigan.

Reserved Power

The very basis of our tribal constitution is very rare in that it recognizes the power of the tribal membership. In the LTBB Constitution, tribal members reserve "all governing authority" unless delegated by the constitution to one of the branches of government. "All powers and functions not so delegated remain with the tribal membership." Although the tribal membership delegated adequate powers and functions to each of the branches, the mere fact the tribal membership has the reserve power makes our constitution very unique.

Separation of Powers

When the constitution was drafted, a number of the decision making provisions were delegated to Tribal Council. As you know, we have nine representatives on Tribal Council. It was believed the decisions that address laws, establishing departments, set priorities for the tribe, allocate funding and generally provided direction for the tribe should come from nine people empowered to make the best decisions for the tribe and its tribal citizens.

Tribal Council makes decisions in the following areas:

- Make laws
- Approve policies, resolutions and regulations
- Provide for domestic relations jurisdiction
- Charter Indian corporations
- Ban persons from tribal lands
- Govern tribal government conduct
- Provide for open records
- Encumber lands and dispose assets
- Purchase land and assets
- Place land in trust
- Approve land use
- Approve leases
- Approve sales of land

- Employ legal counsel
- Approve lawsuits
- Establish committees, commissions and boards
- Establish and maintain government offices
- Appropriate funds
- Raise revenue
- Receive grants, donations and funding
- Establish lower courts
- Create and dissolve Executive divisions or departments
- Approve negotiations
- Manage economic affairs and enterprise

Most of the powers and duties for the tribe are found within the Legislative branch of the government. This is much different from other sovereign nations i.e. United States or State of Michigan. The tribal citizens entrusted the Tribal Council with both legislative powers and also some administrative powers.

Tribal Council is responsible for providing the structure and direction of the tribal government and the Executive branch is responsible for implementation of these decisions. The Executive has oversight over the governmental operations, and through this oversight, the Chairman is responsible to see that tribal citizens receive adequate services in an efficient and effective manner.

In our next article, we will address the powers of the Executive and Judiciary and how each of the branches work separately, yet function as a cohesive government.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Tribal Council office at 1-866-927-0077 or attend a Tribal Council meeting. The calendar of meetings is in the *Odawa Trails* newsletters as well as our website at <http://www.ltbodawa-nsn.gov>.

*Miiqwech,
Submitted by Julie Shananaquet,
Legislative Leader, and Donna L.
Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney.*



LTBB HONORS LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER JEFF LIVINGSTON FOR HIS LIFESAVING HEROICS



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

On January 28, 2010 during the Elders Luncheon held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor

Springs, MI, LTBB honored Law Enforcement Officer Jeff Livingston for saving the life of 49-year-old Elizabeth Fischer on December 5, 2009.

Fischer, a Charlevoix, MI, resident, was a vendor at the LTBB Holiday Bazaar held December 5, 2009 at the governmental center. She suffered a seizure, fell to the floor and became unconscious. Livingston gave her chest compressions to keep her stable until an ambulance arrived. The ambulance took her to Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, and she was later released from the hospital.

Livingston received the second life saving citation of his career. He received his first one several years ago when he worked for the Grand Traverse County Sheriff Department.

MEET LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS MICHAEL LOGGHE AND PATRICK SYMONS



Michael Logghe
Law Enforcement Officer Michael Logghe started on January 25, 2010.

Logghe, who is originally from the Detroit, MI, area, worked for the Ann Arbor Police Department for 23 years until his retirement in June 2009. He also worked a few months for the Eastern Michigan University Police Department in Ypsilanti, MI, before accepting his current position.

He and his wife, Janet who is a Communications Operator for the City of Ann Arbor, had purchased property in the northern Michigan area in 2004. Janet was scheduled to retire on February 21, 2010.

"My wife had come up here with her mother and sisters for several

years, and she liked the area," said Logghe, who earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice from Ferris State University. "A good friend of mine who was a Michigan State trooper transferred up here, and I had visited him here. I fell in love with the area on those visits.

"It was our retirement plan to move up here."

Ever since he was a kid, Logghe had wanted to be a Law Enforcement Officer or a history teacher. He is the author of a history book titled *True Crimes in the History of the Ann Arbor Police Department*.

"I have always been intrigued by history," Logghe said. "I'm looking forward to learning about the tribe's history."

He and his wife, Janet, have two children, Matthew, 19, and Courtney, 17, and have three dogs, Cooper, Elle and Dean. Matthew is a freshman at Ferris State University and Courtney is a senior at Brighton High School.

In his free time, he enjoys running, hiking, mountain biking and spending time with his family and friends.

Patrick Symons

Patrick Symons started as a Law Enforcement Officer on February 1, 2010.



Symons, who is originally from West Branch, MI, has lived in East Jordan, MI, for the past 16 years. Prior to accepting his current position, he worked at East Jordan Iron Works for 12 years, worked as a Probationary Fire Fighter for the East Jordan Fire Department and worked part-time in the East Jordan Police Department. He earned an Associates degree in Applied Science in Law Enforcement from Northwestern Michigan College.

"It's an interesting job," Symons said of law enforcement. "I enjoy helping people."

He has a wife, Melissa, and two children, Patrick, 9, and Christopher, 6.

In his free time, he enjoys hanging out with his wife and kids, hunting and fishing.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Commercial Fishing Training Opportunity Offered by the Natural Resources Commission

Submitted by the Natural Resource Department

The LTBB Natural Resources Commission (NRC) will be accepting applications for a newly developed Commercial Fishing Apprentice Program.

The goal of the apprentice program is to provide individuals with limited (or no) commercial fishing experience an opportunity to learn techniques from an experienced commercial fisherman.

Up to two apprentices may be selected by the NRC through a competitive application process. Apprentices will be expected to commit to one full season (typically April-November) of training. Training will take place on a 21' Work-skiff model aluminum vessel designed for gill-net fishing. Training is anticipated to take place in the Little Traverse Bay/Sturgeon Bay areas of Lake Michigan beginning in April or May 2010.

Applications and program de-

tails are available at the LTBB Natural Resources Department. Interested LTBB Tribal Citizens should contact the LTBB Natural Resources Department at 231-242-1670 for more information.





LTBB EDUCATION DEPARTMENT STAFF VISIT LOCAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS



Submitted by the Education Department



On January 12, 2010, LTBB Education Department staff gave a classroom presentation to the second grade class of Robin Lees, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, at Inland Lakes Elementary School in Indian River, MI. Staff members covered Odawa history (past and present) and culture and assisted the students in making Bandolier bags.

The photos appear courtesy of the LTBB Education Department.

On January 7, 2010, LTBB Education Department staff gave classroom presentations to the third grade classes of Ms. Grundman and Ms. Cummins at Sheridan Elementary School in Petoskey, MI.

Staff members brought the village diorama from the LTBB Archives, Records and Cultural Preservation Department to help educate the students and assisted the students in creating Bandolier bags.



Middle School

Homework Lab

High School

Where: Little Traverse Bay Bands Government Complex
When: Wednesdays ***** Starting December 2, 2009

*** 3:30 pm — 5:00 pm ***

Drop off: Harbor Springs Public School bus or parent drop off
Pick up: Parent pick up at 5:00 pm at Government Complex

FOR MORE INFORMATION & SIGN-UP

Please call Cheryl Halfacer, Harbor Springs Title VII @ 231-526-4835
 or
 Dorothy Perry, K-12 Student Services LTBB Education Dept. @ 231-242-1482

LTBB IS HOSTING A HOMEWORK LAB BEFORE YOUTH GROUP ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS STARTING DECEMBER 1ST.

When: youth 8-12-Tuesdays
 Youth 13-18-Thursdays
Time: 4:00pm-5:00pm
Where: The White House

School bus transportation may be provided with signed permission slips from your parents.

For more information and sign-up please contact Jeannie Norris at (231) 838-4886 or Dorothy Perry, LTBB Education Department at (231) 242-1482. You may also contact your title VII worker for more information



ENJI-ZIISBAAKADOKENG

By Isabelle Osawamick, Gijigowi Language Instructor

Nmijimendan giigaajiiyaanh gaazhiwebak paaziisbaakadokeng. Kina gwaya giinaadamaage. Kina gwaya giimnwendaagwazi. Ngiiadobii genii. Ngiiipaamoongenani zisbaakadaaboo ninaatigo-mtigong. Kikonhs ngiitkwanaa, miidash wa gaamooshkinebnak. Epiichi nokiyaang, bekish ngiidaminami. Ngipaakizodtaadmi. Gbegiizhik oodi ngiiaami enji-zisbaakadokeng.

Nopwaan ngiibiidoonaa wi-

inaakwe wiisiniyaang. Ndo-noos minwaa nzhisenh giidbaajimitaadook, maapiij gwa giiniaansokewok. Zhaazhigwa gwa gaabezhiwebak giidabaataanaa'aa. Nanabush gwa gewii giidabaajimagaza. Ngiiisaadendam weweni giibzindosgwa.

Zisbaakadaaboo giintaakimide gbegiizhik. Maapiij gwa giigiizhsin. Gaawii gnabaach geyaabe niibna bimaadizijik zhichigesiidigenaak maanda. Kina nangwa gwaya damtaa. Baatiinad enokiyaad nangwa bimaadizijik.



At the Sugar Camp
I remember when I was young

what happened at the sugar camp. Everybody helped. Everybody had a good time. I carried the water back. I gathered sugar water from the maple trees. I carried a little pail; that is what I filled up. As we were working, we also played. We played hide and seek. We were there all day at the sugar camp.

We brought our lunch bags so that we could eat at lunchtime. My dad and my uncle talked to each other; eventually, they told legends. They talked about what happened a long time ago. They also talked about

Nanabush. I am sorry that I didn't listen carefully to them.

The maple sugar water was simmering all day. Eventually, it got done. I don't think there are many people that do this anymore. Today, everybody is too busy. People have too much to do today.

NAME GIZHIGAT	SHKWAANAME GIZHIGAT	NIIZH- GIZHIGAT	NSO- GIZHIGAT	NIUWO- GIZHIGAT	NAANO- GIZHIGAT	NWEBI- GIZHIGAT
	1 Wiigwam House	2 Desigaan Porch, Patio	3 Pakwaan roof	4 Waasechigan Window	5 Mchisak Floor	6 Aachikinigan A room
7 Naamsak Basement	8 Aasmaatik Wall	9 Shpimsigong Upstairs	10 Aazhiwisak in the other room	11 Shkwaandem door	12 Giigido-bii'aapkonhs telephone	13 Waabmowin mirror
14 Taasowin cupboard, cabinet	15 Waaskwanenjigan lamp, light	16 Mzinaateschigan television	17 Mdwewechigan stereo, radio musical instr.	18 Mkwamii-Taasowin refrigerator	19 Gizhiaapkizigan stove	20 Nbaagan bed
21 Pkweshmowin pillow	22 Waaboowan blanket	23 Pishmowin mattress	24 Dopwin table	25 Dopwaanhs night stand, small table	26 Pabwin Chair	27 Mzinchigan a picture
28 Dabagiiswaan clock	29	30	31			



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

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

Eligibility Criteria:

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

Remember!!!!

