LTBB CHIEF CONSERVATION Officer Kevin Willis Receives Conservation Offi-CER OF THE YEAR AWARD

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

In mid-September 2009, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society honored LTBB Chief Conservation Officer Kevin Willis by naming him the Patricia M. Zakovec Memorial Conservation Officer of the Year 2009.

Willis, a LTBB Tribal Citizen who grew up in Bay Shore, MI, and graduated from Petoskey High School in Petoskey, MI, received the award at the 2009 Great Lakes Regional Conference.

The award states, "In recognition of your outstanding contributions to the development of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Conservation Enforcement Program and for inspiration to your fellow officers."

"It was very unexpected," Willis said of receiving the award. "I was very honored.

"I consider myself very fortunate to work with a great group of people. I have to thank my co-workers and thank anyone responsible for considering me for the award."

Willis started working as a LTBB Conservation Officer in 1998 and has worked as the LTBB Chief Conservation Officer since 2003. He is certified as a Law Enforcement Officer after attending the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Police Academy. Prior to working for LTBB, he worked in the food retail business for several years. He attended Northern Michigan University and North Central Michigan College.

"I enjoy encouraging the assertion of treaty rights by our tribal members," Willis said when asked what he enjoys the most about his job. "I also like the inter-cooperative part. We have established relationships with several state and federal agencies and several conservation officers."

Willis and LTBB Conservation "Willis" continued on page 11.

SPRING GRANT LOOKS TO REDUCE SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ITS RELATED PROBLEMS IN THE LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS SERVICE AREA

Submitted by Elise Tippett, SPRING Coordinator

Many people may be hearing a new program has begun within the

Federal grant, SPRING, stands for Significant Prevention Resulting In New Generations. This is a form of a federal grant that is actually a cooperative agreement. Cooperative agreements are distinguished from other grants because substantial involvement is anticipated between the awarding office and the recipient (the LTBB Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department).

In the position of SPRING Coordinator, Elise Tippett, explains more regarding SPRING: The ultimate purpose of SPRING is to reduce substance abuse and its related problems within the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians service

The staff of SPRING will be enhancing existing protective factors (activities already occurring, infant/parent bonding), and reducing modifiable risk factors (reduce school drop out, etc.). To prevent the onset and to reduce progression of sub-



stance abuse, SPRING will be focusing on tribal citizens of all ages, from the unborn through the elder popu-

SPRING is not focusing on the individual, but instead the entire LTBB community. Tribal citizens will see employees in the community asking them to fill out a community survey/needs assessment to first identify prevention needs, readiness to change and resources already available. In years two through four, SPRING will be working to promote what was learned in the survey/needs assessment.

Another goal of SPRING is to implement successful prevention activities that will be sustained long after the cooperative agreement is complete. In order to ensure sustainability, SPRING will be utilizing an outcomes-based, community-based approach.

The SPRING grant is a fouryear grant that began in July 2009 and will run through July 2013. SPRING is under the umbrella of the LTBB Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department. Dr. Cheryl Samuels is the Director of the LTBB Substance Abuse/Mental Health Department and of SPRING.

SPRING has hired a number of new employees, including SPRING Coordinator Elise Tippett, SPRING Health Educator Susan Pulaski, Clerical Assistant Angela Lambert, Youth Assistant Jeannie Norris and Prevention Outreach Workers Lindsay Shomin, Tosha Bennington and Yvonne Goodreau.

There will be a part-time external evaluation consultant and a parttime statistics consultant hired as well as numerous internships made available. SPRING employees will be housed within the LTBB Community Health building off of Lears Road in Petoskey, MI.

The photo of SPRING Coordinator Elise Tippett is by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Norris, who earned a Bachelor's degree in Social Work from Auburn University, said she was grateful for her experience as a Tribal Social

"I grew immensely in my last position," Norris said. "I learned a lot when I worked as a Tribal Social

"I appreciate what I learned in my old job, and I will hold those lessons dear to my heart throughout

Norris' office is located in the LTBB "White House" at 1345 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI where the LTBB Youth Services Department and the LTBB Youth Center are also located.

In addition to working closely

"New Role" continued on page 19.

Frank Ettawageshik Among Five Tribal Leaders Hon-ORED FOR THEIR PROTECTION of Treaty Rights

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

In mid-September 2009, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society honored former Tribal Chairman Frank Ettawageshik along with Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Ogema Larry Romanelli, former Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Chairman Bob Kewaygoshkum, former Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Chairman Aaron Payment and Bay Mills Indian Community Chairman Jeffrey Parker with the Glen Miller Tribal Leader Award

They were selected for the award because they were the tribal leaders involved in the negotiation of the historic 2007 Inland Consent Decree. The 2007 Inland Consent Decree ended a court case pending

The award states, "In recognition of your outstanding leadership on environmental issues and the protection of Indian hunting and fishing rights on behalf of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Your leadership exemplifies the dedication and involvement of tribal government in the spirit and memory of Glen Miller."

"It is humbling because you're sort of overcome with the weight of history being on you at that particular moment," Ettawageshik said. "You're a part of history, but you're also witnessing history. We were honored with this award, but there were dozens of other people who helped bring this about. They all deserve to be acknowledged and given credit for this happening. The work of all those who came before us was vindicated."

The 2007 Inland Consent Decree was signed on November 2, 2007, and it involved the United States of America, the State of Michigan, the Bay Mills Indian

"Ettawageshik" continued on page 19.

Jeannie Norris Steps into a New Role as a Youth Assistant

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

Jeannie Norris, a LTBB Tribal Citizen, spent three and a half years working as a Tribal Social Worker in the LTBB Social Services Program.

On September 13, 2009, Norris started her new position as a Youth Assistant under the SPRING Grant. She works under SPRING Grant Coordinator Elise Tippett.

"It's a great honor to be in this position," Norris said. "I am excited to work with the kids in a different capacity.

"I'll be promoting a healthy lifestyle to the kids through the prevention program and working closely with the Youth Services partment."

Tippett and Norris previously



worked together as Tribal Social Workers. Tippett worked as a Tribal Social Worker for three-plus years before accepting her current posi-

"I feel honored continuing to work with my mentor!" Norris said of Tippett.

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The deadline for the December issue of Odawa Trails is November 2, 2009. You can e-mail, fax or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov, fax them to 231-242-1430 or call them in at 231-242-1427. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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Committee Assignments

Tribal Council has two standing committees; Appropriation and Finance and Land and Reservation.

After each election, the Tribal Council elects new committees members to serve for two-year terms on the committees. The Appropriation and Finance Committee members are John Bott, Melvin L. Kiogima and Aaron Wayne Otto. The Land and Reservation Committee members are Belinda Bardwell, Regina Gasco-Bentley and Kiogima. Congratulations and thank you for your willingness to serve.

If you would like to attend a committee meeting, please see the tribal website for dates and times.

Bond Update

Over the last few months, Tribal Council has been working with the Tribal Chairman on the restructuring of the notes with the senior unsecured note holders that were issued in 2006 to support construction of Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI. As many of you may be aware, in August 2009, Tribal Council passed a Tribal Resolution that suspended the \$6.3 million of interest payments due on August 17, 2009 for the \$122 million of senior unsecured notes. Since the suspension, Tribal Council approved a forbearance agreement. This agreement provides for a 90-day "grace period" that prohibits both the tribe and the note holders from taking any actions for 90 days and provides an opportunity for negotiation on the restructuring.

As part of the process, the majority notes holders have met with Tribal Council and the Tribal Chairman to discuss the casino finances and the general economy of Michi-

As part of the meeting, the note holders also took a tour of our casino and the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, to learn more about the programs and services the tribe offers to its tribal citizens.

The tribe has retained Oppenheimer & Co., Inc. as financial advisor and Fredericks Peebles & Morgan as legal advisor to assist with restructuring of the outstanding notes.

Tribal Council will continue to provide updates on the process as matters develop.

Tribal Council holds work sessions and Tribal Council meetings twice a month. Our calendar of meetings are in the Odawa Trails newsletters as well as our website at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

We now have our own direct toll-free number which is 1-866-927-0077. This number will get you directly to the Legislative Office, and as always, we are interested in hearing from you.

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



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

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

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

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

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians **Housing Department**



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WAH-WAHS-NUU 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

- MUST BE A MEMBER OF A FEDERALLY RECOGNIZED TRIBE
- MUST BE 55-YEARS OF AGE, HANDICAP AND/OR DISABLED OF ANY AGE
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Language Program

Michigan Anishinaabemowin Inc., a non-profit organization, is working toward the Revitalization of the Anishinaabe Language



Michigan Anishinaabemowin Inc. (MAI) is a new, non-profit organization that has recently started meeting. It is an organization of Anishinaabe tribes, organizations, universities, colleges, Native urban centers and individuals – students, elders and community members – who are contributing to the revitalization of Anishinaabe language.

LTBB hosted the first two initial meetings in April 2009 and in June 2009. The third meeting was hosted by the Little River Band of Ottawa In-

dians in Manistee, MI, in conjunction with its annual language camp in July 2009, and the last meeting was hosted in September 2009 by Northern Michigan University in Marquette, MI.

Meetings are going very well with representatives from several Michigan tribes

and universities and colleges and several elders and language students.

The overall goal is to unite in revitalization efforts throughout the state of Michigan and to build support for community issues involving Anishinaabe Language. The organization will provide a website for Anishinaabe language learners and professionals. The website will supply printable and downloadable materials at no cost, a directory of Anishinaabemowin services offered in

Michigan and will serve as a guide to additional materials and links.

MAI is preparing to elect a council of a president, vice president, secretary, vice secretary, treasurer and vice treasurer. Nominations are open and being accepted via telephone or email to Carla McFall.

The election will be held at our next regular meeting, Friday, November 20, 2009, from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., hosted by the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at its Niigaanagiizhik cultural center building.

MAI will also establish an Elder's Advisory Council of fluent speakers who will provide guidance and language assistance.

