



## FOLLOWING THE ROAD TO HEALING



By Kerstine Omey

The Department of Interior (DOI) launched the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative in 2021 to bring awareness to the trauma indigenous people continue to endure as a direct result of boarding schools. The Road to Healing Tour, a series of listening sessions throughout Indian country, is an integral part of the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative to hear directly from survivors and their descendants about their experiences. The overarching goal of the initiative is to raise awareness of the intergenerational trauma which resulted from the schools. Testimony collected by the Department of Interior will also be used to influence subsequent work of the initiative.

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians was asked to host the Michigan-based segment of the Road to Healing Tour, which was held on August 13 at Pellston Public Schools. Thirty-five tribal nations from Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Iowa were invited to participate in the listening session. The event was open to the public, but the opportunity to provide testimony was reserved for boarding school survivors and descendants.



To prepare for the listening session, a sunrise ceremony was performed in the early hours of Saturday morning by pipe carrier Kevin Gasco to ask the spirits to support those who came forward to share their testimony. The entire event space was also smudged to cleanse the space. Shortly after, the Pellston High School gymnasium began filling up with survivors, descendants, their families, tribal leaders, community allies and members of the press. People came from all over the United States and

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## HONORABLE ALLIE GREENLEAF MALDONADO - CHIEF JUDGE, LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS

By N. Lauryn Boston

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The reservation lands of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians ("LTBB Tribe") lie along the picturesque northern shores of Michigan's Lower Peninsula, where great white pine, red oak and colorful sugar maple dominate the landscape of a region once called by the Native Odawa "the land of the crooked tree."<sup>1</sup> It is here that the Honorable Allie Greenleaf Maldonado presides as Chief Judge of the LTBB Tribal Court, a position she's held since 2012, after spending nine years as Assistant General Counsel for the LTBB tribe.

Judge Maldonado is both a citizen of the LTBB tribe and a transplant to the great state of Michigan. She is simultaneously a Native American with roots deep in her ancestral homeland and a newcomer to the LTBB reservation and tribal community. The path that led her home to a place she'd never been before was motivated, in part, by a need to understand and reconcile a painful and buried family history that took place on the reservation between 1889 and 1983.<sup>2</sup> What she learned about her own family inspired her to pursue a career in law and ultimately, a place on the bench in Indian country.

Set amid the burgeoning suburban enclave of Harbor Springs, MI, and surrounded by art galleries, golf courses and scenic shoreline walking trails, the reservation belonging to the LTBB tribe occupies a small corner of the Eastern Woodlands territory



Judge Maldonado (Guest)

The State Bar of Michigan American Indian Law Section awarded LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado the Tecumseh Peacekeeping award on September 9, 2022. The American Indian Law Section presents the Tecumseh Peacekeeping award to an individual or organization which has made significant contributions to protecting the rights of American Indians and/or American Indian nations. *Courtesy photo.*

that once belonged to the Odawa nation, a vast region of land stretching from Ontario, Canada, to the northeastern United States. Today, the LTBB tribe consists of approximately 5,000 enrolled members who endeavor to maintain their cultural heritage while administering a modern tribal government, deftly combining traditional Native practices with cutting-edge science and technology to address a range of issues, from forest management and climate change mitigation to food sovereignty and restorative justice.<sup>3</sup> This type of innovation has helped

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## LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN ANDREA PIERCE HONORED AS THE GREAT LAKES ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR



By Annette VanDeCar,  
Communications Coordinator

LTBB Tribal Citizen Andrea Pierce received the Great Lakes Advocate of the Year award from Clean Water Action - Michigan at the 2022 Great Lakes Awards Celebration on September 14, 2022 in Lansing, MI.

Michigan Attorney General Dana Nessel received the Heroine of the Great Lakes award at the event and Lester Graham of Michigan Radio received the Guardian of the Great Lakes award.

Pierce is one of the founders of the Anishinaabek Caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party and is the Chair of the Caucus. Other founding members are Julie Dye, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi; Tom Shomin, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and



Chippewa Indians; and Desmond Berry, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

The purposes of the Anishinaabek Caucus are to promote the interests and concerns of the Anishinaabek people and to elect Anishinaabek Democrats and allies. We will support and encourage Anishinaabek candidates and allies at all levels of government; to recruit, train, support and elect Anishinaabek Democrats.

Membership to the Caucus is open to any Michigan Democrat. *"Andrea Pierce" continued on page 30.*

LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 9-26-2022 = 4,460

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## Election Board

ElectionBoard@ltbbelectionboard.org

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement  
Debendziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'anaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'ing debendziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendziwin miinwaa wiinmaadendziyiing. Gdabendaanaa debendziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadziwin miinwaa mndoowaadziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajiidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadziwin waabii'amigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadenda-mowin, aakdeewin, gwekwaadziwin, dbaadendziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'ing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'ing, enitaanokijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaaad maanda gbimaadziwin. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigi kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

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

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The Communications Department welcomes submissions for our "Lines From Our Membership" section of the newsletter, but we cannot run anything political in nature or expressing an opinion due to a long-standing department policy. Because we have a newsletter and not a newspaper, we do not have an editorial page. We reserve the right to edit any material submitted for space and content.  
The deadline for the November 2022 issue of *Odawa Trails* is October 10, 2022.  
You can e-mail or call your submissions in to newsletter@lbtbodawa-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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their business offers. LTBB DOC will reach out to these businesses directly when departments or entities ask for their business opportunities to be shared. LTBB DOC can be reached at 231-242-1584 or DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

# EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

## NITAAZHITOOJIK INDUSTRIAL TRAINING PROGRAM OFFERS BASIC WELDER TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM FOR TRIBAL CITIZENS AND DESCENDANTS

As we move out of the COVID-19 pandemic and safety protocols are slowly going away, we are beginning to return to a sense of normality. With everything moving in a positive direction, it's time once again to start thinking, "What's the next step in my personal growth and development?" One of the benefits of the pandemic, if there is such a thing, is there are plenty of jobs for people to consider. The big question is: "Do I have a career or am I just subsisting in a menial job that doesn't ever bring me chances for promotions and the wages I need to support myself and my family?"



If the answer is yes, you're not really earning the wages which bring you financial security, maybe it's time to change careers or start a new one. If you like working with your hands and you enjoy building things, then maybe a career in welding is the right fit for you. According to the American Welding Society, welding allows you the flexibility to work in the widest variety of industries and you can pretty much find a welding job anywhere in the United States. A job search for welding jobs in Michigan shows more than 100 jobs starting between \$18 to \$28 an hour with an average signing bonus of \$3,000 to \$5,000 at most companies.

The great thing about welding, it's not just a job, it's a career! Welding is one of a handful of careers where you can earn a six-figure salary without spending four years in college. That doesn't mean you won't have to pay your dues, every career starts out at the bottom tier and the top wage earners consistently do well because they don't settle for being mediocre, they build their skill level, so they're the best in the business. Being on top of your industry means working hard, learning the industry and being reliable for your employer. It is not that complicated, hard work and solid skills bring financial rewards.

If you're serious about changing the direction of your life, want a successful career in an industry which will always need your unique skillset, then welding is the career you've been searching for. Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Train-



ing (NIT) Program and our training partners at North Central Michigan College will offer Basic Welding Technology Classes starting in October 2022 and January 2023. The first class in October 2022 is full but the class starting in January 2023 is currently accepting applications. Classes will meet twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 15 weeks in the evening between 6 and 9 p.m. at Pellston (October) and Cheboygan High Schools (January).

Once you're enrolled in NIT, you'll be eligible to receive a stipend of \$12.75 per hour for every hour in class and mileage reimbursement of \$.58 per mile to and from classes. Upon successful completion of the class, you'll be eligible to take American Welding Society certification tests which will qualify you for a wide range of jobs. Welding jobs in the immediate area are plentiful, generally starting around \$18 to \$20 an hour, with many employers offering a signing bonus once you complete any in-house training programs and your probation period.

Taking classes only twice a week in the evening means you can keep your day job and earn extra money while you learn. The training is completely free to participants, and you'll receive an introductory Welding Tool Kit absolutely free for enrolling in the classes. For more information about NIT and fillable applications, go to our website by scanning the QR Code at the bottom of this article or by contacting Benedict Hinmon at 231-242-1485 or e-mailing bhinmon@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Courtesy photos.



### WIOA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

**WHO ARE WE**  
The Niigaandwiin Education Department receives Department of Labor funding for the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) section 166, which funds supportive services to eligible Federally Recognized Native Americans, Alaskans, Hawaiian & First Generation Descendants in need of assistance with barriers to employment in the 28-county program service area.

**HOW WE CAN HELP**  
Services we Help with, but are not limited to the following:

- Tuition, Training, & Testing Fees
- Licensing & Certification
- Work & Interview Clothes / Shoes
- GED Completion Award
- Transportation Assistance
- Entrepreneurial Related Expenses
- Needs Related Payments
- Individual Employment Plan

FOR MORE INFO ABOUT WIOA:  
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### PLEASE NOTE:

The LTBB Grants Department works with LTBB Departments to obtain external funds for ongoing and special programming, services and resources for the tribal community. Please contact the respective LTBB Department for information on programming that may be of interest to you.