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

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical care that is not

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

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

Alternate Resources:

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

Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

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

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

After Hours Clinic for LTBB Tribal Patients

Weekend Urgent Care Alternative

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

This clinic 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 this provider, you are required to call LTBB Contract Health at 231-242-1600. Notice must be received within 72 hours of

the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health.



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

2010 NATIVE AMERICAN CRITICAL ISSUES CONFERENCE

The theme of the 2010 Native American Critical Issues Conference, sponsored by the Michigan Indian Education Council, is "Adapting to Change; Strength from Our Ancestors."

The conference is being held March 4-6 at the Grand Traverse Resort & Spa in Acme, MI. Cost is \$250 (General), \$240 (Associate) and \$150 (Student, must show current student ID, and elder, 60-plus) by mail. If you pay on-site, it is \$275 (General and Associate) and \$175 (Student, must show current student ID, and elder,

60-plus).

The conference goal's include to introduce the next generation to the technologies that will allow them to succeed in the new economy; to facilitate the exchange of ideas between educators, agencies, tribal entities and families for better educational strategies; to discuss tactics for classrooms and agencies to affect families as a unit to realize the full potential of each; and to empower and impel each generation to action while still heeding the lessons of our ancestors.

Keynote speakers include N. Bird Runningwater and Wenona T. Singel.

Runningwater (Cheyenne and Mescalero Apache) is the Associate Director of Native American and Indigenous Programs for the Sundance

Institute. In this capacity, he scouts worldwide and across the United States for indigenous artists with projects that can be supported through the institute's Feature Film Program, Documentary Program, Theatre Program, the Independent Producers Conference and Sundance Film Festival. He also oversees the Sundance Institute-Ford Foundation Film Fellowship established for emerging Native American filmmakers.

Singel (LTBB) is an Assistant Professor at the Michigan State University Law College and the Associate Director of the Indigenous Law and Policy Center.

For more information or to download a registration form, visit www.miec.org/Conference_files/Conf_Announcement%202010-2.pdf.

Youth Group Activities & Advocacy

The Eshkinigijik:
•Are Native and non-Native youth from the LTBB Community between the ages of 13-18 years old.
•Eshkinigijik meet on a weekly basis, Thursdays after school till 7 p.m.
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.

The Binoojinhak:
•Are Native and non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 8-12 years old.
•Meet on a weekly basis, Tuesdays after school till 7 p.m.
Parents are informed weekly of different meeting places and special events via phone, text, and e-mail, but we usually meet at the LTBB White House.

YOUTH ADVOCACY 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 6:30 - 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 Jeannie Norris, Youth Assistant.
For more information, please call Youth Assistant Jeannie Norris at 231-838-4888.

Join us for an evening of Great Food, Followed by Native American Entertainment

Tuesday - March 09 2010
5:00 pm — 8:00 pm
At the North Central Michigan College Cafeteria

Indian Taco Dinner and Entertainment

Cost
\$6.00 Per Person
\$5.00 Per Student/Elder
8 & Under Free
Elder—55 and over

Tickets at the Door or in

Door Prizes, 50/50 Drawing & a Silent Auction

Fundraiser for the North Central Michigan College Native American Student Organization's

Trip to the 16th Annual Arishinaabemwin Teg Language Conference

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Opportunity Conference 2010
From Hardships to Success
Friday, April 23, 2010
9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
(Doors open and sign in begins at 9:00 a.m.)
Boyer Mountain Civic Center, Boyne Falls

Students and Chaperones Sought for National Native American Youth Initiative

Submitted by the Health Department

The Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP) is now accepting applications from American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) high school students ages 16-18 who have an interest in the health field and/or biomedical research for the 13th Annual Patty Iron Cloud National Native American Youth Initiative (NNAYI).

The George Washington University campus in Washington, D.C. will be the site for NNAYI from June 19-27, 2010. Selected students will receive a scholarship which covers airfare, lodging and most meals during the program.

Student application deadline is April 16, 2010, and student notification of selection results is May 10, 2010.

NNAYI's curriculum is strategically designed to prepare high school students for admission to college and professional schools as well as for careers in health and biomedical research.

For more information or to download an application, please visit www.aaip.org/resource/resmgr/student_programs/2010picnnayistudent_pds.pdf.

Role Models/Chaperones Sought for NNAYI

The Association of American Indian Physicians is recruiting adults, ages 21 and older, to serve as role

models and chaperones to AI/AN high school students during the NNAYI program.

Selected individuals will arrive in Washington, D.C. on June 18, 2010 for training and to prepare for the high school students' arrival. AAIP will cover airfare, lodging, meals and a stipend will be provided upon completion of the program. For more information or to download an application, please visit www.aaip.org/resource/resmgr/student_programs/2010picnnayicounselorpds.pdf.

Counselor application deadline is March 5, 2010, and counselor selection notification is March 31, 2010.

Medical Transportation

Is available to tribal households who have no alternate means of transport.

For LTBB household members residing in the LTBB service delivery area.

For medical appointments/purposes only. Transport must be arranged 72 hours in advance.

Contact Community Outreach at the LTBB Health Department
231-242-1601

Tribal Notary Information

The tribal notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands jurisdiction unless he/she violates section C. Revocation WOS#2008-05 Tribal Notary Statute.

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	Current Status	Appointment Date	Expiration Date	Serial Number
Theresa C. Keshick	Active	2/18/09	2/18/15	01-09
Rebecca R. Atkinson	Active	2/23/09	2/23/15	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/09	2/23/15	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/09	5/11/15	04-09

Department of Commerce

How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

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

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

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

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

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

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

found on the LTBB website www.ltb-bodawa-nsn.gov or by calling the DOC at 231-242-1584. Tribal Form 3998, which is the actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption, may only be issued by the DOC with certain authorized signers. The signing order is as follows: DOC Assistant Theresa Keshick, Tribal Administrator Albert Colby, Jr., Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara and Chairman Ken Harrington (in the absence of DOC).

Please note: All RTM updates are sent to the State of Michigan on a monthly basis as close to the end of the month as possible. If you plan to

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

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

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

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 (31 cents per gallon unleaded and 27 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.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Commissions, Boards, and Committees

Current Vacancies:

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

Commission	Term	Vacancies
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1,2,3 yr. term	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	1,2,3 yr. term	3
Natural Resources	4 yr. term	1
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	2
Gaming Board of Directors	Indefinite	2

Tribal Chairman
LTBB of Odawa Indians
7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49770
Fax 231-242-1411
Or 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 scheduling and correspondence.

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

Enrollment Department

Address Verification Forms Due November 30, 2010

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM completed annually before November 30, 2010. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or custodial issues,

please contact the Enrollment Department at 231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521.

Minors who turn 18 by November 30, 2010 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICATION FORM. This form must be returned by November 30, 2010.

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

LTBB Tribal Directories

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

- Qualifications:
- Must include a copy of

your tribal identification card
•A \$5 money order or check payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians

Mail to:

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

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

Moving?

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS GAMING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Carol McFall - Chairperson
Judith Pierzynowski - Vice Chairperson
Sheran Patton - Treasurer/Secretary

For information, please contact:
Executive Assistant Catherine Portman

1760 Lears Rd.
Petoskey, MI 49770
Office: 231-439-8894
1-877-442-6464, ext. 8070
Fax: 231-439-5378
cporman@odawacasino.com



Tax Agreement Reminder

When moving into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area, in order to become a Resident Tribal Member, you must change your address in writing at the Enrollment Department located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the following month in which you moved.

Tribal Council Meeting Minutes



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

January 10, 2010

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:36 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Alice Yellowbank

Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Rita Shananaquet
Absent: none

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara, Assistant General Counsel-Allie Greenleaf Maldonado, Gaming Board of Directors: Chairperson Carol McFall, Board Member Judy Pierzynowski, Secretary/Treasurer Sheran Patton, Board Member Fred Kiogima, Board Member Dollie Keway and Office Manager Cathy Portman

Guests: Linda Gasco, Emily Proctor, Kassie McClellan, Kristy Dayson, Jeannie Norris, Merle Carson, Bea Law, Alice Yellowbank, Denise Petoskey, Bill Denemy Sr., Frank Ettawageshik, Allen Proctor, William R. McMillan

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt the agenda for January 10, 2010, with additions.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the minutes of December 20, 2009 with corrections, January 5, 2010 with corrections, and January 9, 2010 with corrections.

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

Motion carried.

Elder Comments: Bea Law spoke regarding Petoskey News Review Headlines.

Kassie McClellan - Mentorship Program for Tribal Youth. AmeriCorps Member 4-H Mentor Michigan Initiative Emmet County Presentation.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet's verbal and written report for January 10, 2010 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet for Tribal Council attendance at 2010 Special Work Ses-

sions, Meetings and Conferences for matters of interest on behalf of the Tribe.

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

Motion carried.

11:01 a.m. Recess called.

11:15 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Gaming Board of Directors - Discussion.

11:49 a.m. Public Comment opened: Emily Proctor spoke regarding the morning 4-H presentation and other youth educational programs.

11: 51 a.m. Public Comment closed.

12:14 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:35 p.m. Meeting Reconvened.

Councilor R. Shananaquet left the meeting.

1:52 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

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

Motion carried.

3:05 p.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet returned to meeting.

3:07 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to return to open session.

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

Motion carried.

3:07 p.m. Public Comment opened: no comments.

3:08 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:08 p.m. Recess called.

