From the Desk of the Tribal **CHAIRMAN KEN HARRINGTON**



Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington and Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk from the U.S. Department of the Interior discuss tribal issues at the Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes Impact meeting held March 2011 in Washington, D.C.

On December 22, 2010, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians filed suit against the Bay Mills Indian Community due to the opening of its Bay Mills Casino and Resort in Vanderbilt, MI. The Bay Mills Casino and Resort was ordered closed by March 29, 2011 by noon eastern standard time when U.S. District Court Judge Paul Maloney issued a ruling in a request for a preliminary injunction against the casino by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

On April 5, 2011, the Bay Mills Indian Community appealed the lawsuit requesting it be allowed to operate Bay Mills Casino and Resort while it pursues its appeal. Both LTBB and the State of Michigan responded to the appeal on April 11, 2011.

On April 14, 2011, Maloney denied a motion by Bay Mills to stay a March 29, 2011 injunction which would have allowed its Vanderbilt casino to reopen while the legality of the casino to operate worked its way through the federal court system. Bay Mills was expected to appeal this decision.

The Chairman attended the annual Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes (MAST) meeting in Washington, D.C. in March 2011. Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk is the first Native American ever to be appointed by a U.S. President. Budgets were discussed at length. He stated since the Obama administration, in 2009, tribal budgets were held harmless, in 2010, tribal budgets increased 5%, and for 2011, tribes have maintained the status quo through the federal government budget woes and continuing resolutions. The federal government has passed several continuing resolutions for the 2011 federal government budget.

Fifty percent of our annual revenue is generated by Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI. Our Tribal Council finalized the casino debt restructure or forbearance on December 7, 2010. All parties suffered in the debt restructure. The bond holders principal amount due was reduced from \$122 million to \$40 million, and the interest went from 10.25% down to 9%. Our tribe paid \$23 million; the tribe depleted \$5 million worth of investments to assist with the \$23 million. The fee structure has changed significantly. Previous to the restructure, LTBB received \$1.1 million every month from our casino. Now, we receive \$435,000 per month with \$1.16 million quarterly and a lump sum in September for a projected \$12.5 million budgeted for transfer to the LTBB Government. Prior to the debt restructure, our tribe was paid first, and the bond holders second. Now, the bond holders are paid first with an interest reserve account, second, a furniture/fixture (slots) payment and third, our tribe. The mandatory restructure will allow our tribe to continue to progress. Essentially, we have proven to be responsible by restructuring our debt and not hiding behind sovereign immunity.

Forbearance fallout, which is 35 days

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17th Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Language Conference Inspires Language Learners of All Ages

By Carla McFall, Language Assistant

The 17th Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Language Conference took place March 23, 2011 through March 27, 2011 at the Kewadin Convention Center in Sault Ste. Marie, MI. The theme this year was "Aanji-nkweshkamong Enweying Shkakimi-kweng" meaning "Reconnecting Our Voice with Creation."

There were several LTBB Tribal Citizens and Community Members who attended. Ten elders went with LTBB Elders Program Assistant Kathy McGraw and driver Matt Davis. A few youth also attended from our community. They included Chelsea Carson, Nicole Laughlin, Rebecca Lynn and Sarah Schilling. They were



co-sponsored by the LTBB Youth Services Department, Harbor Springs High School and KINA organization. Brittany Bentley attended with her mother, Regina Gasco-Bentley. There was a conference track specifically for youth or teenagers, and another track with activities for children age seven to 12.

Native American Student Organization (NASO) students from North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI, sponsored a group of approximately 14 stu-

dents. NASO has been fundraising all year. They host a Storytelling, Entertainment and Indian Taco dinner each semester along with a silent auction and several bake sales. The student group also received an award from the college.

KINA, a non-profit Anishinaabe language organization, also did fundraising to sponsor or co-sponsor 26 participants. KINA received a small grant from LTBB and matched it with dinners, breakfast, raffles and 50/50 fundraisers.

Schilling was inspired to attend the annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Board Meeting. The nembership holds its quarterly board meeting and elections during the annual conference. Schilling was nominated and won a seat on the Youth Senate. In that capacity, she will be involved in organizing activities, representing youth and planning the conference for next year. We're very proud of Sarah, and congratulate her on this achievement.

The 18th Annual Anishinaabemowin-Teg Language Conference is scheduled for March 28, 2012 through April 1, 2012. Many of us are already look-

ing forward to next year.

A few of the participants who attended contributed the following com-

Audrey Atkinson, elder, immersion student, parent

"I had a great time at the A-Teg Conference. It was my first year to go, and it was very inspiring. We are always talking about how Anishinaabemowin is a spiritual, living language, and I now feel that I have a better understanding. The workshops were very informative, and I learned new ways to understand and interpret

words and phrases. The greatest thing that I came away with though was I learned how to learn, and I believe that classes will get easier. I also believe that I will learn. Yeah!"

Regina Brubacker-Carver, RN, LTBB Health Educator, immersion student

"I'm sure I could have gotten more out of the conference if I had more of the language than I do, but as someone who is in the very early stages of learning, I still feel very encouraged and inspired to keep learning. There



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Submitted by the Natural Resource Department



Trapping is part of our Native heritage. First-time trappers in many states and Canadian provinces must complete a trapper education program covering skills, regulations and the trapper's role in scientific wildlife management. Trapper education programs teach basic techniques with a strong focus on the responsible treatment of animals, legal methods, safety, selectivity and ethical trap-

Trapping takes a lot of time and dedication. Trappers spend time studying wildlife, scouting, preparing traps, working with landowners, setting traps, running trap lines and preparing pelts. When trapping season starts, trappers must check their traps on a regular basis until they are removed. Society, trappers and non-trappers alike, will not accept illegal or unethical behavior. This course can teach

you the basics. You must be willing to spend the time and effort to trap responsibly.

For Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Citizens, trapping season can be a yearlong activity for raccoon and coyotes. But for the most part, our season starts on October 1. We are looking to get a head count for

Please contact the Natural Resource Department at 231-242-1670 if you are interested in attending the trapping class which will be held here at the tribe.

Courtesy graphic and photo.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

Aanii kina gwaya.

The Department of Commerce (DOC) is working on a Tribal Business Directory. If you are a tribal business owner, please contact the department if you are interested in having your business listed in this publication. We will need the following minimal information: Business name, address, phone number(s), e-mail, website information and a list of services. Prices, slogan and logo are optional. Space for each business can be up to a full 8½ x 11 page, a ½ page or whatever suits your needs. I am urging owners to be creative and draft their own pages, but if you need assistance with this endeavor, I would be happy to assist you.

Tribal 4013 - Michigan RTM Annual Sales Tax

Five hundred plus Tribal 4013's were mailed out this past January to Resident Tribal Members (RTM's). This is the time of year when RTM's can acknowledge the importance of keeping an address current with the Enrollment Department. This is the first step individuals should be taking, right along with updating the address on a Driver's License. Changing your address determines when your tax-exempt status begins. If you moved into the LTBB Tax Agreement Area (TAA) on April 16, 2010, your tax-exempt status would have taken effect on May 1, 2010. Then, you would

be able to claim eight months on the Tribal 4013. I find many people don't go to the Enrollment Office to change their address right away, and 3-6 months later, file the proper forms. Well, that's 3-6 months you will not be able to claim on the 4013! If you've received a denial letter from the State of Michigan's Department of Treasury regarding your 4013 or State Income Tax, please contact me, and I can assist you with straightening this out.

Tribal Certificates of Exemption (TCEs) for Resident Tribal Members (RTMs)

A Tribal Certificate of Exemption is a form which allows a RTM to purchase certain items tax exempt. Items such as vehicles, motorcycles, ORVs and materials and supplies for home improvement are eligible to name a few. Items NOT eligible include appliances, furniture, tools and computers. RTMs must fill out a "Request for TCE" with the DOC **BEFORE** making the purchase. DOC will then process the request and issue an actual Tribal Certificate of Exemption. At this point, the RTM presents it to the vendor or car dealership before the purchase is made or to the Secretary of State's Office (when purchasing a vehicle or similar), and the person is not charged for the state tax up front.

If you have any questions regarding the Tribal Business Directory, the Tribal 4013 or the Tribal Certificates of Exemption, please don't hesitate to call me. I can be reached at 231- 242-1584 or by e-mail at tkeshick@ltbbodawa-

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE UPDATE

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

Aanii. Some of you (Resident Tribal Members) may have received a letter from the State of Michigan in regards to the Tribal Form 4013 you may have filed with your Michigan Income Tax. If you receive a "denial" letter or "Explanation of Change" letter, and believe you are due a refund and would like assistance in resolving the issue, please contact the Department of Commerce (DOC) office. I will need a copy of the letter. You may drop it off or fax it to 231-242-1599.

Also, as a reminder, especially when you are moving into the tribe's Tax Agreement Area or within, you MUST officially change your address with Enrollment. Otherwise, the beginning date of your tax-exempt status will be delayed! I have Address Verification Forms (AVF) available in my office for your convenience, I would be happy to send the form on to the Enrollment Department for you.

DOC also has notary services available. If you are listing a separate mailing address from a physical address, the AVF must be notarized. There is currently no fee for these services.

Attention Tribal Business owners: DOC is drafting a Tribal Business Directory. If you would like your business information published, please contact me!

For other tax information, please see the other DOC articles in this newsletter. Megwetch!

2011 ELK HUNT



LTBB Tribal Citizen Terry P. Erno of Boyne City, MI, shot a 400-pound cow elk on December 7, 2010 at 3:15 a.m.

2011 Hunter Safety and **IBEP Certification Class**

The class is a combo class. Upon successful completion of the class you will receive a Hunter Safety Certificate as well as International Bow Education Program Certification.

The following classes will be held at the LTBB Governmental Center Friday, July 22nd from 6-9 PM Saturday, July 23nd from 9 AM to 3:30 PM Friday, July 29th from 6-9 PM

The final class will be held at the Harbor Springs Outdoors Club Saturday, July $30^{\rm th}~$ from 9 am to 4 pm



For more information, Contact Roger Willis at

231-242-1674

2011 Trapper Education Class

Saturday, July 16th, 2011 9am - 5pm LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area

This class will teach basic techniques with a strong focus on the responsible treatment of animals, legal methods, safety, selectivity and ethical trapper behavior. There is a \$6 fee to cover the cost of equipment that will be used for the class.



TAG RETURN - Please note your 2010 hunting tags are due to the LTBB Natural Resource Department after January 2, 2011.

LICENSE RENEWAL/NEW LICENSES! -

The department will issue 2011 hunting/fishing licenses after January 2, 2011. Your license can be applied for through the mail if you are out of the area. Mail to the LTBB Natural Resource Department 7500 Odawa Circle,

Harbor Springs, MI 49770. Call 231-242-1670 or e-mail to dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.



Submitted by the Waabshki-Miigwan Drug Court Program Team

Happy spring everyone! As we reported in last month's issue of *Odawa Trails*, we will be posting brief articles on a monthly basis in order to update the LTBB Community on significant development and achievements within the Waabshki-Miigwan Drug Court Program (WMDCP) through this "Milestones" series.

This month, the WMDCP team was able to significantly broaden our outreach to include citizens without criminal convictions. Historically, participants usually become involved as a participant in drug courts following a criminal conviction when the judge orders the participant to successfully complete drug court as part of his or her probation or a condition of a plea agreement. In our tribal community, however, we have had an interesting issue arise that the Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI), the agency that is the technical advisor for our grant, had not addressed before. Following a community meeting by TLPI site visitors, Judge Joe Flies Away and Diana Webster, in August 2010, the court has had several inquiries about voluntary participation in the WMDCP.

Subsequently, the Tribal Judiciary passed an amendment to the Civil Court Rules, Rule XXXVI, Waabshki-Miigwan, which would allow tribal citizens without criminal convictions, but who wanted help with their substance abuse problems, to petition to be admitted to Waabshki-Miigwan on a self-referral basis. The only difference would be the self-referred participant would not be jailed for a severe drug court violation whereas others referred by the court could be. The self-referral option of our tribal adult program is unique to Waabshki-Miigwan and came at the request of community members. We can only conclude this is a program long-needed in our community, to restore our most vulnerable citizens to wellness with the support of the community as a whole.

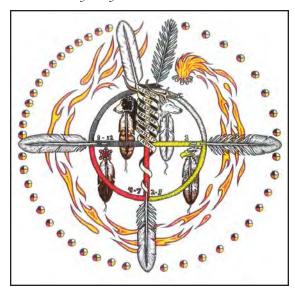
Drug courts operate on a system of rewards and sanctions for compliance and non-compliance. In other words, when participants do well and progress in the program, they may be rewarded i.e. receive praise from the judge or team members, receive small gifts such as gas cards or

have their court fines reduced. If, however, participants violate the rules or fail to complete weekly assignments or obligations or break the law, they will be sanctioned. Such sanctions may include having their participation in drug court extended by a week, having to complete community service or having to spend time in jail for a serious infraction or violation of the law. Self-referred clients, however, would not be ordered to jail.