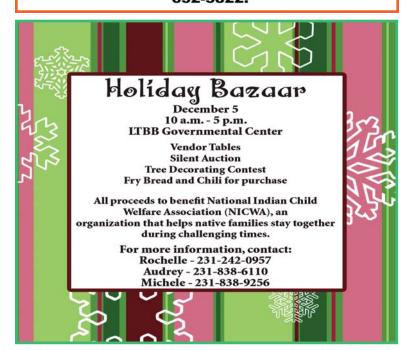
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LTBB Anishinaabe Language Game Night & Potluck

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GHOST SUPPER PHRASES YOU'LL NEED THIS GHOST SUPPER SEASON

Jiibegiizhigat	Jii be gii zhi gat	Ghost Supper / Feast Day
Jiibye miijim	Jii bye mii jim	Spirit food.
Aanii, Boozhoo	Aa nii, Boo zhoo	Hello.
Biindigen.	Biin di gen	Come in. (telling one person)
Biindigek.	Biin di gek	Come in. (telling more than one)
Nimadabin.	Ni ma da bin	Sit. (telling one person)
Nimadabik.	Ni ma da bik	Sit. (telling more than one)
Namaadaa.	Na maa daa	Let's pray.
Pkwenezigedaa.	P kwe ne zi ge daa	Let's bless/purify with smoke.
Semaa shkapjigaanhs	Se maa shkap ji gaanhs	Tobacco pouch
Naadamaagen.	Naa da maa gen	Help. (with things)
Naadamoshin.	Naa da mo shin	Help me.
Odaawegamigong izhaadaa.	O daa we ga mi gong i zhaa daa	Let's go to the store.
Jiibaak wedaa.	Jii baa kwe daa	Let's cook.
Zhisjigedaa.	Zhis ji ge daa	Let's set the table.
Wiisinidaa.	Wii si ni daa	Let's eat.
Wiisinin.	Wii si nin	Eat. (telling one person)
Wiisinik.	Wii si nik	Eat. (telling more than one)
Gdepsinii na?	G dep si nii na	Are you full?
Gezbinigedaa.	Gez bi ni ge daa	Let's tidy up.
Giziibiiginaaganedaa.	Gi zii bii gi naa ga ne daa	Let's wash the dishes.
Ngichinendam maampii iyaayin.	N gi chi nen dam maam pii i yaa yin	I'm glad you're here.
Miigwech gaabizhaayin.	Mii gwech gaa bi zhaa yin	Thank you for coming. (speaking to one)
Miigwech gaabizhaayek.	Mii gwech gaa bi zhaa yek	Thank you for coming. (speaking to more than one
Nishin kiiwaabminaa.	Ni shin kii waab mi naa	It was good to see you.
Wiingezin.	Wiin ge zin	Take care.

2009 GHOST SUPPER SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 1
Sagataw/Greensky
444 East Lake Road
Harbor Springs, MI
Start: 4 p.m.
Parking is available across the
street at Blackbird Elementary
School.

Friday, November 6 Shananaquets 3207 Indian Road Brutus, MI Start: 5 p.m.

Saturday, November 7 Naganashe/Boda/Lewis 10990 Hardwood Road Brutus, MI Start: 5 p.m.

Kishigo-Lesky/Reyes/Petoskey/Gasco 1233 Hazelton St. Petoskey, MI Start: 3 p.m.

Gasco/Worthington 8880 Luce St. Oden, MI Start: 5 p.m.

Pontiac 2200 Rogue River Belmont, MI Start: Noon

Sunday, November 8 Ettawageshik/Shano 5453 Hughston Road Harbor Springs, MI Start: 1 p.m.

Friday, November 13
Petoskey/Oldman/Bott
1740 Konle Road
Petoskey, MI
Start: 5 p.m.

Massey/Parkey/Dayson 2101 Mundt Road Brutus, MI Start: 5 p.m.

Saturday, November 14 Harrington/Fisher 1111 Howard St. Petoskey, MI Start: 4 p.m.

Naganashes 2440 North Lake Shore Drive Good Hart, MI Start: Noon

Craven/Kishigo/Chingwa/Isaac/Gasco/Adams/Minor
6735 Maple Drive
Pellston, MI
Start: 4 p.m.

Laughlin/Wemigwase 431 Pine St. Harbor Springs, MI Start: 5 p.m.

Communications Department

Kíds! Color Santa and/or send hím a letter and you could win a \$20 Walmart gift card



CHILD'S NAME: _____ AGE: _____
PHONE NUMBER: _____

Mealth Department

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

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

Eligibility Criteria:

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

Remember!!!!

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

Referrals:

Physicians write referrals when patients need medical

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

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

Alternate Resources:

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

Priority system:

Medical referrals are approved for payment by a priority system.

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

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

After Hours Clinics for LTBB Tribal Patients

Weekend Urgent Care Alternatives

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

Quick Care Walk-In

Medical Center 116 W. Mitchell Street Petoskey, MI 49770 231-348-2828

These clinics can be utilized when immediate attention is needed for an urgent, but not life-threatening condition, and the LTBB Health Clinic in Petoskey, MI, is closed.

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

Coloring Contest rules

- •Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
- All entries must be the original size.
- •All mailed entries must be postmarked by December 7, 2009. No exceptions!
- •Limit one submission per child.
- •Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
- Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.

Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category.

Letters to Santa Contest Rules

- All letters must be handwritten by the child.
- All mailed entries must be postmarked by December 7, 2009. No exceptions!
- Entries can only be submitted by snail mail or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center (address below). No exceptions!
- •Limit one submission per child.
- •Open to LTBB Community Citizens ages 10 and younger.
- Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with the top three letters to be published in the January issue of Odawa Trails.
- Please provide a phone number where you can be contacted if you are selected as one of the winners.

Mailing Address:

Letters to Santa/Coloring Contest Attn: LTBB Communications Department 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

INVITATION TO BID

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians invites you to submit a Bid for a Newsletter Contractor.

Provisions governing this Invitiation to Bid may be found on our website.

<u>WWW.LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV/PROPOSAL-</u> BIDDING

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Gaming Board of Directors

Carol McFall - Chairperson Judith Pierzynowski - Vice Chairperson Sheran Patton - Treasurer/Secretary Dollie Keway - Director Fred Kiogima - Director

For information, please contact:
Executive Assistant - Catherine Portman
1760 Lears Rd.
Petoskey, MI 49770

Petoskey, MI 49770 Office: 231-439-8894 1-877-442-6464, ext. 8070 Fax: 231-439-5378

cportman@odawacasino.com



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

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

This is an income based program.



Youth Services Department

Greetings from the LTBB Youth Services Department

Submitted by **Joe Lucier**, Youth Services Coordinator

Dear LTBB Citizens,

Thank you for taking the time to read our monthly updates on youth programming and services. Over the last months, we have been doing our best to keep the community up to speed on activities and services that are coming up as well as reporting on past activities. We would like to ask you for your input on the updating process. What would you like to see in the monthly Youth Services articles? We are committed to providing the community with the information that you may need going into the future. I would like to add a Q&A section in the coming monthly articles to address the community's questions and suggestions. If you have any requests, please contact Joe Lucier, LTBB Youth Services Coordinator, at 231-838-5473. Thanks for your sup-

Summary of September 2009 Youth Events

Youth Council Update - The LTBB Youth Council has been meeting on a weekly basis to formulate the mission statement and goals of the group. Attendance has been strong, but we encourage any interested youth to attend. At future meetings, youth will discuss current events and issues affecting Native country as a whole and discover ways that we can contribute to solutions at a local level. A goal of the group is to eventually join the UNITY Network which is a national Native youth council that holds meetings regularly throughout the year. If you would like to join the council or if you have any questions, please contact Kristy Dayson, LTBB PEACE Coordinator, at 231-242-

LTBB Hawks Basketball Update - The LTBB Hawks are practicing on a weekly basis. Binoojiinhak (13 and under) practice on Wednesdays at North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI, from 6:30-8 p.m., and Eshkiniigijik (13 to 17) practice on Tuesdays at NCMC from 5-8 p.m. Practice will run through early December, and tournaments will be announced as they are scheduled. Basketball is truly a premier sport in Indian country, and we are working to build strong teams for the future. We have Binoojiinhak and Eshkiniigijik teams for both male and female categories, and it is a free activity. This is a great way for youth to get exercise and also to meet other tribal youth around the state and around the surrounding area. LTBB youth around the state can also participate in the tournaments which typically are held in Mt. Pleasant, MI, Peshawbestown, MI, Petoskey and Bay Mills. If you know of any youth who would be interested in participating, please encourage them to contact Joe Lucier, LTBB Youth Services Coordinator, at the aforementioned phone number.

September 1 & 3, 2009 -Eshkiniigijik and Binoojiinhak groups visited Thunder Falls Water Park in Mackinaw City, MI. Both groups hit the slides and enjoyed the giant wave pool. The tallest of the slides was terrifying; nevertheless, most of the youth were brave enough to make the long climb to the top tower. The look of such accomplishment on the faces of the youth when they reached the bottom was hilarious. After much hesitation, Weengush Craven decided to test his masculinity on the large slide, and once he went down, he couldn't wait to go down again. I would like to thank Kathy McGraw and the LTBB Elders Program for its help in the event.

September 6 & 8, 2009 – If you were looking for the LTBB youth this week, well, they were gone fishing. Both groups met down at the Petoskey waterfront to get the big catch. The Binoojiinhak were a bit surprised when they realized they were going to have to bait their own hooks and take their fish off the lines, but they fended for themselves pretty



Photo courtesy of Joe Lucier.

well. The Eshkiniigijik had a contest to see who could catch the most fish, and Hank Rowland won first place with 11 fish. Cassie Gibson was a close second with nine fish. The LTBB Natural Resource Department gave us an inside tip on where to catch the most fish. Thanks guys!

September 12, 2009 – Some youth from the Eshkiniigijik attended the Traditional Pow Wow to help with the community dinner. Youth ran the grill and served hot dogs. They also helped the elders with refreshments and assisted the Pow Wow Committee with clean up. The highlight of the day was when the youth were asked by Arlene Naganashe to participate in a sobriety dance to honor those in the community that walk the red road.

September 15 & 17, 2009 -The Binoojiinhak attended the corn soup and fry bread cook off to add their input. Congratulations to Beverly Wemigwase and Dakota Shananaquet on their first place awards for corn soup and fry bread respectively. Before the event, the youth were given a lesson in lacrosse presented by Gary Gibson. He spoke of the historical importance of lacrosse and how it was used to settle disputes among tribes. Also, he taught the youth some of the skills and rules of the game and set them loose to play some catch with each other. During the practice, we discovered a good lacrosse prospect in Valentine Romero. He's truly a natural. The Eshkiniigijik also learned how to play lacrosse and had the first game all in the same meeting. We went to the Pow Wow grounds to find our field and used two trees on opposite ends as goal posts. It was a good time, and we would love to get more people involved in the games, including par-



 $Photo\ by\ Communications\ Coordinator\ Annette\ Van De Car.$

ents and other interested community members.

September 19, 2009 - Eshkiniigijik held another hot dog fundraiser at Biindigen Gas Station and Convenience Store in Petoskey and provided refreshments for those who participated in the White Feather Wellness Project Sobriety Walk. The attending supporters all stopped at our stand and purchased lunch. After we sold out of food, we went to Dave Kring Chevrolet in Petoskey to listen in on the presentations given by local medical professionals on the topics of drug addiction and recovery. After the presentations, Bill Nash talked about the White Feather Wellness Project, its current goals and upcoming projects that the group has planned. A big thanks to the White Feather Wellness Project for all its continued support of the LTBB Youth Services Department. Keep up the good work White Feather!