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<b>October 1</b> Roberta Williamson Daniel Boda, Jr.	<b>October 10</b> Melvin Thompson Joanne Schnurer Cheryl Wilkins	<b>October 20</b> William Wasageshik, Jr. Sandra Bloch Carol Atherton Brenda Bailey
<b>October 2</b> Mary Gillespie Francis Burch, Sr. Pamela Gibbs	<b>October 11</b> Yvonne Sharkey-Fetherston Steven Schmidt Dennis Cutler Robert Kenney, Jr. Dwayne Couillard	<b>October 21</b> Marvin Mulholland
<b>October 3</b> Michael Harrington Patricia Shawa Thomas Duvernavy Curtis DeGraff David Strate, Sr.	<b>October 12</b> Annette Asbury Charles Kiogima Gary Shomin Donna Budnick Douglas Hegenbarth	<b>October 22</b> Paul Nyberg Melvin Panchot, Jr. Barbara Howard Kenneth Shomin Laurie Gauthier
<b>October 4</b> Charles Shananaquet Lawrence Nadeau Richard Willingham Lance Kilborn Mary Ozuna Janice Hollister Mary Ross Allen Barber Catherine Gibson	<b>October 13</b> Lisa Brookins	<b>October 23</b> Susan Reece Lyle Martell Pauline Kullik Anthony Shawa
<b>October 5</b> Mark Lovay Arlene Brilley Cynthia Witkop Matthew Crossett Bonnie Grismer Denise Crampton Dawn Taber David Baldon, Jr. Janet Ettawageshik	<b>October 14</b> Tony Reinhout Nancy Davis Larry Head Yvonne Kott Maurice Sands, Jr.	<b>October 24</b> Kathleen Criminger Kelly Gordon Patricia Baker Gregg Conrad
<b>October 6</b> Dianne Daybird John Henderson Cheryl Leet Monica Hill Virgil Sharkey	<b>October 15</b> Michael Keway Joseph Potter Dorothy Wolf Cheryl Cutler Dora Willison	<b>October 26</b> Robin Gould Colleen Himelright Lucius Cabinaw Janice Burton
<b>October 7</b> Delores Pierzynowski Richard Lasley Andrea Pierce	<b>October 16</b> Susan Wilmore Michael Casey Mary Gasco Cassandra Chingwa Cheryl Kilborn Joseph Blevins Kathleen Blue	<b>October 27</b> Daniel Romer Mark Miles
<b>October 8</b> Marcene Bernard Leonard Crossett, Jr. Patrick Moore Francis Burch, Jr.	<b>October 17</b> Glenn Stead	<b>October 28</b> Stephen Daybird Maurice Field Roger Kamper
<b>October 9</b> Karen Frerer	<b>October 18</b> Mary Wert Roger Gibbs	<b>October 29</b> William Portman, Jr. Douglas Covey Mary Simmons Catherine Pallitta Frederick Harrington, Jr.
	<b>October 19</b> Gail Fiorino Marcetta Tysver Jane Bogart-Smith Yvonne Keshick Frank Bernard Edward Shenoskey	<b>October 30</b> Marlene Morse Violet Montez Sally Rager
		<b>October 31</b> Gregory Weidenfeller Yvonne Brown John Scott Dolores Gregg

## LTBB Fall Encampment

October 28, 2022  
4 - 8 PM

LTBB Governmental Center  
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September 26	October 3
Tuesdays 1pm - 4pm	
September 20, 27	October 4, 11
Wednesdays 4pm - 7pm	
September 28	October 5, 12

If you should have any questions, contact LTBB Community Health (231) 242 - 1601

## JOIN US FOR A SAFE NIGHT OF TRICK OR TREAT

Monday, October 31, 2022  
LTBB Governmental Center 3-5 pm  
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# 2022 Ghost Supper List

<b>Friday, November 4</b> Shananaquet Family LTBB Community Building 5656 Apgishmok Blvd. Harbor Springs, MI Time: 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.	<b>Saturday, November 5</b> Naganashe/Boda/Lewis/ Bott LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI Start: 5 p.m.	<b>Saturday, November 12</b> Kiogima/ Shawa/ Warren/Moses 3207 Indian Road Brutus, MI Time: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.
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**Do you have a Ghost Supper you wish to add?**  
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ATTN: Human Services  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Fax 231-242-1635

E-mail: [DHSApplications@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:DHSApplications@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY OCTOBER 31, 2022**

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231-242-1620

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24-Hour Crisis and Information Line: (231) 347-0082 or (800) 275-1995

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## SEEKING: FOSTER HOMES

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Department of Human Services  
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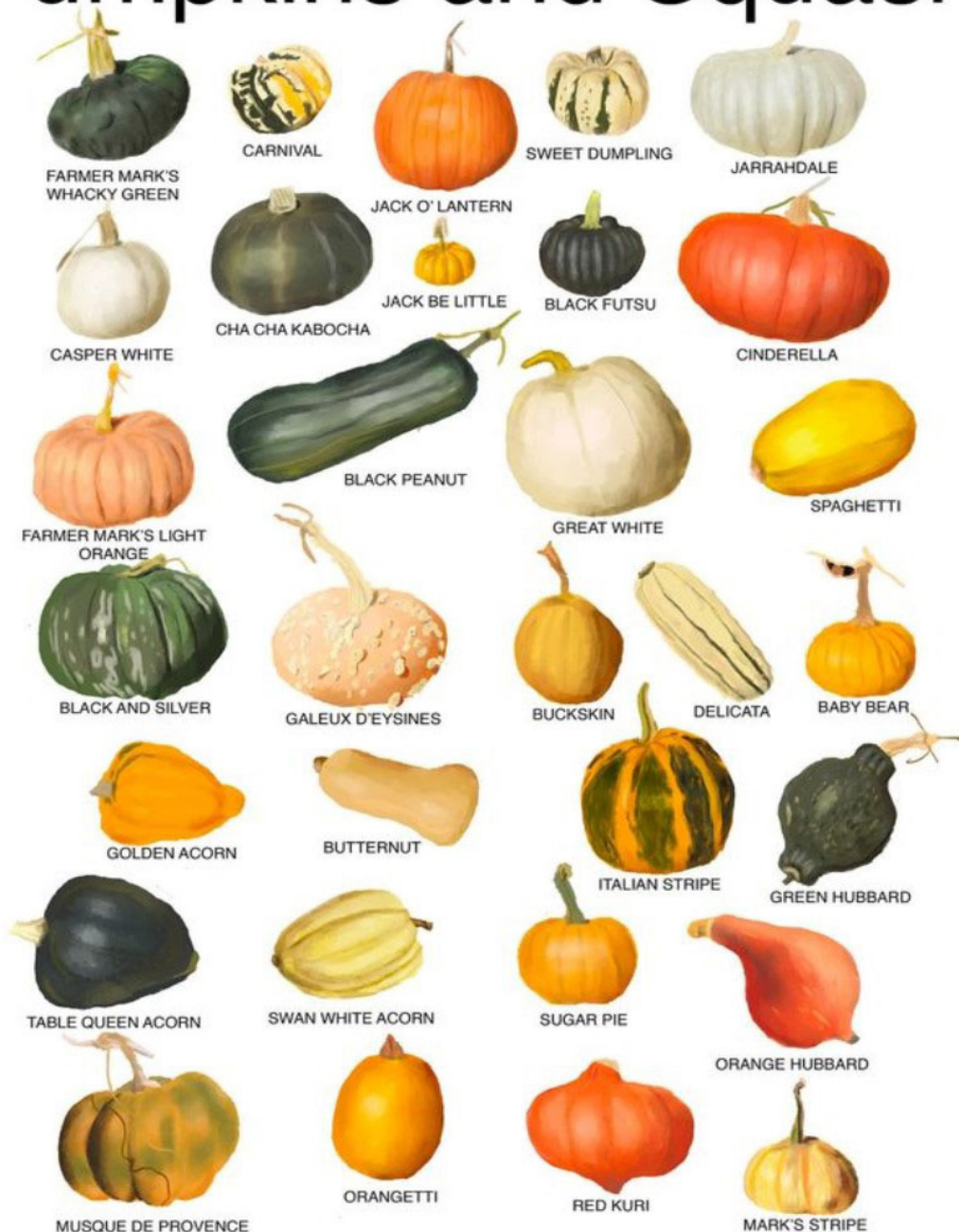
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## LTBB Pharmacy