3:21 p.m. Meeting Reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the verbal and written report from Waganakising Odawa Development, Inc., on behalf of Nimkee Technologies, LLC.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasurer Bott's Tribal Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee Chairperson verbal report for January 10, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for January 10, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for January 10, 2010.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to authorize and approve Tribal Councilors Marvin Mulholland and John Bott, Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Legislative Services Attorney

Donna Budnick, Interim CFO Cheryl Lesky, Finance Director Scott Cannady, Eben Perison of Oppenheimer & Co., Inc and Tim Kincaid of Fredericks Peebles & Morgan to be representatives on behalf of the Tribe to negotiate within the parameters as directed by Tribal Council with the Bond Lenders or the Ad Hoc Committee of Lenders and shall report back any findings to the Tribal Council.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Ethics Committee-FYI update regarding meeting coordination.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indi-

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2010

March 6 Work Session
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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

Julie Shananaquet, Legislative Leader
Regina Gasco-Bentley, Secretary
John Bott, Treasurer
Aaron Wayne Otto, Councilor
Belinda Bardwell, Councilor
Gerald Chingwa, Councilor
Marvin Mulholland, Councilor
Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor
Rita Shananaquet, Councilor

ans LTBB GLRI Bear River Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians LTBB GLRI Boat Washing Stations Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco

Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians 2010 Basic Library Services Grant.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Support Agency Cooperative Agreement (SACA) Grant.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution Contract Renewal with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Service - Sanitation Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Well & Septic Systems Contract.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, FY 2010 Section 128(a) Cooperative Agreements Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians LTBB Tribal Environmental Response Project.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Great Lakes Fish and Wildlife Restoration Act Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department 2010 Michigan Walleye Joint Study.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Bard-

well-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve General Counsel James Bransky Contract as amended and presented commencing February 11, 2011 ending February 19, 2017 and authorize the Tribal Chairman to sign the Contract.

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

Motion carried.

4:46 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

January 24, 2010

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:11 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Julie Shananaquet

Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland

Absent: Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Gerald Chingwa
Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara
Guests: Sarah VanDeCar, Rose Smalley, Bea Law, Carol McFall, Alice Yellowbank, Diane Naganashe, Tom Naganashe, Bill Denemy, Sheran Patton, Fred Kiogima, Judy Pierzynowski, Denise Petoskey, Paul Eames, Marcia Sutton

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt the agenda for January 24, 2010 with additions.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the minutes of January 10, 2010 with corrections.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Chingwa)

Motion carried.

9:35 a.m. Councilor R. Shananaquet arrived

9:36 a.m. Councilor Chingwa arrived.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the minutes of January 23,

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CHECK OUT THESE LANGUAGE RESOURCES AVAILABLE AT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The Wikwemikong Heritage Organization has created language resources such as books, books with CDs, computer software, DVDs, music, posters and wall clocks to assist people learn Anishinaabemowin.

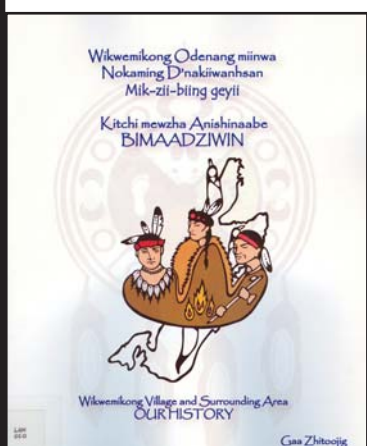
The Wikwemikong Heritage Organization is located on the Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve on Manitoulin Island in northern Ontario, Canada. One of its objectives is “to maintain and provide opportunities to sustain the Anishnabe language.”

LTBB Tribal Citizen Carla McFall donated 11 of the organization’s books to the LTBB Cultural Library located in the Education Department at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI.

The LTBB Cultural Library also has four of the organization’s language DVDs.

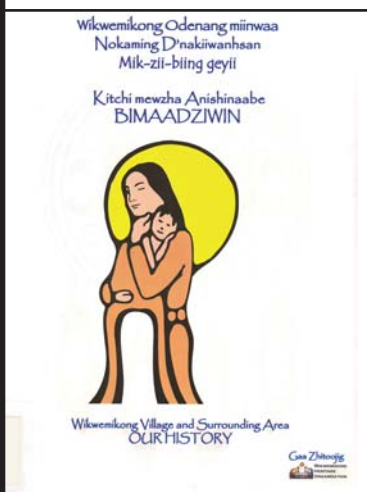
LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the following books or DVDs for three weeks.

Wikwemikong Odenang miinwa Nokaming D'nakiwanhsan Mik-zibing geyii Kitchi mewzha Anishinaabe Bimaadziwin: Wikwemikong Village and Surrounding Area Our History Book 1



History Book 1

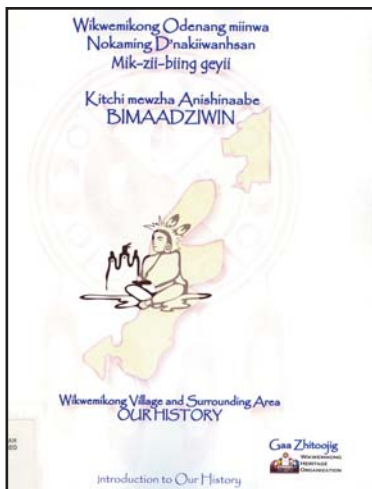
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Our Elder Giizhgankwad takes us back 10,000 years ago and shares with us what our people have done to maintain self-reliance. He also shares with us the first contact.”



Wikwemikong Odenang miinwa Nokaming D'nakiwanhsan Mik-zibing geyii Kitchi mewzha Anishinaabe Bimaadziwin: Wikwemikong Village and Surrounding Area Our History Book 2

The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Our grandfather shares with us what happened on Manitoulin Island prior to our permanent residency. He tells what development took place on Manitoulin Island and the tribes that settled.”

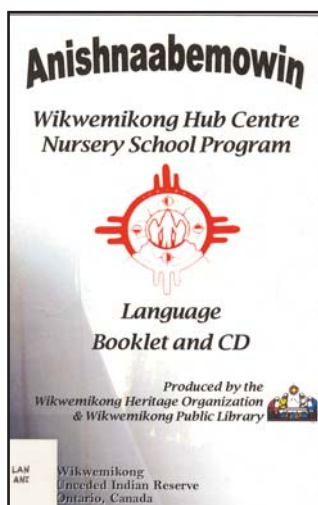
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The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Grandfather and other Elders teach us about our culture, our ceremonies and our medicines. It tells us how to respect our relatives, the animals and the plant life.”

Anishinaabemowin: Language Booklet and CD



Wikwemikong Hub Centre Nursery School Program

The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Themes for September to June with daily routines of bus arrival, lockers, attendance and many types of programming. Included in this book and CD are children’s songs that can be sung in your school programming or home.”

Aanh-so-kaanh-en-san: Short Stories for Each Season

The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website:

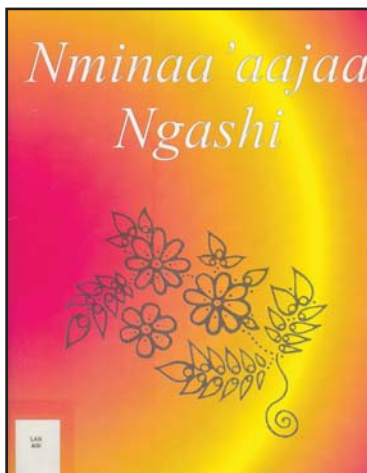
“Short stories with narration CD brings us to learn the history of the crow and his significance for spring, how the turtle brings us determination, Nanabozhoh and the



goose teaches us why geese today fly in a V-formation, and we learn why hibernation during winter months through the Bear Moon.”

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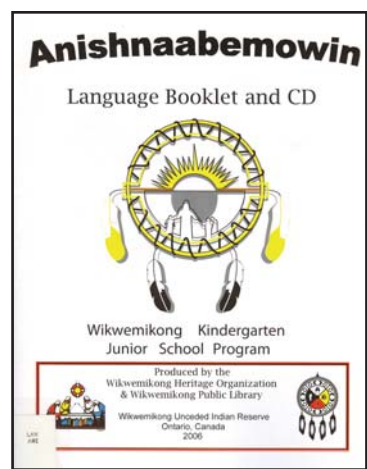
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “A very simple reading book



that is dedicated to our mothers. This book recognizes some of the roles of our mothers and how dear they are to us.”

Anishinaabemowin: Language Booklet and CD

The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Learn alongside your child or grandchildren. The phrases can also be used within our homes to en-



courage more language use. Includes math, health, science and much more other terminology.”

Shgush-kaan-dwe: The Flying Squirrel

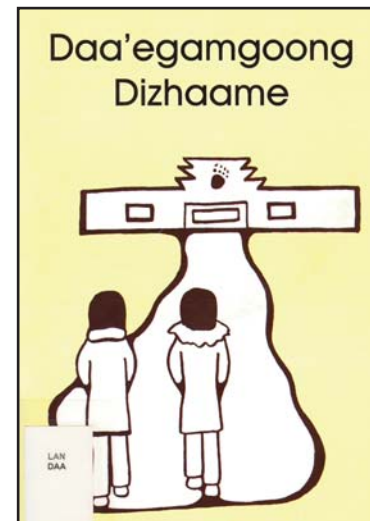
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Learn about what took place to create our flying squirrels of today. This 24-page book with narration CD will take you back during the time when only animals lived on Mother Earth and how they cared for themselves and sometimes teased



each other.”

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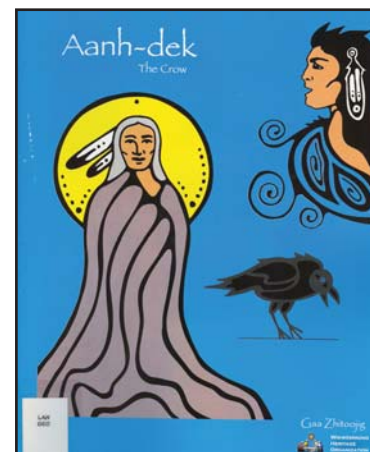
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “This 16-page book shares a story about a young girl going to buy some food at the store. This complete Anishinaabemowin book and CD is a great resource for immersion programming and for those wanting to hear more of our language. This book



will help you learn many common phrases that you would need to know when you are planning to go to your community store.”

Aanh-dek: The Crow

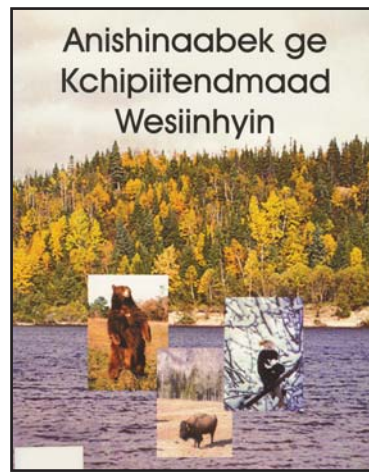
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Long ago, birds were one color. Learn the story of how they re-



ceived their colors and why the crows are black. This storybook with CD will take you back into the creation of our world.”

