use development. Unfortunately, many mixed-use developments feature extensive use of impervious surfaces such as large asphalt parking lots and concrete sidewalks that water is unable to penetrate. When rain falls (or snow melts) on these impervious surfaces, all that water has to go somewhere. Traditionally, that water is diverted to storm sewers that carry water directly into the closest lake, river or wetland, carrying pollutants such as toxins, sediments, fertilizer and road salt. Fish and other organisms can consume pollutants leading to the accumulation of toxins in their meat. Gravel and cobble in streams and lakes can become covered in fine sediments like sand and silt, leaving fish like Trout (Namegosis), Sturgeon (Nme) and Whitefish (Adikameg) without important spawning habitat. Excess phosphorous from fertilizers and soaps can lead to harmful algal blooms that are toxic to everything from birds to humans. Finally, just one teaspoon of salt per five gallons of water can be toxic to aquatic life.

Aside from the issue of pollution, impervious surfaces can lead to intense flooding in urban areas. In a healthy watershed with little development, plants and soil work together to soak up precipitation and slowly release that water to lakes and streams. In a heavily developed watershed with an abundance of impervious surfaces, that water is unable to access the soil and makes its way to lakes and streams in a huge rush. This can lead to major flooding that can damage personal property and infrastructure. As the Great Lakes region is forecasted to experience more extreme precipitation events under current climate change scenarios, this could be very problematic. Fortunately, there is a solution to the contamination issue.

2021 Millickien Award Winner: Frank Ettawageshik

Harbor Springs Resident Has Made the Planet Better for Future Generations

By Beau Brockett, Jr., Michigan Environmental Council Communications Specialist

Editor’s note: The following article and photograph are reprinted here with permission. Frank Ettawageshik, an LTBB Tribal Citizen, received the 2021 Helen & Millickien Distinguished Service Award at the 23rd Annual Environmental Awards Celebration on August 19, 2021.

While an origin story like this is always debatable, Frank Ettawageshik is certain he’s at least had some role in it. It was summer 2005. Ettawageshik was in Duluth, Minnesota, with fellow leaders from local, state and federal governments releasing a report on ways to best protect Great Lakes ecosystems. He represented Indigenous tribes as the chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. Sometime during the summit, Ettawageshik spoke about a simple conservation practice: turning off the tap when brushing teeth.

Doing so, he said, means less water is used and less energy is generated to draw, move, dispose and purify it. Not a big deal if only one person does this, Ettawageshik admitted, but if everyone followed suit, the impact would be phenomenal.

“With 10 people, you can get more done,” he said 16 years later. “With a thousand or ten thousand people, you can get a lot done. And with a million people, think of how much you can get done!”

The teeth-brushing story is emblematic of the beliefs and ethos Ettawageshik has put into action for decades in the name of water and wildlife preservation, climate change protection and tribal sovereignty.

LTBB Tribal Citizens Enrolled as of 9-20-2021 = 4,482

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**LTBB Mission Statement**

Being Odawa is all about freedom. The Freedom to be a part of a people who, with integrity and pride, still have and speak our own language.

You can e-mail or call your submissions in to newsletter@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov or at 231-242-1427 or 231-242-1429. Please only call in your submissions if they are short. We also welcome comments, suggestions and story ideas.

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GIS Department                         | 242-1460  
Health Department                       | 242-1611  
Electoral Board Chairperson            | electionboard@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
Services for our citizens:
- Picture Tribal Identification Cards – Available same day. May be requested via mail and electronically.
- Address Changes – Adults only need to be notarized if not having mail sent to their home. Minors must be notarized annually. We have a Tribal Notary in office and many other onsite at the Government Complex.
- Marriage License Applications – Please allow one business day to pick up the licenses.
- Tribal Directories – Available same day. We certify for our citizens:
  - Michigan Indian Tuition Waivers
  - Eagle Parts and Feather Applications
  - LTBB Indian Blood Quantum
- Apply to become a
  - Citizen – Application available via mail only
- Tribal Notary
- Marriage Commissioner
- Need something?
- Request a document from your Enrollment file
- Blood quantum adjustment
- Relinquishment requests
- Have any questions or need a form sent to you? Call or email:
  - Lindsey Doerfler – P: 231-242-1522
  - E-mail: ldoerfler@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
  - Marin Taylor – P: 231-242-1521
  - E-mail: mtaylor@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
  - Pauline Boulton – P: 231-242-1520
  - E-mail: pboulton@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- All Enrollment services are available by appointment only. You may call or e-mail to work with our staff. 231-242-1521, 231-242-1522, 231-242-1520 or enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov
- The Enrollment Office has a Mail Drop Box

It is located to the left of the front doors of the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. We will have limited quantities of adult and minor address forms stocked. **Weather Permitting**

We will happily set aside an envelope with any specific form(s) you may need as well. Just give our office a call, and we will be more than happy to try to accommodate you.

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Tribal Directories Now Available!

| 2021 Tribal Directories Include adult and addresses of LTBB Citizen awarded before January 31, 2021, including unavailable addresses and LTBB Citizens responding not to be included. |
| - Mail include a copy of your Tribal Identification Card |
| - A BB check or money order payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians |
| - Choice of other designs: If you do not specify, we will choose for you |

Mail for LTBB of Odawa Indians, ATTN: Enrollment Office 7000 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

The Enrollment Office

ADDRESS
- PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL ADDRESS
- VETERAN STATUS

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Enrollment Office

Tribal Citizen Fee Schedule

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Photocopies of Enrollment file |
| Fee for the first 3 copies, $1.00 for each page thereafter. |

Marriage License Application |
| Certified Copies: $10.00 |
| Photo Copies: $5.00 |

Residency/Business residency requirement |
| Securety Bond: $125.00 **Cannot be moved** |
| Marriage Commission Application |

**Enrollment Fees waived for LTBB Veterans**
The LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind all Resident Tribal Members to please submit all Requests for TCEs prior to making the actual purchase(s). Due to the many areas of verification that occur with a TCE Request, DOC has up to 96 hours to process a completed Request once all backup and necessary information has been received – provided there are no issues found during the verification processes or circumstances that happen beyond our control (i.e., power outages, etc.).

Please make an effort to submit your Requests within the 96-hour timeframe, so that there is a sufficient amount of time to complete the verification processes. While we do understand that sometimes this may not be possible – this should be a last resort situation and we ask that you please reach out to us as soon as possible if you do have a unique circumstance that does not allow you to submit your Request in advance. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the TCE process – please contact the LTBB DOC office at 231-242-1584 or by e-mail at DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

LTBB Tax Agreement Area Townships

Cross Village (all)  
Friendship (all)  
Little Traverse (all)  
City of Petoskey (all)  
Readmond (all)  
West Traverse (all)  
City of Harbor Springs (all)  
Bear Creek (all)  
Resort (partial)  
Hayes (partial)  
Bay (partial)  
City of Charlevoix (north of the bridge)  
"Charlevoix Township (north of the bridge)"

A map of the Tax Agreement Area can be found on the LTBB website under the Commerce section. The DOC Office is also available to help citizens determine whether or not their address falls into the Tax Agreement Area. DOC can be reached by calling 231-242-1584 or by e-mailing DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Miigwech. – Hayden Hooper, Department of Commerce Director.

**Temporary Help Wanted**

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

- Gain valuable work experience?
- Work in the tribal community?
- Make a little extra money?
- Gain experience in several fields?

Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!

Temporary assignments can last one day or as long as a month or more. Contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Human Resources Department today!

Call: 231-242-1563
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Miigwetch to these four ladies — (pictured from left to right in the courtesy photo) Marlene Gasco, Kayla Coates, Angeline Roberts and Joann Steele — for putting in extra work each week harvesting from our HomeGrown fields to provide fresh produce to our tribal elders and surrounding community.

They harvested hundreds of pounds of corn, potatoes, peppers and tomatoes to be delivered to our elders with their meals. While they are exhausted at the end of each harvest, they each expressed such passion in making sure our community has food and nothing goes to waste.