September 22, 2009 - Little Tommy Romero sunk four hole-inone putts during the Binoojiinhak's visit to Northern Lights Recreation Center in Petoskey. The group had fun playing mini-golf and video games during the night. One of the youth, Valentine Romero, was able to snag a bunch of stuffed animals out of the claw machine that he later shared with the others. As they have come to be known, the Zitka crew, has been a great addition to the group. On most nights, they make up the majority of the group having seven youth who participate. Thank you Clare and Kaye Zitka for your continued participation in the Binoojiinhak group.

September 24, 2009 – Cathy and J.D. Gibson came to serve dinner and have some fun with the Eshkinigijik. Cathy and Cassie Gibson served chili and cornbread. After dinner, J.D. helped us organize another session of Warrior games. J.D. is a little sneakier than we thought as he was able to weave through the bush rather quickly. As we ran through the woods, you could hear scattered echoes of screams and laughter. Miigwetch to the Gibson family for your contributions to another great night.

September 26, 2009 – We all came together to celebrate our autonomy at the 15th Annual Sovereignty Day Celebration parade and dinner. The Eshkiniigijik had a float in the parade which included one of the jiimaan that was used in this year's Jiimaan Journey. The group took a couple of the LTBB Head Start kids along for the ride. The float featured Miss Odawa Nation 2009 Makayla Webkamigad dressed in full regalia. We were pulled along by Fred Harrington, Jr. As we made our way past the crowd, the youth yelled out,

"Happy Sovereignty Day," which invoked a great cheer from the crowd. The highlight of the day was the tug of war and the final match in which the men were defeated by the women. To protect their self-esteem, I won't mention the names of the men who participated.

September 29, 2009 - Alan Proctor organized another canning class at the LTBB Community Center, so the Binoojiinhak went to learn the process of canning tomatoes. After the canning was done, all the boys in the group walked around the entire housing complex to ask the neighborhood if anyone needed any community service done. We had a few takers, and we were able to help out with a few projects. We stopped by Rebecca Atkinson's house, and she provided cookies for all the youth. After the canning project, all the youth were able to take home a can for his or her family.

Upcoming November 2009 Events

Reminder: During the school year, Youth Group will meet on Tuesday and Thursday and will be at the White House or the LTBB Governmental Center. Meetings will run from 4 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., and transportation will be provided from Petoskey High School and Harbor Springs High School. However, we will not be able to provide transportation after Youth Group.

November 2 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Youth Council Meeting

November 3 – Binoojiinhak at the White House – Cultural Activity

November 5 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Cultural Activity November 8 – All youth meet at

November 8 – All youth meet at the White House – Ghost Supper Activity

November 9 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Youth Council Meeting November 10 – Binoojiinhak at

the White House – Spear Fishing or Archery November 12 – Eshkiniigijik at the LTBB Governmental Center –

Spear Fishing or Archery November 14 – LTBB Hawks at the Petoskey High School – LTBB

Hawks Basketball Invitational November 16 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Youth Council

November 17 – Binoojiinhak at the White House – Jerky and Other Food Making

November 19 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Jerky and Other Food Making

November 21 – Eshkiniigijik at the LTBB Governmental Center – Turkey Stomp Fundraiser

November 23 – Eshkiniigijik at the White House – Youth Council Meeting November 24 – All youth &

family at the LTBB Governmental Center – Honoring our Veterans Family Feast November 30 – Eshkiniigijik at

the White House – Youth Council Meeting

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

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



Department of ommerce

How To Become a Resident Tribal Member (RTM)

Commerce Assistant

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

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

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

It is VERY important you notify Enrollment immediately when you move into the Tax Agreement Area

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

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

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

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

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Resident Tribal Member Tax Information

Cross Village (all) Friendship (all) Little Traverse (all) Resort (partial) Hayes (partial) City of Petoskey (all) Readmond (all) West Traverse (all) City of Harbor Springs (all) Bay (partial) Bear Creek (all)

City of Charlevoix (only NORTH of the bridge)

Resident Tribal Members are exempted from the following Michigan taxes:

- 1. Sales Tax (6% of retail price)
- 2. Use Tax (6% of purchase price)
- 3. Income Tax (4.35% of Adjusted Gross Income)
- 4. Single Business Tax (1.9 % of the applicable tax base)
- 5. *Motor Fuel Tax (31 cents per gallon unleaded and 27 cents per gallon on diesel)
- 6. *Tobacco Product Tax (\$2 per pack of cigarettes) (To purchase tobacco products, you MUST be 18 years of age or older!)
- * All LTBB Tribal Members are entitled to the exemption on fuel and tobacco.
- *The Motor Fuel and Tobacco Product Tax exemption is available at Biindigen (tribal convenience store) located at 2169 U.S. 31 North in Petoskey, MI.
- *The Motor Fuel Tax exemption is also available at the BP station on the south side of Petoskey, MI, near the Big Boy restaurant.

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

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

Enrollment Department

The tribal notaries listed below are eligible to perform notarial acts within Little Traverse Bay Bands Jurisdiction unless 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	2/18/2015	01-09
Rebecca R. Atkinson	Active	2/23/2009	2/23/2015	02-09
Lisa Flynn	Active	2/23/2009	2/23/2015	03-09
Beatrice A. Law	Active	5/11/2009	5/11/2015	04-09

Updated 6/5/09

Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer: 231-242-1520

LTBB Tribal Directories

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

Qualifications:

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

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

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

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

Tribal Businesses File Business Registration Certificates

By Theresa Keshick, Department of Commerce Assistant

During the month of September 2009, the following Tribal Citizens filed DBA's through the Department of Commerce: Dawn Flooring Installation & Repairs located in Petoskey, MI, filed by Theresa Stead and Aanii located in Petoskey, MI, filed by Fred R. Harrington.



Moving?

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

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

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address verification form. If you are a custodial parent, please provide proof by 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.**

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 Officer Pauline Boulton 231-242-1520

Address Verification Forms Due November 30, 2009

All minors need to have a notarized MINOR ADDRESS VERIFI-CATION FORM completed annually before November 30, 2009. No faxed or electronic versions are accepted because all forms require original signatures. Forms must be mailed to the Enrollment Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the aforementioned address. The Enrollment Department is located on the first floor of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. If you have any questions concerning guardianship or custodial is-

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

Minors who turn 18 by November 30, 2009 must complete an ADULT ADDRESS VERIFICA-TION FORM. This form must be returned by November 30, 2009.

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.

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

September 13, 2009

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:44 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Marvin Mulholland

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

Absent: Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele La-Count

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter Mc-Namara, Interim Chief Financial Officer Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky, Gaming Board of Directors: Sheri Patton, Dolly Keway, Fred Kiogima, Judy Pierzynowski, Chairperson Carol Mc-Fall and Office Manager Cathy Portman, Casino: Property Operations Barry Laughlin, Director of Finance Scott Cannady, Office of Enterprise Management Chuck Schofield

Guests: Sarah VandeCar, Rose Smalley, Annette VandeCar, Virginia Lewis, Marcia Sutton, Collin Sutton, John Kawegoma, Susan Goddard, Cathy Portman, Alice Yellowbank, Diane Naganashe, Judy Field, Christine Shomin, Melissa Shomin, Marilyn Hume, Pat Denemy, Dakota Shananaquet, Cathy Shomin, Francis Holdorph, Katherine King, Frank King, Lila Bertrum, Henry Rowland,

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adopt the agenda

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve the minutes of August 23, 2009 with correc-

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to approve the minutes of September 12, 2009 with correction.

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

Motion carried.

Elders Comments: Rose Smalley spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman practices. Sarah VandeCar spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman practices. Judy Field spoke regarding Treasurer Bott and the Casino relationship, the Tribal Chairman Harrington responsibilities and apprecia-

tion of Councilor Chingwa's positive

efforts. Alice Yellowbank spoke re-

garding Tribal Council reading legis-

lation prior to passing it, and the

Bond Work group appointments. Su-

san Goddard spoke regarding Indian

Preference in Employment. Judy Field spoke regarding the Tribal Chairman forensic audit proposal, the Tribal Chairman's concerns with the Gaming Board of Directors and the Casino's ABEL program, and Casino Unemployment benefits.

10:50 a.m. Recess called.

11:05 a.m. Meeting resumed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Legislative Leader Shananaquet's report with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

11:36 a.m. Public Comment opened: Judy Field complimented Tribal Council on this morning's session, and employee health insurance contributions. John Kawegoma spoke regarding posting of minutes, conflicts of interest with the former Tribal Council, Constitutional reform convention, Tribal Council volunteering additional time, the Tribal government budget, and the Odawa Trails publication dates. Chris Shomin spoke regarding Indian Preference in Employment, and the election process. Judy Pierzynowski spoke regarding election process changes, forensic audits, and the Bonds. Sue Goddard explained what a forensic audit is. Cathy Shomin spoke regarding Casino Regulatory Department mentorship program, Tribal Social Services, and the Indian Child Welfare Act. Michele LaCount spoke regarding the Indian Child Welfare Protection Act and revision to Waganakising Odawak Statute 2009-004 Child Protection, Dakota Shananaquet spoke regarding the Social Service Department and the Tribal Court.

12:35 p.m. Public Comment

12:38 p.m. Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to go into closed session for Confidential Business Matters.

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

Motion carried.

1:46 p.m. Treasurer Chingwa left

1:47 p.m. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Mulholland to return to open session.

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

Motion carried.

Motion carried.

3:20 p.m. Meeting reconvened Treasurer Chingwa arrived.

3:21 p.m. Public comment opened: no comments.

3:31 p.m. Public comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written report for Septem-

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Tribal Council Member Chingwa's verbal and written report for September 13, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution: To Amend and Replace Tribal Resolution #071209-08 Regarding Tribal Government Budget Revision for Fiscal Year 2009.

Motion dies due to lack of sup-

Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Council R. Shananaquet's Tribal Council Member verbal and written report for September 13,

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Councilor Kiogima's Tribal Council Member verbal and written report for September 13,

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

Motion carried.

Tribal Council Meeting Dates 2009

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

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ALL TRIBAL COUNCIL Meetings and work SESSIONS ARE HELD IN THE Tribal Courtroom LOCATED AT 7500 Odawa Circle, HARBOR SPRINGS, MI.

Legislative Tribal Council Members

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

5:13 p.m. Recess called.