Hours: Monday - Friday 8 am - 6 pm  
Phone: 231-242-1750

What prescriptions are filled at the LTBB Pharmacy?

- Prescriptions written by LTBB Clinic Providers
- Prescriptions written by providers where you have been referred to by the LTBB Clinic

**PLEASE BE AWARE OF HOLIDAY HOURS AND MEDICATION REFILLS.**

## OCTOBER 2022 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

**CLOSED ON OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY AND OCTOBER 17<sup>TH</sup> - 21<sup>ST</sup> FOR AN OUT OF STATE CONFERENCE.**

Open Distribution: 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> from 9am - 3pm

Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week

828 Charlevoix Ave. Petoskey, MI 49770 Behind Fletch's Auto

Deliveries:

Local: 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>

Peshawbestown: 14<sup>th</sup>

Traverse City: 26<sup>th</sup>

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



### Area Pantry Schedule

#### EMMET COUNTY

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm  
7489 Mission Road, Alanson  
231-548-5462

Liberty Baptist Church - call for pantry services 7247 South US 31, Alanson  
231-548-5836

Church of Christ - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun 12:30-1:30pm 1727 Anderson Road, Petoskey  
231-437-0210

Bay Shore Pantry - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue 12-3pm  
06072 US 31 North, Bay Shore  
231-347-3618

The Manna Pantry - Tue 9am-12pm & 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thur 3-6pm; call for emergencies - 8791 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs 231-347-8852

Harbor Springs Community - Mon 9:30am-12pm - 150 West Main (enter through double doors on 3rd Street), Harbor Springs 231-526-2414

Pellston Area Food Pantry - Wed 5-6:45pm - 161 Highway 31, Pellston  
231-638-3568

First Christian Church - Wed 9am-12pm  
308 Monroe, Petoskey 231-347-6181

Salvation Army - Mon - Fri 9am-12pm  
712 Pleasant Street, Petoskey  
231-347-3531

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 9am-12pm; call for emergencies - 415 State Street, Petoskey 231-347-7423

Cross of Christ Church - 2nd Thu 5-7pm; 4th Thu 9-11am - **Paper pantry only**  
1450 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey  
231-347-5440

Seventh Day Adventist **Clothing Pantry**  
Mon-Tues 10am - 2pm  
1404 Howard St., Petoskey  
231-347-2560

Northern Michigan **Diaper Pantry** - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fri 9:30am-11:30am - 8781 McBride Park Court, Harbor Springs (bldg. next to Manna)

#### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Boyne City Community - 1<sup>st</sup> Mon 10am-12pm & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon 5-7pm - 401 State Street, Boyne City 231-582-2551

Boyne Valley Pantry - Thu 2-5pm  
3031 Main Street, Boyne Falls  
231-549-2230

Seventh Day Adventist - Mon 6-8pm, Wed 10am-12pm - 326 Park Street, Boyne City 231-582-0151

Bible Baptist Church - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu 6-7pm; call for emergencies - 05855 M-66 North, Charlevoix 231-547-4300

Charlevoix Community - Mon and Thu 10am-12pm; last Sat 10-11am - 101 State Street, Charlevoix 231-547-9122

Care & Share - Tue 2-4:30pm; Thu 9:30am-12pm - 710 M-32, East Jordan  
231-536-7423

Walloon Lake Community - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tue 5-6:15pm - 4320 M-75, Walloon Lake  
231-535-2288