Sometimes, when we buy veggies at the supermarket or take a few things from the Home-grown coolers, we don't always think about how the food got there. There is a lot of work that goes into this program.

Chi Miigwetch ladies for everything you do in making sure our community continues to have access to fresh vegetables.

Community Health recently hosted its first virtual event, August 10 – August 16.

Since the Odawa Home-coming Pow Wow was cancelled this year due to the pandemic, Community Health still wanted to be able to provide some sort of physical activity for everyone to participate in and this was how the Diabetes Walk A Thon came about.

Diabetes has a huge impact on our community and loved ones. After doing some research, we found there are currently 414 LTBB Tribal Citizens diagnosed with diabetes. So, the goal was set. In a group effort, 414 miles needed to be counted for and each of those miles represented a community member. Forty-five participants stepped up for the challenge and were able to surpass the goal with ease. After the seven days were over, this group walked a staggering 817.49 miles. What an amazing tribute!

The following participants are as follows:

Tammie Willis, Charla Gordon, Angie Woodin, Tammy Gasco, Angela Friend, Brenda Schoolcraft, Kristin Haley, Missy Merchant, Jody Gasco, Sara Hacker, Amanda Stead, Randy Koch, Jordan Shunanaquet, Celestine Peto-sky, Kim Gabrick, Theresa Boda-Naganahse, Marchan-da Ostrander, Mindy Taylor, Kristopher Ostrander, Cheere Crawford, Natalie Denemy, Chris Wenigwase, Bill Denemy, Debra Janney, Maria Sargent, Joe VanAldine, Riley Sargent, Tina Foltz, Fred Harrington, Jr., Kiki Keller, Julie Harrington, Lisa Schaller, Amanda Weinert, Kristen Schaller, Cheryl Kishigo, Bill Jo Head, Emma Gasco, Andrea Gamelin, Debra Meert, Holly Lacombe, Nicole Alvarezenga, Regina Gasco-Bentley, Dr. Frank Animikwam, Rachael Koeppl, Jade Barnes and Christina Dubois.

Community Health Hosts Diabetes Walk A Thon

Community Health Department

October 2021

If you are feeling a need to talk with someone, please reach out to us! Take advantage of this resource before experiencing a crisis.

The Talk-line is open from 8 AM to 5 PM and is staffed by a LTBB Behavioral Health counselor.

Call 231-242-1645 to speak to a counselor.

LTBB Behavioral Health has an open Talk-line for community members.
October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. However, we shouldn’t only be mindful for one month per year, we should be aware of our breast health all year-round. Be sure to check your Doodoo-shaks by scheduling your annual screening mammogram.

If you are unsure when you had your last mammogram, the LTBB Health Clinic providers will be sending reminder letters to all of their patients who are due or overdue for their annual mammograms. The reminder letter, signed by your provider, will be asking you to reach out to Emily Ferroni, the Patient Navigator, at 231-242-1772 to schedule your screening mammogram. If you have not yet received a reminder letter, but know you are due for your screening, call Emily at 231-242-1772 to schedule your appointment.

Your health matters to us, so please remember to stay up to date on your breast cancer screenings. If you are concerned about paying for your screening, all of our tribal insurance plans cover annual breast cancer screenings at no cost, and we also have free screening opportunities for uninsured women.

We look forward to helping you prioritize your health, so schedule your mammogram today!

Courtesy graphic.
Mzinigangamik has new hours! To make the LTBB Cultural Library more accessible, we will be open past 5 p.m. on Monday and Thursday every week! Come check out our awesome collections and the new titles we added to our shelves.

We also have a new book return drop box for the library in front of the LTBB Government Building. If you are unable to return library materials during business hours, you may drop them there.

One of our broken Little Free Libraries has been repaired, and you can now find it in the entryway of the LTBB Health Clinic. Feel free to take a book or leave a book. They are free to whoever wants to take one.

We also have book BINGO for youth, teens and adults beginning this month and will be featuring a new BINGO challenge each month through February. More details about incentive prizes and deadlines can be found on the library website at https://littletraversebay.library.site/

Happy reading and miigwech!

Submitted by Celestine Petoskey, Cultural Librarian

courtesy photos.
ANTIOXIDANTS

Carrots  Betacarotene  Garlic  Allicin  Lemon  Hesperidin  Tomatoes  Licopen

WALNUTS  Black grapes  Broccoli  Apple  Quercetin

Turmeric  Curcumin  Onions  Quercetin  Green tea  Cathachin  Peppers  Capsanthin

Your Child’s Early Development is a Journey

Choosing which foods to serve is one of the most important things you can do. For more complete checklists by age, go to www.mhs.mn.gov/library or call 1-888-250-4989.

Family Education and Support LTBB Mina Mskiki Gumix 231-242-1721

STAY CONNECTED!

Text “Highered” to 33222 to receive LTBB Higher Education updates and deadline reminders. Standard data and text rates apply.

October 2021
Odawa Trails

Food Distribution Program Schedule

Open Distribution: 12th - 15th from 9am - 3pm
Call 231-881-2655 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week

Deliveries:
Local: 7th and 8th
Peshawbawestown: 20th
Traverse City: 26th

For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAalst at 231-347-2573

Do you Qualify for the LTBB U.S.D.A. Food Distribution Program?

Please call our office to see if we are able to help you!
Call Monday - Friday
8 am to 5 pm at 231-242-1620.

In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, religious, political, beliefs, or ancestry. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Civil Rights Division, Room 326-W, Washington, D.C. 20250. You can also file a complaint with USDA by calling (866) 632-9992, or online at http://www.fns.usda.gov/complaintprocess.

Al-Anon Meetings

Al-Anon Family Groups Strength and hope for friends and families of problem drinkers.

There is no magic formula that enables you to help someone stop — or cut back — on his or her drinking. Alcoholism is a complex problem with many related issues. But, Al-Anon can help you learn how to cope with the challenges of someone else’s drinking. Come ask questions, share or just listen.

Al-Anon Meetings
LTBB Health Park, every Wednesday
7-8 pm
Use the right back door for entrance and parking.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Department of Human Services is searching for foster homes!

If you, or someone you know, have the time and desire to become a foster parent for our youth, please contact the LTBB Department of Human Services at 231-242-1620.

Seeking: Foster Homes

LTBB Antishamabemowin

We will post materials for language learning, announcements and flyers. Materials will be accessible on the page under the “Photos” tab or the “Folder” tab. PowerPoints with audio and PDF’s are downloadable.

- Search our name and “post”
- Add your family and friends
- Post Comments and Language Items

For more information, contact Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Gilgaww Antishamabemowin Language Department at 231-342-1457 or toll free 1-866-652-5822 or e-mail langtech@ltbbodawa.rns.gov

Al-Anon

Dengwe-Miizigna Face Book: Gilgaww Antishamabemowin Language Department hosts Facebook Group called “LTBB Antishamabemowin.”

Community Language

Class - Fall 2021

When: Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30PM, beginning September 7th - December 14th, 2021
Where: via Zoom

Open Zoom app, click “Join a Meeting,” enter 990-147-0213 OR click on type into browser: https://zoom.us/join and then enter 990-147-0213

For more information, contact:
Theresa Keshick
theshick@ltbbodawa.rns.gov
Phone: 231-342-1457
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<td>Bay Shore Pantry - 2nd &amp; 4th Tue 12-3pm 6607 US 31 North, Bay Shore 231-347-3618</td>
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<td>Seventh Day Adventist Clothing Pantry Mon-Tues 10am - 2pm 1404 Howard St., Petoskey 231-347-2560</td>
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<td>Northern Michigan Diaper Pantry - 1st &amp; 3rd Fri 9:30am-11:30am - 8781 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs (bdg. next to Manna)</td>
<td>Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-4pm - 200 Maple, Mancelona 231-587-9606</td>
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**Survivor Outreach Services**

The LTBB Survivor Outreach Advocate administers Support Services and is located in the LTBB DHS office. Assistance is available to Native American women and children who are survivors of domestic or sexual violence as well as non-Native intimate partners and their families. Assistance may include the following: Non-Emergency Transportation Assistance; Assistance with Personal Protection Orders; Problem Solving and Safety Planning; Emergency Food Vouchers; Advocacy and Referrals; Court Accompaniment; Relocation Assistance; Clothing / Toiletries.