5:26 p.m. Meeting reconvened. Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Councilor Otto's Tribal Council Member verbal report for September 13, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal report for September 13, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Approval for Grant Agreement Between the Michigan Department of Community Health and the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians - Public Health Preparedness and Response for Bioterrorism, 09-

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Request for Funding from the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs Water Resources Program Funding Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resources Department Maple River Management Project.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Bardwell to appoint Councilor Kiogima to the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Motion Withdrawn

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Treasurer Bott to appoint Aaron Otto and Melvin L. Kiogima and to the Appropriations and Finance Commit-

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to appoint Regina Gasco Bentley, Belinda Bardwell and Melvin L. Kiogima to the Land and Reservation Committee.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to place the Burial Grounds Draft Statute, Department of Education and Cultural Learning Center Draft Statute and Civil Traffic Draft Statute on the Legislative Calendar.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet and supported by Kiogima to authorize an "Executive/Legislative Team" to assist with the negotiation of the forbearance agreement and the negotiation of the restructuring on the note with the bondholders, provided that any action concerning the bonds or restructuring of debt will be brought back to the Tribal Council by said team for approval prior to the action taken. The Team shall consist of the Legislative Leader, Treasurer, Secretary and Legislative Services Attorney, Tribal Chair and the Tribal Council recommends the following Executive staff be designated by the Executive to be members of the committee: CFO Kishigo Lesky, OCR Director of Finance Cannady, General Counsel Bransky and any other individuals designated by the Executive.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R.

Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Otto to table the closed session minutes from April 18, 1999 and March 5, 2006 to the next Tribal Council agenda.

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

Motion carried.

6:50 p.m. Motion made by Treasurer Bott and supported by Councilor Otto to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written (or) corrected: (delete either the word "written" or "corrected" as pertains to how the minutes were approved.)

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

September 27, 2009

Closed Session: none

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:44 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Carol Mc-

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

Absent: none

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

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington, Vice-Chairman Dexter Mc-Namara, Gaming Board of Directors: Chairperson Carol McFall, Office Manager Cathy Portman, Gaming Regulatory Commission Beverly Wemigwase, Regulatory Director Vince Cook

Guests: Christina Rohn, Sarah VanDeCar, Richard Wemigwase, Harvey Gibson, Marcia Sutton, Diana Naganashe, Roy Smithkey, William McMillan, Marjorie Janis, Jennie Heeres, John Liebgott, Linda Gasco, Rosemary Knapp

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt the agenda for September 27, 2009 as amended.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Bardwell to approve the minutes of September 13, 2009 as corrected.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the minutes of September 25, 2009 as presented.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Mulholland and supported by Councilor Bardwell to ratify into the record the Phone Poll dated September 17, 2009 to approve the Forbearance Agreement between Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and MFC Global Investment Management

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Education Department

CHECK OUT THE SIX-PART DOCUMENTARY SERIES WAASA INAABIDAA "WE LOOK IN ALL DIRECTIONS" AVAILABLE AT THE LTBB CULTURAL LIBRARY



By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

LTBB Tribal Citizens can check out any of the six DVDs in the series and the companion book for three

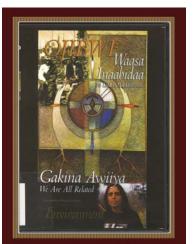
About the Series

Waasa Inaabidaa (We Look in All Directions), a six-part documentary series, aired on WDSE-TV (PBS Eight) based in Duluth, MN, American Public Television (APT) and Aboriginal People's Television Network in 2002.

It won five Emmy awards and was named Best Documentary Feature at the American Indian Film Fest

It is about the second-largest tribe in North America, the Anishinaabe/Ojibwe (Chippewa) people of the upper Great Lakes region, and includes reenactments and interviews from tribal elders, historians and leaders from the 19 Ojibwe bands, spanning 500 years of Ojibwe culture and

The project also includes an educational website at www.ojibwe.org with transcripts, teacher guides, maps



and photo galleries.

"Episode One: Gakina Awiiya (We Are All Related)"

The following product description appears on www.ojibwe.org:

"This episode explores the Ojibwe relationship with the natural environment before European contact and how the land and lives of Ojibwe people were dramatically altered when this delicate balance clashed with the Euro-American philosophies of resource exploitation, treaties, land ownership and reserva-

"Witness Ojibwe self-determination in the late 20th century, which firmly reconnects the traditional Ojibwe relationship with all living things. Contemporary times have seen the reaffirmation of off-reservation treaty rights for hunting, fishing and gathering. The thrust of contemporary Ojibwe tribal governments has been positive natural resource management and a return to the understanding that 'we are all related' on this earth."

"Episode Gwayakochigewin (Making Decisions the Right Way)"

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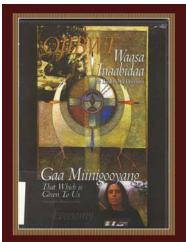
"Episode Gwayakochigewin (Making Decisions the Right Way)' journeys from pre-European contact to contemporary times, portraying the essence of traditional Ojibwe decision-making. Historical Ojibwe chiefs are profiled alongside contemporary Ojibwe leaders. This program traces Ojibwe beginnings as sovereign, independent bands led by councils of headmen, elders and spiritual leaders through the United States paternalistic era of



government guardianship to today's reestablishment of self-determination. Historical hereditary chiefs and today's tribal government leaders have successfully maintained the unique status of Ojibwe tribes as sovereign nations within a nation. Today's leaders and tribal governments come in many forms, but all share in common the responsibilities of decision-making and of doing things the right way for the good of all Ojibwe people."

"Episode Three: Gaa Miinigooyang (That Which is Given to

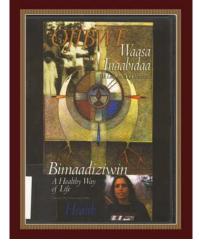
The following product description appears on www.ojibwe.org:



"Travel from the times before contact through the Fur Trade period which introduced European concepts of personal profit, land ownership and debt. This episode traces the damaging effects of treaties and land loss on the very survival of the Oiibwe, the economic reforms of the 1960s and 70's self-determination and contemporary court decisions which have reaffirmed reserved rights

to practice traditional hunting, fishing and gathering. Many of today's Ojibwe people are experiencing a renewed economic sovereignty through new sources of financial stability, including gaming, tribal businesses and individual entrepreneurship."

"Episode Four: Bimaadiziwin (A Healthy Way of Life)"

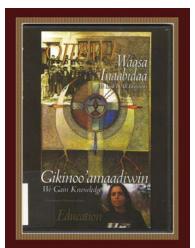


The following product description appears on www.ojibwe.org:

"To live a good and healthy life, the Anishinaabe-Ojibwe people received knowledge, instructions and help from the Creator which taught the importance of maintaining a balance between their mental, physical and spiritual health. Family is at the center of a good way of life. 'Episode Four: Bimaadiziwin: A Healthy Way of Life' examines the Ojibwe's holistic approach to good health and the role of traditional medicine and spiritual leaders."

"Episode Five: Gikinoo'amaadiwin (We Gain Knowledge)"

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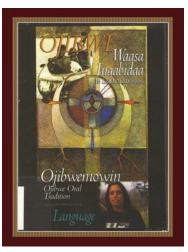


"In the Anishinaabe-Ojibwe world view, knowledge is a gift that carries responsibilities. Ojibwe communities have long respected the role of elders to pass on knowledge to younger generations. This basic precept, in conjunction with the interrelatedness of all people, is the foundation of family and education in Ojibwe communities. The Ojibwe people have gained knowledge through this important relationship."

"Episode Six: Ojibwemowin (Ojibwe Oral Tradition)"

The following product description appears on www.ojibwe.org:

"'Episode Six: Ojibwemowin: Ojibwe Oral Tradition' begins with Ojibwe origin narratives and chronicles the decline and near disappearance of Ojibwe language and culture, continues through rebirth and re-



newal and comes full circle to today's cultural renaissance and revival of language and tradition."

Waasa Inaabidaa (We Look in All Directions) Companion Book

The following product description appears on www.ojibwe.org:

"Waasa Inaabidaa (We Look in All Directions) is a uniquely personal history of the Ojibwe nation by Ojibwe educator Thomas Peacock. Illustrated with color and historic black and white photographs, artwork and maps, it is the story of how the Ojibwe people and their ways have continued to survive and even thrive from pre-contact times to the pres-

Librarian Francine Thuston contributed to this article.

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

Take Advantage of Early Registration for WOCTEP Certificate Courses

Program

The Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program (WOCTEP) has advantageous benefit of EARLY REGISTRATION for North Central Michigan College classes beginning on Wednesday, November 4, 2009 and continuing through Tuesday, November 17, 2009.

WOCTEP Staff will be assisting students with registration of classes for the following certificate pro-

GRAPHIC ARTS - Learn an artistic and professional discipline with a focus on visual communication; common uses include advertisements, product packaging and web design.

NEW MEDIA - An introduc-

Submitted by the WOCTEP tion to digital and web-based audio/video recording and editing using classroom cameras and computer software; learn about threepoint lighting, video mechanics and editing techniques.

> ENTREPRENEURSHIP ES-SENTIALS - Preparation for starting and successfully managing a business; discuss current business topics, develop a business plan, learn about finance, marketing strategies and more.

> MEDICAL ASSISTANT -Classroom instruction and clinical placement provides training for employment in physician's office and health clinic settings.

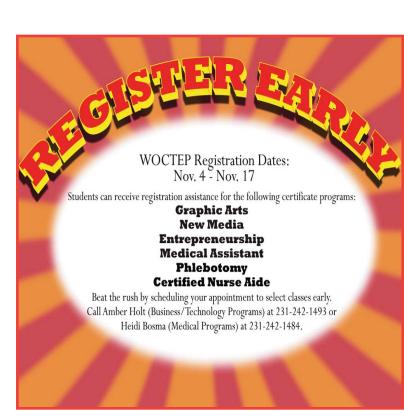
PHLEBOTOMY - Learn blood draw techniques and related procedures, specimen transport, processing and infection control through classroom, lab and clinical

CERTIFIED NURSE AIDE -Classroom and lab instruction along with a clinical rotation provides preparation for patient care employment.

In addition to early registration, participants in these programs can benefit from one-on-one academic advising and need-based financial assistance.

Open registration for the general public begins November 18, 2009, and some classes fill quickly, but WOCTEP students can register beginning on November 4, 2009.

To schedule an advising appointment or to learn more about these certificate programs, call Amber Holt (Business/Technology Programs) at 231-242-1493 or Heidi Bosma (Medical Programs) at 231-242-1484.