By opening the door for volunteers to enter the WMDCP, we have provided a very useful service to our community. In early recovery, it is critical a person benefit from the accountability provided by others. The Tribal Court WMDCP can offer unique accountability for community members who are reaching out for help. The WMDCP team approach involves multiple levels of accountability with several staff-client contacts throughout each week.

If you know of someone struggling with substance abuse problems and in need of assistance, I hope you will consider passing on this information. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Joe Lucier, WMDCP Coordinator, at 231-838-9710 or jlucier@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

Artwork by Tony Miron.





Monthly "On the Red Road" articles feature stories written by LTBB Community Members in recovery which are gathered and submitted by the LTBB Waabshki-Miigwan Drug Court Program Team. The purpose of the "On the Red Road" series is to instill hope in the suffering alcoholic-addict by sharing our experiences in addiction and recovery, thereby, presenting the viable option of a healthy lifestyle On the Red Road.

Joe Lucier, WMDCP Coordinator

BEGINNING ON THE RED ROAD

By Yvonne Walker-Keshick

Editor's note: Yvonne Walker-Keshick is an Archival Tech in the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department and started On the Red Road back in 1978.

It's Monday morning. I woke up to the pounding on the front door. I tried to ignore it and go back to sleep. The knocking was persistent. Frights!!

I might as well peek to see who it is. I step out of my room and look.

Dang! It's my boss. I turn to crawl back into bed, but now he's yelling, "Come on, I know you're in there, get up! You have to come to work. I've come to give you a ride."

Silence. I pretended I wasn't home.

"Open the door or I'm going to kick it in."

Crap! I might as well open the door. As soon as I do, he comes barging in saying, "Come on, what are you doing? You have to work!! I'm depending on you! Where are your clothes?"

He's digging in my closet, grabs a skirt and blouse. "Here put these on. Where are your shoes? We're going to be late."

I'm just standing there groggy thinking, "What the

He looks around and spies the bathroom, goes in and grabs a toothbrush and puts toothpaste on it.

"Come on, brush your teeth, we don't have time to waste." He pushes me into the bathroom and says "Get dressed. You don't have time for a shower or to eat. I'll wait out here"

I go into the bathroom thinking, "Who does he think he is bossing me around like that? I don't have to go to work if I don't want to. He can even fire me if he wants. I just want to go back to sleep."

"Come on, I'm waiting."

Now, I'm getting mad, but I wash up and brush my teeth and hope the stink from drinking and smoking the night before is not so noticeable. This guy is not going to leave me alone unless I go to work. I might as well go. I enjoy a self-pity-

ing sigh.

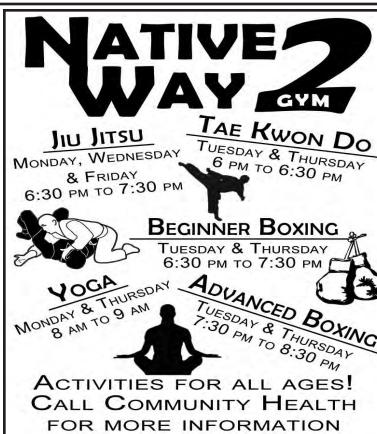
OK, I guess I'm going to work.

I come out of the bathroom, and he's standing around looking about my apartment. He gives me the "once over." "Good," he says. "Where's your purse? Ready to go?"

"No," I said, "but I will."

We walk to his car not talking. If I had walked to work as usual, I would have had to walk three miles, about an hour and fifteen minutes, as the crow flies across country.

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Small grants are available for tribal citizens and tribal community groups for events. Donations are available for both native and non-native organizations. If you would like an application, please contact Melissa Wiatrolik at 231-242-1420. The deadline for submitting an application is August 31, 2011. Please note that the Grants and Donations program is NOT intended for small business purposes.



Public Input Meeting

Reviewing the LTBB Tribal Transit Plan

When: Tuesday May 17, 6-8:00 PM

Where: LTBB Tribal Administration Common Area

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI

Surveys are in.

Services available have been inventoried. Now it's time to review the plan to satisfy LTBB Transit needs.



We invite the tribal community to contact us for more details! If you are interested, please contact the Human Services Department at

231-242-1620

May Elder Bürthdays

May 1 Carol Gagnon Elisabeth Kiogima Patricia Minor George Pamp Sharon Sierzputowski

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

May 3 Alvin Degraff Luella Moore Patrick Naganashe Philip Notari Ardene Romer

<u>May 4</u> Debra Godfrey Mary Keshick William Shananaquet, Sr. Jerry Stromske

May 5 Joseph Petoskey, Sr.

<u>May 6</u> Dale Glazier Sara Kagabitang Millard Pliler Kathleen Shagonaby Nancy Wanshon

<u>May 7</u> Shirley Firovich Viola McNamara Brenda Ybarrondo

May 8 Marie Boda Marie Deckrow Reginald Dodge, Jr. Robert Parkey Mary Rivers Anna Stead Donna Vanpelt

May 9 Debhra Robertson David Shananaquet David Weaver Charles Zehe

May 10 Kathleen Deane Elizabeth Gasco

Catherine Anderson Eric Hunting

May 11

May 12 Norman Leo Michael McKeown

May 13 Laura Lonchar Della Petoskey Rita Smith

May 14 Shirley Chippewa Gordon Groleau Patricia Johnson Gloria Miller

May 15 Elizabeth Jordan Melvin Napont Marilyn Napont

May 16 Eileen Dennis Angela Hayden Geraldine Masse

May 17 Susan Allen John Bott Sr. Timothy Petoskey Dorothy Sagataw Judith Sandoz James Weissgerber

> May 18 Shirley Lark Joseph Parkey Steven Potter

May 19 Joseph Nadeau, Sr. Mary Shananaquet

May 20 Elizabeth Johnson Wilfred Sharkey Owen Smith, Sr.

May 21 Thomas Antoine David Lacroix Lawrence Nadeau Donald Shomin, Jr. Lawrence Skippergosh

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

May 23 Donna Newton Cheryl Samuels Charles Sessions Diane Trafas

May 24 Mildred Laduke Christine Shomin

May 25 Sheree Gamble Susie Searles

May 27 Gloria Chisholm Peter Dayson Bernard Hunting John Keshick III Joyce McClellan Gary Rieter Rose Silvey

May 28 Jennie Chamness Augustine Kiogima, Sr. Catherine Merryman Robert Ramage Robert Suhr Dwain Walker

May 29 Andrew Chingman, Sr.

May 30 Jacquelyn Connelly Ramona Curtis Richard Massey

May 31 James Kiogima, Sr. Veronica Medicine Cynthia Schuyler Debra Smithkey-Browne Vernetta Wachsman

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND DHS HOST MANDATORY REPORTER TRAINING FOR TRIBAL HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS

Submitted by the Human Services Department

In March 2011, the Human Services Department in collaboration with the local State Department of Human Services (DHS) office presented a mandatory reporter training to tribal nurses from across the state. These nurses and staff are employed through Healthy Start and Maternal Child Health programs through the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan.

Nurses and staff were instructed on how to report child and abuse neglect. Issues discussed were how tribes collaborate with the state to conduct protective service investigations, the definition of mandated reporters, what is expected in reporting and the outcomes of reporting. Nurses and staff were encouraged to refer to their respective tribal laws to understand definitions of child abuse and neglect and mandatory reporting requirements. The training took place at Odawa Hotel in Petoskey, MI, and was attended by approximately 25 participants.



We're Better Together!

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Social Services Program is in need of Foster Parents!!!

Our Native Children need Native Foster Families to care for them, ensuring that they embrace our culture and are given a chance to grow in our community.

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Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 13 - 18 yrs. old
Eshkiniigijik meet on a weekly basis,
Thursdays after school until 7 PM

Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Youth are informed

of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail. Bus transportation is provided by Petoskey and Harbor Springs Schools.

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Are native and Non-Native youth from the LTBB community between the ages of 8 - 12 yrs. old Binoojiinhak meet on a weekly basis, Tuesdays after school until 7 PM

Weekly meeting is usually held at the LTBB White House. Parents are informed of weekly meeting place and special events via phone, text and e-mail. Bus transportation is provided by Petoskey and Harbor Springs Schools.

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MEETS MONDAY NIGHTS FROM 5:30 - 7:30 PM AT THE LTBB WHITE HOUSE. INCLUDES LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES, FUNDRAISERS AND VARIOUS OTHER COMMUNITY EVENTS. PROVIDES OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH TO BECOME ACTIVE LEADERS IN THE COMUNITY



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON YOUTH SERVICES, CONTACT: Kristy Dayson

Youth Coordinator 231-838-8830 Barry Bott

Youth Assistant

231-838-9131



Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi

EP Textile Student Creates Unique Projects

Technical Education Program (WOCTEP)

Elizabeth Johnston is a WOCTEP Textiles student. Through her Textiles certificate program studies, she is learn-

ing new techniques and methods for fiber art design. Elizabeth recently visited WOCTEP staff to share the unique textiles pieces she has created and talked about what she has learned in her classes.

Elizabeth created a scarf using a Japanese dye technique called Shibori which is similar to tie-dye. To create the circular pattern on the scarf, she grouped together different size marbles and tied them into the scarf with rubber bands. The fan pattern on the corners was achieved by twisting the fabric and securing it with a rubber band. The scarf was then dipped into an Indigo dye bath. Indigo is a dye that is easy to use and creates a beautiful final product.

"Indigo is very interesting because the resulting patterns are almost limitless and can be used on a number of materials," Elizabeth elaborated.

The dye classes are very popular among students. The Natural Dye class enables students to produce and work with natural dyes. To create a stole, a type of vestment worn by a priest, Elizabeth used six different natural dyes on cotton yarn. Next, in her Advanced Weaving class, she used a loom to weave the yarn into a twill pattern.

'Weaving is like therapy; normally very relaxing. This

Submitted by the Waganakising Odawa Career and one was so much fun. I wove it way too long, but the piece turned out very nicely," she said.

Elizabeth was able to use her hand woven, naturally dyed stole for multiple final projects. The convenience of the Textile program is that the classes interrelate, and students can

apply what they learn in one class to

A newer technique being learned by Textile students is Digital Imaging in which students take a design created through computer application and print it directly onto

"It is totally different from any other class I have taken. It does in seconds what would probably take months to do with hands-on drawing," Elizabeth explained.

For her project, she took a picture of a snowmobile hood, cropped and layered the picture using Photoshop, and then printed it directly onto fabric to create her unique de-

Overall, Elizabeth is thoroughly enjoying her Textiles classes:

"I'm finding the Textile courses to be a wonderful addition to my work as a seamstress. It is a little more specialized, but it will help me make a one-of-a-kind outfit, especially if the cloth was hand woven."

For information on Art-Textiles, please contact WOCTEP Business & Technology Curriculum Coordinator Amber Holt at aholt@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or 231-242-

Courtesy photo.



recently completed their Phlebotomy clinical assignments and should graduate with the Phlebotomy Technician Certificate

of Development at North Central Michigan College in

Petoskey, MI, this month. Graduates will be honored at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, and will be presented with their welldeserved School-

to-Work

upon completion! WOCTEP has provided graduates with items such as stethoscopes, name embroidered lab coats and Phlebotomist pins.

The Phlebotomy Certificate of Development is one of three WOCTEP health programs offered in partnership between LTBB and North Central Michigan College. This program allows for hands-on experience, providing the graduates with ample knowledge for an exciting career in the Phlebotomy field. The Anishinaabek Culture course, which is part of all seven WOCTEP certificate programs, ensures all

WOCTEP graduates will leave the program with a culturally rich experience.

Soon-to-be-graduate Ashley Winter exclaimed she really enjoyed the "hands-on" aspect of the program, and the fact it

wasn't "just book-work." Winter especially liked she could choose the venue for her clinical. Early registration and the opportunity to utilize WOCTEP scrubs and lab coats were also helpful to her.

When asked about her WOCTEP

Phlebotomy training experience, another student, Lisa Meadows, said, "I have learned so much from this program! I am currently doing my clinicals at the Charlevoix Area Hospital and have found everyone here to be very helpful and patient."

For more information about WOCTEP Health Programs, please contact Health Curriculum Coordinator Tina Dominic at kdominic@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or 231-242-1484.

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HOW CAN I HELP MY CHILD WITH READING?

Submitted by Dorothy Perry, Academic Services Coordinator

If you are a parent or caregiver, you are your child's first her own words. teacher. One of the most significant decisions you can make is to choose to take an active role in their education.

Tips for Parents

- Spend 30 minutes a day reading to your child or listening to him or her read. You can ask your child questions about what is going on in scenes in picture books.
- Give your child books as gifts. Pick out books on topics that interest your child.
- Help your child get a library card; use the tribal library, local library and the school library.
 - Learn about how reading is taught in your child's school.
- Monitor your child's progress by discussing what he or she is learning and by reviewing homework.
- Keep in touch with your child's teachers. Ask how your child is progressing, and what you can do at home to support reading instruction.
- Encourage your child to practice literacy skills in the same way that you would encourage him or her to practice basketball or the piano.
- Applaud the practice and reward children for reading a certain number of books.
- Let your child see you and other family members reading and writing for practical purposes and for pleasure.