Please call LTBB Survivor Outreach Services at 231-242-1620, Monday - Friday, from 8 am to 5 pm. Support for domestic abuse or sexual assault is also available at the Women’s Resource Center of Northern Michigan 24-hour crisis and information line at 231-347-0082 or for long distance callers at 1-800-725-1995.

If you or a loved one is a victim of Domestic Violence, help is available.

National Resource Center on Domestic Violence 1-800-799-7233

Stronghearts Native Healthy Family Help Line 844-762-8483

National Domestic Violence Hotline 1-800-799-7233

LTBB Survivor Outreach 231-242-1628

LTBB Behavioral Health 231-242-1640

Women’s Resource Center 231-347-0082 or 1-800-725-1995

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Subsistence Gillnet Workshop

October 2-3, 2021
Little Traverse Bay, MI

LTBB NRD is looking for teams of 2 LTBB Tribal Citizens interested in learning traditional and effective means of catching fish in the Great Lakes.

This training will be in-person with COVID-19 precautions. We recommend members of the same household. Interested teams must sign up by Sept. 27th. Participation is limited and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. E-mail dlbrown@littletrebayondakota.org or call 231-242-1670. We will e-mail you an information packet.

Annual Youth and New Hunters Deer Hunt Sponsored by the LTBB Natural Resource Department

October 31, 2021

Meet at the Natural Resource Building — leaving the NRD promptly at 2 p.m.
We will gather from the NRD Building.
We will hunt until sunset roughly 7 p.m.
There will be no premun.

Requirements:

- Youth and hunters with little or no experience are welcome to participate.
- Youth and all hunters born after 1988 must present a Hunter Safety certificate.
- All hunters must have a current LTBB Hunting/Big Game License.

To sign up, please contact the Natural Resource Department at 231-242-1670, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or e-mail dlbrown@littletrebayondakota.org — space is limited, so reserve your space early.

Deer Processing Hands On Workshop

LTBB of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department

Pre-registration is required.
Space is limited.

Class to be held at 5 p.m. at the Natural Resource Pole Barn

This is a Hands On Class. Instruction will be provided on processing the deer.
Instruction will include:
- Cutting & de-boning the deer.
- Packaging/wrapping the meat.
- Be prepared to handle the meat, cut it up and wrap it.
- Dress appropriately.

Phone: 231-242-1670

The Natural Resource Department is sponsoring a deer processing workshop on October 25, 2021 at 5 p.m. Open to all LTBB Tribal Citizens and their immediate family.

COVID restrictions are in place. We will be practicing social distancing and wearing face masks.

YOU WILL NEED:
- A sharp knife
- Apron (optional)
- Pre-registered, class size is limited.

Call Now! Register Today!

LTBB Natural Resource Department
Gun Safe Program

Drawing to be held on October 27, 2021 at the Natural Resources Commission Meeting.

Applications can be obtained at the Natural Resource Department. Accepting Applications until October 1, 2021.

* Must be a LTBB Tribal Citizen
* Must have a valid LTBB Hunting/Fishing License
* Preference given to households with children under the age of 21 years
* Must Submit Gun Safe Application

If you have any questions, please contact LTBB Natural Resource Department
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740
Phone 231-242-1670
dbrown@littletrebayondakota.org

EAGLE REMAINS RETENTION INFORMATION

The LTBB Natural Resource Department is pleased to announce that after years of work on the issue, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has recently changed its policy to allow federally recognized tribes to keep eagle remains found in Indian country. Tribal citizens who encounter eagle remains or feathers within the LTBB reservation boundaries may be able to retain them for culturally significant use.

Any deceased eagle encountered must be reported to LTBB Conservation Enforcement immediately for investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-242-1670 E-mail: dbrown@littletrebayondakota.org

Help protect our Natural Resources
1-855-NRD-TIPS
TOLL FREE 1-855-673-8477

Please provide any information related to the tip which may include date, time, subject or vehicle description, nature of the incident, and location (Example: nearest crossroad). It is ok if you wish to remain anonymous. All tips are investigated in a timely manner.

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department
Lead to Non-Lead Transition

Why Switch?

- We have limited centerfire rifle ammunition loaded with non-lead bullets available to eligible LTBB Citizens when leaded ammo is brought into the Natural Resource Department (NRD) in exchange for non-lead (copper) ammunition.

- LTBB NRD seeks to reduce the amount of lead deposits that remain in harvested animals consumed by people and disposed of parts consumed by wild animals, causing a potential harmful effect.

For more information, contact the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Natural Resource Department at 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 231-342-1670 dbrown@littletrebayondakota.org
One evening, I went to visit my friend. She lived way back in the woods, this place was called "Land of the Birch Trees," known today as Birch Island.

Ngiving giinibwaachaa niwiijikiwenh. Waasa oodi emtigwaaki giidaa, Waawaaskingaa giizhinkaade shkwanigan.

She lived in a beautiful area by the harbor, surrounded by many trees.


First, we ate supper and visited. Then later, we heard someone at the back door. We went to look and didn’t see anything, so went back upstairs. Then again, we heard someone, it was getting louder.


They were the cutest little bear cubs I have ever seen. Then, my friend says, "let’s go downstairs." When we got to the door, we started to talk to them.

Gishpin tooyin gninch shkwandem waasechiganing miidojewok. They taught and demonstrated to enjoy life. Not be shy but, to love, to play and to laugh and to have fun. Naagdoon minowabmaanaanik. Follow the good life.
The restaurant will become the resort, and the brand’s signature steakhouse for the fourth location in Michigan. 

Ruth’s Chris specializes in custom-aged USDA Prime steaks expertly prepared and served on 500-degree azulizing hot plates. Guests can also choose from a variety of seafood options, soups, salads and decadent desserts all sourced from the freshest ingredients available.

In addition to its indulgent menu, Ruth’s Chris offers hand-crafted cocktails. 

 USDA Economic Research Service Offers a Plurality of Information

Did you know the amount of sugar in one serving of breakfast cereal decreased by 20% between 2005 and 2012? Or the number of food retailers per capita in rural communities decreased by 19% between 1990 to 2019? These statistics are two examples from the many publications the USDA Economic Research Service (ERS) releases each year on topics including food and nutrition, food safety, resources and environment and the rural economy. Explore trends and emerging issues in nutrition with these ERS data products and publications.

Amber Waves: Find articles showcasing ERS research and its impact on the public. For example, learn how working from home affects the amount of time people spend preparing and eating food in this February 2021 article.

Food Environment Atlas: Use these interactive maps to view environment factors affecting food choices near you and across the country, including restaurants, farmers markets, grocery stores, food assistance and food taxes.

Food Access Research Atlas: What access to food did local counties have in 2019, and how does it compare to 2015? View food access data and trends using this interactive map.

Data Visualizations: Use these easy-to-read interactive maps, graphs and tables to understand ERS statistics. Find information about food prices, food purchases, food security, farm income and other topics.

Publications: View trends and statistics for crops, food choices and health, farm economy, food markets and prices, food and nutrition assistance and other topics.

Interested in more ERS research? Discover what reports will be released next by viewing ERS’s calendar or following its Twitter. Find general nutrition resources on popular topics by visiting Nutrition.gov.

Tribes, States Seek Review of ICWA

The case is the most significant challenge to the Indian Child Welfare Act since it was passed in 1978. Studies have shown that before then, up to one-third of Native American children were being taken from their homes by private and state agencies, including church-run programs, and placed with mostly white families or in boarding schools in attempts to assimilate them.

SOURCE: Courtesy photo.
The growth in the American Indian and Alaskan Native population in the last decade contributes to the country's portrait of being more diverse, according to 2020 Census data. The demographic data will be used to redraw the nation's political maps. The American Indian and Alaska Native population in Arizona, alone, increased from 5.2 million in 2010 to 9.7 million in 2020, an 86.5% increase.