Anishinaabek ge: Kchipiitendmaad Wesiinhyin

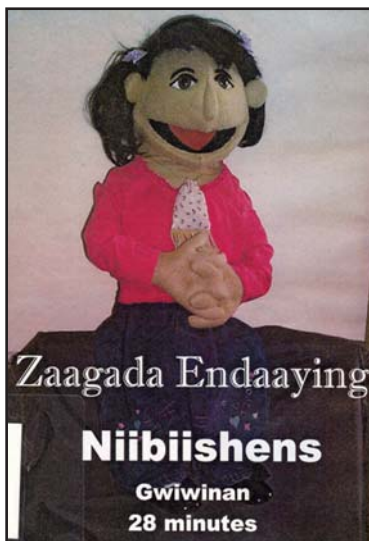
The following product description of the book appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Imitation of each animal on CD captivates your audience from young and old. Some of the roles and responsibilities of animals are shared



with the learner. This book text is entirely in Anishinaabemowin, ideal for immersion programs or for those wishing to hear more of our language.”

Niibiishens gwiwinan

The following product description of the DVD appears on the Wik-



wemikong Heritage Organization’s website: “Cuddly Niibiishens, first time in front of a camera, is excited to help her fellow peers learn about her new clothes her mom bought her. Niibiishens is very happy she gets to introduce you to her many friends. She can’t wait to spend 28 minutes to sing with you and play games either in your home or your classroom.”

Gidagaakoons: Teachings

The following product description of the DVD appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization’s website:

“This sweet lady puppet spends



her time teaching us different types of action words with many special guests. Gidagaakoon’s patience and ability to speak calmly relaxes the learners and keeps them very enthusiastic about her topic. She also plays many different games with you during the 25 minutes she’s in your home

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Reserving LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area and LTBB Community Building

Submitted by Tribal Administration

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians has extended the use of the LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area and the LTBB Community Building for community and tribal functions.

Periodically, the processes are reviewed to improve the services provided to tribal citizens.

The work group met and the following changes will be implemented in 2010:

- Use of the Commons Area and LTBB Community Building requires completing the application available from the tribal receptionist, Tammy Gasco. The documentation must be

complete before the activity commences.

- Reservations must be finalized two weeks prior to the planned activity. Activities related to memorial services are excluded from this provision.

- If your activity is cancelled, please place a courtesy call to tribal receptionist, Tammy Gasco at 231-242-1400.

- The tribe requires a \$50 deposit for all requests by non-tribal citizens or community programs for use of either the Commons Area or the Community Building. LTBB tribal programs are excluded from the deposit requirement.

"Dillard" continued from cover.

she could have enrolled with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians or the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians. She enrolled with LTBB in 2008.

"I enrolled here because LTBB is strongly attached to its Native culture," Dillard said. "The

tribe does a lot of things to ensure safekeeping for future generations."

In 2009, Dillard gave seven presentations in different traditional arts. In April 2007, the Circle of Life committee sponsored black ash basket making sessions by Dillard for LTBB Governmental Employees and Tribal Citizens. After receiving a LTBB Small Grant award, Dillard and her son offered three black ash basket workshops on June 5, 6 and 7, 2008 at the LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area and at the Wahs-Noo Da Ke Housing Development Community Center. The day-long workshops were free of charge, and the first 25 people signed up per day made a basket. Those not signed up for the class were free to watch and learn.

Dillard also gives personal instruction to individuals and small groups.

Photo of Renee Wasson Dillard by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



Photo courtesy of Marie "Tootsie" Miller.

Students Sought for LEAD and NAFOA Summer Business Institute



The LEAD and NAFOA Summer Business Institute is designed to help you understand the various career paths and opportunities in business.

A prior understanding or interest in business is not required. We are simply looking for bright students with a willing and determined mind. This program will help you to develop skills to be successful in college. You will spend 3-4 weeks living on a university campus, taking courses to help you understand the field of business which include marketing, accounting, finance, economics,

business etiquette and ethics.

You will meet tribal leaders and other Native financial professionals who will share their knowledge, experiences and expertise with you. You will meet students from across the country and participate in a variety of extracurricular activities and field trips.

Full tuition and travel scholarships based on financial need are available for Native American students. The tuition cost is \$900 for three-week programs and \$1,200 for four-week programs. Students should not allow cost to deter them from ap-

plying.

Application requirements are students should have a minimum 3.0 grade point average to apply, students must currently be in their junior year of high school during the 2009-2010 academic year and students must provide tribal documents. Application deadline is March 1, 2010.

To download an application, please visit <http://www.leadbusiness-site.org/>.

For more information, contact Tashina Etter at 602-540-0736 or Tashina@nafoa.org.

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A Visual Culture History of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa

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This publication tells the history of the people who have inhabited the land between Little Traverse Bay and the Straits of Mackinaw since the 1670s. The survival of this Odawa culture has depended upon the passing of history, customs, beliefs, and traditions from old to young.

Available from the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Archives, Records, and Cultural Preservation Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Call 231-242-1450 to order yours today!

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Waagaakwadoons: Face

The following product description of the DVD appears on the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization's website: "Waagaakwadoons expresses himself along with Giizis and many other special guests to teach us

Zaagada Endaaying Waagaakwadoons



Dengwe Zhinaagwasiwinan
24 minutes

about our facial parts. Learn with Waagaakwadoons through songs and many other games. This resource will be perfect for classroom and home settings."

Zaagada Endaaying

The following product description of the DVD appears on the

Zaagada Endaaying

VD includes:
episode 1: Mewizha - 36 minutes
episode 2: Zhaabidiisens - 32 minutes

Wikwemikong Heritage Organization's website: "Waawayese, Niibishens, Gidagaakoons and Waagaakwadoons, gather together to share stories of long ago. Their stories particularly discuss the origin of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and its effects on individuals. They also teach us compassion for those who may be affected by this. Special guests include Gokokoo, Giizis and Wikwemikong community children."

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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

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On the Pow Wow Trail



Michigan

March 13-14
GLICA 33rd Annual Mid-Winter Pow Wow
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Flint, MI
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March 20-21
21st Annual Central Michigan University Pow Wow: Celebrating Life
Rose Arena
Central Michigan University
Mt. Pleasant, MI
Grand entries: 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. on March 20 and noon on March 21
Contact Information: CMU Native American Programs at 989-774-2508 or www.cmich.edu/powwow

April 10-11
38th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow
Saline Middle School
Saline, MI
Contact Information: powwow_committee@yahoo.com or www.umich.edu/~powwow/

Minnesota

March 12
St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
The American Indian Magnet
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

March 20
Augsburg College Second Traditional Pow Wow
Si Melby Gymnasium
Augsburg College
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: Jennifer Simon at 612-330-1144, simonj@augsb.org or www.augsburg.edu/aissp

April 9
St. Paul Public Schools Indian Education Traditional Pow Wow
The American Indian Magnet
St. Paul, MN
Contact Information: 651-293-5191, www.indianeducation.spps.org or www.indianeducation.org

Wisconsin

March 6-7

19th Annual Indian Summer Winter Traditional Pow Wow
Wisconsin State Fair Park
Milwaukee, WI
Contact Information: Beth Stafford at 414-732-7337 or indiansummer.org

March 20
Northland College 36th Annual Spring Pow Wow
Kendrigan Gym
Northland College
Ashland, WI
Contact Information: 715-682-1240

March 20-21
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Contact Information: Brian Tupper at 715-478-7420 or brianat@fcpotawatomi.com

April 10
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Madison, WI
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TBA

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2010 with corrections.
 Vote: 8 - Yes, - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor R. Shananaquet), 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated for January 18, 2010 To approve the "Action" contained with the Confidential Memo 011510-01 presented to Tribal Council from Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney dated January 15, 2010 to meet an immediate deadline. Passes 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Treasurer Bott).
 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 9:45 a.m. Tribal Elder Comments: Rose Smalley spoke in support of the Gaming Board of Directors. Sarah VanDeCar spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman oversight of the Gaming Board of Directors. Bea Law asked for Phone Poll motions to be better detailed.
 Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to table the Closed Session until 1:30 p.m.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Leader Shananaquet's verbal and written report for January 24, 2010 with confidential information contained therein.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Discussion: regarding Tribal Citizen Matt Davis written presentation to Tribal Council.
 Discussion: regarding Bay Mills Community Board of Regents.
 10:29 a.m. Recess called.
 10:41 a.m. Meeting reconvened.
 Motion made by Legislative Leader Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to acknowledge receipt of vetoed Tribal Resolution #122009-03 Designation of Contact for Bond Negotiations and Vetoed Tribal Resolution #122009-04 Repeals Tribal Resolution #092709-04 Establishment and Authority of the Legislative/Executive Team along with the Executive reasons for the vetoes. No action taken.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Legislative Leader Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to table

the National City loan until after lunch.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Tribal Treasurer Bott's verbal report for January 24, 2010.
 Motion and support withdrawn
 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Land and Reservation Committee Chairperson Kiogima's verbal report for January 24, 2010.
 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor R. Shananaquet)
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Mulholland to accept the Ethics Committee verbal update report for January 24, 2010.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept Tribal Council member Kiogima's verbal report regarding the Asian Carp.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 11:45 p.m. Public Comment opened: Denise Petoskey spoke in opposition of pending legislation for establishing government offices and the function of the Casino ABELi program. Bea Law spoke in opposition regarding pending legislation for establishing government offices. Paul Eames spoke in opposition regarding the Casino Human Resource Director involvement in the hiring of the Casino General Manager. Rose Smalley spoke in support the Gaming Board of Directors ability. Bea Law spoke regarding her previous Tribal Council Legislative Leader position that provided advice to the Gaming Board of Directors. Denise Petoskey spoke regarding the affiliation between the Gaming Board of Directors, the Tribal Council and the Executive. Allie Maldonado spoke regarding Tribal Council not having enough time to address draft legislative agenda items. Frank Etawageshik requested Tribal Endorsement for Debra Harry's nomination as North American Regional Representative to the United Nations. Fred Kiogima spoke regarding the Gaming Board of Directors function.
 12:04 p.m. Public Comment closed.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Tribal Council member Otto's verbal report regarding the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Face Book.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 12:10 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:45 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Authorization for Execution of PNC Bank Loan Documents.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal report for January 24, 2010.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for January 24, 2010.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 2:53 p.m. Recess called.
 3:02 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
 3:02 p.m. Public Comment opened: Paul Eames spoke with regard to his positive experience utilizing the Tribal Health Clinic and Indian Health Service.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to remove Fred Kiogima and Dollie Keway from the Gaming Board of Directors.
 Vote: 4 - Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Chingwa, Secretary Gasco Bentley), 2 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott, Councilor Kiogima), 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women FY 2010 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Assistance Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 10 OVW Rural Assistance Program.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from Prevention Network Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Youth Leadership Project.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary

Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY2010 Circle of Flight Project.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, FY2010 BIA GLRI Project.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-absent, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects (GLRI) Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians LTBB GLRI Beaver Island Archipelago Wetlands Project.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-absent, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, GLNPO Lakewide Management Plan (LaMP) Program Capacity Funding Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians LaMP Capacity Grant.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated January 6, 2010 for a total of 4.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B- Declination (Ineligible) dated January 6, 2010 for a total of 1.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Tribal Name Proclamation on the 2010 Census Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Proclamation that the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Be denoted as "LTBB" on the 2010 Census.
 Roll call vote: Councilor Bardwell-yes, Councilor Chingwa-yes, Councilor Kiogima-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor R. Shananaquet-yes, Councilor Otto-yes, Treasurer Bott-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-yes
 Motion carried.
 4:22 p.m. Recess called.
 4:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Tribal Chairman Harrington's verbal and written report for January 24, 2010.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 4:47 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for confidential business matters-casino.
 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 5:33 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to return to open session.
 Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the "Action" contained in the confidential memo 012410-01 as submitted by Legislative Services Attorney Budnick regarding confidential business matter/casino.
 Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 5:38 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to adjourn.
 Vote: 8 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent
 Motion carried.
 These Minutes have been read and approved as written:
 Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary Date

GRANTS AND DONATIONS PROGRAM

The Grants and Donations Program has implemented a new application process. Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for native or non-native organizations. The deadline for submitting an application is March 31, 2010. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatroluk at 231-242-1420.