- Make flashcards with new words to learn.
- Make colorful bookmarks with your child.
- Ask your child to tell you about what he/she read in his/
- Create a special space in your home for reading and writ-
- Take your child to a bookstore or library for a read aloud "Story Time."

Current research in reading reveals three important considerations for parents AND teachers:

- Children who read, and read widely, become better
- Reading and writing are complementary skills.
- Parents are important to children both as role models and as supporters of their efforts.

For more information about the LTBB Cultural Library, visit us on the web at http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/surpass/websafari.exe or call Librarian Francine Thuston at 231-242-1487.

Sources: "How Can I Help My Child with Reading." National PTA

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Cultural Library - Book Review by LTBB Tribal Citizen Sara Thomas

Title: March Toward the Thun-

Type of Media: Book - Indians

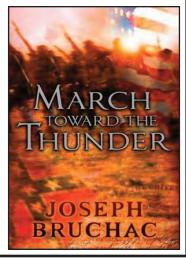
Author: Joseph Bruchac Reviewer: Sara Thomas

of North America - Fiction One interesting thing about

the book: After reading the book, the title is a well fit because it represents the soldiers marching and the thunder of gunfire.

Explain why you liked or didn't like the book: I'm not one to read war books, but once I started this one, I found I couldn't put it down. The story of a young Native boy joining the army voluntarily, fighting the enemy as well as prejudices of Indians and following hardships, friendships and discoveries of himself kept me captivated.

Courtesy graphic.



The Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department wishes to say Miigwetch to everyone that has donated Regalia!

Donations Needed



The Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi **Cultural Services**

is seeking donations of Regalia to be used for presentations. Regalia donations may be dropped off at the Cultural Services office or please call Dawn Nightlinger at

231-242-1485 for more information.

Free Preschool Recruitment Dates

A tuition-free Preschool Recruitment is taking place on the following dates for children ages three and four years old. Appointments can be made by calling 1-877-866-3714.

Petoskey, MI: April 26, 2011, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.; April 27, 2011, 12 p.m. 7p.m.: NMCAA, 2202 Mitchell Park, Suite 4

Pellston, MI: April 28, 2011, 12 p.m. - 7 p.m.; April 29, 2011, 9 a.m. 1 p.m.: Pellston Elementary School, 172 N. Park

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ATTENTION MICHELLE CHINGWA RECIPIENTS

Just a reminder, the deadline for the Summer Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance Scholarship is June 15, 2011. Students must have a complete file, including application and release forms (filled out once per academic year), student aid report and current schedule by this date to be eligible for the scholarship. Grade reports from previous semester reflecting both cumulative and term GPA must also be received by this date in order to determine eligibility. Grade reports must be received before a first installment will be processed. Per REG-WOS 2007-05 050710-008 section III. F. "Students must submit grade reports for the previously awarded semesters. If necessary, adjustments will be made for any credits, withdrawn or deemed ineligible, according to GPA guide-

Please be advised adjustments will be made for any

class where an incomplete is earned or when a student receives a failing grade and is not awarded credit by the institution. Students may appeal in writing to the Education Appeals Board regarding any adjustment made to their

Also, please remember that in order to receive the second installment of your Winter/ Spring award, the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department needs to receive your Enrollment Verification Form before the last day of the semester. Please remember faxed Enrollment Verification Forms will not be accepted, and it is the student's responsibility to follow up to make sure the form has been received. For more information or help with higher education, please contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or by e-mail at aswiss@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

Submitted by the Academic Team

The Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department would like to begin featuring "student success" articles in the Odawa Trails. We encourage parents, families and friends to submit stories, poems and articles written by our youth, including art work. This is open to ages Pre-school through 12th grade. Please e-mail submissions to dperry@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or feel free to drop off at the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.



D-Hunting

By Noodin Craven, Fourth Grade, Mrs. Smith, Pellston Elementary School

Bam! Gasp! I pulled my gun to my chest, still gasping. I said to myself, "It's awesome." "Is this yours?" I turned to my friend Rodrego. "Yea, it is," I said. "What do you think?" "It WILL make a trophy Ben," said Rodrego. As we gasped at the brown, hairy, bear.

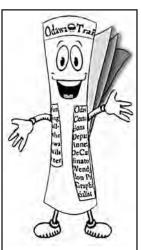
"I have a truck here," said Rodrego. "Good, let's put him in it," I said. We put the hairy animal in the back of the truck. We drove along the path, when suddenly, WHAM! CRASH!

I was unconscious for an hour. When I woke up, I was out lying on the ground beside the broken car. I got up and lucky enough, I wasn't broken. Then, I saw something it was Rodrego, he was on the ground. I ran toward him. "Rodrego, Rodrego he's injured!" I said. I sat on my knees and thought to myself, "He's gone." Then, I saw the cause and the effect; there were moose tracks, and I noticed they were fresh. I followed them and saw an enormous moose with half of his antler gone. I said, "The hunting begins ..."

Courtesy photo.

A Newsletter about Newsletters

By Yvonne Walker-Keshick, Archival Tech



The early issues of Odawa Trails began in 1991 when Simon Otto issued the first Odawa Trails.

This was a one page regularly distributed publication that contained information of interest to tribal people. Its general attributes included news and upcoming events as well as contact information for tribal inquiries.

The Odawa Trails had grown from one page to the multiple page formats we are receiving now.

One of the regular tasks

the Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Data Services does is to collect, maintain and preserve newspaper articles and newslet-

ters that have anything to do with the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa. After just recently doing a comprehensive inventory of Odawa Trails newsletters, we are in search of newsletters from these dates:

1993: January, February, March, April, May and July. 1994: All. Is it possible there were no newsletters 1995: January, February and 1995 winter issue.

1996: May, June, July, August, October, November and December.

1997: January, March, April and May.

2001: July and August.

If you have or know of a tribal citizen who may have what we are looking for, please forward our request for the missing issues. We would be most thankful.

Archival Tech Yvonne Walker Keshick can be con-

tacted at 231-242-1452 or ywalker@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Graphic by Pre-Press Graphic Specialist Wendy Congdon.

UPCOMING FIELD WORK

these services includes the maintenance of several Odawa cemeteries throughout Emmet County, MI. These cemeteries are in rural locations and require an extra amount of attention. Crosses are routinely replaced and repainted as well as re-

jigowi is honored to be able to perform this duty for our ancestors. If any LTBB Tribal Citizens need crosses for family members who have walked on, please contact our depart-

The cemeteries we maintain are

With spring finally here, the Gimoving dead trees and branches. but a few of our ancestors' resting jigowi Bipskaabiimi Department staff Grass is cut and any other debris is regrounds. It is our goal to identify and is excited to start its field work. Part of moved from the burial grounds. Gitake some measures to protect these unmarked, unknown burials. If anyone knows of old burial grounds in Emmet County, MI, please contact NAGPRA/Artifact/Living Museum Specialist Eric Hemenway at 231-242-1527 or ehemenway@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN LOCAL SCHOOLS

Submitted by the Cultural Team

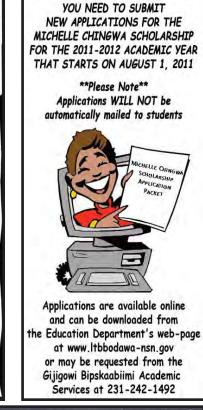
Last month was all about legends and music! We have been working on making shakers with the students in Pellston and East Jordan Schools for the past month. We made turtle shakers out of paper plates and have been working on making gourd shakers to show in presentations. The students loved learning the legend of how the turtle got her

We also did a presentation on Native American in-

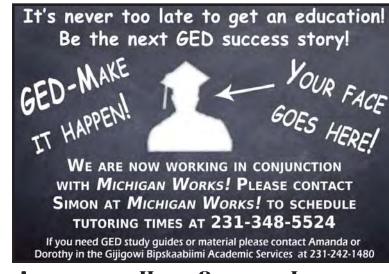
ventions in a third grade class at Shay Elementary in Harbor Springs, MI. The students loved learning about how many different items Native Americans have invented; they were full of questions. Maple syrup, snow shoes, jerky, canoes, oh my! It was a big hit. Until next month, Wiingezin.

If you would like to learn more information on making music shakers for all ages, legends or Native American inventions, please contact Cultural Assistant Dawn Nightlinger at 231-242-1485 or dnightlinger@ltbbodawansn.gov.





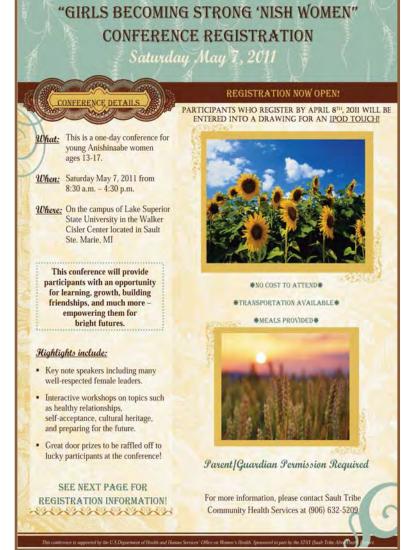
ATTENTION STUDENTS!



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Are you thinking of attending college, but aren't sure if you are ready to attend a university? Would you be interested in information about North Central Michigan College in Petoskey, MI, and Northwestern Michigan College's University Centers? Would you be interesting in visiting Northwestern Michigan College in Traverse City, MI, and touring the campus and Univer-

sity Center? The Gijigowi Bipskaabiimi Department is currently assessing the interest level for a college visit to Northwestern Michigan College and would like your feedback. If you think you would be interested, please contact Amanda Swiss, Higher Education Student Services Specialist, at 231-242-1492 or e-mail aswiss@ltbbodawansn.gov.





MEET ELDERS COORDINATOR TAMMY OKULY

LTBB Tribal Citizen Tammy (Shananaquet) Okuly started as the Elders Coordinator on April 4, 2011.

Okuly, who grew up in the Prescott/West Branch, MI, area and graduated from Whittemore-Prescott High School, earned an Associates in Applied Science from Delta College, and is licensed in Michigan as a Nursing Home Administrator, Real Estate Salesperson and a Registered Nurse.

Her previous work experience includes working in the neurological intensive care unit at St. Mary's Hospital in Saginaw, MI, working in Home Health Care, working as the Staff Development/ Infectious Control Director and Director of Operations at Heartland Home, Health and Hospice Care Center in Saginaw. Additionally, her experience includes working as the Director of Nursing at Frankenmuth Care Center in Frankenmuth, MI, which is now Tendercare of Frankenmuth. She was hired as the Wellness Director to develop a healthcare support center at Independence Village Frankenmuth, a 249-apartment retirement community in Frankenmuth,

and she was then promoted to General Manager. Most recently, she enjoyed teaching classes in a Certified Nursing Assistant (C.N.A.) program at Ray of Hope in Mid-

land, MI, and running her own healthcare consulting business.

"It was my calling," Okuly said.
"I've always had a heart for taking care of people, animals, plants or whatever needed care, and I enjoy teaching. I'm excited to become acquainted with the services the tribe offers for our elders, to

meet with the elders to determine what they see as their needs, and hopefully, to address some of those needs. You want their golden years to be golden. I look forward to learning from the elders and becoming more familiar with our traditions."

Okuly is the daughter of the late Mervin and Cindy (Welcome) Shananaquet, and her grandparents are the late Ida (Cabinaw) and

Samuel Shananaquet. She and her eight siblings grew up in foster care, but she and her older brother, Thunder, grew up together.

"I feel I have walked a path directed by a higher power, and it has brought me back to my roots," Okuly said of returning to the Northern Michigan area. "I'm completing

a circle. I'm so excited to be back here."

She and Harry, who she describes as "the man that captured and has held my heart for more than ¼ of a century and the loving father of our seven children," Robert, 29, Veronica,

25, Megan, 24, Tricia, 20, Kristen, 17, Jaimie, 14, and Thomas, 9. Robert owns his own online credit consulting business, and he and his wife, Krista, have two children, Lila, 3, and Savannah, six months. Veronica is a stay at home mother, and she and her husband, Brandon, have four children, Logan, 5, Malachi, 4, Nehemiah, 3, and Noah, 10 months. Megan is a social worker out of Florida, and Tricia is in the nursing program at Saginaw Valley State University. Kristen and Jaimie are in their senior and freshman years respectively at Heritage High School, and Thomas is a fifthgrader at Arrowwood Elementary School and an outstanding athlete. Kristen has a 1-month old son, Christian.

Okuly used to play the guitar and sing until a thyroid problem prevented her from doing so. She ran the nursery at her church for eight years and taught first grade religious education for 10 years.

In her free time, she enjoys spending time with her husband, children and grandchildren.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEET CONTRACT HEALTH/DENTAL RECEPTIONIST APRIL PEAVEY

LTBB Tribal Citizen April Peavey started as the Contract Health/Dental Receptionist on March 7, 2011.



Peavey, who grew up in Grand Rapids, MI, and graduated from Grand Rapids Creston High School, previously worked as a hostess at Mukwa Café and in Law Enforcement. She is currently attending North Central Michigan College, studying Business Management, Marketing and Office Administration.