#### ANTRIM COUNTY

Bellaire Community Pantry - Mon 1-5pm & Thu 10am-5pm - 205 Broad Street, Bellaire 231-533-8973

Good Samaritan - Tue 10am-7pm, Wed, Thu, Fri 10am-4pm, Sat 10am-2pm  
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth  
231-588-2208

Antrim County Baby Pantry - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thu 12:30-4pm - 209 Jefferson Street, Mancelona 231-584-8401

Community Lighthouse - Tue & Thu 9am-5pm - 430 West State Street, Mancelona  
231-587-9967

Mancelona Pantry and Resale - Tue, Wed, Thu 9am-4pm - 200 Maple, Mancelona 231-587-9606

### Area Soup Kitchen Schedule

#### EMMET COUNTY

First Presbyterian Church - Thu & Sun 12-1pm - 501 East Mitchell Street, Petoskey 231-347-4793

St. Francis/Brother Dan's - Tue 12-1pm  
415 State Street, Petoskey  
231-347-7423

Nazarene Church - Wed 4-5:45pm  
7489 Mission Road, Alanson  
231-548-5462

#### CHARLEVOIX COUNTY

Lighthouse Community Lunch Program  
Mon & Thu 11:30am-1:30pm  
104 State Street, Charlevoix  
Charlevoix United Methodist Church  
231-547-8040

#### ANTRIM COUNTY

Good Samaritan - Thu at 12pm  
9746 Main Street, Ellsworth  
231-588-2208

## Breaking Ground Spring of 2023!

Housing is pleased to announce that we will be building 35-45 new apartments in Charlevoix at Murray Road and in Harbor Springs on Second Street.

The new apartments will start becoming available at the end of 2023.

**We are accepting applications now!**

Contact us today to be ready to move into your new home!

Contact us today at 231-242-1540 for more information.

### HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND PROGRAM (HAF)

Are you?

- ... behind in your mortgage payments due to COVID-19?
- ... a homeowner and behind in your property taxes?
- ... a homeowner and behind in your utility bills?

This program will pay for mortgage arrearage costs that have incurred because of COVID-19 (homeowners only, no renters). Available to LTBB Citizens in ANY U.S. State. Income restrictions will apply.

This assistance is only available for your primary residence. Program is funded by the United States Department of Treasury and will be available through 2022 or until all funds are expended.

Help us help you! Have questions? Contact us at 231-242-1540. Applications are available at <https://tinyurl.com/HAF2022> and can be submitted in person, mailed to LTBB Housing, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740, or e-mailed to [Lrowland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:Lrowland@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)



**SECTION 184  
LOAN GUARANTEE  
PROGRAM**



- \* Low Monthly Payment
- \* Flexible Underwriting
- \* Low Interest Rates
- \* Monthly Mortgage Insurance - Now at a Lower Rate!

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR:

- \* Acquisition of existing housing
- \* Rehabilitation of existing housing
- \* Construction of new housing, including manufactured housing affixed to a permanent foundation

REFINANCING IS BACK!!! Includes rate and term, streamline, cash out

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL THE LTBB HOUSING DEPT at 231-242-1540.

## NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

For the Mtigwaakiis housing development. Tribal Preference applies. For more information, contact the Housing Department at 231-242-1540

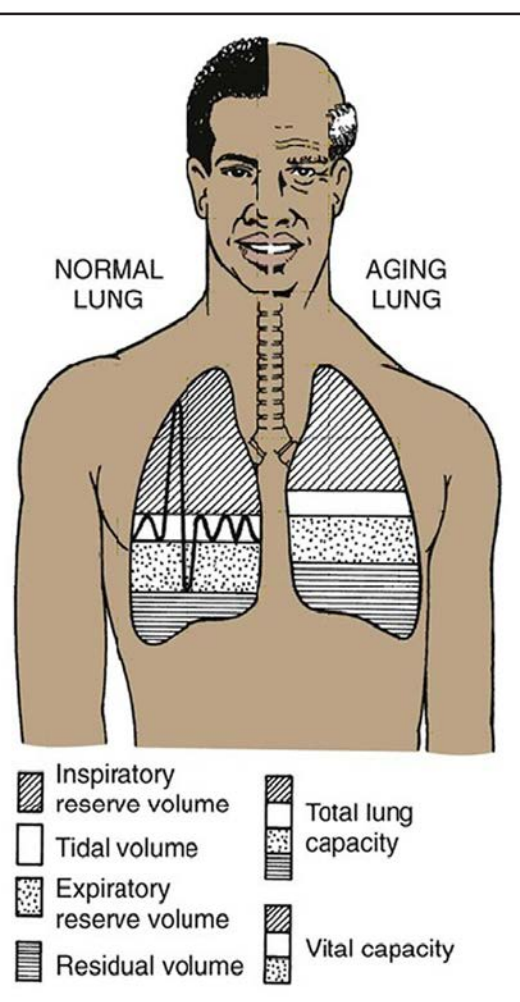


Equal Housing Opportunity TTY 7-1-1



# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MNOZHIYAADAA - LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH NEWSLETTER  
OCTOBER: HEALTHY LUNG/BREAST CANCER AWARENESS



What can you do? Get your yearly **mammo-**gram, keep a healthy weight and **exercise** regularly, **limit alcohol** use, **breastfeed** your children (if possible) and if you are taking **hormone replacement** therapy or **birth control** pills, ask your doctor about the risks.