Executive Branch

From the Desk of the Tribal Chairman Ken Harrington

Aanii Tribal Citizens,

Six weeks in office now and I can honestly say I love my job. Exciting and challenging. There is never a dull moment. Politics does have an unpleasant side to it. Our local News-Review has capitalized on rumors, gossip and twisted truths for headline news. I cannot see how this benefits our tribe. The Executive is new and many Tribal Council members are new and are subject to criticism beyond our control. I have quickly learned to set this aside and go to work. We are in the process of hiring a press agent to get a handle on press that may be detrimental to our tribe. We have a lot to be proud of, and our tribe is still growing. Our tribe benefits our citizens, the local cities, townships and counties. Our government, Health Park and casino employ hundreds of people. Our Transportation Department doles out millions of dollars to rebuild local roads through Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) funding. Additional jobs are created from the revenues spent by our tribe.

Most of my time is spent in the office. I see a lot of work to be done here at home. Team meetings, directors, department staff, operations manager and the Tribal Administrator are all in close contact, and we are working well together. Our casino has traditionally been the big

breadwinner supporting our government. The new administration is seeking other avenues for creating revenue. Renewable energy may be a source. Our tribal Energy Work Group has short-term and longterm goals. A small wind farm is on



the table now, and this venture has the potential to create revenue in the millions of dollars annually. Partnerships in an LLC type of business are being researched as another way to create revenue. We will create written business plans for Tribal Council to review.

Nation and statewide, we are still battling with tough economic times. Here at home, we are restructuring to save dollars and to keep services and programs intact. The Mental Health/Substance Abuse Department is in a rented building now. We are moving this department to our Health Clinic, a building we own, as a cost saving measure. Stagnate, rented storage units are on the plate for removal to help save money. The Native Way gym is a costly rental; this, too, is being researched to see if we can move it to a building we own. The old casino property has been vacant for years now, and we are trying to rent this building out, contingent on approval from Tribal Council. We own a large office building located at 911 Spring Street in Petoskey, MI. This was the former casino office building, a building we own. Research for renting this building is underway.

In Lansing, MI, was the annual **Building Strong Sovereign Nations** (BSSN) of which I attended. Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Chairman Derek Bailey and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Ogema Larry Romanelli attended as well. We had discussions in uniting our tribes with possible collaborative ventures. A future meeting with the tribal leaders is also on the agenda.

My duties as your Chairman are simple. Serve the tribe. Serve our Tribal Citizens. I believe my activities are in the best interest of our tribe. Tribal Preference and the advancement of our tribal citizens are always in the forefront of my activi-

Tuman Services Department

Meet Tribal Social Worker Lisa Tollenaar



Lisa Tollenaar, a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, started as a Tribal Social Worker in the Social Services Program on September 9, 2009.

Prior to filling her current position, she worked as the Lead Teacher for the LTBB Head Start Program for three years and worked four years for the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians in Bear Necessities, an afterschool, summer recreational program for kids. She earned a Bachelor's degree in

Human Services and an Associates degree in Social Work, both from Lake Superior State University. She also has a Child and Youth Worker certificate.

"I love working with kids," said Tollenaar who grew up on Sugar Island. "Ever since high school, I wanted to be a counselor, a therapist or a social worker. I like to help peo-

"I look forward to working with the LTBB community."

She has a husband, Christopher, a stepdaughter, Chloe, and two dogs, Ziggie and Zina.

In her free time, she likes spending time with her family and dogs and volunteers at the children's nursery at United Methodist Church in Indian River, MI.

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.



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'Willis" continued from cover.

Officer Roger Willis annually teach at the department's Hunter's Safety, International Bowhunter Education Program and Snowmobile Safety classes. They are usually assisted by Conservation Officers from the other Michigan Indian tribes.

LTBB Conservation Officers also do group patrols with state and tribal agencies, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the U.S. Forest Service and the United States Coast

The historic 2007 Inland Consent Decree was signed on November 2, 2007, and it involved the United States of America, the State of Michigan, the Bay Mills Indian Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Coalition to Protect Michigan's Resources, U.P. Whitetails Association, Inc. and Bays de Noc Great Lakes Sportsfishermen.

It resolved the dispute with respect to federal and tribal claims the tribes retained rights under the 1836 Treaty of Washington to hunt, fish and gather in the treaty area under tribal regulations rather than under state law, and it recognized a treatyretained right for the tribes' members to engage in certain hunting, fishing and gathering activities within the treaty area and for the tribes to regu-

late those activities. It ended a case

pending since 1973.

"We're still ironing things out in regards to the Inland Consent Decree," Willis said. "Some things still need to be addressed, and we're working through those. We're still working to move forward.

"Because of the focus on it, we seem to be generating better science. Biologists play a big role in management. The general public seems to be accepting it. We're still teaching people about it because it's somewhat

For more information on the 2007 Inland Consent Decree or to view a list of frequently asked ques-



Michigan's website at www.michigan.gov. Information about the 2007 Inland Consent Decree is also available on the LTBB website at www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov and click on Natural Resources.

Willis wanted to thank his family (his wife, Clydell, son, Ryan, daughter, Kathleen, and his two grandchildren) for their support.



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November 7
Sixth Annual Along the
Owashtinong Pow Wow
Grand Rapids, MI
Contact Information: 616-456-3542,
616-456-3586 or
www.grmuseum.org

November 8-9 Honoring Our Anishinaabe Veterans Sixth Annual Pow Wow Kinross, MI Contact Information: Bud Biron at

December 31 New Year's Eve Sobriety Pow Wow

Contact Information: 906-635-6050

<u>Minnesota</u>

Sault Ste. Marie, MI

906-635-1392

November 6-8
First Annual "Twin Cities
Showdown" Contest Pow Wow
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: John at 612217-3238 or
showdownpowwow@gmail.com

Gathering for Our Children and Returning Adoptees Traditional Pow Wow Minneapolis, MN Contact Information: Sandy White Hawk at 651-442-4872, sandywhitehawk@gmail.com or www.geoci-

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Leech Lake Veterans Traditional Pow Wow Cass Lake, MN

Contact Information: 218-335-7034, 218-335-7400 or jerry.morgan@leechlakegaming.com

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Traditional Pow Wow
Brooklyn Park, MN
Contact Information: 763-424-0937,
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or www.nhcc.edu

November 14-15
Native American Heritage
Traditional Pow Wow Shooting Star
Casino
Mahnomen, MN
Contact Information: 1-800-453-7827

November 26-28
Thanksgiving Traditional Pow Wow
Minneapolis, MN
Contact Information: 612-824-3118,
612-799-2698 or
zoogipoequay@msn.com

November 26-29 Second Annual Wopida Anpetu Thanksgiving Contest Pow Wow Morton, MN Contact Information: Kateri at 507-697-6185

December 31-January 2 Celebration of Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow Minneapolis, MN Contact Information: 612-724-3129

Wisconsin

November 11

LCO Veterans Traditional Pow Wow Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924

or www.lcoschools.bia.edu

December 12
St. Croix Trails Youth on Red Road
Traditional Pow Wow
Webster, WI
Contact Information: Mark Soulier
at 715-349-2195 or

souliermark@yahoo.com

December 31
First People Many Nations
Traditional Pow Wow
Milwaukee, WI
Contact Information: Susanna Labelle-Boyd at 414-744-5664, JK-MAURER@ulmalumni.com or

December 31 Menominee New Year's Eve Traditional Pow Wow Neopit, WI Contact Information: 715-756-2354

www.fpmn.org

December 31 LCO New Year's Traditional Pow Wow Hayward, WI Contact Information: 715-634-8924 or www.lcoschools.bia.edu

December 31
Sobriety Traditional Pow Wow
Oneida, WI
Contact Information: 920-4967897, 1-800-236-2214 or lpowless@oneidanation.org

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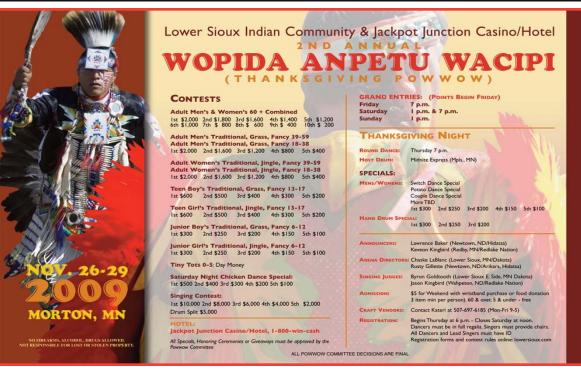
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New Hours for the Quill Box and Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shops and the Sage Restaurant at Odawa Casino Resort

Quill Box Gift Shop 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. Gourmet 2 Go Gift Shop 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sage Restaurant Tuesdays, Wednesdays

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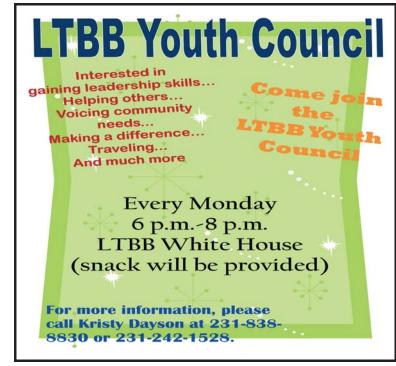
Fridays and Saturdays

from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Closed on Sundays and

Mondays.

Editor's note: The new hours started on October 1, 2009 and go through May 1, 2010.

The photo of the Sage Restaurant's wine tower is by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.





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"Minutes" continued from page

(US) LLC, BlackRock Financial Management Inc., Regiment Capital Advisors, and Pioneer Investment Management Inc., presented to Tribal Council by Donna L. Budnick, Legislative Services Attorney on September 17, 2009. The Phone Poll passed. The phone poll was conducted for time sensitive matters.

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

10:10 a.m. Elder Comments: Richard Wemigwase spoke regarding the annual pumpkin patch event, the Elder's Association contribution and a request for a Tribal Council contribution.

10:14 a.m. Elder Comments closed.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Legislative Leader Shananaquet's verbal and written report for September 27, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Chingwa to adopt Tribal Resolution Establishment and Authority of the "Legislative/Executive" Team.

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

Motion carried.

11:01 a.m. Recess called.

11:15 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Secretary Gasco Bentley's verbal and written report for September 27, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept Treasurer Bott's verbal and written report for September 27, 2009.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Treasurer Bott to accept Councilor Otto's verbal Tribal Council Member report for September 27, 2009.

Vote: 9 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab- stained, 0 - Absent stained, 0 - Absent

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Chingwa to accept Legislative Services Attorney Budnick's verbal and written report for September 27, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

11:49 a.m. Public Comment opened: Sarah VandeCar spoke requesting revisions to Indian Preference in Tribal Employment Statute. Roy Smithkey spoke in support of news reports and comments. Harvey Gibson spoke regarding bond updates to Tribal Citizens and Tribal Chairman communication during Elder's

11:57 a.m. Public Comment closed.