She and her husband, Craig, have been married for 17 years, and they have two children, Christine, 16, and Dakota, 14. She and Christine are both traditional dancers, and Dakota is a grass dancer. Dakota plays ice hockey.

Her parents are Norm and the late Rita (Kenoshmeg) Blumke, and her grandparents are the late Enos and Edna (Parkey) Kenoshmeg. Her mother, Rita, was a Miss Odawa Indian Princess (the precursor to the Odawa Homecoming Queen and Miss Odawa Nation).

Her hobbies include attending pow wows with her family, watching ice hockey and rooting for the Detroit Red Wings.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette Van-

Odawa Homecoming Canopy Policies

All Canopies must have at least one participant (Dancer/Singer)

Set-up begins Friday, August 12 at 5 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!

Canopy space is limited to a 10' x 10' area

YOU are responsible for canopy area CLEAN up before leaving

All interested parties MUST check in with Pow Wow Committee Member prior to setting up

Canopy limit is ONE per FAMILY even if there are multiple participants NO EXCEPTIONS!



LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENT

MEET LAW ENFORCEMENT UFFICER JESSE HOCQUARD

Jesse Hocquard started as a Law Enforcement Officer on March 29, 2011 after spending almost two years as a Reserve Deputy for Charlevoix County.

Hocquard graduated from Kirtland Community College Regional Police Academy on October 28, 2010 and earned his Associates of Applied Science in Criminal Justice from North Central Michigan College. He attended Kirtland Community College Regional Police Academy with his older brother, Ryan, who is a Corrections Officer for Charlevoix County.

"I've always had a drive for law enforcement," said Hocquard, who grew up in Boyne City, MI, and graduated from Boyne City High School. "I've always felt it was what I was supposed to do. The time I spent as a Reserve Deputy reinforced that."

He has a fiance', Cammy-El, and a daughter, Brittany, 9.

He enjoys spending time with family and friends and horseback riding on the farm he and his family live on.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette Van-DeCar.









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 ef-

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.

Help Us Help You: Important Information from Contract Health Services

Did you know one emergency room visit can produce multiple bills?

For example, I went to the emergency room for a sprained ankle. From that one ER visit, there could be a laboratory bill, a x-ray bill, an emergency room doctor's bill and the hospital bill just to name a few.

Not all bills are handled at the originating facility, so we need your help to ensure all your bills are paid in a timely manner. All tribal citizens should be aware of the procedure you must follow for Contract Health Services once payment has been approved by the Manage Care team.

It is important to note if we do not get the bill and the billing code, we cannot pay the

Procedure

- 1. Call the number on any statement you receive in the mail and inform the provider to bill the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. LTBB is the payer of last resort, so please verify any private insurance you may have and have the provider bill
- 2. Bring any statement in to Contract Health Services.
- 3. Physically watch the Contract Health Services worker call the number on the statement.

- 4. Verify the name of the person the Contract Health worker spoke with and make sure it is written on your statement.
- 5. Request a copy of statement with date stamp and initials of person who assisted you.

This may seem redundant, but if we work together, the process will run smoothly.

When utilizing the ER, notice must be received within 72 hours of the visit. LTBB Elders have 30 days to notify Contract Health Services.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Contract Health Services at 231-242-

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.



ATTENTION HEALTHY START PARTICIPANTS

IF YOU HAVE BORROWED A BREAST PUMP AND ARE NO LONGER USING IT, PLEASE RETURN IT TO THE LTBB HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR OTHERS TO USE. REMINDER: THE TUBING AND BOTTLES ARE YOURS TO KEEP. RETURN THE CASE AND THE PUMP ONLY.





Little Traverse Bay Bands Head Start & Early Head Start 233 TINDLE ST. PELLSTON, MI 49769 231-539-8325

EARLY HEAD START 0-3 YEARS / Home Based

Early Head Start is a Home Based Program Weekly In Home Visits - 4 to 6 weeks/Year Curriculum: Parents As Teachers 2 Socializations Each Month

Head Start and Early Head Start can work in coordination with the Intermediate School District to provide services for children with physical, emotional and/or learning disabilities.





Please feel free to call our office to see if you qualify at 231-242-1620 Monday through Friday 8 am to 5 pm

Take a fresh approach to weight management

by developing new habits to make lifestyle changes permanent changes. Once a month, one-hour sessions.

Discover ways to understand your body's hunger and fullness signals, meet your energy needs and make eating and physical activity healthy, enjoyable and fun.

Fruits, vegetables, whole grains and more R Retrain your taste buds

E Explore enjoyable physical activity S Smart food choices

Take care of YOU

H Habits for a lifetime

 ${f R}$ Rainbow of food colors for improved health A Awareness of your needs and health habits

Choose what you think and what you do

Keep in balance your mind, body and spirit
 Sensitivity to sugar and white flour foods

When and Where?

This class will last for 10 weeks on the third Thursday of each month beginning March 17, 2011, Noon to 1 p.m. Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Call Cathy Gibson to sign up 231-242-1601 Your FRESH TRACKS leader will be Betty Noland, RD

Questions? E-mail bettynoland@shaw.ca



INFORMATION

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

The Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind the tribal membership about a few items pertaining to the Tax Agreement.

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

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

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

It is YOUR responsibility to update your address on file with the Enrollment Department. This date will affect how many months you will be able to file the Annual Resident Tribal Member Sales Tax Credit (Tribal Form 4013). It is to your benefit to be able to file for the maximum number of months for this

In addition, being an RTM will allow you to purchase large items such as vehicles, boats, motorcycles and off the road vehicles tax exempt.

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

(Tribal Form 3998). If you plan on purchasing any of these items, please contact me FIRST, and I will be happy to get you the form via e-mail or fax. I am also able to fax the TCEs to the dealership you are doing business with.

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 cated t h e LTBB Governmental Center in Springs, Harbor MI. Your RTM status will take effect on the first day of the folday of the following month in which you moved.

Being an RTM will also allow you to be tax exempt on utility bills such as phone, cable, gas, propane, electricity, satellite and cellular service. If you have not filled out a Utility Provider Survey, please contact the DOC, and I will be happy to get one to you.

Also, another important thing to remember is if you do move into the Tax Agreement Area (TAA), your RTM status does NOT take effect until the first day of the following month.

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

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

http://www.michigan.gov/treasury/0,1607,7-121-1748_23287---.00.html

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

• Business Registration Certificate (DBA) Filed

During the month of March 2011, the following tribal citizen filed a DBA through the Department of Commerce:

Blast From the Past, located in Petoskey, MI, filed by Dexter McNa-

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all) Friendship (all) Little Traverse (all) Resort (partial) Hayes (partial) City of Petoskey (all) City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)

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

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

- 1. Sales Tax (currently 6% of retail price) via Form 4013
- 2. Use Tax (currently 6% of purchase price)
 3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
- 4. Michigan Business Tax (currently 4.95%)
- *Motor Fuel Tax (currently 33 cents per gallon unleaded and 29 cents per gallon on diesel) 6. *Tobacco Product Tax (currently \$2 per pack of cigarettes)
- * All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.
- *The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindiger (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!

ALLOWED TO USE THEIR TRIBAL ID SWIPE CARDS FOR PURCHASES OF NON-MEMBERS NOR ARE THEY ALLOWED TO LEND THEIR CARDS OUT TO ANYONE.

The current limit on tobacco purchases is four cartons per week per tribal citizen age 18 and over. The same applies to all other tobacco products (OTP) packaged in similar fashion.

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENT Tribal Members (RTMs) If you are planning to purchase a vehicle, ORV or plan on doing any

home improvements to your principal place of residence, YOU NEED TO CONTACT ME FIRST before making the actual purchase(s).

You must fill out the "Request for TCE" form located on the LTBB

website or by contacting my office. I will then issue you a "Tribal Certificate of Exemption" for such purchases. The tribe no longer uses the Refund Method, as indicated in the monthly newsletter, as of January 1, 2008. If you've already made a purchase, there is no recourse! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you. -Theresa Keshick

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	2/18/2009	February 18, 2015	01-09
Rebecca R. Atkinson	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	February 23, 2015	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/2009	May 11, 2015	04-09

THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We would like to start tracking LTBB Tribal Citizens who have completed military service or who are currently on active duty. If you are a veteran, please call us toll free at 1-866-652-5822 ext. 1521 or 1520. We will be asking you the following questions:

- (1) Name
- (2) Date of Birth
- (3) Branch of Service

This information will enable us to apply for veteran grants. Megwetch,

Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer



Address Verification Forms Due November 30, 2011

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VER-IFICATION FORM completed annually before November 30, 2011. 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 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, 2011 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICA-TION FORM. This form must be returned by November 30, 2011.

Address verification forms can be downloaded at www.ltbbodawansn.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.

- 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.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Click on Offices/Government Center/Enrollment Department and click on the appropriate form. The adult form must be printed on legal size paper and the minor form on letter size paper. We will continue to

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 documen-

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.**

ENROLLMENT OFFICE

FEE SCHEDULE If you have any questions regarding the service and fee schedule, please contact the LTBB Encollment Office at 231-242-1521, Linda Gokee, Administrative Assistant, or 231-242-1520, Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer.

Fees:	Tribal Citizens
Replacement Cards A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Free to elders.	\$5
Tribal Directory Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2009. Published every 4 years.	\$5
Tribal Directory Labels Requestor must provide labels.	\$5
LTBB List The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	\$5
Photocopies of Enrollment file \$1 first copy page, 25 cents for each page thereafter.	\$1 each
Marriage License Application Certified Copies: \$10 Photo Copies: \$5	\$15
Tribal Notary Application If approved Surety Bond: \$125	\$10

Services:

- Enrollment Applications.
- Address Change Forms.
 - Adults require notarization if mail is delivered to a post office box. Minors require notarization annually
 - Tribal Identification Cards.
- Tribal Directory.
- Marriage License Application.
- Tribal Notary Application. Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver Certification.
- 4432 Indian Preference Form.
- Eagle Feather Application and Re-Order Form.
- Certifier of LTBB Degree of Indian Blood.

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- 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

ski at 517-372-4400 or nhbpi.com May 7

<u>Michigan</u>

June 3-4 Seven Teachings Pow Wow Elk Rapids, MI

Contact Information: Right Way Youth Sports Club at 231-709-2936 or toni.k.shananaquet@gmail.com

June 3-4 Honoring Saganing Traditional Pow Wow

Standish, MI Contact Information: 1-800-884-6271

June 17-19 Riverbank Traditional Pow Wow

Lansing, MI Contact Information: Robin or Eva at 517-393-7236, Robin_Menefee@yahoo.com or riverbanktraditional.org

June 24-26 Bay Mills 20th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Competition Pow Wow Brimley, MI

Contact Information: Allyn Cameron at 906-248-8118 or ajcameron@bmic.net

June 25-26 Honoring Our Sisters Traditional Pow Wow Brooklyn, MI

Contact Information: Davi Trusty at 517-544-7663 dtrusty@gshom.org

June 25-26 Huron Potawatomi Pow Wow to Celebrate Native American Culture and Heritage Athens Township, MI

Contact Information: Donna Halin-

Minnesota

May 27-29 Seventh Annual Seven Clans Casino Thief River Falls, MN

Contact Information: Ron Lussier at 218-556-7566, ralussier@sevenclanscasino.com or www.sevenclanscasino.com

June 4-5 Eighth Annual Dakota Homecoming and Gathering Winona, MN

Contact Information: 507-452-2278 or dakotahomecoming.org

June 10-12 Jerry Fairbanks Scholarship Pow Wow

Sawyer, MN Contact Information: Brenda Shabiash at 218-878-8194 or brendashabiash@fdlrez.com

June 17-19 Lake Vermillion Pow Wow Tower, MN Contact Information: Tracey Dagen at 218-780-1478 or tdagen@fortunebay.com or Muriel Deegan at 218-750-7772 murieldeegan@yahoo.com

June 24-26 S. Lake Traditional Pow Wow Deer River, MN Contact Information: Gary Char-218-760-7955 maang40@yahoo.com

Wisconsin

AIRO Traditional Pow Wow

University of Wisconsin-Stevens

Stevens Point, WI

Information: Andrew Contact Gokee at 715-346-3576 or agokee@uwsp.edu

May 20-23

Veterans of the Menominee Nation -Gathering of Warriors Pow Wow Keshena, WI Contact Information: Wes at 715-

851-4748 westmartin@new.rr.com

May 21

Come to the Drum Pow Wow Lake Geneva, WI

Information: Thunder Contact Ruthven at 708-715-5042 or thndrrthvn@yahoo.com

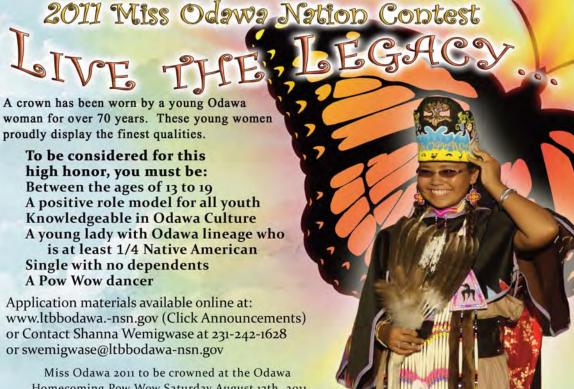
May 28-30 Ho-Chunk Nation's Memorial Day Pow Wow Black River Falls, WI