Source: *Breast Cancer Awareness Feature/* CDC

### Healthy Lung Awareness

Sometimes, we take our lungs for granted. They keep us alive and well and for the most part, we don't need to think about them. That's why it is important to prioritize your lung health.

Your body has a natural defense system designed to protect the lungs, keeping dirt and germs at bay. But there are some important things you can do to reduce your risk of lung disease.

Here are some ways to keep your lungs healthy.

**Don't Smoke Commercial Tobacco**— Cigarette smoking is the major cause of lung cancer and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Cigarette smoke can narrow the air passages and make breathing more difficult. The chemicals cause chronic inflammation in the lung and over time, lung tissue is destroyed, and this can cause cancer to develop.

**Prevent Infection**— As the colder months get closer, we are reminded of the illnesses which may be in the air. How you can protect yourself:

- Wash your hands often.
- Avoid crowds during the cold and flu season.
- Good oral hygiene can keep your gums clean of germs in your mouth which can lead to infection.
- Get vaccinated every year against the flu.
- When you are ill, stay away from others to stop spreading the illness.

**Exercise**— Being physically active keeps your lungs healthy. When you exercise, your lungs have to work harder (i.e. workout) to supply the additional oxygen the muscles demand.

**Avoid Exposure to Indoor Pollutants which Can Damage Your Lungs** — Chemicals in the home, secondhand smoke and radon all can cause or worsen lung disease. Test your home for radon and keep it smoke free. Be aware of strong household chemicals such as bleach, which can cause breathing issues.

**GET REGULAR CHECK-UPS** — As always, it is important to have routine check-ups with your healthcare provider. They listen to your lung sounds for abnormalities.

Sources: *Tips to Keep Your Lungs Healthy/* American Lung Association



### The Thirteen Moons

October is the month of the Bnaakwii Giizis or the Falling Leaves Moon. During this moon, we should be focusing on not putting energy into things which no longer serve us, letting go as the leaves let go of the trees. Contact Charla Gordon, RD, for information on the 13 Moon Challenge.

If you would like guidance in your wellness journey, feel free to contact us. Sarah Cameron - RN Diabetes Educator at 231-242-1664, Charla Gordon - Registered Dietitian at 231-242-1601, or Marlene Gasco - Wellness Advocate at 231-242-1616.

Courtesy graphics.

SAVE THE DATES

# LTBB MNOZHIYAA COMMUNITY HEALTH UPCOMING EVENTS

**Friday, October 7th**

Opening Ceremony for Ogichidaa Trail

Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Color Run / Walk

**Wednesday, October 19th**

Women's Health Event

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Community Center in Harbor Springs

MORE INFORMATION TO COME.  
PLEASE FOLLOW OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AT  
[HTTPS://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/MNOZHIYAADAA](https://www.facebook.com/mnozhiyaadaa)

IF THERE ARE ANY ADDITIONAL CONCERNS,  
PLEASE CONTACT LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH  
AT (231) 242 - 1601



LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS  
HOUSING DEPARTMENT  
7500 Odawa Circle  
Harbor Springs, MI 49740  
Tele: 231-242-1540 Fax: 231-242-1550  
TTY: 7-1-1



## Apartments for Rent

Now accepting applications

- Must belong to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
- Must be 55 or older or disabled of any age
- Rents are based on income
- Accept very low, low and moderate income applicants
- All units are 2 bedroom and 1 bath
- Bedrooms are approximately 121 sq. feet and 94 sq. feet
- Located in a quiet country setting, but only 4 miles from Harbor Springs, MI
- Barrier free units are available
- LTBB Housing office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm

Wah Wahs Noo Da Ke Tribal Village is approximately 4 miles north of Harbor Springs, MI

Contact person: LTBB Housing Department 231-242-1540



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## HOUSING DEPARTMENT PROGRAMS

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

**STR - Short Term Rental Assistance:** This program offers up to \$1,500 for new tenants who need assistance with the first month's rent and/or security deposit. This can be used **ONE TIME ONLY** and the rent requested must be affordable and can **NOT** exceed 35% of the household gross monthly income. Please note the application packet must be received and approved in advance of your moving into the rental in order to qualify for this program.

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

**DPA - Down Payment Assistance:** This program offers up to \$2,500 or 10% of your mortgage (whichever is less) and can be used to purchase or refinance a home. In order for you to receive any grant dollars, you must be able to match the grant amount with your own guaranteed funds.

**FPA - 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 Rental Housing Program:** The LTBB Housing Department offers 40 rental units in the Northern Michigan area. These units are available to rent to Tribal Citizens and most rents are based on a family's monthly income. Any Tribal Citizen interested in renting a unit from the LTBB Housing Department should contact our offices for an application. Currently, there is a waiting list for available units.

For nearly 40 years, October has been recognized as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Breast cancer is so common in America that one person is diagnosed with the disease every 12 minutes.

But, October is not just a month to acknowledge breast cancer. This month is also recognized as Healthy Lung Month. Because our lung capacity decreases as we age, we need to take steps to keep them healthy.

"If you are taking hormone replacement therapy or birth control pills, ask your doctor about the risks."

**1 in 8**  
**WOMEN**  
WILL BE DIAGNOSED WITH  
**Breast Cancer**  
IN THEIR LIFETIME



### Breast Cancer Awareness

Breast cancer is the most common cancer among American women. Mammograms are the best way to find breast cancer early, when it is easier to treat and before it is big enough to feel or cause symptoms.