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-Theresa Keshick

Lines From our Membership



BIRTHDAYS

Happy belated birthday **Ken!** I hope your birthday was a lot of fun. Love ya, Andrea & Reboot.

Wishing my dear parents, **Henry and Anne Field**, happy birthday greetings as they celebrate a week apart. You two have given me and my children many happy, precious memories over the years. I thank the Lord for giving me you. All my love, Judy.

Happy 18th birthday to **Sara** who celebrates her birthday on March 22nd! You are becoming a very strong young woman, and we are very proud of you! Love, Mel, Bernadece, Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Joy, Mckenzie and Cameron.

Sharon Sanders will be celebrating her birthday on March 24. We would like to wish her a very special happy birthday. From brothers, sisters, Tammie, Deshawn, Dillon and Darian.

The Good Hart mafia wishes **Virginia Lewis** a happy birthday on March 12. We hope you enjoy your special day.

Mno Dibishkaak to **Nizu and Haga Yellowbank!!!** These Niishodewak (twins) will be four years old on March 2nd. Kchi-miigwech to

Gzhemnido for blessing our family with these wonderful binoojiak, they have brought so much joy to our lives. From your grandparents, Bob and Alice Yellowbank.

Happy birthday Ndaanis NwiiKiwenh (my daughter my friend) **Chrissy** on the 29th of Naabdin Giizis. Love you! Mom & Guido.

Happy 30th birthday to **Nels Uutinen** on March 9th. Have fun and be safe. From Phil, Jen, Peyton and the Crew.

MinoDibishkaak Ndanwenmaaganak! Kina naasaap, Naabdin Giizis Mdaaswe sha Niizh - all March 12th, Ngwis (my son) **Cody Bigjohn, III**, Nmisenh (my sister) **Regina Kiogima**, miinwaa Niitaawis (and my cousin) **Judy Pierzynowski!** Aapiji Gzaaginim!

Happy 20th birthday to my son, **Skippy**, on March 29th. It doesn't seem possible that time has gone by this fast. Seems like yesterday that you entered my life and brought me so much happiness. I wish that I could turn back the clock and once again hold you in my arms. I will always remember having to sing those Patsy Cline songs that you loved to hear all the way to Petoskey and back. Ha ha. All my love, Mom.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to our **Gram** on March 8! We love you almost as much as your biscuits and your "scratches!!!!" Love, Toby T-Bone and Chu-chu-roo.

Happy birthday **Joseph Shomin and LeRoy Shomin** from Melissa, Alec and Alicia. We love you.

Happy b-day **Mel Kiogima** on March 19 from your wonderful, terrific, amazing, loving family. Wishing you many more to come ... if you are still around ... lol. Happy b-day bro.

Happy birthday to **Billy Mac** on March 17th, don't turn down anything that's green that day. You're a special son and a special dad. We love you and are very proud of you. Love, Gunnar, Dad, Debbie, Derek, Shane, Grandma and Cheryl.

Wishing my great-niece, **Aliyah Skippergosh**, a very happy birthday on March 23rd! I know your Daddy will make it extra special. Love, Aunt Judy.

Happy birthday **John (Johnny) Willis!!** Love you, Tiffany.

Happy birthday **Bo Booth!** From your family.

Happy birthday to my son-in-law, **Alvin Searles**, on March 23rd. Have a happy one and maybe I will go fishing with you!!! Ha ha. Love, Mama Judy.

Happy birthday to **Raymond Bottoms** whose special day is March 19. We hope you have a grand day. Love, your family.

Happy birthday to our son, **Collin Sutton**, on March 6th. You bring us joy every day, and we love you lots. Mom & Dad.

Happy birthday to **Bangii** on March 1st. Love, Mom & Guido.

Big happy birthday to **Ian Uleski, Jerri Shananaquet Nez, Wynee Jo Boda, Martin Crampton, Sarah Holmes, Elaina Naganashe, Arlene Naganashe, Gary Miller, Jr., Mark Shenoskey, Francis Boda and Michelle Thomas.** From Dorothy & Don Boda.

Happy 8th birthday to my grandson, **Jayden J. Young**, on March 21st. I will always remember the long ride to Arizona to be there when you entered my life. I wouldn't trade that moment for all the money in the world. Have a happy one!! I wish I could surprise you again like I did last year when I flew to Vegas to be with you on your special day. All my love, Grandma Judy.

Happy birthday wishes for **Jo Ann Seay** on March 30. Wishing you a wonderful day. Love, your family.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday Ndaanis NwiiKiwenh (my daughter my friend) **Jen** on the 28th of Naabdin Giizis. Love you! Mom & Guido.

MinoDibishkaak Ndoniingonisak! **Carter McFall, Jr.** miinwaa **Jamie Chamblee, Justin McFall.** Miinwaa niitaawis **Clint Boulton.** Kina maanda-shki-niniwok. Gewiinwaa ndoniingonisak, egaachiwaad miinwaa niizho-ode'ak (also my little twin nephews) **Niizhu Yellowbank** miinwaa **Haga Yellowbank.** Gzaaginim, Zigozis, Auntie Carla.

Mno-dbishkaan, "Beebee" **Neewin Wemigwase** on March 2!!! Let me know if you want to go to Hooters THIS year to celebrate!!!! G'zaagin, your favorite sister, Winnay.

Happy birthday to my wonderful cousin, **Judy Pierzynowski**, on March 12. Have a good one. Love, Pauline.

Happy b-day sis (**Sara Salone**) on March 22, wishing you many, many more. Love, your family.

To **Mel Kiogima II** who celebrates his birthday on March 19th. You are the best husband, father and friend. Happy birthday! Love, Bernadece, Sara, Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Joy, Mckenzie and Cameron.

Happy birthday **Dorothy Willis!!** Love you, Tiffany.

Happy 9th birthday to my special little angel, **Hailey Kay Field**, on March 23rd. You can be a little pill at times ... but you are my little pill!!!! All my love, Grandma Judy.

Miigwetch

Hats and Mittens Drive Success
The LTBB Human Services Department would like to say Chi Miigwech to all who donated items to our Hats and Mittens Tree. With the support of the community, the Hats and Mittens drive was able to provide winter apparel for more than 100 Native children in our local community and statewide community. One of our goals in Human Services is to continue to make a difference in kids' lives. Only with the kindness and generosity of others can this goal be met. Chi Miigwech again for the generous support of our efforts to improve children's lives in our tribal community. The LTBB Human Services Department.

Anniversaries

Happy anniversary to **Clara & Gary Miller** (three years). Sorry, we missed yours, **Karen & Ron Boda.** From Dorothy and Don Boda.

WALKING ON. .

Shirley Mae Wheeler, 75

Shirley Mae Wheeler, 75, of Quincy, IL, went to be with her Lord on December 26, 2009. She was born on October 28, 1934 in Petoskey, MI, to Charles Kiogima and Halcyone Wyant, both deceased. Shirley married Paul Wheeler, also deceased, on January 25, 1971 in Chicago, IL. Shirley was an accomplished seamstress and also loved bird watching and feeding the animals. She was very fond of music, especially jazz and blues. She especially enjoyed working in her flower and vegetable garden. In addition to her parents and husband, Paul, Shirley was preceded in death by her son, Kenneth George Gardiner, a great-grandson, Ivan Tapia, two brothers, Robert and John Kiogima, and two sisters, Caroline and Charlene Kiogima. She is survived by her children, Delores Griggs of Double Springs, AL, Katherine Martin and her husband, Steven, of Jasper, AL, Margaret Rodriguez of Grand Rapids, MI, Mary Kiogima and Cindy Ring of Muskegon, MI, and special friend, Jesse Bearshare of Quincy, IL. Her grandchildren include Jennifer, Mary and Heather of Double Springs, AL, Tammy and Leonard Baldwin of Jasper, AL, Jimmy and Crystal Hosford of Double Springs, AL, Jessica and Robert Armock, Misty and Salvador Tapia, Amanda and Robert Morton and Joshua Dunn, all of Grand Rapids, MI, and Jason and April Ring of Muskegon, MI. Surviving siblings include Charles and Elaine Kiogima of Muskegon, James and Wanda Kiogima of Eureka, CA, Jerome and Sandra Kiogima of Pontiac, MI, Elisabeth Kiogima of Petoskey, MI, Marian and Gary Janecki of Roscommon, MI, and a sister-in-law, Sandra Kiogima of Pontiac, MI. Shirley is also survived by 17 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Celebrating Life Cancer Awareness Traditional Pow-Wow

**February 27, 2010
1:00 - 6:00**

American Indian Health & Family Services
4880 Lawndale
Detroit, MI 48210
(Off of I-94 & Lonyo)

Head Veteran: George Martin
U.S Color Guard: Daniel Ypez
Canadian Color Guard: Tebe
Invited Drum: Whitefish Jrs.
M.C.: Wayne Cleland

All Drummers & Dancers Welcome

Feast will follow - Please Bring Dish to Share

Pink Shawl Special

50/50 Raffles
Give Away

Presentation to be done by: Beaumont Cancer Institute
Native Food Fundraiser by: Dreamseekers Youth

Arts & Craft Vendors are Welcome
Limited Space Available Must Register In Advance
For More Information
Contact: Nickole Fox at 313/846-3718 ext. 1113

Sponsors:

Spaghetti dinner and Silent Auction Pow Wow Fundraiser March 6, 2010

4 p.m. - 8 p.m.

LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area

The silent auction to begin at 4 p.m.
Spaghetti dinner to begin at 6 p.m.

The cost is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children 12 and under.

All proceeds to benefit the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow.