This means the American Indian and Alaska Native people represent 2.9% of the U.S. population, alone and in combination, count for 1.6 million. Native Americans were not counted in the U.S. Census until 1860 but have been counted every census since. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander population, counted until 1960. And Hispanic or Latino people were counted once in 1930 but not again until 1970.

The Census Bureau said the data reflects both demographic changes as well as significant changes from the 2010 Census for race and ethnicity question designs, data processing and coding. The bureau said the 2020 Census is a more accurate portrait of how people self-identify.

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The National Congress of American Indians issued a statement saying it's "excited to see the 2020 Census results that show a more diverse America."

The data will also shape how $1.5 trillion in federal spending is distributed each year and show which counties, cities and neighborhoods gained or lost the most people in the 2020 Census. That will serve as the building block to redraw U.S. House districts in 44 states and 7,383 state legislative districts across the U.S.

"We are also excited that the official redistricting season can now begin with today's release of the redistricting data," NCIA President Fawn Sharp, Quinault, said. "We are encouraging all Tribal Nations to participate in their local and state redistricting efforts to ensure that Tribal Nations are fairly represented and have access to the resources they need and deserve.

New Mexico has retained its title as the nation’s most heavily Hispanic state with 47.7% of respondents to the 2020 census identifying ancestry linked to Latin America and other Spanish-speaking areas. The state’s share of New Mexico residents who identify themselves as indigenous by race or by combined ancestry was 12.4%, making them the third largest racial or ethnic group.

Hispanics are the second largest racial or ethnic group in New Mexico, making American Indian and Alaska Native the third largest ethnic group there, at 8.9%.

People who identify as a race other than white, Black, Asian, American Indian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander — either alone or in combination with one of those races — jumped to 49.9 million people, surpassing the Black population of 46.9 million people as the nation's second-largest racial group, according to the Census Bureau.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Montana’s Native American population accounted for 6% of Montana residents, slightly less than the rate recorded in 2010 when the Census Bureau estimated American Indians living on reservations were undercounted by nearly 5%.

Alaska's move to a ranked-choice voting system, starting with the 2022 elections, will give voters a stronger voice in election outcomes and could shift the power base from partisan fringes to moderate voters.

The new balloting system will eliminate partisan primary elections, boosting the chances for middle-of-the-road candidates such as Alaska U.S. Senator Lisa Murkowski, a moderate Republican who has faced challenges from the right in her reelection campaigns.

"More choice, more voice, and more power to voters," according to a statement by the non-profit Alaskans for Better Elections on its website. "Our new ‘Alaska Style Elections’ will change how we elect our leaders and can encourage politicians – regard less of party – to work together on solutions that represent the will of the people," the organization stated. "Both Alaska elections are for voters, not politicians.

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In Alaska, the system will be used for legislative races and all statewide races, in addition to the two new races that the system will add: the gubernatorial or state legislative race that has delivered more than one party to an election system that encourages cooperation and problem solving, according to the authors of the book. The authors note that ranked-choice voting has been used in a variety of elections, including those in San Francisco, where it was adopted for its 2018 mayoral race, and New York City, where it was used for legislative races in 2020. In Alaska, the ranked-choice system for its 2018 mayoral race, and ranked-choice voting will be used for its 2020 election.

In the article, they propose a "top five" system for primaries which would allow the top five candidates to advance to a general election. The ranked-choice system would then be used in the general election to ensure the winner received more than 50% of the vote. Now, only a plurality of the vote is typically needed, meaning the winner may have drawn support of only a third or so of the voters.

"There is no greater threat to American economic competitiveness and social progress - no greater threat to the combination of free-market economics and liberal democracies - than to have a system that is ranked-choice, " the authors write.

The end result may be disillusionment on party affiliation. In Alaska, for example, the largest group of voters includes nonpartisan and uncommitted voters. The Alaska Division of Elections states that it's beyond repair. "We are expecting to conduct an educational campaign to help voters understand the ranked-choice system that encourages cooperation and problem solving, " the authors write. They note that it was beyond repair.

"Looking Ahead"

"We now have an electoral system that lives up to Alaska's independent streak by saying that anyone can win, " the authors write. "We do what's right for Alaska, " said Gail Siegert, the campaign manager for the Yes on 2 for Better Elections group, which supported the measure, in a statement released after the vote. "We want everyone to be well-informed about the choices available to them, " she said. "We have not had a majority vote for our state for the last 10 years. It's time to realize model legislation. It speaks volumes that it was passed by the Alaska voter in the general election. We have not eliminated the impact of dark money and the hyper-partisan environment that we've seen recently in the state."

In November 2020, Alaskan voters narrowly approved the new system, joining Maine as the only state to date to expand voters' choices. Although the system has been used for decades in Australia, which has a relative newness to the United States. Residents approved the measure in 2018 and used ranked-choice voting for the first time in its November 2020 election. It does not use ranked-choice voting for the gubernatorial or state legislative races, which the Maine Supreme Judicial Court concluded must be determined by a plurality vote.

Alaska will be using ranked-choice voting starting with the 2022 elections, a move which could shift the balance of power from parti- san primaries and uncommitted voters. Under the new system, partisan primaries will be replaced with an open primary for all voters, and voters can rank their preference for candidates in the general election.

In Alaska, the system will be used for legislative races and all statewide races, in addition to the two new races that the system will add: the gubernatorial or state legislative race that has delivered more than one party to an election system that encourages cooperation and problem solving. According to the authors of the book, this is beyond repair. "We want everyone to be well-informed about the choices available to them, " she said. "We have not had a majority vote for our state for the last 10 years. It's time to realize model legislation. It speaks volumes that it was passed by the Alaska voter in the general election. We have not eliminated the impact of dark money and the hyper-partisan environment that we've seen recently in the state.

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StrongHearts Native Helpline is launching a project in Michigan to expand its existing domestic and sexual violence advocacy services to support tribal programs and their contacts in that state. The project — a partnership with the Division of Victim Services at Michigan’s Department of Health and Human Services, which is also providing the funding — has already begun.

A well-recognized issue throughout tribal domestic violence advocacy and shelter work is many tribal programs are small with limited staff. Their advocates may need to carry callers or cells phones at all times in order to respond to victims, resulting in overtime and additional stress. Sometimes, advocates are not able to respond to and victims calling after hours are simply advised to call back during office hours, which is not always feasible for them. This project will give Native American victim-survivors in Michigan access to culturally appropriate advocacy 24/7 even if they call their local tribal programs’ regular business hours.

“In general, urban Natives are underserved; and this is a cost-effective way for us to expand services to Native American victim-survivors wherever they may live in Michigan and especially in urban areas where we have determined there is a great need,” said Leslie O’Reilly, VOCA program specialist, Division of Victim Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. “With this new initiative, we will be able to have an efficient infrastructure in place to maintain capacity while we are seeking to expand and provide even more services.”

The project will have three phases. During phase one, StrongHearts will announce the project to tribal programs and establish a Michigan administrative office. Phase two will focus on establishing connections with tribes that have agreed to participate in the project. Phase three will concentrate on sustaining the project into the future. By opting in, tribal programs will be able to set their after-hours answering service to transfer directly to StrongHearts Native Helpline advocates.

StrongHearts advocates will be aware the call is coming from a tribal program in Michigan and will be completely confidential and anonymous.

“It is important to StrongHearts that our advocates continue to learn best practices for supporting victim-survivors and all Native Americans impacted by sexual and domestic violence.”

said Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians), director, StrongHearts Native Helpline. “In this spirit and to ensure victim-survivors receive the best advocacy, StrongHearts is participating tribal programs to meet with our Michigan-based project coordinator to share their best practices, particular needs of their communities and ensure StrongHearts advocates know the services and support available through their tribal programs.”

Since 1989, there has been a longstanding commitment by the state of Michigan to reach tribal victims of crime, and there are now 8 out of 12 federally-recognized tribes receiving VOCA grant funding through the Division of Victim Services and additional funding that we can access to meet the needs of tribes,” said O’Reilly. “A very important goal for us is to help meet the needs of underserved Native American communities and, especially, in urban areas. We will now be able to meet this need and reach these communities.”