Contact Information: Keith Smith at 715-213-2089

June 18-19 Honor the Firekeepers Pow Wow Lake Geneva, WI

Information: Thunder Ruthven at 708-715-5042, thndrrthvn@yahoo.com or lakegenevapowwow.org

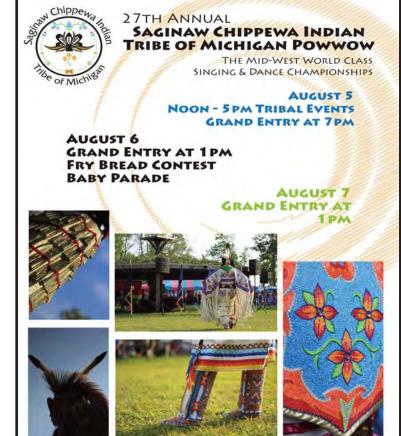
June 30-July 3 39th Annual Oneida Pow Wow Oneida, WI Contact Information: Lloyd E. Powless, Jr. at 920-496-7352, lpowless@oneidanation.org oneidanation.org





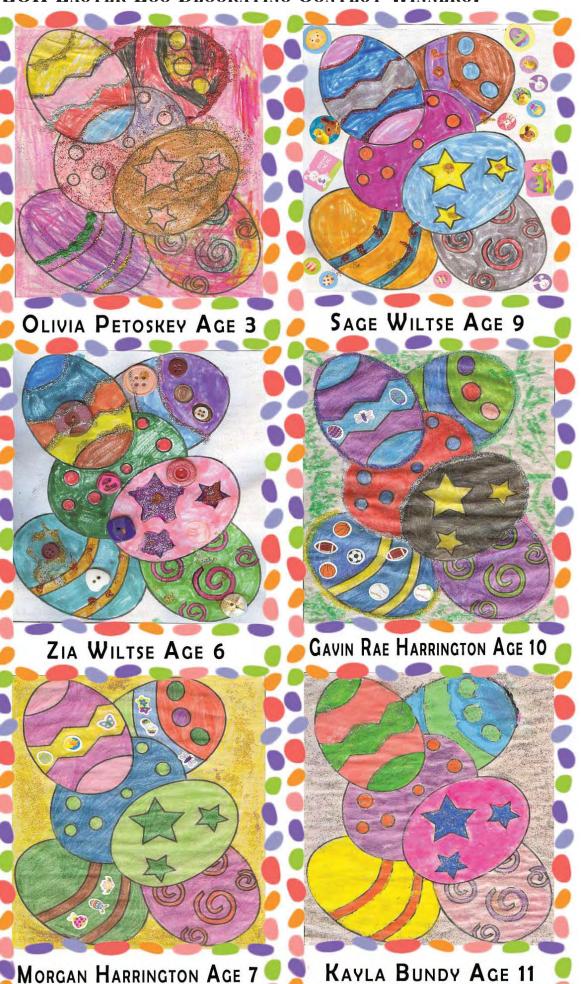
KABONI TRADITIONAL GATHERING June 24, 25, 26 & 27, 2010 2032-C, Kaboni Road, Wikwemikong, Ontario Noojimotooying gdoo-odenaazonwinaanin (Healing our Communities) Ndaadiziikaadimong - migizi-kewin (Birthing Traditional Pow Wow Eagle Staff) HOSTED BY OSAWAMICK FAMILY & RELATIONS Sacred Fire will be lit on the 24th Sunrise Ceremony @ 5 am (Sunrise Ceremony Every Morning til Sunday) 24th - 25th Youth Days Festivals & Activities Grand Entry: Sat. 12 & 7 pm - Sun.12 Noon Host Drum: TBA - Head Dancers: TBA ARENA DIRECTOR : JESSIE OSAWAMICK MC: CHRIS PHEASANT, GERARD SAGASSIGE & DANNY FOX Free Admission & Feast: Sat. Supper & Sun. Breakfast Food & Craft Vendors: \$150.00 (10' x 10' craft booth) Vendors Coordinator: Cindy Aibens 1-705-859-1326 Contact: Bev & Martina Osawamick 1-705-859-1642 or martizaamik@hotmail.com NO ALCOHOL, DRUGS, PETS, BICYCLES. Not responsible & reliable for any accidents, lost or stolen items





COMMUNICATIONS **EPARTMENT**

aster Egg Decorating Contest Winners!





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 at 231-242-1601





All 2011 graduation announcements must be received by Monday, May 9th,2011 to be included in the June issue of dawa Trails. E-mail your announcement along with a photo of the graduate to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or mail to: Communications Dept.,

7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

ASK BAAPAASAANDIP What is the highest does much none, range of mountains in Michigan?

How fast can dragonflies fly?

crickets hear? Send your questions or pictures to:

How do

EnvironmentalServices@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or mail them to:

helped me realize my self-worth.)

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

'Red Road" continued from page 4.

On the way to work, he says, "I hate to sound like your big brother, but ... (Oh boy, here it comes) you're going to have to stop drinking on Sunday nights. If you don't, I'm going to be here every Monday morning just like this. I could tell you definitely weren't happy with me barging in, but I don't like being like this either. You're a good worker, and I don't want to see you fall into the drinking trap so many of us Indians get into. I care about you and want you to succeed in your life, but you have to cut down or stop drinking on Sundays.

What we just went through is what I had to do with my other family members, unfortunately, they are absolute alcoholics. I don't want this for you.

You're young, smart and can learn what is good for you. So, make up your mind you do not want me to come here pounding on your door and making you come to work. Any other boss wouldn't have given a 'rats ass' about firing you for a 'no show,' but I happen to care about all of you who are my employees."

"Promise me you'll stop drinking on Sundays at least. This is the third time I had to come and get you."

Er, ah, well, okay. (Alcoholics will promise anything to get

someone off their back.) I promise. So, I went to work and did actually stop drinking. It was embarrassing to have a person be so persistent about getting me to work sober. I knew jobs were hard to come by, and I needed this

It felt good to know he felt I was a valuable person he could count on to work in his establishment.

I learned to trust this man and did what I thought was best and wanted to show my boss I could be trusted, respected and worth the time and honor he bestowed upon me.

Throughout the years since I have known this man, he has stepped into my life affairs when he believed I was headed off onto the wrong direction. He always started off with, "I hate to sound like your big brother but ..."and then, I would hear his spiel and

One time after years of working with him and the other employees, I asked him to consider a person I thought he should hire who had social, emotional and substance abuse problems, but he

was a tremendous artist. What do you think I am a rehabilitation center?

(In my mind, I thought yes!! You rehabbed me. You made me realize I was a worthwhile person. You hired me and helped me change my life for the better. You helped me stay sober. You

He taught me to have the good things in life, you had to give

To be respected, you had to be respectful.

To be trusted, you had to be trustful.

You can't love someone unless you respect them totally first. He always told me the truth, and I learned to be truthful.

I saw him take risks, and "fear of failure" was the biggest hurdle one had to overcome.

I owe much to this man who became my role model, mentor

True, he had his faults as all people do, but I learned to accept

the good of what he had to offer and to ignore the not so good. I am thankful for the changes I made in my life because of his

I am happy to be a sober person.

Now, when I see something going haywire in another person, I do not hesitate to say to them.

"Hey, I hate to sound like your mother, but "

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette

"Chairman" continued from page 1.

after the forbearance, projections of revenue to be transferred to the government were reduced by \$3 million. The \$1.4 million due to our tribe in the first quarter of 2011 has not been received. Tribal Council has now requested for general fund budget cuts for 2011 and 2012 for our tribal government.

The Executive is assisting with 2012 budget cuts. The Executive Branch has presented written recommendations to Tribal Council for future additional revenue for our tribe. Currently, several Tribal Council members are working with the Chairman to increase the tribe's revenue. With a collaborative effort from the Legislative and Executive Branches, we are working to offset financial deficiencies. If the debt restructure was not complete, all future business opportunities would remain on hold.

Our tribe was successful in two Land into Trust applications in 2011. The Cross Village, MI, parcel was accepted into trust in January 2011. The nine-acre parcel is located next to the bluff from going down into Lake Michigan and permanently protects LTBB's access to the beach and subsistence and commercial treaty fishing.

The 915 Emmet Street property located in Petoskey, MI, where our Human Services Department is housed, was accepted into trust in March 2011. Congratulations and thank you to LTBB General Counsel Jim Bransky and Assistant General Counsel Allie Maldonado for their work.

Site plan approval for the Archives/Records/Museum have been submitted by the Executive and approved by the Legislative. The future building will be located near the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, near the north end of the employee or back parking lot. Funding applications have been submitted, and we are planning construction for 2012. With the current budget issues, a 2013 start may be more appropriate.

The Natural Resource Department fish hatchery construction plans are currently underway. The project is on schedule for 2011 as the budget has been in place for years and a recent \$250,000 donation from CMS Land allows progress to continue. The Veterans Memorial project plans are in the design phase. Donations and other funding for the project are being researched. The site plan and location is secure; if funded, the structure can start in 2011

The Murray Road Housing Development site plan approval for wind power has been denied by Tribal Council for the third consecutive time. A fourth attempt is underway, and the Executive is seeking site approval for an all-electric Gold Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified project. We feel this would be beneficial for the residents as it could reduce the energy costs at the housing development. The Executive is also requesting where a renewable energy site may meet Tribal Council approval.

Respectfully, Ken Harrington.

The photo appears courtesy of Ken
Harrington.

2011 ELECTION SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Monday, May 9, 2011

Primary Election day in Tribal Court Room located in LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI

Monday, May 23, 2011

Primary Election Certified

Ballots for General Election Approved by the Election Board

Wednesday, May 25, 2011

General Election Ballots Mailed to all Registered Voters as of Tuesday, March 29, 2011

Saturday, June 4, 2011

Meet the Candidates Forum in the Commons Area of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI

Monday, June 27, 2011

General Election Day

Tuesday, July 12, 2011

General Election Certified

Sunday, August 21, 2011

Oath of Office for the Newly Elected Tribal Offi-

Voter Registration Information

The following information appears in Waganakising Odawak Statute Tribal Elections and Election Board. SECTION X.

REGISTRATION AND VOTING

A. Registration

This section sets out procedures to ensure that a vote cast in the name of the voter is in fact cast by that voter.

1. Each Tribal Citizen who desires to vote in an election must have a Voter Registration Form on file with the Election Board ninety (90) days before the day of election.

- 2. The Voter Registration Form shall be in a format approved by the Election Board.
 - 3. The Voter Registration Form must be signed by

the Tribal Citizen and verified either by (1) the seal and signature of a notary public or (2) attaching a legible copy of one of the following forms of identification: a valid Tribal Identification Card, Driver's License, state issued Identification Card, or Passport, provided such identification bears the signature of the Tribal Citizen.

4. It is the responsibility of each Tribal Citizen who wishes to vote in an election to ensure that he or she has submitted a Voter Registration Form to the Election Board.

- Any voter who changes his or her name shall submit a new Voter Registration Form to the Election Board.
- 6. Based on the Voter Registration Forms submitted to the Election Board, the Election Board shall keep a roster of voters known as the Voter Registration list with voters listed in alphabetical order or nearly so as possible. The Election Board shall update the Voter Registration list as Voter Registration Forms are submitted.
- 7. Any voter who changes his or her address shall submit a change of address with the Enrollment Department

8. The Election Board shall keep a roster of voters known as the Voter Registration List.

9. Tribal Enrollment Department shall upon request by the Election Board provide a list of enrolled Tribal Citizens' names, addresses, enrollment numbers and current addresses (if available), in alphabetical order or as nearly so as possible, provided that the Tribal Citizen shall have obtain the age of eighteen by election day.

Note: To download a voter registration form, please visit www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or contact Election Board Chairperson Denise Petoskey at 231-881-2994 or Election Board Secretary/Treasurer Carol Quinones at 616-774-9534 to have a voter registration form mailed to you.

Courtesy graphic.

'Language Conference" continued from page 1.

were workshops for all levels of learning, and to see and hear so many people speaking the language fluently (at least it sounded like it to me!) was in itself inspiring. My favorite workshop was



with Will Morin, who made it quite clear that Anishinaabemowin was so much more than a written language— to really understand it, you have to use all of your senses. I left the conference feeling that I had become aware of many windows I never knew were there — now, it's up to me to go and look out!"

Sarah Schilling, youth

"I truly enjoyed my time at Anishinaabemowin-Teg this year. It was beautiful to see people of all ages and learning levels come together to learn the language. I had a blast at the youth workshops and got to know most of the youth at the conference. I'm now a proud member of Anishinaabemowin-Teg Inc., and one of four youth reps that have the privilege of sitting on the Anishinaabemowin-Teg Board. I'm looking forward to helping Anishinaabemowin-Teg in the planning of youth events to ensure the best conference possible next year!"