Communications
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Child's name and age
Phone number

KIDS, COLOR THE EASTER BUNNY AND WIN A \$20 WALMART GIFT CARD

Easter Coloring Contest rules

- Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
 - All entries must be the original size.
 - All mailed entries must be postmarked by April 12, 2010. No exceptions!
 - Limit one submission per child.
 - Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
 - **Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.**
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category.

Mailing Address:
Easter Coloring Contest
Attn: LTBB Communications Department
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Harbor Springs, MI 49740

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Just bring your copy of the book in to the Gijigowi Language Department, office located in LTBB Administration Building, and we will provide the audio CD at no cost - WENPASH (free).
Note: These books are written by well-known children's author Robert Munsch and produced by Scholastic Canada, CanCopy. They are available to purchase for \$10 each from Sault College Native Studies Program, online at <http://www.saultc.on.ca/Academics/NativeEducation/LanguageResources.asp>.

DAY CARE ASSISTANCE

Applications for the **2009-2010 Day Care Assistance Program** are now available.

If you live in Emmet, Charlevoix, or Cheboygan County and would like more information, please stop in at Human Services, 915 Emmet Street, Petoskey, MI, or call 231-242-1620 for an application. You may also call 1-866-652-5822 and ask for Human Services.

This is an income based program.



LTBB TRIBAL COURT ESTABLISHES ODAWA HEALING TO WELLNESS DRUG COURT FOR ADULTS

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

For Joe Lucier, his life has come full circle.

In the past, he struggled with drug and alcohol abuse. He credits God, his family and several people in the LTBB Tribal Community for supporting him in his recovery. He has been in recovery since May 2002.

As the Adult Drug Court Coordinator/Probation Officer in the LTBB Tribal Court, he supports others as they learn to live without drugs and alcohol. He started his new position on January 25, 2010 after working as the Youth Services Coordinator in the LTBB Youth Services Department for approximately 2-1/2 years.

"As a young man, I got into a lot of trouble, and I made a lot of bad decisions," Lucier said. "When I see others struggling with drugs and alcohol, I see myself.

"I can relate to them because I went through a lot of the same experiences they are going through. At times, it can seem hopeless. I had a lot

of caring people around me who gave me the strength to walk a different path. I want to be that person for someone else. I want to help guide people on the path of being a successful sober person."

The LTBB Tribal Court received an Adult Drug Court grant and is in the process of establishing an Odawa Healing to Wellness Drug Court for adults. Lucier said they will model the Odawa Healing to Wellness Drug Court for adults after the Odawa Youth Healing to Wellness Court, but tweak things a little.

"The tribe had all the pieces in place to establish a healing to wellness drug court for adults, we just had to put them all together," Lucier said. "It is desperately needed because clients aren't just a number in a system.

"I am excited to be a part of a team that gives people hope and a plan of action. I want people to know if they are ready for a change and ready to live a life free of drugs and alcohol, they will be able to succeed in this program. Lives will be healed and restored through this program. We can really make a difference in peo-



ple's lives."

The goal of the program is to reach out to 25 LTBB Tribal Citizens in the next 2-1/2 years who have a history of drug and alcohol dependency and who "are willing to participate in a challenging and demanding course of action." It is a one-year program with some excluding factors.

"If people have a willingness to do whatever it takes to be sober, there are people in place to assist them," Lucier said. "I am excited to speak some truth into their lives. Before, I

couldn't imagine my life without drinking and drugs. Now, I can't imagine going back to it because life is so good. Hopefully, I can help others see the light."

Lucier said he has always held a special place in his heart for the LTBB Tribal Court because his grandmother, the late Rita Gasco-Shepard, was so passionate about it. Gasco-Shepard was an LTBB Appellate Judge and helped to establish the LTBB Tribal Court.

"She loved the Tribal Court," Lucier said. "She had a vision for the court and saw its potential. In a way, I am almost reliving what my grandmother experienced. I have pretty big shoes to fill. People like her and the rest of the Tribal Court staff have done an amazing job. I am honored to be a part of the team."

Although he enjoyed his time working with the tribal youth as the Youth Services Coordinator, Lucier said he has always had a passion for working with other adults struggling with alcohol and drugs. In his previous position as the Youth Services Coordinator, he worked with the

Odawa Youth Healing to Wellness Court as a youth liaison.

"I was called to do something else," Lucier said. "I have no reservations about this because it was the right thing to do. Of course, I miss the kids, but I let them know I am still around, and I am there for them if they need anything. "I saw it as a door opening because there are people in the Youth Services Department and other tribal programs ready to take the step up and lead the kids. I left the kids in very capable and caring hands."

Lucier graduated from Bay Mills Community College with an Associates degree in Social Sciences and graduated from Lake Superior State University with a Bachelor's degree in Finance and Economics.

His grandmother was the late Rita Gasco-Shepard, his mother is Vicki Lynn, and he has two sisters, Sara Lucier and Becca Lynn, and a brother, Christopher Lynn. His son is Will King, and his godson is Tavien Lucier. His fiancé is Maria Garn.

Photo courtesy of Joe Lucier.



Meet Maintenance Worker 1 Joe VanAlstine

LTBB Tribal Citizen Joe VanAlstine started as a Maintenance Worker 1 on February 1, 2010.

VanAlstine, who grew up in Onaway, MI, and graduated from Onaway High School, served in the U.S. Navy as a HULL Maintenance Technician for two years before being honorably discharged.

He worked as a temporary worker for LTBB prior to accepting his current position.

He earned a certificate in Build-



ing Maintenance from Walla Walla Community College and is currently taking classes in the Entrepreneurship Essentials program through the Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program

(WOCTEP). He is working toward earning a Geographic Information System degree.

His parents are Warren VanAlstine and Melissa Moses, his grandmother was the late Rose Midwagon and his great-grandmother was the late Annie Midwagon. He has a sister, Chrystal VanAlstine, who has three children, Alizabeth, Abigail and Cash.

In his free time, he enjoys playing softball and volleyball, snowboarding, fishing and riding his motorcycle called the War Pony.

Article and photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

NORTHERN SHORES LOAN FUND, INC. EXPANDS INVESTMENT AREA

Submitted by Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.

On January 16, 2010, the Board of Directors of Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. unanimously agreed to expand its current Northern Michigan investment area of Charlevoix, Cheboygan and Emmet counties to also include Antrim, Grand Traverse and Kalkaska counties.

"Due to an increasing demand for business lending and development services from Little Traverse Bay Bands' members living outside the original investment area, and wanting to continue to assist entrepreneurs in Northern Michigan, we felt expanding to additional North-

ern Michigan counties within the 1836 Ceded Territory was the right direction for us at this time," Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Chair Laura Blumberg said.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. is located in Harbor Springs, MI, and is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated under the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

The mission of the organization is to assist entrepreneurs of Northern Michigan with training, business incubation and access to capital that fosters economic development for the Northern Michigan Community.

"Since Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. opened its doors in August 2008, we have provided loans and de-

velopment services to over 50 small business owners unable to obtain the necessary tools elsewhere to succeed in this challenging economic climate. We are making a difference in the communities we serve," Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. Executive Director Lisa McComb said.

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc. is eager to provide loan and development services to those businesses who may need small equipment, inventory or working capital needs.

For additional information, visit www.northernshoresloanfund.org or call 231-347-6743.

FORMER CHIEF OF POLICE FOR SAULT TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY TO DEFAUD THE U.S.

Editor's note: The following is a U.S. Department of Justice press release dated January 20, 2010.

Frederick James Paquin, age 52, of St. Ignace, Michigan, and the former Chief of Police for the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians, was charged by a grand jury with multiple offenses related to a scheme to defraud the United States by dishonest means, U.S. Attorney Donald A. Davis announced today. In addition, the grand jury charged Paquin and his daughter, Mary Christine Cullen, age 28, also of St. Ignace, with multiple offenses related to an alleged conspiracy to pay Cullen as a full time employee of the Tribe after she had moved on to a different job and was no longer working for the Tribe as a full time employee.

The charges stem from Paquin's alleged misuse of federal grant funds awarded to Paquin's police department under the U.S. Department of Justice's Tribal Resources Grant Program (TRGP) between 2002 and 2008. Grants awarded under the TRGP are intended to help Native American Tribes address their most serious unmet financial needs for law enforcement. This case was investigated by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of the Inspector General, Fraud Detection Office.

U.S. Attorney Davis stated: "The respect and confidence that tribal members place in their tribal institutions is dependant upon receiving honest and faithful services from their tribal officials. This office will aggressively pursue and prosecute tribal officials who violate the law and their solemn oath and duties."

Elise Chawaga, Special Agent in Charge for the Office of the Inspector General Fraud Detection Office, said "the Office of the Inspector General is committed to holding accountable public officials who betray the trust placed in them by using for personal gain Department of Justice grant funds that were intended to benefit the public."

FBI Special Agent in Charge Andrew G. Arena noted that "these charges are examples of corrupt government officials who have abused their positions for personal gain." He added that "public corruption is a top criminal priority of the F.B.I. and will not be tolerated. This investigation demonstrates the F.B.I.'s commitment to investigating public corruption on every level and bringing those who betray the public's trust to justice."

The charges in this indictment are merely accusations, and the defendants are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty in a court of law.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Maarten Vermaat.

WHAT'S COOKING IN THE LITTLE TRAVERSE FOOD SYSTEM?

Submitted by **Larry Dyer** and **Emily Proctor**, MSU Extension Tribal Extension Educators

Most of us haven't given much thought as to where our food comes from.

But there is a group of folks, in the LTBB Community, who have been thinking a lot about their local food system, the big picture of where our food comes from, how it travels from national and international farms to our tables and the quality of that food when it arrives in our local community.

This group calls itself the LTBB Horticulture and Small-Scale Agriculture work group (HSSA), and it's



been meeting and organizing community educational events since August 2008.

The educational programs have encompassed the topics of gardening and food: Workshops for canning tomatoes, applesauce, venison and fish; an introduction to gardening; and tree planting at the elders' housing complex.

The gardening and tree planting events were led by Michigan State University Extension Master Gardener Coordinator, Cydney Steeb. There were two tomato canning workshops planned; one for an adult audience and one for the youth. Perhaps, our best attended event was the apple tree renovation workshop led

by MSU Extension Fruit Specialist Steve Fouch. Some old, overgrown apple trees at the LTBB Traditional Pow Wow Grounds were given some "tough love." The extent of the pruning was pretty shocking, but the trees are recovering and will be healthier in the long run.

The HSSA group was established in 2008 when Larry Dyer, Tribal Extension Educator with MSU Extension, began working with LTBB. Dyer's position is new, created with funding from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program (FRTEP).