Some people have no symptoms of breast cancer. Symptoms can also differ from person to person. **Changes** in the **size or shape** of a breast, **pain** in any area of the breast, **nipple discharge** other than breast milk (including blood) and/or a **new lump** in the breast or underarm are all possible symptoms of breast cancer.

Men do have a 1% chance of getting breast cancer, but simply being a woman is a risk factor. Other risk factors include aging and having a family history of breast cancer (including the BRCA gene).



**MEN'S HEALTH EVENT OCTOBER 2022**



Patient Navigator, at 231-268-1307 to save your spot and RSVP. All LTBB men age 15 and up are welcome to come to this event, however, if you are 15-17 years old, you must be accompanied by an adult.

This event will focus on lung cancer prevention, help quitting tobacco and teachings on Sema traditional tobacco. There will be a variety of prizes available to win, FREE lunch, a community fire and talking circle for men to openly ask Dr. Frank Animikwam any questions about modern and traditional medicine.



Photo of Dr. Frank Animikwam by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDe-Car and courtesy photo of Joe Syrette.

Have you had the chance to RSVP for the Men's Health Event on October 22, 2022 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.? It's not too late! Call or text Emily, our

**Men's Health Event**  
**OCTOBER 22, 2022**  
**11AM - 1PM**

**"Niniwag nda'aawimi, maami gdamashkozimi"**  
**"We are men, gathering for strength"**

Join us for a meal and conversation this fall with Dr. Frank Animikwam and Traditional Healer Joe Syrette!

**Lung Cancer Screening and Prevention**  
**Help To Quit Commercial Tobacco Use**  
**Teachings on Sema Traditional Tobacco**

All men 15 years and older are welcome (Men under 18 must be accompanied by an adult)

Free Lunch

Grand Prize--Wilderness Bundle--traditional snowshoes, hiking pack, walking poles, & more

Flu shots and Covid-19 boosters available.

Community Fire Men's Talking Circle Prizes and Raffles

RSVP: Call/text Emily, Patient Navigator at 231-268-1307

Location: LTBB Government Center  
 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs 49740

**ROGEL CANCER CENTER**  
 UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HEALTH

A message from your Enrollment Department



**Watch Out!**  
**ID Cards Expire!**

There has been an uptick in the number of citizens who are attempting to use expired ID cards at the Tribal gas stations. You can see if your card is expired by looking at the red print under the smaller ID picture on your card. In order to renew your ID card the Enrollment Office needs both a new picture and \$10 as cash, check or money order. You may use any of the following methods to update your ID card.

1. Come into the Government Center for a new picture and fee.
  2. Acquire a picture at a CVS/Walgreen's/etc. and send that picture in with a \$10 fee over mail.
  3. Take a picture with your phone of your head and shoulders against a pure white background and email that picture to enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov. Then mail the \$10 fee separately.
- THE \$10 FEE DOES NOT APPLY TO VETERANS AND THOSE 55 AND OVER.

**ATTENTION**

**Per Cap Incoming!**

All minors need to have a notarized **Minor Address Verification Form** on file with the Enrollment Department for the year of 2022.

If you have turned 18 in 2022 then you must fill out an **Adult Address Verification Form** and have that sent into the Enrollment Department. Please follow the instructions carefully to determine if you need the Form notarized.

Please remember that Per Capita is reportable and taxable income for federal, state, and local income tax.

Address: Enrollment  
 7500 Odawa Circle  
 Harbor Springs, MI 49740

Email: enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

Fax: (231) 242-1526

Phones: Lindsey Doerfler  
 Enrollment Receptionist/Data Entry  
 (231) 242-1522

**TRADITIONAL HEALER SERVICES**

**MARY PINE**

May 3, 4      September 6, 7  
 June 7, 8      October 4, 5  
 July 5, 6      November 1, 2  
 August 2, 3      December 5, 6

**JOSEPH SYRETTE**

May 18, 19      September 28, 29  
 June 1, 2      October 19, 20  
 July 20, 21      November 22, 23  
 August 24, 25      December 21, 22

TO VIEW EACH BIOGRAPHY,  
 SCAN THE QR CODE WITH YOUR CELL CAMERA

To schedule, please contact LTBB Behavioral Health at (231) 242 - 1640

APRIL IS SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH • EMBRACE THE SEVEN GRANDFATHER TEACHINGS

**Sexual violence is not our tradition**

Reclaim our original value system to restore balance and harmony in our community

SEVEN GRANDFATHER TEACHINGS:  
 Mnaadendmowin (respect) • Zaagldwin (love)  
 Nbwakaawin (wisdom) • Gwekwaadziwin (honesty)  
 Dbaadendziwin (humility) • Aakde'ewin (bravery)  
 Debwewin (truth)

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa  
 Survivor Outreach Services  
 Call Monday through Friday 8-5: (231) 242-1620  
 StrongHearts Native Helpline - 24/7: 1-844-762-8483

24-Hour Crisis and Information Line:  
 (231)347-0082 or (800)275-1995  
 Operated by Women's Resource Center of Northern Michigan

# GIIIGOWI ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT



Check out our great  
Anishinaabemowin  
Facebook Groups!