“Michigan has been a leader in working with tribal nations in that state and is to be commended for its commitment to serving all victim-survivors, no matter where they live,” said Jump. “Ensuring all survivors have equal and equitable access to victim services is critical in their healing journey,” said Debi Cain, executive director, Division of Victim Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. “We are proud to partner with StrongHearts Native Helpline on this project that will enhance access to services for Native Americans impacted by sexual and domestic violence throughout Michigan.”

StrongHearts Native Helpline is a 24/7 culturally appropriate domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline for Native Americans, available by calling 1-844-762-8483.

Courtesy photo.

**All Women Led Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments Launches Website and First of Its Kind Educational Resource Guide**

The all women led Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments (CMTED) is pleased to announce a project to establish a first of its kind educational resource guide for K-12 educators in Michigan. The guide will include resources and materials to support culturally appropriate relationships between CMTED and the K-12 teaching force will help ensure a more informed Michigan citizenry. CMTED hopes educators across Michigan embrace these resources as part of life-long learning and to assist in the implementation of the social studies standards in classrooms across the state.

The Confederation of Michigan Tribal Education Departments (CMTED) includes representatives from each of the Education Departments of the 12 federally recognized sovereign nations which share geography with what we now call Michigan. CMTED assists in establishing a network of support, guidance and collaboration to advocate for educational and cultural needs of tribal citizens.

For more information, visit cmted.org.

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**Housing Program Department**

Services available on a 24-hour/7-day basis for victims 18 years of age and older in Michigan. An application packet must be completed and returned to the Housing Department which is supervising the program. Please contact the Housing Dept. at 231-243-1546.

**VRA - Native Law Women Violence Advocates**

Visit the StrongHearts Native Helpline (cmted.org) website – Maawndoonganan’s education system.

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For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1640.

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Governor Whitmer Secures $13 Million Grant for Rural Hospitals in Michigan

Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) secured a $13 million grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration for 51 small, rural hospitals in Michigan to support COVID-19 testing and mitigation.

Rural hospitals with less than 50 staff will be able to use the funds for testing equipment, personnel, temporary structures or education. Mitigation strategies must be part of the CDC community mitigation framework, including education, contact tracing, communication and outreach. Each hospital will receive about $257,000, which must be used within 18 months of receipt.

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MidMichigan Medical Center Gladwin
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MidMichigan Medical Center West Branch
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Munson Healthcare Cadillac Hospital
Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital
Munson Healthcare Grayling
Munson Healthcare Manistee Hospital
OSF St. Francis Hospital & Medical Group
Munson Healthcare Otsego Memorial Hospital
Paul Olivier Memorial Hospital
Portage Hospital, LLC
Promedica Coldwater Regional Hospital
Promedica Charles and Virginia Hickman Hospital (Bixby)
Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital
Scherer Hospital
Sparrow Cancer Hospital
Sparrow Clinton Hospital
Sparrow Eaton Hospital
Sparrow Ionia Hospital
Sturgis Hospital
Three Rivers Health
UP Health System-Bell
War Memorial Hospital

The Michigan Center for Rural Health, which serves as the Michigan State Office of Rural Health, will distribute the funding to the hospitals. Hospitals receiving funding include:

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Blackmer®, part of PSG®, a Dover company, designs, manufactures and distributes rotary pumps, gas compressors and centrifugal pumps for a variety of industries, including chemical, energy, transportation, military, marine and oil and gas. The company employs nearly 250 full-time people at its Grand Rapids, MI, location.

Blackmer plans to construct a new manufacturing facility in Grand Rapids, MI, where it will house assembly, paint and shipping functions. Parent company PSG expects to invest more than $7 million in the project which will create up to 50 high-wage jobs with the support of a $350,000 Michigan Business Development Program performance-based grant. Michigan was chosen for the project over competing sites in other states. Blackmer has been creating jobs in Grand Rapids, MI, since 1925. The jobs created through this expansion include engineering, customer service, purchasing and planning and operations management as well as skilled trades positions. Blackmer participates in and supports city and neighborhood revitalization efforts and actively recruits disadvantaged and underrepresented populations through its current staffing strategies. The company is committed to utilizing Michigan suppliers and has a strong desire to expand further in Michigan in the future.

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The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Ottawa Indians Natural Resources Commission is looking for LTBB tribal citizens with an interest in Great Lakes Commercial Gill Net Fishing.

The LTBB Commercial Small Boat Apprentice Program is designed to provide eligible LTBB tribal citizens with an opportunity to learn the trade of commercial fishing from an experienced LTBB Great Lakes Commercial Fishing Captain.

For more information on eligibility and requirements, please stop in or contact the LTBB Natural Resources Department.

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dlroome@ltbbotaawa.org

ATTENTION BOATERS
AUGUST — OCTOBER
Possible Salmon Gill nets in northern Lakes Huron & Michigan
Salmon Nets must be marked on the surface at all ends with a 2-foot paper band, 12-inch x 12-inch orange flag with finder’s number, 9-inch x 14-inch orange float every 300 feet.

For more information, please exercise extreme caution while boating in these areas.

Each salmon fishery will have specific areas open to different types of Gill nets, please check with the appropriate Commission office for regulations in effect.
The new freezing method, called isochoric freezing, works by storing foods in a sealed, rigid container — typically made of hard plastic or metal — containing water that is completely solid, which uses a large amount of energy. There is no need to resort to energy-intensive cold storage protocols such as quick freezing to avoid ice crystal formation, Bilbao-Sainz said. Isochoric freezing also allows for higher quality storage of fresh foods such as tomatoes, sweet cherries and potatoes which are otherwise difficult to preserve with conventional freezing.

Another benefit of isochoric freezing is it also kills microbial contaminants during processing.

“The entire food production chain could use isochoric freezing — everyone from growers to food processors, product producers to wholesalers, to retailers. The process will even work in a person’s freezer at home after they purchase a product — all without requiring any major investments in new equipment,” said WRRC center director Tara McHugh, co-leader of this study. “With all of the many potential benefits, if this innovative concept catches on, it could be the next revolution in freezing foods.”

UC-Berkeley biomaterial engineer Boris Rubinsky, co-leader of this project, first developed the isochoric freezing method to cryopreserve tissues and organs for transplant.

Since then, ARS and UC-Berkeley have applied for a joint patent for applying isochoric freezing to preserving food. The research team is now developing the best applications for this technology in the frozen foods industry, especially scaling up the technology to an industrial level. They also are seeking commercial partners to help transfer the technology to the commercial sector.

UC-Berkeley mechanical engineer Matthew Powell-Palm, one of the lead authors of the study paper, noted “isochoric freezing is a cross-cutting technology with promising applications in not only the food industry, but in medicine, biology, even space travel.”

WRRC has also been designated a National Historical Chemical Landmark in 2002 by the American Chemical Society for developing the Time-Temperature Tolerance studies, which made possible the production of stable, safe and high-quality frozen food, revolutionizing the industry in the 1950s.

Photo courtesy.

As long as the food stays immersed in the liquid portion, it is protected from ice crystallization, which is the main threat to food quality. “Energy savings come from not having to freeze foods completely solid, which uses a huge amount of energy, by simply freezing in which the food is solid at temperatures below 32 degrees F. Isochoric freezing preserves food without turning it into ice solid worldwide could cut energy use by as much as 6.5 billion kilowatt-hours each year while reducing carbon emissions, according to a new study by U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and University of California-Berkeley scientists.

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**The Wolf and The Willow**

Kat Brigham, the tribal nation's board of trustees chairman, congratulated Sams on the nomination.

"This is a historical moment for America and I'm monumentally honored for tribal people throughout Indian Country. We applaud Mr. Sams on his nomination and are optimistic to see him confirmed. Sams is on a mission down the Mississippi River, "Downes says. "It's a big, sprawling novel, packed with adventure, romance and the geography of the upper Mississippi Valley in the 17th century."