> 12:10 p.m. Lunch recess called. 1:34 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Kiogima to approve Enrollment List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated August 21, 2009 for a total of 11.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to approve Enrollment List B - Declination (Ineligible) dated August 21, 2009 for a total

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the National Endowment for the Humanities, Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collections, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Sustaining Cultural Heritage Collection Implementation Grant.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution: Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Service Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians FY 2010 IHS Oral Health Promotion / Disease Prevention Grant.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Chingwa to table the request for Appropriation for Additional Funding to Expand Grants Department until further review by the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to table the Murray Road Site Plan until further review by the Land and Reservation Com-

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Bardwell and supported by Councilor Otto to approve Gaming Regulatory Commission Regulations REG WOS 2005-06 091609-008.

Vote: 8 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Ab-

Motion carried. Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor Chingwa to table the Minimum Internal Control Standards Amendments REG WOS 2005-06 091609-

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

Motion made by Councilor R. Shananaquet and supported by Councilor Bardwell to accept the Executive verbal and written report for September 27, 2009 with confidential items contained therein.

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

Motion carried.

2:53 p.m. Recess called.

3:07 p.m. Meeting reconvened. 3:07 p.m. Public Comment

opened: Rosemary Knapp spoke regarding the Tribal blood quantum statute requirement and request for legislative action. Rosemary also spoke with concern regarding posting Tribal business in the Petoskey News Review. Diane Naganashe asked Treasurer Bott for a financial report regarding the Interim Chief Financial Officer and Controller positions. Matt Lesky spoke regarding the Interim Chief Financial Officer position. Cheryl Kishigo-Lesky spoke regarding the position as Interim Chief Financial Officer.

3:39 p.m. Public Comment closed.

Motion made by Councilor Chingwa and supported by Councilor Mulholland to reimburse Tribal Council attendance at the September 25, 2009 Special Meeting.

Vote: 1 - Yes, 8 - No (Councilor Otto, Councilor Kiogima, Secretary Gasco Bentley, Legislative Leader Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Mulholland, Councilor R. Shananaquet, Treasurer Bott), 0 - Abstained, 0 - Absent

Motion failed

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet to release the Closed Session Minutes of April 18, 1999.

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

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Kiogima and supported by Councilor R. Shananaquet for the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2006 to remain closed.

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

Motion carried.

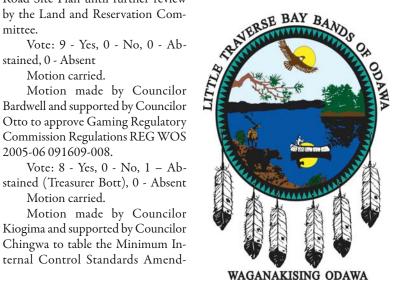
4:25 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Councilor Bardwell to adjourn.

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

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as corrected:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary





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Location: 4880 Lawndale Detroit, MI 48210 313/846-3718

American Indian Health & Family Services



Native Women & Mom's

You Are Invited To Dinner

Introducing you to our New Program

November 18, 2009 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Guest Speaker: Tunkin Shananaquet "Understanding Our Responsibilities as Native Women "



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Attention all Resident Tribal Members (RTMs):

If you are planning to purchase a vehicle, ORV or plan on doing any home improvements to your principal place of residence, YOU NEED TO CONTACT ME FIRST before making the actual purchase(s). 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

Tuesdays

GED Class 1-4 p.m. GED Study Hall 4 - 7 p.m. 911 Spring St., Petoskey, MI

Thursdays

GED Study Hall 2:30 - 5:30 p.m. GED Class 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. LTBB Gov't. Complex Harbor Springs, MI

For more information, please call the Education Office at 231-242-0152.

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Upcoming Higher Education Deadline:



December 31, 2009

Merit Scholarship application for Summer 2009 grades

For applications or more information, please call Melissa Colby at 231-242-1492.

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

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

Contact Community Outreach at the

LTBB Health Department 231-242-1601

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Нарру 10th birthday to my and joy, Maya Kalenahawi Schuyler, on Novem-



ber 26. am a very lucky mother to have you in my life. I have learned a lot from you in the 10 years you have been here, and we have so much more to learn together. Love you Maya, from your Mom, Heather.

Happy birthday to our Tribal Court Clerk II extraordinaire, Carla Steingold, on November 19. From the Tribal Court staff.

Happy 17th birthday to "Trevvy" Keshick on November 21. Love, Aunt Linda & kids.

Happy birthday to my old buddy Dexter McNamara on November 3. Remember when I left you at Carp Lake, and Smitty and I had to come back to pick you up? Those were the days! I better not talk about any of our other youthful adventures because we might get in trouble. From your old friend Dennis the Menace.

MnoDibishkaak Ndanwenmaaganak, ChiNiibna, NiingonisKwewok Krystal 'Krittle' Kiogima miinwaa Miigwaas Smith (ngichinendam besha gdaayek); Ngashi wiidigemaaganan Bob Yellowbank miinwaa niitaawis Craig Boulton; Niingonisak Curtis McFall, Jr. miinwa Henry Robinson, Jr.! Gzaaginim.

Best wishes for a stupendous HAPPY BIRTHDAY to my favorite 17-yearold, Arianna Elise! You are a super soccer player and a great star! Happy birthday Dancing Star. Gazaagiin, Love, Maime'.

Happy birthday to my Cuz Roger

Happy birthday to Matt Carson on November 25. We love you, Aunt Gina, Uncle Bill and Brittany.



birthday on November 8. Love, Mom, Dad, Marie, Harvey, Nigel, Nellie, Shay

Caden, Maya and Kayla.

Wishing a special happy 13th birthday to my grandson, **Tristan Henry** Field, on November 13th!!!! Where have all of these years gone? Seems like yesterday that you arrived early into our lives and made so many happy memories. I love you and so proud of

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all you do! All my love, Grandma

Happy birthday to Miss Patty Jean Wesaw who celebrates her 29th on November 24, but will remain "Forever 21." Love, your sista's Linda &

Happy birthday to Kelly & Kody Kiogima!!! Hope you both have a fabulous birthday. Tiffany.

Happy 11th birthday to Miigwaans Smith, whose special day is on No

v e m b e r 10th!! We hope you have wonderfully special day! Gzaaguhn, Auntie Gina,



Uncle Jimmy, Mkoohns & Wedaase.

Happy birthday to a great 17-year-old Sarah Naomi, and a super day to U.J. Hope you both have a wonderful year. Love, from your favorite Auntie.

Happy birthday to Wassan who celebrates her day on November 9. Hope your day is spectacular just as you are. Your friend, "Sassy Qua."

Wishing **Maya Schuyler** a happy 10th

birthday on November 26. Love, Mom, Papa, Kokum, Auntie Shay, Uncle Nigel, Aunt Marie, Uncle Harvey Dreaver



cousins, Caden and Kayla.

Happy birthday to Trevor Keshick on November 21. Love, Grandma Mary.

Happy birthday to Roger Willis!!! Love you, Tiffany.

Wishing Heather Schuyler a happy Happy 27th birthday to Krystal Kiogima, who celebrates on November 22nd!! Missin' you while you're away at school ... we hope you have a fabulous day!! Gzaaguhn, Gina, Jimmy, Mkoohns & Wedaase.

> Joseph Marvin, Alicia Ann, Allie and Rachel



Genia would like to wish a wonderful happy fifth birthday to our Little Star Nangonhs Jes-

sica-Morgan. From all of your family who loves you so much!

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Celebratory birthday cheers to Carla Steingold who turns the big 30 on 11/19. May your day be filled with happiness, love and joy. Linda G.

Happy birthday and a wonderful year to my favorite nine-year-old grandson, Haydn! You are awesome, and I hope you have a grand year. Gazaagiin, Love, Maime'.

MnoDibishkaan Ndaanis, Priscilla Tiffany McFall, NiimiNoodinKwe. Miinwaa shki-binoojiinhs wiibidagwashi. Noshenhs, gwiizenhs. Gzaaginim, Gashi, Zigozis, Carla.

Birthday wishes for <mark>Edwin Ulesk</mark>i (November 3), Mike Naganashe (November 6), **Sierra Boda** (November 6), **Jordan Boda** (November 11). Basil Naganashe II (November 17) Frank Miller (November 19), Richie Boda (November 22), Theresa Boda (November 24) and Frankie Mc-Cloud (November 28). From Dorothy and Don Boda.

Happy birthday to Heather Schuyler

(November 8) and Maya Schuyler (November 26). We hope you both have a great day and a great year. Love, the King and VanDe-Car families.



Happy birthday BASKET Case.

Congratulations



Congratulations to Caroline Lang and Walter Niebrzydowski who were married on August 14, 2009 in the Tribal Courtroom by Chief Judge JoAnne Gasco.

Kathy VanDeCar: Congratulations on your new job at UNLV! We're very proud of you. Love, the King and Van-DeCar families.

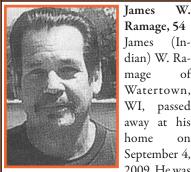
Miigwetch

Miigwetch to everyone who purchased 50/50 raffle tickets at the Sovereignty Day Celebration September 26, 2009. We raised \$237 with all proceeds going toward the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. We appreciate your support of this annual event. From the LTBB Pow Wow Committee.

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Happy Thanksgiving

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2009. He was born in Santa Monica, CA, on November 8, 1954, the son of Carl and Marilyn Ramage, and was raised in Venice and Redondo Beach, CA. He married Denise Radtke in Reno, NV, in 1992. Indian enjoyed fishing, cooking, NASCAR racing, riding Harleys and spending time with his family. Survivors include his wife, Denise, of Watertown; his mother, Marilyn Ramage, of Henderson, NV; his children, Ryan and Rachel of Watertown; brothers, Robert (Lori) Ramage of Henderson; Philip (Susan) Ramage of Salt Lake City, UT; his mother-in-law, Terry (Dale) Olson of Watertown; his father-in-law, Richard (Vickie) Radtke of Owatonna, MN; many nieces and nephews, other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death

by his father, Carl James Ramage.

Margaret Mary Petoskey Brown, 68 Margaret Mary Petoskey Brown walked on September 6, 2009. She was born February 18, 1941 in Harbor Springs, MI, to the late Peter S. Petoskey and Irene Shomin Petoskey. She graduated from the Harbor Springs School system. In June 1993, she was delighted with the arrival of her beautiful granddaughter Hartez Margaret Brown, who was named in her honor. She accepted Christ in June 1999 and was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. She was very outgoing and made friends everywhere. She was fearless. She could be very feisty, but also very kind-hearted. She leaves to cherish her memory, her sister, Arlene (Jim) Naganashe; her aunt, Mabel Shomin; her son, Antonio L. Brown; her daughters, Cheryl Y. Tarver, Susan M. Brown and Linda C. Brown; her 14 grandchildren, LaToya, LaTonya, Fredrick, Martez, Tiffany, JaMonte', Shelby, Hartez, Patrice, Sade, Melvin, Maurice, Taylor and Tyler; her brother-in-law, Glen A. Brown; several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins; other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by her husband, Emmett Brown, Jr.; her sons, Thomas F. Brown and William J. Brown, and her daughter, Theresa A. Brown.