"Aanii Kinagwaya, Michael Smith Ndizhnikaaz. My experience attending the A-Teg Language Conference is always a profound eye-opening experience. There is a vast array of our fluent speakers who are our Language Warriors (as our teachers and our language keepers). They also pass many teachings that come in, and with the language, which amounts to a vast amount of world



of knowledge. Too much and too many things to list here, but it encompasses ancestral knowledge, culture, tradition and heritage. And, that teaches us that we are being handed the baton, and it has become our turn, our responsibility to preserve, learn and relay to the next seven generations if we are to continue to exist as true Anishinaabek. All of the workshops were profound to me. But, the one that stood out the most was Helen (Roy) Fuhst workshop titled, "The Sounds of Our Language Are Our Connections to Our Ancestors." In her own words, her description of her workshop speaks the truth, and I feel is very important to pass on is as follows:

"Within the past few decades, there has been a slow decline in numbers of fluent speakers in our Native communities. This small number is what we have left of those that still have the language intact. We have to ask ourselves, 'What have we become heir to as Anishinaabe people?' Without any regrets from our abductors, our identity was taken with the residential and boarding school systems. At one time, Anishinaabeg had a beautiful language that was spoken by all who inhabited this land here in our North America. When we look at the statistics, the numbers



indicate the seriousness of the great loss of our language and of who we are as Anishinaabe people. The first step is to 'step back in time' and rekindle the language in the way it used to be, in the way it was defined. Our ancestors were scholars, biologists and scientists in what they knew and experienced. Who would observe a simple snowfall and speak about its entire process in minute detail just by the sounds he/she uttered in his/her words? An Anishinaabe would! This is what we have to start teaching to our people. This is what we ourselves have to explain and make clear to our new learners. We did not ever have to clarify our words with one another as fluent speakers because we understood those sounds. Now, it is our responsibility to bring our language back so that everyone who will learn it, will hear and understand those ancestral sounds. This workshop examined the connections between language and culture by exploring the 'thought world' of Anishinaabemowin. Its primary focus will be to explain the

sounds in the words that are spoken and to understand how the

world is both conceived and expressed through our language. It



also demonstrated how this way of teaching and learning the true Anishinaabe way of thinking about the language can be used. This is an essential tool for the resurgence of our language. It is carrying on and passing on what our ancestors would have wanted us to know, in the way that they thought. The sounds of the language are our connections to our ancestors." Migwech/Thank You, Gchi-Mnadending/Very Respectfully, Michael Smith, immersion student.

Miigwech to all who contributed. If you have any questions about the conference, the organization or this article, please email me at cmcfall@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or call me at 231-242-1454. Miigwech.

Courtesy photos.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Elise McGowan served as a co-presenter of the workshop titled, "Wenesh Gekinomaagaazojig Shkitoowaad Ezhichewaad? (What Can Students Do?) She is a recent graduate of the University of Michigan in the areas of Nursing and Law and is currently working toward her Master's degree. After studying Anishinaabemowin at the university, she now does presentations in Anishinaabemowin.

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G	Tribal Council meeting 9 am Tribal Courtroom	Gaming Authority Mtg. Odawa Hotel, Ontario Room 10 am - 2 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon 24	Natural Resource 25 Commission Meeting 6 pm LTBB Natural Resource Bldg	Elders Luncheon at Noon 26	27	Tribal Council Work Session 4 pm - 5 pm	
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Tribal Council Meeting minutes



The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 6, 2011

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to or-

Opening Ceremony: Moment of Silence Tribal Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Gerald V. Chingwa

Absent: Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Rita Shananaquet

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara

Public: Cathy Portman Bradley, Bea Law, Yvonne McShane, Doug Emery, John Keshick Invited Guests: John Taylor

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to adopt the agenda for March 6, 2011 as with additions.

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

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the minutes of February 20, 2011 as

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

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to approve the minutes of March 5, 2011 as

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaguet) Motion carried. Elder Comment: no comments.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to ac-

cept Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet's verbal and written report for March 6, 2011 with confidential items contained therein. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and sup-

ported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to accept Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal report for March 6, 2011.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Bardwell)

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Treasurer Bott's Treasurer and Appropriations and Finance Committee report for March

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

No report for Land and Reservation Committee as the last meeting was cancelled.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept the Legal and Legislative Committee report as presented by Committee Chairperson Councilor

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

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept the Ethics Committee verbal report as presented by Councilor Otto for March 6,

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

9:50 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Mulholland to go into closed for confidential business-

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

9:59 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Mulholland to return to open session.

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

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept the Gaming Authority Commission verbal report as presented by Councilor Otto for March

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to acknowledge receipt of the Gaming Authority Commission 4th Quarter Casino Report as presented by Casino General Manager David Wolf on February 20, 2011.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for March

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

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Mulholland to approve the release of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Additional Details of Financial Restructuring and Summary Description of

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

10:24 a.m. Recess called

10:37 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to acknowledge Receipt of the Tribal Chairman verbal and written report as presented by Vice-Chairman Dexter McNamara for March 6, 2011.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to table until clarification is received from the Executive the Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans (ANA), Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) - Tribal Governance Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Technology Systems Project.

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to approve enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated February 23, 2011 for a

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B - Declination Ineligible dated February 23, 2011 for a to-

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

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to acknowledge receipt of Waganakising Odawa Development Inc., Corporate Charter 2010 Fourth Quarter report as presented by Bea Law.

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

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Chingwa to post the Accounting Statute to the Legislative Calen-

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

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Bardwell to post the Office of Treasury to the Legislative Cal-

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and sup-

ported by Councilor Chingwa to post Enjinaaknegeng Statute to the Legislative Calendar. Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto),

0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley

and supported by Councilor Bardwell to post the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statute to the Legislative Calendar.

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

11:34 a.m. Public Comment opened: Bea Law spoke regarding oversight of Executive Departments and wanted to know if the United Tribes of Michigan dues have been paid. Cathy Portman Bradley spoke regarding the Executive Wage Grid. Yvonne McShane thanked Tribal Council for not using acronyms on the agenda.

11:43 a.m. Public Comment closed.

11:43 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to go into closed session for confidential business matters.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

11:58 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Treasurer Bott to return to open session. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried. 12:04 p.m. Lunch recess called.

1:33 p.m. Meeting reconvened. 1: 54 p.m. Councilor Kiogima arrived.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Executive Nomination

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2011

April 30 Work Session May 1 Council Meeting May 21 Work Session May 22 Council Meeting

June 11 Work Session June 12 Council Meeting June 25 Work Session June 26 Council Meeting

Meetings and work SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE Tribal Courtroom LOCATED AT 7500 Odawa Circle,

HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL

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

of James Genia for Appellate Justice and request the Executive provide a background qualification report. Date of Nominee interview will be determined

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

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to follow the requirements of Section I. of the Nomination for Judges, Justices and Prosecutors Policy and Procedures and upon completion and receipt of such information, the Tribal Council shall set a date for an interview of the nominee of James Genia for Appellate Justice at the next work session.

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

2:02 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to go into closed session for Personnel.

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

3:10 p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to return to open session. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried. 3:12 p.m. Public Comment opened:

Doug Emery spoke regarding his Human Resource communication. 3:23 p.m. Public Comment closed.

3:26 p.m. Recess called. 3:35 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

3:38 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adjourn. Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Otto),

0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor R. Shananaquet) Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and ap-

proved as written: Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Tribal Council Meeting Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 March 20, 2011

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:03 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Moment of Silence Physical Council Present: Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer John Bott, Councilor Belinda Bardwell, Councilor Marvin Mulholland, Councilor Gerald V. Chingwa

Absent: Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Rita Shananaquet, Councilor Aaron

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, Planning Director/Odawak Economic Development Management Inc., Corporate Charter Bryan Gillett

Public: Sarah VanDeCar, Rose Smalley, Billy McNamara, Yvonne McShane, Bea Law, Bill Denemy, Jr.

9:13 a.m. Councilor Rita Shananaquet Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana-

quet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt the agenda for March 20, 2011 with Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana-

quet and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the minutes of March 6, 2011 as pre-Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried. Elder Comments: Rose Smalley asked if the Waganakising Odawak Statute violations will be addressed by Tribal Council. Rose also spoke in opposition to residential wind energy.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet's verbal and written report for March 20, 2011.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve a Tribal mandate and directive to the Executive Branch to administer the supplemental funds that were appropriated to the Election Board for FY 2011 and authorize the Legislative Leader to monitor for compliance through the Executive Branch.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to enter into the record Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal report for March 20,

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to enter into the record the verbal report from Treasurer Bott regarding the Appropriations and Finance Committee budget review update.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

10:07 a.m. Recess called.

10:19 a.m. Meeting reconvened. Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana-

quet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve the Governmental Complex Site Plan Revision # 4 dated 3/18/11.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie

Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve the Mtigwaakiis Site Plan Revision #5 Revised on 3/11/11 for wind Vote: 0 - Yes, 7 - No (Councilor Mul-

holland, Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Chingwa, Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet Treasurer Bott, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Secretary Gasco Bentley), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion failed.

11:39 p.m. Public Comment opened: Bea Law thanked Tribal Council for not voting for the wind power at Mtigwaakiis, and support of the Amendment to Political Solicitation Prohibition. Bea also asked Tribal Coun-

cil to not rush when developing and passing

Michele LaCount asked for consideration of a Contract Health Policy change to cover those attending out of service area part time educational study. Michele also asked the Gaming Authority Commission for consideration of Casino Policy change to allow Tribal Citizen Employee attendance at the Tribal Citizen's Annual Meeting when the meeting is held on Casino property and political solicitation is on the agenda. Michele further supported transportation needs in the reservation area at a minimum cost for not just Tribal Citizens with particular regard to caregivers and grant funding possibility from the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Council for the same.

ity Commission consideration for Casino Employees to attend the Annual Community Billy McNamara spoke regarding the

Bea Law supported the Gaming Author-

need for Tribal Citizens employment mentor training.

11:50 Public Comment closed.

11:52 a.m. Motion made by Councilor R.

Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to go into closed session for confidential business matters. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. 12:16 p.m. Motion made by Councilor

R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to return to open session. . Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 –

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried. . 12:17 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to go into closed session for con-

fidential business matters. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried. 12:45 p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to return to open session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

> 12:46 p.m. Lunch recess called. 2:10 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to enter into the record the Land and Reservation Committee update for March 20, 2011.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto, Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept the Legal and Legislative Committee report as presented by Committee Chairperson Chingwa.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve the memo dated March 20, 2011 regarding Waganakising Odawak Statute violations submitted to Tribal Council.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. Motion made by Legislative Leader J.

Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Audit Deadline Policy. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -

Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to post to the Legislative Calendar the Amend-

001 Administrative Procedures. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

ment to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2008-

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to accept Councilor Bardwell report for March 20, 2011.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried. Motion made by Legislative Leader J.

Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Gaming Authority "Minutes" continued on page 16.

Committee verbal reports for March 20, 2011. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Treasurer Bott), 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried.

3:22 p.m. Recess called.

3:32 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to approve Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for March 20,

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Chairman Harrington's verbal and written report for March

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the Lease made and entered into dated March 20, 2011 between Daniel S. Berg and Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the Payment Agreement in Lieu of Taxes Agreement Between the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Charlevoix

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to approve the sale of Lot #5 house at Wah wahs noo da ke, Harbor Springs, Michigan

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Certified Motion: Residential Lease of Tribally Owned Property Lot #5 of Wah wahs noo da ke, Harbor Springs, Michigan 49740.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the Administration for Children and Families, Administration for Native Americans (ANA), Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) - Tribal Governance Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Technology Systems

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to table: Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs 2010 Regional

Carryover Funds Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department Treaty Rights Implementation Project.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the Middle Village Park April 1, 2011- March 31, 2012 Budget.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Energy, Golden Field Office Renewable Energy Development and Deployment in Indian Country Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Renewable Energy Deployment Proj-

Roll Call vote: Councilor Bardwell-no, Councilor Chingwa-no, Councilor Kiogimaabsent, Councilor Mulholland-no, Councilor R. Shananaquet-no, Councilor Otto-absent, Treasurer Bott-no, Secretary Gasco Bentley-no, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet-no

4:35 p.m. Public Comment opened: Yvonne McShane requested a copy of the Tribal Council response to the Executive regarding the Whistle Blower complaints and asked who on Tribal Council was attending the National Indian Gaming Association for justification.

4:38 p.m. Public Comment closed. Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding through the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Projects Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians GLRI Boat Washing Station Project.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana-

quet and supported by Treasurer Bott to table Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), Fiscal Year 2011 Enhanced Training and Services to End Violence Against and Abuse of Women Later in Life Program, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2011 End Violence

Vote: 4 - Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to table Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women (OVW), Fiscal Year 2011 Rural Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Assistance Program Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2011 OVW Rural Assistance Project.

Vote: 4 - Yes, 3 - No (Councilor Mulholland, Councilor Bardwell, Councilor Chingwa), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and sup ported by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet to approve Certified Motion: Request for Funding from the United States Department of Justice. Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2011 CTAS Grant.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shanana quet and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to post the Amendment to Political Solicitation Prohibition to the Legislative Calendar.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the letter to the Tribal Chairman dated March 20, 2011 regarding Legislative employee and confidential information.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Mulholland), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto)

Motion carried.