The purpose of the FRTEP project is to improve the health and well-being of tribal communities through gardening and sustainable agriculture. The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians is one of four communities involved in the project. The others are the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the Hannahville Indian Community. Bay Mills Community College is also a partner.

Alan Proctor, Geographic Information Systems Director for LTBB, was on the committee that organized the MSU FRTEP and hired the Tribal Extension Educator. He continues to serve on the FRTEP advisory committee. It was Alan who set up the initial HSSA meeting in August 2008 with folks from a variety of LTBB Departments who he thought would be interested in sustainable agriculture and horticulture. Things took off with a lot of interest in food preservation and gardening workshops.

In the summer of 2009, we started looking at the big picture. The goal of the HSSA group is to put in place the things we need to have a sustainable, healthful food system in the LTBB Community. We will organize more workshops on gardening and food preservation, but we are also starting to talk about greenhouses and four-season farming. We would also like to engage more of the com-

munity in a dialogue about the community food system so we can work together to make it better.

An important first step in that dialogue was an event called "The Rising Cost of Food," held on February 10, 2010 from 5:30p.m. - 8:30 p.m. The Rising Cost of Food is a format for community dialogue forums developed at Michigan State University. The forum will be facilitated by Emily Proctor, an LTBB Tribal Citizen and a Tribal Extension Educator with MSU Extension; Ann Chastain, County Extension Director for MSU; and Larry Dyer.

One thing we've learned in our discussions is that, while the food and eating habits in the community could use some improving, there is already a lot of good food available, and there is a lot of knowledge of traditional foods in the community. So we're not starting completely from scratch. Two of the important themes of our efforts are to connect the food systems to tradition and to nurture traditional knowledge and wisdom.

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MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT RULES IN FAVOR OF PLAINTIFF - SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

Media Release for Immediate Release
January 28, 2010

In the case of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians v. Bernard Bouschor; and Miller Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.; Daniel T. Green; Paul W. Shagen; Joseph M. Paczkowski; David E. Scott; Jolene M. Nertoli; James M. Jannetta; Daniel J. Weaver, jointly and severally
C/A CASE NO.: 276712 - L/C
CASE NO.: 04-7606-CC

Lansing, MI – Today, the Michigan Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians in the so-called 7+1+1 case which was originally filed in Chippewa County (50th Circuit Court), but was presented to Judge Charles Johnson, 57th Circuit Court, in Emmet County, MI, as a visiting judge when Judge Lambros recused himself. At the lower court level, Judge Johnson ruled back in 2007 the defendants were not terminated, that Bouschor did not have the authority to grant severances (in the amount exceeding \$2.66 million), and that contrary to Bouschor's claim,

Bouschor did not hold "executive immunity," a status typically held for state governors or the President of the United States. This latter filing by Bouschor is what qualified the defendants for an automatic appeal in the Michigan Court of Appeals and has delayed the case since its initial filing in 2004. At that level, the Michigan Court of Appeals threw out the legal malpractice and conspiracy claim. The Michigan Supreme Court's ruling today reinstates the Sault Tribe's complaint with regard to malpractice and may qualify the Sault Tribe for injunctive relief to recover not only the amount Bouschor and the other defendants conspired to take on election night of 2004, but also "treble damages" which is up to three times the amount. Given the tribe filed jointly and severally, once a final judgment is granted (possibly via a summary disposition, given there now appears to be no facts in dispute), there may not even be a need to go to trial at the district court level. Judge Johnson could, instead, rule in the tribe's favor and award damages and legal fees. In the Supreme Court's ruling, the justices ruled Bernard Bouschor did not have

executive immunity and as such, re-enforced Judge Johnson's earlier ruling that Bouschor is individually liable in this case. If Judge Johnson does not grant a summary disposition judgment, the case will go to trial in the 50th Circuit Court with Judge Johnson presiding as visiting judge.

In a prepared statement, former Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Chairperson Aaron Payment said, "With all of the legal wrangling by Bouschor and the defendants over the last 5 ½ years, it is no wonder tribal members are dispirited. The rulings by the Michigan Supreme Court and the prosecution of Paquin give tribal members hope that the rule of law will prevail and justice will be served. Those, who would steal from their own people, need to be held accountable. Maybe 2010 will be the year of tribal justice!"

Editor's note: For more information on this court ruling, you can visit <http://coa.courts.mi.gov/resources/asp/ViewDocket.asp?casenumber=276712&yr=0&inqtype=public> and click on the 01/27/2010116SCt Order: Close link.

CIRCLE OF LIFE: THE BEADING EDITION

On Friday, January 29, 2010, the LTBB staff attended the Circle of Life session, "Beads, Banter and Buns." They were introduced to various beading techniques taught by other LTBB staff members.



Top most: Jessica Searles selects the right bead for her loom project. Second from top: Theresa Chingwa works diligently on her applique project. Middle: David Burks give pointers to Kim Hessel on her earring. Fourth: Lisa Kurtz-Tollenar finishes her earring. Mike Smith works with a smile as he adds more beads to his peyote stitch project.



March 2010 Promotions & Events at Odawa Casino Resort!

It's All About the Green - Players qualify for the drawings on Saturday, March 27 and Sunday, March 28. We will be giving away \$15,000.00 in cash and \$15,000.00 in Free Slot Play. Guests will qualify beginning March 1.

Guests receive one entry for every 100 base points earned. \$15 in dining, a hotel stay, hand-paid jackpots over \$400.00, new card signups and table games play also provide guests with entries into the drawing.

Winner's names will not be placed back into the drawing barrel on these nights for the next drawing. Free slot play winners will be determined via hot seat drawings. Cash winners will be drawn from the drawing barrel.

Drawings will begin at Noon both days. Drawing times and type will be as follows:

12:00pm-1:00pm
1-\$500.00 Free Slot Play
1:00pm-2:00pm
2-\$1,000.00 Free Slot Play
2:00pm-3:00pm
2-\$1,000.00 Free Slot Play
3:00pm-4:00pm
2-\$1,000.00 Free Slot Play
4:00pm-5:00pm
1-\$1,000.00 Free Slot Play,
1-\$1,000.00 Cash
5:00pm-6:00pm 2-\$1,000.00 Cash
6:00pm-7:00pm 2-\$1,000.00 Cash
7:00pm-8:00pm 2-\$1,000.00 Cash,
1-\$500.00 Cash

Plus, guests playing with their card receive 3X points all day on March 27 and March 28. St. Patrick's Day March 17- \$500,000.00 Pot of Gold & \$7.77 Buffet. We've loaded \$100.00 in Instant Optimum Rewards on 5,000 guest accounts. Every hour on March 17 from 8:00am-11:59pm guests will be randomly selected and win \$100.00 in Instant Optimum Rewards. To check for the \$100.00 prize, guests will insert their player's card into any slot machine, spin the reels and check their account to see if they have won \$100.00 in Free Slot Play!

Guests can win \$100 per hour up to 16 times, totaling up to \$1600.00 in Instant Optimum Rewards.

Waas no dé Buffet - St.

Patty's Day Buffet all day price \$7.77. Steven D. and the Keys will be entertaining guests in the promenade area from 3:00pm - 7:00pm.

Wedding Expo March 20, 12pm-4pm, Ovation Hall Bridal Fashion Show: 3 pm, Prize Drawings begin at 3:30pm. Admission: Brides-To-Be - Complimentary Other Attendees - \$5.00 per person plus all attendees receive \$10.00 in Free Slot Play

Veterans Appreciation Day - 1st Monday of every month Monday, March 1

Veterans and active duty personnel with Military ID receive a Food Voucher valid for a free lunch, or dinner buffet in the Waas no de Buffet. Veterans and active duty personnel go to Optimum Rewards to present their Military ID and Optimum Rewards will give them their food voucher. Food vouchers are valid for that day only.

Finally Fridays Slot Tournament-Last Friday of every month 7 p.m. to 11:00pm March 26. All Optimum Rewards and "O" Club Members are invited to participate in this free slot tournament.

Designated Tournament Slot Machines will be set for 3 minutes play. Each participant will play one session. The top ten (10) places will be paid in cash or free slot play at the conclusion of the tournament.

Winners need not be present at the end of the tournament. Optimum Rewards will have the ability to award winners their share at a later date as well.

Registration will take place at a table located by the Rendezvous Lounge.

Registration begins at 6:00pm.

1st \$1000.00 cash
2nd \$700.00 cash
3rd \$500.00 cash
4th \$400.00 cash
5th \$300.00 free slot play
6th \$200.00 free slot play
7th \$200.00 free slot play
8th \$200.00 free slot play
9th \$200.00 free slot play

10th \$200.00 free slot play
Birthday Club - As part of the birthday gift for our guests, they will receive a token for a free pull on the Free Pull Machine along with the \$10.00 buffet voucher. Guests may come in anytime during the month of their birthday to receive the offer.

Anniversary Club - We now offer 2 Free Pull tokens (1 per spouse) to our guests on their Anniversary month along with a \$10.00 buffet voucher. The couple must be together to receive the tokens and food voucher.

Table Games - Euchre Tournaments

First Saturday at 1:00pm in the Poker Room.

FEE:
\$30.00 (\$25.00 prize pool, \$5.00 registration)

FORMAT:
40 player max, play starts at 1:00 PM. Registration in the poker room



only. Registration starts 2 weeks in advance. Phone registrations in the poker room only between the hours of 4pm and 12am

All participants must be an Optimum Players Club member

RULES:
Euchre, house rules apply
PRIZE POOL PAYOUT
STRUCTURE: 4 Places (based on 40 players)

1-30
Players
31-40
Players
1st 55% 50%
2nd 30% 25%
3rd 15% 15%
4th 10%

BINGO - in Ovation Hall. Every Sunday, Thursday and Friday. 2

sessions per day. Afternoon Session doors open at 11:00am, session begins at noon. Evening Session doors open at 5:00pm; session begins at 6:00pm. Guests must be 21 or older to participate. Smoking is permitted in designated sections. Sign up for the BINGO Player Tracking and receive \$5.00 worth of BINGO spend. One time only offer. Every day the afternoon progressive starts at \$1000.00. Evening progressive starts at \$2500.00

Sunday evening Bingo session now offers level entry packs starting at \$5.00. Thursday evening \$20.00 packs with all specials included (except jackpot).

Optimum Rewards - New Card Signups - receive 10X points for their 1st three visits within 30 days of signing up and a spin on the Free Pull Machine. Guests must go to Optimum Rewards before they begin playing to receive their 10X points.

Email Address

Campaign - Give us your email address and receive a token for a spin on the Free Pull Machine.

Super Seniors Day will be every Sunday and Wednesday! Guests 50+ receive 3X points, drink specials in the Rendezvous and \$7.95 lunch buffet special.