Thomas Wasaquam Hill, 75

Thomas Wasaquam Hill, 75, of Petoskey, MI, and Yuba, MI, died September 30, 2009. He was born November 16, 1933, in Yuba, the son of Arthur and Elizabeth (Wasaquam) Hill. He grew up in Yuba, but spent most of his adult life in Chicago, IL. He was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. During his life, he had married Florence Miller of Peshawbestown, MI,

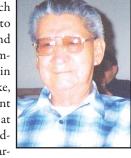
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and later married Gertrude Richmond of Illinois. He honorably served his country in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict playing in the Army Band. He drove a taxi cab many years in Chicago, and he later started his own cab business. His enjoyment came from being with his family, sports, walking, reading, playing cards, classical music and the casino. He is survived by his sisters, Evelyn Rivas of Yuba, Pauline (Dale) Barber of Kewadin, MI, Kathleen (James) Fox of Lansing, MI, and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, a brother, David, and a niece, Mary Fox. A special thank you is extended to all the caring and professional staff at Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey and also to the LTBB Health Clinic and Dr. Samuels who was a dear friend and trusted physician.

Julius C. Lewis, (Uncle Jute), 86 Julius C. Lewis, (Uncle Jute), 86, of Brutus, MI, walked on October 12,

born March 11, 1923, to Joseph and Mary (Hamlin) Lewis in Burt Lake, MI. He went to school at Holy Child-. hood in Har-

2009. He was



bor Springs, MI. He fought in World War II, was wounded five times by machine gun fire and was a prisoner of war. After the war, he married Susan Naganashe on July 10, 1945, in Petoskey, MI. He then moved from Brutus to Grand Rapids, MI, where he worked as an auto mechanic, eventually moving back to Brutus six years ago. He is survived by a daughter, Karen Marie (Ron) Boda, grandsons, Jesse (Jenny) Boda, Anthony (Alisha) Boda, Ronald Boda II, five greatgrandchildren and several nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by his wife, Susan Marie, son, Douglas Allen Lewis, and granddaughter, Constance Marie

LTBB **Contractors**

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



Annual Audit of the Trust Fund Board, Year 2008

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians **Trust Fund Board** 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740

To: Tribal Citizens of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Re: Annual Audit of the Trust Fund Board, Year 2008

Date: August 10, 2009

Aanii Tribal Citizens:

The Trust Fund Board is pleased to furnish a one-page financial statement from the annual audit of trust fund monies for the year 2008. Once you have reviewed the financial statement, and if you have any questions, you have the opportunity to review a complete copy of the audit materials. Copies are available at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI, or by contacting one of the Trust Fund Board members.

You will note in reviewing the financial statement the portfolio consists of net assets in the amount of \$4,236,663 at the year end for 2008. This amount includes monies held in trust for eligible tribal minors who are being paid upon reaching the age of 18 years. There are bonds, one for each year, being cashed to pay minors attaining their majority for that year.

Miigwetch for your kind attention.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Trust Fund Board

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS **DECEMBER 31, 2008**

Cash and cash equivalents \$552,530

Investments

Debt securities 2,142,248 Equity securities 1,111,511 Mutual funds 460,374

Total investments <u>3,714,133</u>

Total assets \$4,236,663

Net assets

Restricted for distribution to Tribal members \$1,613,184 Unrestricted 2,623,479

Total net assets \$4,236,663

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Revenues
Interest

and dividend income \$110,568 Increase in fair value of investments (495,934)Total revenues (385,366)

Expenses 27,421 Investment expense Administrative expenses 13,428 Payments to Tribal members 260,195

Total expenses 301,044

Change in net assets (686,410)

Net assets, beginning of year 4,923,073

\$4,236,663 Net assets, end of year

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Northern Michigan Area Title VII Indian Education Programs

Submitted by Meredith Henry, Title VII Indian Education Coordinator for the Petoskey and Charlevoix Schools

The Title VII Indian Education Program focuses on the academic success of children enrolled with our program. The main emphasis of the Title VII program is to provide academic support, but cultural opportunities and other support services are also available.

If your child is of Native American ancestry, you have the opportunity to enroll your child in your local school's Indian Education Program. To be eligible for serv-

ices, your child does not have to be a member of a tribe but must be of Native American ancestry. Our program is not limited to local Native Americans; we provide services to Alaskan Inuit, Island Pacific and all North American Na-Title VII Federal

Grant funds supplement the regular school program by helping Native children sharpen their academic skills, assisting students in becoming proficient in the core content areas and providing students an opportunity participate in enrichment programs that

would otherwise be unavailable.

We support such activities as afterschool programs, enrichment programs and tutoring and dropout prevention. The program's funding is based on challenging Michigan State content standards and Michigan State student performance standards used for all students, and designed to assist Native students to meet those

Each Indian Education Office has different and unique opportunities and services for tribal youth.

If you are interested in more information, please contact your local Title VII Indian Education Office.

Northern Michigan Area Title VII Indian Education Coordinators Contact Information

Alanson, Inland Lakes and Mackinaw City Geoff Guillaume at <u>Guillaume1@charter.net</u> Boyne City, Boyne Falls and Central Lake

Michael Wilson at <u>mwilson@boyne.k12.mi.us</u> Cheboygan

Heather Conaway at 231-627-7103 or hconaway@cheboygan.k12.mi.us Jennifer Wells at 231-627-5211 or wellsj@cheboygan.k12.mi.us

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Harbor Springs Cheryl Halfacer at 231-526-4835 or chalfacer@harborsp.org Pellston

Laura Chaney at 231-539-8110 Petoskey, Charlevoix, Beaver Island and Northwest Academy

Meredith Henry at 231-348-2169 or henry.me.u@petoskeyschools.org

Tribal Librarian and Husband Compose and Produce Song of Hope for U.S. Troops



Odawa Trails staff report

Francine Thuston wrote, "I believe that each war had a tune that inspired and honored the troops," on the website

www.songsfortroops.com.

She hopes the tune she and her husband, Mark, composed and recorded serves that purpose.

The song, "I'm Comin' Home Darling," conveys a simple message: "Every serviceman and woman in our military just wants to come

home, and everyone who is in a military family wants their loved one to

come home."

The lyrics are as follows: "I'm comin' home darling', Comin' home to you. I'm comin' home darlin', Oh please be true. I'm comin' home darlin', Thank God for you. Oh darlin' I love you."

Anyone can listen or download the song for free by going to the website www.songsfortroops.com

The Thustons encourage people to send the song to U.S. soldiers serving overseas and encourage people to use the song in any way they choose as long as it's for a non-profit

Francine composed the song, and Mark performed and recorded

Francine has an idea for a companion tune, and she and her husband may add it to the website in the future.

The photo of Francine and Mark Thuston appears courtesy of Francine Thuston.

IMAGES FROM THE LTBB TRADITIONAL JIINGTAMOK HELD SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

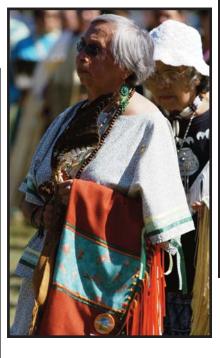








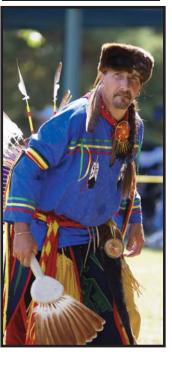


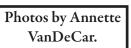














MATCH-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians in Michigan Break Ground on New Casino

The Gun Lake Tribe of Pottawatomi Indians, formerly known as Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians, broke ground on the \$157 million Gun Lake Casino in Bradley, MI, on September 17, 2009.

According to a September 3, 2009 press release posted on the tribe's website, Phase 1 details include 1,200 slot machines; 36 table games; an entertainment lounge; a casino bar; 600 direct jobs; 1,000 additional indirect jobs; 750 construction jobs over the course of construction (a 10 to 12 month construction period); \$30 million annual vendor spending on goods and services; 60,000 new guest stays at area hotels annually; \$4.4 million additional revenues for area hotels; an 83,000 square foot facility; an \$157 million facility; 300-

24-hour restaurant; food court with three outlets; approximately \$9.1 million annually to revenue sharing board approximately \$2.3 million annually to revenue sharing board.

Phase 1 is approximately

50% the size of the initially planned "Given the current economic

conditions, it makes sense for us to build this project in phases," Gun Lake Tribal Chairman D.K. Sprague said in the press release. "This will



sooner, and we look forward to planning and developing the next phase as the economy recovers.

"Even though we are starting with a smaller facility than we originally envisioned, it will still be a highquality facility with excellent

customer service in warm friendly environment."

The Lake Casino will be operated by the tribe's management partner, MPM Enterprises, LLC, owned by an affiliate of Station Casinos, Inc. and private investors from Michigan.

"We are absolutely elated that good career opportunities for our tribal citizens and our friends and neighbors are finally within reach," said John Shagonaby, CEO of MBPI, Inc., the economic development arm of the tribe.

The Gun Lake Casino plans do not call for a hotel.

In January 2009, the U.S. Department of the Interior assigned 147 acres in Allegan County, MI, as reservation land for the tribe under the authority of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934.

The tribe did not have any land when it received federal recognition in 1998 and spent 10 years fighting various anti-Indian and anti-Indian casino groups' attempts through state and federal courts to prevent the Interior Department from taking the 147 acres into trust.

The photo rendering of the Gun Lake Casino appears courtesy of the Gun Lake Tribe.

FOURTH YEAR OF THE MONDAY NIGHT LTBBDUFFERS GOLF LEAGUE CONCLUDES

crowned.





Submitted by Phil J. Harmon

The fourth year of the Monday Night LTBB-

On September 22, 2009 at the Hidden River Golf

This year, the team of Virgil Honson and Marci

The team of Doug Boda and Rowdy Yates secured third place by demolishing the team of Phil Har-

The league had 13, two-person teams this year.

Sandbagger" Reyes defeated the father/son team of

Bill Denemy Sr. and Bill Denemy Jr. The Denemy's

gave them a great match, but Honson/Reyes was vic-

mon and Nels Uutinen (21-9) respectively.