Downes notes that when they first sighted the bowing sails of European ships, many Indians thought they might be giant swans, floating mountains or huge fish, disgorging hairy-faced men encased in metal, who stalk horrifically from lack of bathing and had monstrous horses and dogs bred for war and thundering cannons. "Initially, many didn't know if the Europeans were human. They thought they were spirits or ghosts. They were as strange to the Indians as space aliens would be to us."

His new book tells the story of Willow, a house slave of Black/Arab descent who was in the 1528 expedition of conquistador Panfilo de Narvaez, who hoped to colonize Florida and find native cities brimming with gold. "The expedition was a disaster from start to finish. Of the five hundred men and women who left Spain, only four survived after wandering with the Indians as space aliens for eight years across northern Mexico and the Southwest."

Downes uses the expedition as the starting point for his novel. "Being fiction, however, my heroine Willow eventually carries on through the heart of North America lost and found, marching across the lands where she meets Wolf, a trader, storyteller and spy for the shaman of the Ojibwe nation. Willow, with formal name is He Who Outruns the Wolves, on a mission down the Mississippi to find a mythical animal, howling in the words of Bowetting at present-day Sault Ste. Marie."

Readers will experience a very vivid way the spectacular Indian civilizations which existed for thousands of years before European armies and diseases swept them all away."

Backed by extensive historical research and published by The Wandering Press, "The Wolf and The Willow" segues into the events of "Windigo Moon," set 60 years later in 1588.

Downes will be speaking on the topic of "First Contact: Stories of When the Indians and Europeans First Met" at locations throughout North-ern Michigan in support of his book, including:
- October 12 - Traverse City Area District Library (tentative, pending COVID restrictions)
- October 19 - Charlevoix Public Library
- TBA - Grand Rapids Public Library System
- November 11 - Saturn Bookstores, Gaylord

"The Wolf and The Willow" is available at local bookstores.

Additional dates for speaking engagements will be available on Downes's website www.robertdownes.com

**LITTLE TRAVESER BAY BANDS OF ODAA INDIANS COMMUNITY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION GUIDELINES**

Transportation is available to medical appointments only.

You must exhaust all other means available to you, i.e. Friendship Center Bus, Strias Regional Transit, Char/Em Transit, Taxi or Family.

Clients of the Little Traverse Bay Bands Health Department must notify the Community Health Department 72 hours prior to their appointments.

Transportation is based on availability.

Call 231-242-1601 to set up a ride as soon as possible.

**Migwch!**

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Community Health Staff

**NOTICE:** Sex Offender Registration Requirements

All persons who have been convicted as a sex offender are required by the LTBB Sex Offender Registration and Notification Statute to register with LTBB Law Enforcement if any of the following circumstances are true:

1. Your residence is on Tribal owned land;
2. You will be staying on Tribal owned land for more than seven (7) days;
3. You are enrolled in any classes or schools located in Tribal buildings; or
4. You are employed on Tribal owned lands.

LTBB Law Enforcement is located at:

911 Street Petoskey, MI 49770

231-242-1500

For more information regarding Sex Offender Registry, you can visit the LTBB Website www.tribbodawas-nsn.gov and choose the Law Enforcement link on the right side of the page.

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**No Insurance? See if you qualify for the Healthy Michigan Plan!**

The Healthy Michigan Plan provides health care benefits to Michigan residents at a low cost so that more people can have health care coverage. Individuals are eligible for the Healthy Michigan Plan if they:

- Are age 33-64 years
- Have income at or below 133% of the federal poverty level* ($16,000 for a single person or $33,000 for a family of four)
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in Medicaid
- Do not qualify for or are not enrolled in other Medicaid programs
- Are not pregnant
- Are residents of the State of Michigan

*Eligibility for the Healthy Michigan Plan is determined through the Modified Adjusted Gross Income methodology.

If you do not have insurance and would like to fill out an application, contact Val Barier, Patient Benefits Specialist, at 231-242-1748 or by e-mail at vbarier@tribbodawas-nsn.gov to set up an appointment today!
October 2021

• Executive director for the Umatac Tribal Community Foundation
• National director for the Tribal & Native Lands Program for the Trust for Public Land
• Executive director for the Columbia Slough Watershed Council
• Executive director for the Community Engagement Corps
• President and chief executive officer for the Earth Conservation Corps

Holly Cook Macarro, partner at Spirit Rock Consulting LLC and political commentator, said the nomination is another addition to defining President Biden’s legacy in Indian country.

Macarro, Red Lake Ojibwe, called the nomination ironic because Secretary Haaland’s nomination because national parks are lost Native lands that have been affected by “treaty violations, theft and other forms.”

But Sams’ possible leadership of the National Parks Service “once again feels like things are coming full circle.”

She said the youth could be significantly impacted by having visual representation of a position they might want to obtain someday. Tribal governments and spiritual leaders may also benefit from his appointment.

Cherokee Mural Wins Girl Scouts Award

By Lindsey Bark

Editor’s note: The following article and photograph appeared on Indian Country Today, and they are reprinted here with permission.

To achieve the Gold Award status, one of the highest honors in Girl Scouts, Cherokee Nation citizen Laurel Martich painted a mural that is representative of her heritage.

On the west wall on the inside of the Rogers County Cherokee Association community building is a painting of the Cherokee seven clans system.

“The Gold Award is supposed to be like a sustained project that benefits the community in some way, and it’s supposed to play to your strengths. I’ve always really liked art and so, I was thinking I could do something like that,” she said.

Martich’s mother, an RCCA board member, created the mural idea for the building.

“My mom is on the (RCCA) board, and they were looking at things to beautify the Rogers County Cherokee Association and that had to do with culture,” Martich said. “She was like, ‘hey my daughter does art’ and they were like, ‘she could come out here and paint something.’ I felt like it was a good opportunity to do my Gold Award and have it be something about my culture. I think it’s really interesting.’

Martich chose to paint the seven clans, and it was an opportunity for her to learn more about her Cherokee heritage that she did not really know before.

“I hadn’t ever heard about the Cherokee clans before, and when I heard about it, I felt it really wasn’t something that I talked about a whole lot,” she said. “I thought the mural could just bring awareness and maybe teach people or help people get interested.”

She said in painting the mural, she talked to several people about the clans, their meanings and what animals would have the best representation.

“There was a lot in the mural that was up to antiquity, and I had to talk to a lot of people what the best symbols would be to paint on the wall. The dove started out as an eagle. And as I started talking to people, I found that the dove would be more appropriate,” she said.

She said challenges in painting the mural were she never painted such a large project and she never really painted animals.

“I very much work with people and painting people, so animals were very different for me,” she said. “When I originally painted the bear, it’s one of those things where you have to paint it and then, you have to look at what you’ve done that wasn’t working, look at some pictures, watch people paint and then, come back and paint it again. It was one of those things that was like very much a learning curve and I’d have to paint the animals sometimes several times before it would look like what I wanted it to look like.”

Martich said being in the Girl Scouts pushed her in ways she never thought possible.

“Girl Scouts has very much taught me that you can do things … if you told me that in 10 years, I’d paint a mural, I’d be like, ‘no, no, no!’ Girl Scouts has taught me that if you go out there and you have a vision, you can do it,” she said.

Courtesy photo.
and market carbon credits. Michigan’s 3.9 million acres of state forest land provide space for outdoor recreation, cleaner water, habitat for wildlife and many other benefits. Thanks to a recent agreement between the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and DTE Energy, Michigan’s largest energy company, part of that forest land now will yield carbon credits which will help DTE reduce its carbon footprint and add an estimated $10 million in revenue to natural resource management.

The Bluesource/Michigan DNR Big Wild Forest Carbon Project is the first of its kind in the nation to leverage the carbon storage capacity of trees in state forests. The pilot project offers forest owners an opportunity to show carbon captured from sustainable forest management activities on more than 100,000 acres of the celebrated Pigeon River Country State Forest - known as “The Big to 45” - in the northern Lower Peninsula.

DT Energy has agreed to buy all of the carbon credits generated off the Pigeon River Country State Forest during the first 10 years of the program at an estimated cost of more than $10 million. Payments (to the state) will start with the first delivery of carbon credits to DTE in 2022. Bluesource, the company managing the DNR’s pilot carbon credit marketing project, will provide updates on the revenue stream’s timeline and growth.