Copper Café

The Ice Cream Shop at the Copper Café features House of Flavors Ice Cream. Hours are Sunday - Thursday 11:00am-midnight; Friday & Saturday 11:00am - 2:00am.

Sage

The hours will be 5:00pm - 9:00pm Tuesday - Thursday and 5:00pm - 10:00pm on Friday and Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Wine tasting every Saturday from 3:00pm to 4:45pm. \$10.00 per person. The Steak & Lobster feature is offered every Saturday for \$34.00. Daily specials menu with a la carte pricing for appetizers, entrees, desserts, and discounted bottles of wine chosen daily.

Chef du Jour - March 22

from 6-8pm in Sage with loyal listeners of Mary in the Morning radio show. Minimum 4-course meal for each attendee with 2 oz. wine pours with each course.

Waas no dé Buffet

For March, the dinner buffet will feature a New Orleans Festival with the following entrees: Crab Cakes Remoulade, Shrimp Diablo, Grilled Cajun Sausage, Chicken and Shrimp Gumbo and Crawfish Etouffee

Gourmet 2 Go

Hours of Operation - 10:00am - 10:00pm daily.

Rendezvous Lounge

Kahlua White Leprechaun. Enjoy our specialty martini in Rendezvous Lounge all month!

Green Bud Light \$3 limited edition Bud Light bottles while they last! St. Patrick's Day in the Lounge Wednesday, 17 March - Enjoy a \$3.00 Jameson or Paddy Irish Whiskey Drink all day!

Happy Hour

Kick off the weekend @ Rendezvous with SPECIAL DRINK PRICING to help with the transition! \$2.00 Domestic Drafts and Well Drinks in the Rendezvous

Lounge from 4pm-7pm EVERY FRIDAY!

Kahlua Morning Express is ON FIRE

Try one of Kahlua's new hand-flamed drinks featuring flavored liqueurs with coffee for \$3.00 from 8am-1pm Daily! Ask your server for today's flavor options! (Except Sundays)

Confession Sundays

\$2.00 Domestic Drafts and Well Drinks for uniformed service workers in the Rendezvous Lounge from 10pm-2am!

O zone

St. Patrick's Day

O zone will be OPEN Wednesday, 17 March to celebrate St. Patrick's Day! \$3.00 Jameson or Paddy Irish Whiskey Drinks! \$3.00 Bailey's Irish Mint Shot creations.

Labatt Local Thursdays - doors open at 7:00pm

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7500 Odawa Circle
Harbor Springs, MI 49740
231-242-1540
Fax: 231-242-1550

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE
Elder Housing Development

Application Availability Notification

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

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

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

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



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TDD: 800-649-3777

Attention LTBB Contractors

If you would like to be considered for future LTBB projects, please contact Purchasing Technician/Contracts Mandy Ragland at 231-242-1439 (phone) or mragland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov (e-mail).

Housing Department Programs

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

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

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

Down Payment Assistance: This program offers up to \$5,000 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.

Native News Briefs

Joan Jett and the Blackhearts Return to Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI
Odawa Casino Resort welcomes



back Joan Jett and the Blackhearts for an 8 p.m. performance on July 10, 2010 to be held in Ovation Hall. Tickets are now available for \$40 and \$35. Optimum Rewards Players Club members receive \$5 off the ticket price and \$10 in free slot play after the show. Tickets are available at the Quill Box gift shop located inside Odawa Casino Resort or at <http://premier.starticketsplus.com/event.php?event=1348>. To receive Players Club discounts, please call 1-800-585-3737. The show is for ages 21 and up.

Courtesy photo.

Saganing Eagles Landing Casino in Standish Township, MI, a Successful Venture

On January 31, 2010, the *Bay City Times* reported the Saganing Eagles Landing Casino, owned and operated by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, in Standish Township, MI, had net proceeds more than \$67.1 million in 2009, up from \$55.8 million in 2008. The casino opened on New Year's Eve 2006 and has earned more than \$120 million in net proceeds since then. The 32,000 square foot facility has more than 800 slot machines and electronic tables with nearby tribally-owned businesses which include a marina, gas station and an outdoors store.

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe is Arenac County's largest employer with 299 workers at the casino and 21 workers at the nearby businesses. In the article, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe Public Relations Director Frank J. Cloutier said about 40 more jobs could be created when the tribe expands its outdoors



store, called Eagle Valley Outfitters and that the project is in the design phase.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Serves as a Ball Girl for Harlem Globetrotters Game

LTBB Tribal Citizen Hope Drogmiller had the unique opportunity to be a ball girl during a Harlem Globetrotters game held January 2, 2010 at the Palace of Auburn Hills in Auburn Hills, MI. She received the opportunity because she was a winner of an *Oakland Press* coloring contest.

In addition to being a ball girl and sitting with the Globetrotters players on their bench, she received four free tickets to the game, an autographed jersey and basketball, spent time with some of the Globetrotters before the game and participated in the half-time meet and greet with the Globetrotters.

Her favorite Globetrotter players are Special K and Scooter.

Photo by Curtis Drogmiller.

Kennecott Eagle Minerals Co. Granted Permission to Construct Mine in Michigan's Upper Peninsula

On January 14, 2010, the Associated Press reported in an article that Michigan regulators gave final approval to a nickel and copper mine to be built in the remote Yellow Dog Plains region of Marquette County in Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) granted Kennecott Eagle Minerals Co. two grants, one to build and operate the mine and one to discharge treated wastewater underground.

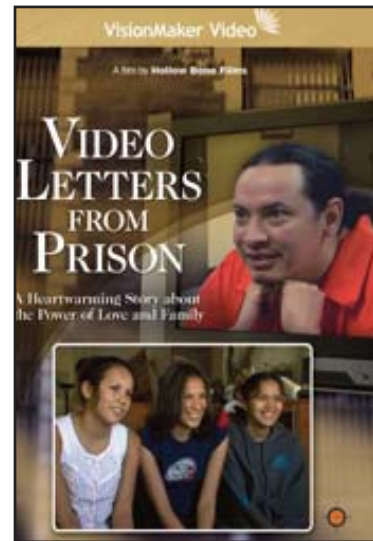
The department tentatively approved the grants in 2007, but the final approval followed a lengthy hearing by an administrative law judge.

The company hopes to begin construction this year "on what

would be the nation's only mine where nickel is the primary target, not just a byproduct from extraction of other minerals."

According to the article, the company is targeting a six-acre underground deposit expected to yield 250 million to 300 million pounds of nickel and about 200 million pounds of copper, and the mine would employ about 200 full-time workers with about 500 contractors hired during the construction phase.

The company still needs a groundwater permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,



but it expects to receive approval sometime this year.

Opponents of the mine fear it "would pollute streams that feed Lake Superior and provide habitat for a rare type of trout," and it could potentially damage Eagle Rock, a 60-foot high outcrop the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community uses for spiritual ceremonies. Opponents plan to appeal the DEQ's decision in circuit court.

Pending also is a legal challenge of the state's lease of public land for mine facilities.

"Video Letters from Prison" Debuts and Becomes Available to the Public in Spring 2010

Native American Public Telecommunications and Nebraska Educational Telecommunications will distribute a new Milt Lee (Cheyenne River Sioux) film, "Video Letters from Prison," in spring 2010.

It follows three teenage Lakota girls from the Pine Ridge Reservation as they form a tentative relationship with their incarcerated father through the exchange of video letters.

Lee became involved in a project to reconnect kids on the Pine Ridge Reservation with their incarcerated parents several years ago. Over time, the video correspondence he recorded between the three girls and

their father grew into an hour-long documentary about the challenges of establishing trust after a history of broken promises.

Courtesy graphic.

Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and Lenders Agree to Extend Debt Forbearance Agreement

On January 25, 2010, *Indian Country Today* reported the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation had reached a new agreement in principle with its senior lenders to extend a debt forbearance agreement as it works to restructure \$2.3 billion of debt.

The previous agreement, set to expire on January 20, 2010, was extended through April 30, 2010. The extended deadline gives the tribe more time to work out the details of its debt restructuring.

In November 2009, the tribe announced it had paid only \$14 million of a \$21.25 million bond interest payment on \$500 million in notes and that it expected to default on the balance, which it did a month later.

A forbearance agreement is typically an agreement to postpone, reduce or suspend payment due on a loan for a limited and specific time period. Interest that accrues during the forbearance typically remains the debtor's responsibility. When the forbearance expires, the unpaid interest typically is added to the principal balance of the loan. Typically, the lender agrees not to foreclose on the property or accelerate payments due on the loan during the forbearance period although foreclosure is not an option in Indian country in any case. According to the article, "Tribal nations and their creditors are in a unique financial situation in that creditors cannot take over an Indian casino or force the sale of its assets because of the sovereign status of Indian nations and their lands. Also, it is generally assumed that tribes as sov-



ereign nations cannot protect themselves by filing bankruptcy although that assumption has never been put to the test in a U.S. court."

LTBB Head Start Children



Visit Elders

On January 28, 2010, children from the LTBB Head Start Program visited the elders at the Elders Luncheon held at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. The children visit the elders there every month.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Second Annual BIE Youth Leadership Challenge

On June 6-12, 2010, the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is sponsoring the second annual Summer Youth Leadership Challenge hosted by Haskell Indian Nations University.

The Summer Youth Leadership Challenge is a week-long residential summer program which provides an array of educational activities and events for the students participating in the event. It was established to encourage and to support the youth to facilitate and to stimulate a desire in students to undertake their roles as leaders in their communities. It is open to students who are members of federally recognized tribes who will be in grades 9-12 during the 2010-2011 academic year. There is no cost to attend and students will be responsible for their transportation to the host site. Students will be selected based on their academic achievements, social standing and overall leadership qualities. Last year, students represented 17 states and 20 nations.

Applications must be received by March 1, 2010 (first round, priority), and the second round of applications must be received by March 15, 2010. All materials must be mailed in one envelope; no faxes are accepted. Applications may be accepted until May 1, 2010 (on a space available basis); please contact the office after May 1, 2010 to find out if spaces are open. Applications can be downloaded at <http://www.haskell.edu/outreach/2010%20Application%20BIE%20SYLC%20Rev%201410.pdf>.

For more information on this program, contact Freda Gipp at 785-749-8407 or fgipp@haskell.edu.

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Real Rock 105.1 DJ's man the Booth with a mix of Rock, Top 40 and Club Anthems! The first 105 guests every week receive a Real Rock Prize Pack and could win a weekly prize!

Terry Lee Goffee - A Tribute to Johnny Cash - Friday, March 19, show times are 2pm and 6pm, \$10.00 tickets. Show your Optimum Rewards card and receive \$5.00 off your ticket and receive \$5.00 in free slot play the day of the show.



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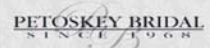
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