5:18 p.m. Motion made by Legislative Leader J. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to adjourn.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 -Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Otto) Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council

Mother's Day Brunch at the Waas-no-de' Buffet Located Inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI

Adults \$18.95

Under 12 \$9.95

Under 5 complimentary

Served from noon until 10 PM

Full Salad Bar

Clam Chowder, Chicken Noodle and

Cream of Mushroom Soup

Chilled Peel and Eat Shrimp with Cocktail

Sauce

Roast Prime Rib of Beef

Hickory Smoked Ham

Rum raisin sauce

Cajun Fried Shrimp Batter Fried Pollock Grilled Great Lakes Whitefish Almandine Sauté Chicken Dijon

Stuffed Roast Loin of Pork Sauce Robert Asparagus with Hollandaise Cauliflower & Broccoli Au gratin

Red Skin Mashed Potatoes Baked Sweet Potatoes

Grilled Salmon with Herbed Butter Bar B Que St. Louis Cut Pork Ribs

Grilled Italian Sausage with Peppers, Assorted Pizzas

Garlic Roasted Chicken

Shrimp Lo Mein

Assorted Cakes, Pies and Mousses along with Sugar Free Desserts

Bread Pudding Fruit Cobbler

Along with more of your Waas-no-de' favorites

Mother's Day Brunch at the Sage Restaurant Located Inside Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI

\$35

Loaded Baked Potato

Roasted Fingerling Potato, Cheddar Cheese, Bacon Lardons & Scallion Sour Cream

Starters

Cobb Salad

Cucumber, Carrots, Avocado, Red Onions & Tomatoes, Bacon Lardons

Hard Boiled Egg & Maytag Blue Cheese

Asian BBQ Pulled Pork Sliders

Sesame Orange & Fennel Cole Slaw, Pretzel Roll, Asian Pickles

Crab Salad "Cocktail"

Avocado, Tomatoes, Sesame Oil & Crispy Wontons

Sherried Morel Bisque Rye Croutons, Chives & Truffle oil

Main

Grilled Lamb Loin

White Bean Spring Cassolette, Asparagus, Peas, Morels & Ramps

Poached Eggs, Beef Tenderloin Medallions, Garlic Spinach

Home fries & Sauce Béarnaise

Morel Stuffed Chicken Breast

Chicken Mousseline, Sautéed Gnocchi, Roasted Tomatoes

Red Onions, Spinach & Madeira Jus

Bacon Roasted Halibut

Fingerling Potatoes, Haricotvert & Swiss

Lemon Caper Beurre Blanc

Herb Roasted Prime Rib

Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Caramelized Onions & Haricotvert

Cabernet Jus Lie & Horseradish Sauce Dessert

Strawberry Rhubarb Tartlet Strawberry Coulis, Whipped Cream &

Chocolate Dipped Strawberry

Molten Chocolate Cake

Chocolate Raspberry Filling, Raspberry Sauce & Vanilla Ice Cream

Mother's Day Chocolates & Cordials Basil Bread Crumbs & Cabernet Wine for all Moms

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

Commission/Board

Commission/Doard	term	Vacancies
Gaming Regulatory	3 yr. term	1
Natural Resources	4 yr. term	1
Education Board of Appeals	4 yr. term	j -
Housing	4 yr. term	1
Trust Fund Board	4 yr. term	1
Liquor, Tobacco and Licensing Board	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Zoning Board of Appeals	1, 2, 3 yr. term	3
Waganakasing Odawa Development, Inc.	3 yr. term	2

The following information is provided for 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

Tribal Chairman LTBB of Odawa Indians

7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49770

FAX 231-242-1411

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Marcia Sutton 231–373–0867
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231-242-1430 Fax

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Birthdays

Happy belated birthday to **Josephine Laughlin.** Love, Aunt Trish and Uncle Rodrick.

Belated birthday wishes for Michael McCreery who celebrated his special day on April 15.



Happy birthday on May 2nd to Garcia Bedosegay Medicine, the coolest 8-year-old I know. I hope your day is just as special as you are. Love you forever and always, Owee & Sable:)

Mno Dibishkaa to Maanii (Mary) Keshick on May 4th! To the best Mom a girl could ever hope to have ... che megwetch for all your love and support throughout the years, especially this past year. I love you!!! Thank you for being by my side ... Pina your daughter, Theresa Christine.

Happy birthday to Kyle Michael Shomin on May 9 and Donald Shomin on May 21. Love, the Michael Shomin family.

Happy Sweet 16 to Coco on May 21. Love, Aunt Trish and Uncle Rodrick.

Happy birthday to my mom, Veronica Medicine, who celebrates her special day on May 31st. Your eldest son, John.

Happy birthday Lexi Harmon. Goodness! You are now a dozen years old on May 20. I'm looking forward to hearing about your many new life experiences coming your way this coming year. Love ya loads. Up North Grandma.

Wishing Sue-Bee a very happy birthday from the whole Gasco fam-



Happy 30th birthday to **David** King on May 10. Hope you enjoy your special day in your new "digs." Have a great year! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.

Happy 22nd birthday Alicia Nowell on the 30th. We love you Sissy! Your family.

Birthdays

John Keshick, Jr. turns 50something on May 27th, ho-wah! Gettin' up there, dear brother! Hope you have a wonderful day, and many, many more! Happy birthday! Your sisterT.

Happy 17th birthday Claus Nowell on May 21st. We love you! Your family.

Happy 5th birthday to our McKenzie Lou on May 31st. Love, Momma and Daddy.

Johnathan Harrington will turn 16 on May 27, 2011. Happy birthday son!

Happy birthday to Cassie Gibson on May 4th ... we hope you have an awesome day! Love, Theresa, Michael & Jordan ☺

Doug, Jeff, Patti and Don all wish **Dorothy** a big happy birthday. We love you Mom!!

MinoDibishkaa Niikaane Raggy! Aapiji Gzaagin, Carla.

Big happy birthday to Patrick Naganashe, Mary Powell, Lucas Shananaquet, Raymond Miller, Nicole Laughlin, John Bott, Cheyanna King and Rowdy Yates. From Dorothy and Don Boda.

Happy birthday on May 2nd to Sigorni from Uncle Brian and Aunt Gina — looking forward to another paddle this year!

Happy birthday to SPC. Jesse Boda. We are happy to have you back in the USA. We are so proud of you, and love you very much. Jenni, Dalton and the "babe" Sierra.

Happy birthday to brother, Dan Portman, on May 21. Don't party too hardy. At your age, when glasses with bi-focal, and hair dye become a daily ritual, you need to also be mindful of what you can't see ... so take care and don't despair, and you will live long enough to see your girlfriend in the same boat. lol. Love ya - hehehe - Michele & Greg.

Happy birthday to the twins in the family – Marilyn and Melvin Napont, on May 15th! Enjoy your day! With love, Aunt Mary, Theresa, Michael & Jordan.

Happy "Lucky 13" B-Day wishes to Lexi "Peanut" Harmon on May 20th. Love, Uncle Phil, Aunt Jen & the Pator.

Happy birthday to **Rebecca Prater** on May 29th! We love you!
See you this summer!!! All our love,
Aunt Theresa, Michael, Jordan &
Grandma Mary ☺

Happy birthday to our Grandma, Mary Keshick, on May 4th! We love you! Michael & Jordan ①

Happy birthday to Adam Abdallah on May 19th! We hope you have an awesome day! Love, Aunt Mary, Theresa, Michael & Jordan.

Happy birthday Mary Keshick on May 4. We love you very much. Love, Linda, Jeffrey and Kacie.

Birthdays

Happy 56th birthday to Cindy Schuyler on May 31. Wishing you all the best on your special day! Love, the King and VanDeCar families.



We would like to wish our Mom and Kokum, the woman who is the true backbone to our family, a very SPECIAL happy birthday from all your brats (ha ha!). Love, Dad, Marie, Harvey, Heather, Joe, Nigel, Shay, Caden, Maya, Kayla and Oliver (woof!).

Happy 5th birthday to Tavien Lucier on May 1st. We hope it's the best year yet. Lots of love, Mommy, Daddy & Mac.

Mother's Day

To our lovely mother, Grace Zerbe, thank you for always being there for us. We love that you listen and support us. We need you. Most of all, thank you for your unconditional love. Love you always, Dawn, Jeremy and Pauline.

Happy Mother's Day "Ma"! We love you. Mel, Bernie, Sara, Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Joy, McKenzie and Cameron.

Happy Mother's Day Mom! We love you. Sara, Mshkoadekwe, Jacob, Joy, McKenzie and Cameron.

MinaGashiGiizhigat Ngashi Alice miinwaa Nzigozis Carol. Aapiji Gzaaginim!



Happy Mother's Day to Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky! Mom/Grandma, we love you, Renae, Jussy Bug, Jen, Keeter, Monee, Anna, Wazzi and Lil G.

Happy Mother's Day to our Mommy! You're the best! Love, Chula and Tobey.

Happy Mother's Day to the General. Miigwetch for all your love, support, strength and comfort. Love, all of your kiddies.



Happy Mother's Day to Bev Wemigwase! We love you, Aaron, Shanna, Anna, Wazzi and Lil G oh and Powwow 2.

Anniversary

Happy anniversary on May 14th to my beautiful wife, Bernadece. Love, Mel.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Courtney Schneider for graduating from Alanson High School! We are very proud of you! Love, Grandma and Grandpa Swadling.

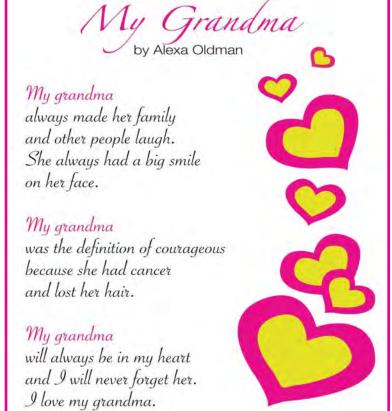
Congratulations to Justine and Douglas Wemigwase on your marriage on February 26, 2011. Justine is the daughter of Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky and Micheal Garver, and Douglas Wemigwase is the son of Beverly and Robert Wemigwase, Sr. We love you guys very much and wish you all the best! Love Aaron, Shanna, Anna, Wassey and Gia Wemigwase.





Congratulations to Alexa Oldman, a fourth-grader at Shay Elementary School in Harbor Springs, MI, for winning a poetry contest at her school.

The poem titled "My Grandma" was written about her grandmother, the late Shirley Naganashe-Oldman, who served LTBB in several different roles during her life.



<u>Walking On...</u>

Carlos E. Savage, Sr., 51

Carlos E. Savage, Sr., 51, of Grand Rapids, MI, passed away unexpectedly on February 18, 2011. Surviving are his children, Carlos Savage, Jr., Cierra Savage (fiancé Jason Dryden), Cherokee Savage, and grandchild, Noah Savage-Boda. He was preceded in death by his mother, Mary Jane Savage-Naganashe, father, Charles Savage, and sister, Diana Savage. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a former employee of Meijer.

Bernice Wardrop, 79

Bernice Wardrop, 79, of Petoskey, MI, and formerly of Flint, MI, passed from this life on March 4, 2011, at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey. Bernice was born July 29, 1931 in Mackinaw City, MI, to Louis and Beatrice (Snyder) Delmas. Her family moved to the Flint area where she was raised. While in Flint, she attended All Saints Catholic School. In 1980, she married Garth Lee Wardrop, Sr., with the couple making their home in the

on the go, never letting grass grow under her feet. She enjoyed working and was employed for most of her working life in food service, usually as a waitress. She had an independent nature and a kind, loving heart. She was a wonderful wife and mom and was very close to her daughter, Lorraine, with whom she had lived for a number of years. Reading and crossword puzzles were activities which kept her mind occupied almost constantly. In her younger years, she enjoyed ice skating and swimming. She was also a proud member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Bernice is survived by her daughter, Lorraine Jung, and by her stepchildren, Patricia (David) Vinegard, Tisa Cook and David Wardrop. Also surviving Bernice are her two brothers, Leo (Ramona) Delmas and Adolphus (Maris) Delmas, and two sisters, Jeanette Root and Catherine (James) Laba, as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding Bernice in death were her parents, her husband, Garth, and a stepson, Garth Wardrop, Jr.

Flint area. Bernice was a woman always

NATIVE NEWS

Making Plans for Saving Garden Seeds

By Larry Dyer, MSU Extension Tribal Extension Ed-

What did gardeners and farmers do before there were seed catalogs? They saved their own seeds from one season to the next. They also traded, bartered, bought and sold seeds. While it is easier now to buy seeds from a store or a catalog, there are still reasons why you might want to save some of your own.

Many people are becoming concerned about a worldwide loss of crop diversity. At an earlier time, every region had crop varieties selected cally.



with global trade and standardization in agriculture, many local varieties have been lost or a decreasing number of people are growing and saving those varieties. For many, crop varieties are an important part of their cultural heritage, so they are interested in growing heirloom or heritage varieties.

Another reason to save seeds is it is very interesting. In the process, you will learn a great deal about the complete lifecycle of plants. So, how do you start? The first step is to choose which varieties you want to try to save, learn about them and then plan for where you will plant them in your garden.