DUFFERS Golf League has unfortunately come to an

and Casting Club in Brutus, MI, the LTBBDUFFERS played our position night and a new champion was



Each team had at least one LTBB Tribal Citizen or LTBB Employee. Phil Harmon commissioned the league this year with help from league secretary Gordon "Flash" Shepard who did a great job collecting league fees. Thanks Flash!

Once again, Duke the dog, owned by Gordon "Flash" Shepard served as league mascot, league bouncer, official scorekeeper, league reporter, Flash's golf instructor/counselor and rules official.

The league would like to again thank Hidden River Golf and Casting Club for serving as host and for all of its hospitality and kindness this year.

Special thanks goes to Hidden River for allowing all tribal citizen league members the LTBB Citizen discounted rate and for a great golf experience for all members.

Chi-Miigwech! Photos by Annette VanDeCar.

















15th Annual Sovereignty Day Celebration Commemorates the September 21, 1994 Reaffirmation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians













By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

The LTBB Tribal Community celebrated the September 21, 1994 reaffirmation of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians at the 15th Annual Sovereignty Day Celebration held September 26, 2009 at the LTBB Governmental Center property in Harbor Springs, MI.

The theme of the celebration was "Education, Our Past, Our Future."

It included the showing of the "Journey to Sovereignty" and "Four Directions" videos in the governmental center commons area; a parade; Native vendor booths; a bouncy house, an amusement ride and an inflatable slide for the children; a cake walk; door prizes; karaoke; tug-of-war and three-legged races coordinated by LTBB Health Department staff; a feast; Miss Odawa Nation 2009 Makayla Webkamigad along with her mother, Elizabeth Edgar-Webkamigad, and her grandmother, Bea Shawanda, joining the LTBB Tribal Community for the celebration; and a 50/50 raffle held by the LTBB Pow Wow Committee.

Parade grand marshals were Joe Kishego and Harriet Kishigo-Booth.

Parade participants included the LTBB Law Enforcement Department, LTBB Color Guard, a Veterans Group, members of the LTBB Executive and Legislative branches, Odawa Casino Resort, LTBB Natural Resource Department, Allied EMS, American Red Cross, LTBB Facilities Department, Emmet County Sheriff, Michigan State Police, Biindigen, LTBB Youth Services

Department featuring Miss Odawa Nation 2009 Makayla Webkamigad and Amanda Sutton riding her horse.

Tim Ettawageshik served as the master of ceremonies for the event.

The Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee included Molly Moore, Amanda Huffaker, Patsy Clink, Lisa Flynn, Rebecca Atkinson, Phil Gonzales, Jill Beair, Susan Searles, Cathy Portman, Denise Petoskey and Dexter McNamara.

The Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee would like to thank Rueben Cojo, Juanita Rogers, Carla McFall, Yvonne Walker-Keshick, Tim Ettawageshik, the Spirit Lake Singers, Cathy Gibson, Suzanne Sipe and the Odawa Casino Resort catering, Amanda and Paul Huffaker, Lila Bertram and Eric Meyer.

The Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee would also like to thank the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing Department, Jill Beair, Virgina Lewis, Amanda Huffaker and the LTBB Language Program for donating door prizes.

The winner of the LTBB Pow Wow Committee's 50/50 raffle was LTBB Tribal Citizen Curtis Drogmiller. He won \$237 and \$237 goes towards the 19th Annual Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow. The LTBB Pow Wow Committee would like to thank everyone who purchased raffle tickets and supported next year's pow wow.

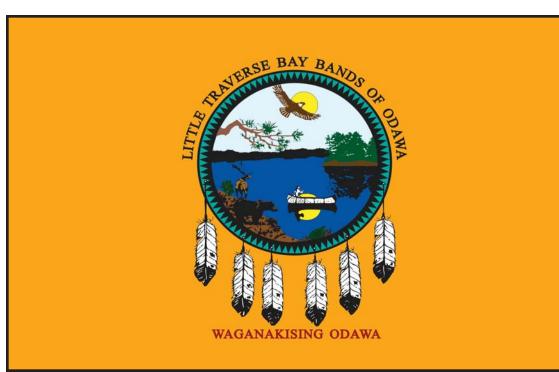
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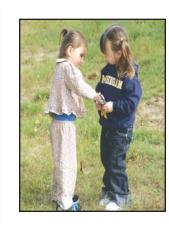














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Fourth Annual Corn Soup and Fry Bread Cook Off

The Andrew J. Blackbird Museum in Harbor Springs, MI, and NASO (NCMC Anishnabek Student Organization) co-sponsored the Fourth Annual Corn Soup and Fry Bread Cook Off on September 15, 2009 at the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Dakota Shananaquet won \$100 for best fry bread with 20 votes with people voting on eight fry bread entries.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Beverly Wemigwase won \$100 for best corn soup with 15 votes with people vot-



ing on seven corn soup entries.

Eighty-three people voted with approximately 100 people attending

Photo by Communications Coor-

dinator Annette VanDeCar.

LTBB Tribal Citizen Donates Bear to Tribe



Bill Denemy, Jr., a LTBB Tribal Citizen, donated the female black bear he successfully harvested in September 2008 to LTBB, and it is now hanging in the Natural Resource Department Building in Harbor Springs, MI.

It weighed 194 pounds dressed, and Denemy, Jr. harvested the bear in the Pleasantview swamp off of Robinson Road in Emmet County,

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

GTB Cuts Salaries and Reduces Programs

Indianz. Com, www.indianz.com, reported on September 25, 2009 "the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians of Michigan is cutting salaries of council members and reducing some programs in response to a budget shortfall." It also went on to say, "The Tribal Government Reduction and Reorganization Act, passed in August

(2009), requires council members to take a 10% to 20% salary cut, and eligibility requirements for some tribal programs are being tightened to save money."

In a letter to GTB members, it stated, "The tribe has also taken other cost-saving measures to control deficit spending and to safeguard assets for our present membership and future membership." The letter also stated the tribe operated with a \$3.9 million deficit in 2008.

University of Michigan Museum to Remove Dioramas by Janu-

The University of Michigan's Exhibit Museum of Natural History has displayed miniature three-dimensional dioramas for decades. Native faculty members, students and others have felt they should not be on display at the museum. On January 4, 2010, they are scheduled to go into storage. At that point, university professors and classes will be allowed to view them on request, but the public will no longer be able to view them.

Robert Butsch, a former director of the museum, completed the models in 1969, and they went on display soon after that. They show eight indigenous North American cultures, six of which were from Michigan. Four of the Michigan tribes are represented at the time of colonial contact, and two are represented in ancient times.

On September 12, 2009, the exhibit titled, "Native American Dioramas in Transition," was unveiled. The exhibit explained why the dioramas are controversial and why they are to be removed from public display.

Sequoyah National Research Center Houses World's Largest Collection of Native Newspapers and Periodicals

In the fall of 1983, James Parins and Dan Littlefield established the American Native Press Archives, and it is now a part of the Sequoyah National Research Center which is located at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

The mission of the center is to document contemporary Native American communities by creating, maintaining and providing to the public the most comprehensive collection possible of Native newspa-



periodicals and publications; maintaining Native manuscripts and special collections; and acquiring other materials related to Native communities, including their artistic expressions.

In the last 25 years, the collections of the American Native Press Archives have grown so rapidly that the Sequoyah National Research Center now houses the largest collection of American Indian, Alaska Native and Canadian First Nation newspapers and periodicals in the world. They are in hard copy, microfilm and digital formats.

For more information on the American Native Press Archives or the Sequoyah National Research Center, please visit www.ualr.edu/sequoyahcenter.

Courtesy graphic.

Canadian Federal Government Sends Shipments of Body Bags to Manitoba First Nations Communities

Native communities in Manitoba, Canada, have been hit hard by the H1N1 virus commonly known as swine flu. In mid-September, the Canadian federal government sent shipments of materials intended to help Canadian communities fight swine flu and included in those shipments were 30 body bags to Manitoba First Nations. Federal Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq ordered an investigation into the shipments to at least four First Nations. Jim Wolfe, a Health Canada director for First Nations and Inuit Health in Manitoba, issued an apology to all First Nations in Manitoba, but Native leaders said an official apology should have come from Aglukkaq.

Environmental Protection Agency Fellowships Available for Undergraduates

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of its Greater Research Opportunities Program



(GROP) is offering approximately 30 fellowships for up to \$46,000 each to help students with costs in their junior and senior years of college and to place them in paid internships with

Fellowships will provide up to \$19,250 per year of academic support and up to \$8,000 of internship support for a three-month summer period between their junior and senior

The deadline for receipt of paper applications is December 10, 2009 at 4 p.m. and December 10, 2009 at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time for submittal of electronic applications to Grants.gov.

Please visit http://epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2010/2010 gro undergrad.html for more information and for application materials.

Courtesy graphic.

"Ettawageshik" continued from cover.

Community, the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Michigan United Conservation Clubs, Coalition to Protect Michigan's Resources, U.P. Whitetails Association, Inc. and Bays de Noc Great Lakes Sportsfishermen.

It resolved the dispute with respect to federal and tribal claims the tribes retained rights under the 1836 Treaty of Washington to hunt, fish and gather in the treaty area under tribal regulations rather than under state law, and it recognized a treatyretained right for the tribes' members to engage in certain hunting, fishing and gathering activities within the treaty area and for the tribes to regulate those activities.

"It was of immense importance to the present and future generations and for our tribal citizens because it

"New Role" continued from cover.

with Tippett, Norris will also work closely with Youth Services Coordinator Joe Lucier and PEACE Coordinator Kristy Dayson. The PEACE Program is a grant-funded program through the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention which incorporates cultural awareness and education by creating a strong relationship among parents, community members, teachers and other educational organizations. The program focuses on reducing the contributing factors to juvenile delinquency through both traditional and contemporary teaching methods and through interactions with schools and the tribal community.



spelled out what was meant in the reserving of our hunting, fishing and gathering rights in the inland area of the 1836 Treaty," Ettawageshik said.

"It was a particularly important achievement for all parties in negotiation because we reached a permanent settlement of the existence of our hunting, fishing and gathering rights and set parameters for how we would exercise our rights in the future. By reaching an out of court settlement, it was a situation in which all parties involved were winners. For everyone involved, it was an important milestone."

Photo by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

"I work with an awesome group of people," Norris said of Tippett, Lucier and Dayson.

"I'll be at Youth Group on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and I'm an assistant coach for the LTBB Hawks (basketball program which is overseen by the Youth Services Department)."

Her parents are Karen and Randy Norris, and her grandparents are Dean Samuels and the late Francis (Keller) Samuels. She has several aunts and uncles living in the area.

"I have to thank my family because they've always been very supportive of me," Norris said. "I love my new job!"

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