The purchase of carbon credits allows DTE to offer carbon offsets to customers with significantly high energy usage, a move which also aligns with DTE’s goal of achieving net zero carbon emissions by 2050.

Support for Forests, Wildlife
Beyond the air-quality benefits - Michigan’s forests can substantially reduce the amount of carbon dioxide which has been released to the environment, which cuts air pollution and helps mitigate the effects of climate change - the carbon credits project will allow the DNR to credit dollar amounts to funds which support the Pigeon River Country State Forest.

Revenue generated from these carbon credits purchases will be directed to the state’s Forest Development Fund and the Fish and Game Fund for efforts which could include tree planting, forest infrastructure (such as roads, bridges and culverts), wildlife habitat improvements, recreation projects and more.

The environmental benefit of the project stems from the state’s ongoing commitment to sustainable forest management while ensuring more trees will stay in place long term to enhance the carbon sequestration of the Pigeon River forest.

Getting Started
Bluesource, the company selected last fall to manage the DNR’s carbon credits development and marketing program, is a Salt Lake City firm which has pioneered creative solutions to climate risk since 2001.

Learn more about how and why the DNR takes care of state forests at Michigan.gov/Forestry.

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**The Pilot Project**
A single tree can absorb as much as 48 pounds of carbon dioxide in a year. By the time a tree is 40 years old, it can store one ton of carbon. If these trees are then used to make long-lasting wood products, the carbon they absorbed from the atmosphere is captured and “stored” within the manufactured furniture, houses or countless other items.

One carbon credit equals one ton of carbon dioxide emitted, minus the amount of carbon captured (sequestration) could contribute up to 30% of the global effort to reduce carbon in the atmosphere. DT Energy will offer these offsets to their larger industrial natural gas clients seeking to reduce the impact of carbon emissions, much as they do for their residential and small business customers through DT Energy’s voluntary Natural Gas Balance program.

Michigan’s stockings, highest altitude, and size.

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Tribal Council Chambers 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Tribal Council Regular Meeting August 23, 2021 via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:05 a.m. Opening ceremony: Councilor Marty Van De Car to present the flag. Councilor Marty Van De Car is present.

Present: Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, Councilor Fred Harrington Jr., Secretary Julie Shananaquet, Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Office Manager Michele Portman-LaGanakising Odawak and Executive Signature. The Executive did not sign the Minutes. It was moved by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and seconded by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve the Executive Veto of Tribal Resolution #182 - Tribal Resolution #2013-013-010 Fair Employment Practices and Tribal Financial Practice Policies.

Motion carries.

10:58 a.m. Election of Officers: None

11:02 a.m. Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. made the motion and Councilor Marty Van De Car seconded the motion.

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11:12 a.m. Resume Discussion: "Minutes" continued on page 24.

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12:22 p.m. Public Comment: None

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To Open Session.

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Land and Reservation Committee
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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes dated August 19, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Public Comment:

Sunnee Granados read her letter to the Executive with a request to support staff to be allowed to take Friday, August 6, 2021 to attend a rally against the Wrongfully Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women to be held at the Detroit Federal building.

The Tribal Council adjourns to Tribal Council meeting how it does not violate the Tribe’s charter financial matters!

Closed Session:

Motion for the Tribal Secretary nominations: Councilor Fred Kiogima to assign Kenya Gonzalez as Secretary.

Tribal Treasurer nominations:

Motions made by Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Marty Van De Car, and Councilor William Ortiz, to have Councilor Mary Kilmer and Vice-Chairperson Julie Shananaquet as the Tribal Treasurer.

Motion made by Councilor Leroy Shomin and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED SIDATION #081921-04 Request for Fund (from the Food and Nutrition Services - National Direct Program) Indian Reservations (FDPIP) FY22.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-abstained

Motions made by Councilor Fred Kiogima, to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED SIDATION #081921-06 Request for Funding from Employment and Training Administration - Wages and Training National Dislocated Worker Program (FDPIP) FY22.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-abstained

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima, to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED SIDATION #081921-02 Request for Funding from Employment and Training Administration - Wages and Training National Dislocated Worker Program (FDPIP) FY22.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-abstained

Motion made by Councilor Fred Harrington Jr. and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept the minutes of the August 19, 2021 as presented.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-abstained

Tribal Resolution to Authorize Fund-Sale of Parcel #139 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance.

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Councilor Mary Kilmer and Vice-Chairperson Julie Shananaquet, Councilor Fred Harrington Jr.

Absent: none

Assistant Secretary Report:

Motions made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to accept the August motions presented.

Vote: 9-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-abstained

New Business:

Meeting Agenda:

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2. Executive Director Daugherty
3. Legislative Office Manager Michele Harrington, Jr. and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emory Proctor
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In the face of devastation – flooding, water commodification and Natve suppression – Et-
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A different perspective is what makes Et-
tawageshik special. He excels at rallying people together around a cause, often representing them in spaces they did not have access to before. He understood Michigan’s water.

In honor of his impact, Ettawageshik received the Helen & Milliken Distinguished Ser-
vice Award from the Michigan Environmental Council. He was presented with it in person at the 23rd Annual Environmental Awards Cele-
bration in Dexter, MI, on August 19, 2021.

From the United States to the United Nations

Ettawageshik’s environmental activism began during his 16-year tenure as chairman of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians in Waganakising – or, in U.S. govern-
ment terms, the Harbor Springs, MI, area.

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His fellow council members, the tribe completed a 158-year mission and reaffirmed its sovereign status with a signature from President Bill Clinton. Then, a decade later, the Tribe adopted a constitution that separated powers into executive, legislative and judicial branches.

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Along the way, Ettawageshik and others grounded the Little Traverse Bay Bands in envi-
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“Laws become undone when they become inconvenient for too many people,” he said. “So, we have to work really hard to protect lakes and have everybody get on board...This ecosystem, the Great Lakes, affects the whole country!”

Colleen Medicine first met Ettawageshik a few years back when she was working in the repatriation office of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, of which she is a citizen of. “It was probably intimidating for me as a 21-year-old to meet Frank,” she said with a chuckle. “He was almost like a celebrity.”

He has a wealth of knowledge, Medicine said. He has “huge” tenacity. He has a hand in efforts as diverse as trail mix ingredients.

Medicine sees these traits again and again as the program director of the Association of American Indian Affairs, the nation’s oldest non-
profit protecting Indian Country sovereignty and culture. Ettawageshik is the board president.

“Has he was the path for people to come behind him, because he’s at tables that we’ve never traditionally got to be at,” she said.

In a way, Ettawageshik is making the world better for future generations both as a door-open-
er and a policy maker.

Ettawageshik often speaks of this – descen-
dance and ancestry – in the context of climate. He says our ancestors have gotten us to where we are now at this moment. We must do the same as they did: making sure our future generations are in as good a place as possible.

Seven generations from now, his hopes are we have healthy waters, a healthy environ-
ment, prosperous communities, and safe, hap-
py, healthy children,” he said. “It’s a far-future goal, and yet it is extremely difficult to get there.”

And yet, Ettawageshik – father of four, grandfathet of eight, husband, artist, storyteller, Indigenous advocate and environmental activist – is well on his way.

Photo by Joebower.
Governor Gretchen Whitmer announced Ontario and Michigan are expanding their longstanding collaboration on transportation and cross-border activities through a new partnership to advance automotive and mobility technologies and help people and goods move safely and efficiently across the border by land, air and water.

The State of Michigan, through the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Michigan Office of Future Mobility and Electrification, and the Ontario government, through Ontario’s Autonomous Vehicle Innovation Network (AVIN), are working together to advance automotive and mobility technologies and help people and goods move safely and efficiently across the border by land, air and water.

Governor Gretchen Whitmer created the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification. It works across state government, academia and private industry to enhance Michigan’s mobility ecosystem, including developing dynamic mobility and electrical policies and supporting the startup and scale up of emerging technologies and businesses.