When choosing varieties, be sure to get open-pollinated or heirloom varieties. Open pollinated means the



seeds you save will grow into plants much like their parents. You don't want to choose hybrid varieties for seed saving. Hybrid varieties are a cross between two varieties. If you did save

those seeds,

because they have two quite different parents, the resulting crop will not be very consistent - some will look more like one parent, and some will look more like the other. Hybrids are made using the plant's normal reproduction process, in contrast with genetically modified or GMO varieties, which bypass the normal reproduction processes, but hybrids won't work well for seed saving.

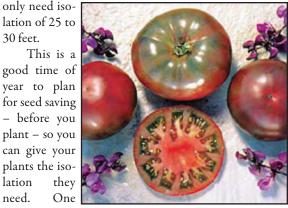
To save seeds, you need to know your plants. Plants

and crops will be pollinated in different ways. The biggest difference is whether the crop relies on the wind to carry the pollen or whether insects or some other animals carry the pollen. Some common wind-pollinated crops are corn, spinach and Swiss chard. Most of our garden vegetables are insect pollinated. Since most flowers have both male and female parts, many vegetables are self-pollinated. This is important to know because to keep a variety breeding true, it is important it not be pollinated by another variety of the same crop species. Self-pollinated crops include most beans and peas, tomatoes, peppers and eggplants. But, even a small percentage of these can be cross pollinated, so depending on the purity you desire in your saved seed, even these could benefit from some protection.

The most common way to protect plants from pollination by other varieties is isolation by distance, but more elaborate methods like bags or cages can be used. Sweet corn isolation distances range from 660 feet to two miles. Squash and melon distances range from ¼ to ½ mile. So, for most outcrossing species, you may have to decide what variety you want, and plant only that variety. By contrast, largely self-pollinating crops like lettuce or tomatoes may

lation of 25 to 30 feet.

This is a good time of year to plan for seed saving before you plant – so you can give your plants the isolation they



very good source for information is the online "Vegetable Seed Saving Handbook" by Jack Rowe at http://howtosaveseeds.com/isolate.php. Another good information source, and an introduction to a whole movement of seed savers is Seed Savers Exchange at http://www.seedsavers.org/. I would encourage you to start with just a few varieties and learn as you go.

If you try it, please give me a call at 231-439-8982 and let me know how it works.

Larry Dyer is a Tribal Extension Educator with Michigan State University Extension working with the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Hannahville Indian Community, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Sault Sainte Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. His office is at the Emmet County MSU Extension office in Harbor Springs, MI. He can be reached at 231-439-8982 or

Picture caption: Cherokee Purple Tomato, Anna Schwartz Hubbard Squash and Mandan Bride Corn from Seed Savers Exchange.

reproduce by moving pollen from one plant to another,

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Dates and Topics:

May 11 – planning for seed saving

June 22 - weed management July 27 – insect and disease management August 24 - seed saving

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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.

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

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

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

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians



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

WAH-WAHS-NOO DA KE **Elder Housing Development**



Application Availability Notification

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

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- MUST BE INCOME QUALIFIED RENT BASED ON INCOME

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

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



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



COMMUNITY MEETING

The Community Meeting Planning Group is finalizing the meeting. The ads placed in the Odawa Trails, and the scheduled monthly meetings have proved to be helpful in gathering input from LTBB Tribal Citizens.

The meeting this year is planned at Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, and it was brought to our attention the recently enacted Political Solicitation Prohibition Statute will not allow the Community Meeting to be held on LTBB Tribal Property. This was brought before Tribal Council, and Tribal Council made a change in the law, which will follow the legislative process.

The meeting this year has been changed from the normal format as held in the past. All programs and displays will not be onsite. We have requested the Election Board, the Enrollment Department and the Natural Resource Department be onsite.

The LTBB Youth Group will also be onsite to host children's activities.

This meeting is for the citizens by the citizens. Please bring forth your ideas for future tribal enterprises, services and policies. A committee will be formed at this meeting to work on these for next year.

The casino is an excellent location to hold this meeting; it is our facility, and it is fully equipped with the requirements for this meeting in terms of technology with support, security guards, who are trained EMT's, with the afternoon meal at the Waas-no-de' Buffet.

This meeting will also be streamed via the Internet. The Planning Group is energized at the input from the community for this meeting and is excited to be holding it for you. If you have any questions, please call Cathy (Portman) Bradley at 231-330-5130.

COMMUNITY PLANNING COMMITTEE **MEETING MINUTES**

LTBB Governmental Center, Room 312 March 18, 2011, 5 p.m.

This meeting is open to all LTBB Tribal Citizens, and input is encouraged. Please call Cathy (Portman) Bradley with any questions or thoughts you may have at 231-330-5130, attend a meeting, they are held the third Friday of each month at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, or send an e-mail to ltbbcommunity@yahoo.com.

Meeting called to order at 5:05 p.m. by Cathy

2011 Tribal Membership Meeting Agenda -

June 18, 2011

(Agenda Subject to Change)

Odawa Casino Resort

1760 Lears Rd. Petoskey, MI 49770 (Portman) Bradley

Attendance: Chairperson Cathy (Portman) Bradley, Vice Chairperson Debra Janney, Secretary Beatrice A. Law, Virgina Lewis, Denise Petoskey and Richard

Motion to approval the agendas for March 18, 2011 by Virgina Lewis and supported by Debra Janney. Yes: 6, No: 0. Motion passed.

Motion to approve the minutes of January 21, 2011 and February 18, 2011 by Virgina Lewis and supported by Beatrice A. Law. Yes: 6, No: 0. Motion passed.

Topics for Discussion

Denise Petoskey opened discussion concerning WOS 2011-001 Political Solicitation Prohibition Statute and the conflict it poses by having the location at Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort and casino employees' inability to attend and participate because of the restriction written in the law for political locations and activities involved at tribal community meetings. After much discussion and review of the LTBB Constitution, it was decided Beatrice A. Law would attend the next Tribal Council meeting and recommend an amendment to the statute. Denise Petoskey mentioned there may have to be a change in the casino policies as well.

Chairperson Cathy (Portman) Bradley reported the activity of the budget and the purchase of the Pendleton blanket for the door prizes, Re: Community Meeting draws. She also reported Legislative Attorney Donna L. Budnick had asked as an elected Community Speaker if she could write a letter of support of the Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) - Tribal Governance Grant. It was understood this grant would be used to increase communication to the tribal community with the uses of technology. This letter was read at the meeting; copies will be included in the Community Meeting packet.

Community Meeting continued to be the topic of discussion; final decisions will need to be in place, and notices sent of time and date need to be arranged with the Executive.

Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting: April 16, 2011, 9 a.m. at the LTBB Governmental Center, Room 312. Editor's note: Due to deadline constraints, minutes of this meeting will appear in the June issue of Odawa Trails.

Web Overview - MIS Department

<u>1 p.m. – 4 p.m.</u>

Youth Group – 10 minutes

LTBB Elders Association

Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington – Update – 10

Vice Chairman Dexter McNamara – Update –

Albert Colby, Jr. Administration - Departments Update – 10-15 minutes

Executive Branch

Enterprises - Created by Statutes and Run by Government

Chuck Schofield – Odawa Enterprise Management – Bell's Fishery – Biindigen

Chartered Corporations - Created by Statutes and Run by Boards

Waganakising Odawak, Inc., Corporate Charter Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc., Corporate Charter.

5013© - Non-Profits (formed under Tribal Business Codes)

Northern Shores Loan Fund, Inc.

KINA, Inc.

Legislative Branch

Explanation of Statute, Resolution, Certified Motions, Motions and Policies

Legislative Procedures - Changing of Offices in Election – 20 Minutes

Gaming Authority

Dave Wolf - General Manager - Odawa Casino

Appropriations and Finance Committee - Bond Discussion, Statute Discussion and Financial Update - 15 – 20 minutes

Legal and Legislative Committee - 10 minutes Land and Reservation Committee - 10 minutes Ethics Committee - 10 minutes

Judicial Branch

Chief Judge – 10 -15 minutes Prosecutor – 10 minutes

Closing Ceremony

Meet the Candidates Forum

Saturday, June 4th, 2011 ~ 1 pm to 6 pm LTBB Governmental Center Commons Area Harbor Springs, MI

> Contact Information: Denise Petoskey 231-881-2994 or Carol Quinones 616-774-9534

Annual Tribal Membership Meeting

June 18th, 2011 ~ 8 am registration Ovation Hall inside Odawa Casino Resort, Petoskey, MI General Membership Speaker Cathy Bradley Contact: Cathy Bradley 231-330-5130

Meeting will be streamed via the Internet. More details to come.

Community Meeting -**Planning Meeting**

May 21st, 9 am Room 312 **LTBB Governmental Center**

PLEASE NOTE:

If you have anything you wish to be placed on the agenda or have input on the next Community Meeting, please contact Cathy Bradley at 231-330-5130

ATTENTION TRIBAL CITIZENS!

Constitutional Committee Meeting

May 21st, 2011 Location: Room 312

LTBB Governmental Center

Harbor Springs, MI Time: 10 am to 4 pm

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Review of Year 2009-2010 • 2012 Election of General Membership Speaker Budget • Miscellaneous Accomplishments • Two Committees Formed 1. Community Planning a. Benchmarks 2. Constitutional Committee

Community Discussion General Membership Speaker

a. Benchmarks

tional Amendments under Article XVII

Registration by Election Board

Honor Guard - Posting of Colors/Staff

Welcome Speech – Cathy (Portman) Bradley Review Rules of Conduct – Cathy (Portman)

<u>9 a.m.</u>

Bradley

Pipe ceremony

Opening Prayer

<u>10 a.m. – 12 p.m.</u>

Smudging

- Tribal Membership Official Action
- Review and Receive the Annual Report -Tribal Council Treasurer John Bott
- Approve the Sales of Tribal Lands under Article VII (D)(13) of LTBB Constitution
- Make Recommendations to Tribal Council for Future Tribal Enterprises, Services and Policies
- Initiate a Recall of a Tribal Council member, the Chairperson or Vice Chairperson under Article
- XIII(A)• Petition for a Special Election for Constitu-
- Tribal Membership Attorney Update 2012 General Membership Speaker Election

12 p.m. – 1 p.m. Prayer, Lunch



LTBB Tribal Community Citizen Competes in Ice **Hockey State Finals**

Noah Gurizzian, 12, and his house ice hockey team, the West Shore Wolves, competed at the Michigan Amateur Hockey Association (MAHA) State Finals March



2011. The Wolves finished the state finals with one win, one loss and one tie in the Peewee B division. Gurizzian, sixth-grader who lives in Pentwater, MI, finished

goals and 38 assists, playing right wing. His team compiled a 33-2-2 record. He has skated since he was three years old and has played ice hockey since he was six years old. He is the grandson of LTBB Tribal Citizen Ruth Ann McGraw, and the son of Kim, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, and Darin Gurizzian. His siblings are Nick and Kian.

Courtesy photo.

War Club Singers Record Live CD at CMU Pow Wow

War Club Singers recorded a live CD at the CMU Pow Wow held April 2 and 3, 2011 on the campus of Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant, MI. The lead singer of War Club Singers is R.J. Smith, the husband of LTBB Tribal Citizen Netawn Kiogima. LTBB Tribal Citizen Aaron Wemigwase sings with the drum. The CD should be available in summer 2011 and can be purchased from any of the War Club Singers on the pow wow trail or at www.powwowjams.com.

Smith, who is Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Ojibwe on his mother's side and Fort Peck Assiniboine on his father's side, was LTBB's first Youth Services Coordinator when the Youth Services Department was created in 2006.

He and his wife, Netawn, have two children, Miigwaans, 12, and Zhaawon, 7. He is a traditional dancer, Netawn is a fancy dancer and sings with War Club Singers, Miigwaans is a fancy dancer, and Zhaawon is a grass

Wemigwase, the son of Beverly and Robert Wemigwase, Sr., has been singing since he was eight years old. He and his wife, Shanna, have three children, Anamekwan, 10, Waaseyaban, 3, and Waasageebwan, nine months. Anamekwan and Waaseyaban are both jingle dress dancers. He is the Surveillance Manager at Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI, and Shanna is the Program Specialist in the Human Services Department.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette Van-

LTBB Tribal Citizen Receives Scholarship at CMU

LTBB Tribal Citizen Jannan Cornstalk received a Native American Scholastic Award on April 3, 2011at the



22nd Annual CMU Pow Wow. It is a merit-based award given to a Native American student who has been admitted to Central Michigan University (CMU) for the first time or is already attending the university. The award value ranges from \$500 to \$1,500 based on funds availability. Award winners are announced at the annual pow wow on Sunday afternoon. The award can be applied to tuition, fees, books and/or room and board. Award cate-

gories include admission to CMU as a first-time freshman or transfer student, continuing student at CMU, admission to CMU as a first-time graduate student or a non-traditional student admitted to CMU as an undergraduate or transfer student. Award recipients must have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 for first-time freshmen, transfer or continuing undergraduates or a 3.0 grade point average for graduate students and participate in Native American culture and/or school and community activities.

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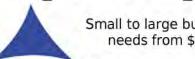
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