More than half of Michigan’s automotive suppliers conduct automated vehicle testing in the state. Michigan offers more than 600 miles of roadway equipped for automated vehicle testing, and it is building the road of the future with a new 40-mile connected corridor project being led by MDOT and the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification.

Quick Facts

• In 2017, Michigan and Ontario collaborated on North America’s first cross-border automated vehicle test drive.
• In 2020, Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer created the Office of Future Mobility and Electrification.
• In 2017, Michigan and Ontario signed a Memorandum of Understanding to explore the implementation of a cross-border, multimodal testing ground for advanced automotive and mobility solutions.

The collaboration between Michigan and Ontario will seek to meet the following goals:

• Identifying the potential economic, social and environmental benefits from increased collaboration in mobility technologies between Ontario and Michigan.
• Identifying issues and challenges for both people and goods related to specific types of border crossing (by land, air and water) and how mobility technologies could offer solutions.
• Exploring the regulatory and policy considerations involved.
• Developing a roadmap for implementation, including steps to establish multimodal cross-border pilots for mobility testing.

Ontario and Michigan are responsible for about 22% of North America’s automotive output. The two provinces are also leading the way in developing connected and autonomous vehicles, with Ontario the global leader in AVIN and Michigan the state with the largest concentration of automotive R&D.

In addition, many companies operate on both sides of the border with engineering expertise and technology innovation shared between the two centers of automotive manufacturing and technology.

Editor’s note: The following article and photograph appeared on Indian Country Today, and they are reprinted here with permission.

On September 3, a federal judge dismissed the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources motion for an injunction against the White Earth Band of Ojibwe tribal court and its lawsuit, Manoomin versus Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

“The federal court rightly noted that it has no authority whatsoever to enjoin a tribal court from hearing a tribal court law case,” said Angelique EagleWoman, professor and co-director, Native American Law and Sovereignty Institute at Mitchell Hamline School of Law.

“This matter is of great importance across different sovereigns and is also a matter of U.S. Supreme Court decisions holding that tribes have sovereign immunity under federal law. EagleWoman added.

EagleWoman is a citizen of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Dakota Oyate.

“Manoomin will have its day in court; this is big,” said Jonathan Wrage, White Earth Band of Ojibwe on hearing about the court’s decision.

In a first of its kind legal action, opponents of Enbridge’s Line 3 pipeline construction project filed a complaint in August on behalf of wild rice. Plaintiffs in the case say the line will devastate the state’s fresh water by allowing Enbridge to pump up to five billion gallons of groundwater from construction trenching areas in the Arrowhead region.

In her order, U.S. District Judge Wilhelmina M. Wright wrote, “The Supreme Court has made it clear that a tribe’s sovereign immunity bars suits against the tribe for injunctive and declaratory relief; In summary, plaintiffs are not entitled to injunctive relief because this Court lacks the authority to enjoin the defendants in this case. Moreover, in light of Defendants’ tribal sovereign immunity, the Court also concludes that it lacks subject-matter jurisdiction over this case and must dismiss the complaint without prejudice.”

EagleWoman expressed surprise the Department of Natural Resources federal court to try to stop a tribal court rather than seeing the rights of manoomin lawsuit as an opportunity to discuss the claims and seek a settlement.

“Their expectations that the federal court would ignore federal law were not well thought out,” EagleWoman said.

The case will move forward in tribal court. Spokespeople for the Department of Natural Resources said they do not respond to an e-mail from Indian Country Today asking about their plans in the case.

In a letter shared with Indian Country Today, Oliver Larson, Minnesota assistant attorney general, wrote to Judge Wright on September 5 seeking leave to file a motion with district court to reconsider its order. Larson offers examples of case law backing up his claim federal courts have jurisdiction to review tribal court jurisdiction and enjoin tribal court proceedings.

Mary Annette Pember, a citizen of the Red Cliff Ojibwe tribe, is a national correspondent for Indian Country Today.

Courtesy photo.
Federal Court Affirms Health Care as Treaty Right
By Mary Annette Pember

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Native people may now claim a higher legal authority in calling for health services.

The 8th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 2-1 on August 25 that healthcare is a treaty right guaranteed to the Rosebud Sioux Tribe by the 1868 Treaty of Fort Laramie. Although a number of treaty calls for the provision of medical services for tribes, the United States has failed to provide adequate care for Native people is authorized by legislation such as the Snyder Act of 1921 and the permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act.

In ruling that competent health care is a treaty right, however, the court imbuws it with the power of the U.S. Constitution in which treaty rights are considered to be the supreme law of the land.

"The judgment affirms a trust duty by the federal government beyond the minimum health care that’s been provided to tribes," said Jerilyn LeBeau Church, president and CEO for TribeCare.

"I am extremely hopeful that this decision will now get the attention it needs in Washington at the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice and the White House," Purdon said.

"The Rosebud Sioux tribe is located in one of the poorest counties in the country; the U.S. government should stop wasting resources in fighting with them and turn instead to fixing the problem of inadequate health care which is devastating Indian Country," he said.

Purdon noted the Justice Department opted to appeal the 2020 South Dakota's favorable decision claiming there was no justiciable issue or legal question.

"I was shocked that President Biden's administration chose to go forward with the appeal," Purdon said.

"I'm hopeful that this ruling will encourage Congress to take a hard look at appropriations for tribal health care; in order to provide adequate care, services need to be funded at an appropriate level," Church said.

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Happy birthday to our own environmental warrior, Andrea Pierce, on October 7th. Thank you for all that you do for your family and for water protection. We’d be lost without you! From Tigimish!

Walking On...

Rosemarie “Rosie” DeLand, 81

Rosemarie “Rosie” (Dashner) DeLand was born November 17, 1939 on the Burt Lake reservation to parents, Charles “Chef” and Rosanna Elizabeth (Nongueskwa) Dashner. She married Kenneth Ivan DeLand on December 31, 1960 and lived in the Lansing, MI, area. Rosie worked for Berman Marshal as a press operator for several years and later for the Lansing School District as childcare. She had a passion for her cultural heritage and sharing the knowledge she learned. She taught beadwork and other traditional arts to people of all ages for many years at the Lansing Indian Center as well as different camps, cultural centers and traditional gatherings. She moved back to her Waganakisig community a few years ago to reconnect with family and old friends and make new friends. She did miss the Lansing, MI, area and would visit often. Walking on before her were brothers, Charles, Jr. and Ray Morrow, parents, Chef and Rosanna, and her husband, Ken. Carrying on her legacy is her sister, Darlene (Dashner) Rowland, daughters, Michelle DeLand, and Roxanne (Bob) DeLand-Phillips, and granddaughters, Carolynn, Kristina and Kelsey. Along with Todd Parker, Marie (Harvey) Dreaver, Heather (Joe) Syrette, Danielle Shawanbin, and her nieces, Nigel (Jovi) Schuyler, Donnie (Leah) Shawanbin, William (Quanisha) Shawanbin, adopted son, Timothy City, and many great-nieces and nephews. Rosie walked on, on July 18, 2021 in Harris, MI.

Mark “Porky” Shawanbin, 53

Mark “Porky” Shawanbin was our uncle, brother, son, adopted father and friend. Mark was born September 3, 1967 to the late Ralph and MaryAnn Shawanbin. Mark was a tribal citizen of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and grew up in Northwest Detroit, MI. Mark was very social and loved to spend time with his family. Mark adopted many friends into his family. He was a proud uncle to all his nieces and nephews. Mark is survived by sisters, Cindy (William) Schuyler, Debbie Shawanbin and his brother, Patrick Shawanbin. He is also survived by his nieces, Marie (Harvey) Dreaver, Heather (Joe) Syrette, Daniille Shawanbin, and his nephews, Nigel (Jovi) Schuyler, Donnie (Leah) Shawanbin, William (Quanisha) Shawanbin, adopted son, Timothy City, and many great-nieces and nephews. Mark was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and MaryAnn Shawanbin, brother, Michael Shawanbin, sister, Irene (Shawanbin) Daniels, brother, Richard Shawanbin, and grandmother, Julia Kenoshung.
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