## LTBB Anishinaabemowin

Our main page is where we post learning materials, resources, announcements.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/579880368807404>

## LTBB Zoom Anishinaabe Language Classes

Here you will find announcements and the schedule of weekly Zoom classes, and handouts from class.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/555794471766384>

## Daminawinan Anishinaabemang

(Games in Anishinaabe Language)

Games and puzzles for the whole family.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/131141284298625>

## Anishinaabemowin Eta

(Anishinaabe Language Only)

No-English Group for Fluent Speakers & Intermediate Learners

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/177520107437>

## ANISHINAABEMODAA PANE

Let's Always Speak Ojibwe

On-Line Ojibwe Language Class

Tuesday & Wednesday

7:00 -8:30 pm

September 28th - June 28th, 2023

No prior language experience necessary

Open to all

Register Here! [Registration Link](#)

Instructor: Clarice Pangowish

Featuring the Culture Foundry App



## NISHNAABEMWIN

PANE Language Classes - FALL SEMESTER 2022

Offered by Bay Mills Community College  
Nishnaabemwin Pane Immersion Program (NPIP)  
at LTBB Satellite Community

### WEEKEND CLASS

6 Credits

Wenesh pii? When?

September 9 & 10

Sept 30 & Oct 1

October 21 & 22

November 11 & 12

December 2 & 3

Aaniish epiichaak?

At what time?

Fridays 12 - 8 pm

Saturdays 8 am - 8 pm

### WEEKDAY CLASS

6 Credits

Wenesh pii? When?

Tuesdays & Wednesdays

5 - 8 pm [Via Zoom](#)

### SPEAKING CLASS

1 Credit

Wenesh pii? When?

Sundays 9 am - 12 pm

Sept 11, Oct 2, Oct 23,

Nov 13 & Dec 4

### NOTICE:

The Weekend Class & the Speaking Class will be offered with both options. Students attend in person \* (at LTBB Harbor Springs location) or Students attend via Zoom.

\*In-Person Classes Contingent on LTBB Safety Protocol.

For more information and/or assistance with registration, contact:  
Michele Wellman-Teeple, NPIP Director at BMCC,  
mwellman@bmcc.edu 906-248-3354  
or Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department,  
langtech@lfbodawa-nsn.gov 231-242-1457

## BAABIIMSKOWEBSHKIGENG

By **Maryann Endanawas**,  
Project Instructor/Fluent  
Speaker

Miisa maanda pii aapji nishing baabiimskoweb'shki-geng. Aapji geyaabi mnogizh-gat gaawiin gchi'gizhaatesnoo.

This is when it's a good time to ride your bike. The days are still beautiful and it isn't too cold yet.

Giimi binoojiwy-aang ngiikwechkandimi nwiikaanenih. Ekoniiizhiing gidaakiye'aak ngiinijimaajiib-zomi gchigetin ngiimibizomi biinish shkwaach gidaaki gaatek.

When we were younger, we use to race. We started at the second hill and went really fast and down the last hill.

Ngiiiginaabmignana nshime zaam giigaachiinhi wiimibizowad biimskowebshkignan. Geyaabi niso det-bisenan giimbizowan shiwiigo giimididaa. "Wiiba gwagenii ngakwechgaaazhwe" ndignaa nshiimena.

Our sister watched us since she was too young to drive a two-wheeler. She still drove her tricycle which was fairly big already. She said, "soon I will be racing too!"

Jiibwa digwaagik giishkitoon wiimibizowad biimskowebshkignan. Gaawii ngiikwegandisiimi zaam ngiisegezimi wiinonde wiisk-gishiing nshiimena.

Before the end of fall, she was driving a bike. We didn't race with one another because we were afraid sister would hurt herself.

Pane gwa ngiibaambizowan ndobiimskowebshkignan nwaanch ngoji. Miidash ngoding eshkozyaang kizhep giimide bi shki-biimskowebshkigan gojiing. Aapji nshiimena giigchinendam.

She always drove my bike around all over the place most of the day. Then, one morning when we woke up, there was a new bike outside. Our sister was so happy.

"Gego waasa baazhaake



nchike," gijigaazo. Miiko minwaa giuwaabmak midk-wedaabaangod miiknang nikeyiing minwaa neyaap. Miidaash minwaa giini nkewebzo miikanhsing kitiganing nikeyiing.

"Don't go too far by yourself," she was told. I would see my sister drive by many times to the road and back. Then, she would disappear towards the garden path.

Ngoding ngiikwejmignaa wenjigwenh wiiginawaabmaanget mibizod. "Onahaaw" ndinaanaa.

"Gego pkaan niizhichige" gida.

Then, one day she asked us if we wanted to watch her drive the bike? We said, "yes." "I'm doing something different," she said.

Ginwaamidmi daash nwiikanenh gegaagwaa ngez-zimi, manjiidik waazhichigegwenh nshiimena dobiimskowebshkigning.

My brother and I looked at one another rather scared, we didn't know what she was going to do on her bike.

Ndizhgaabwimi baabiichgeyaang. Miidash ngoding nwaabmaanaa biijbizod. Aapji gwa giigizhiibzo miidash minwaa giigchingaakmiiked. Kina ngoji giiswe'aasin negwiki minwaa giipkwenezgonaa, ganoondwak gwa tebiisenhak pii engaaboogit. Miidash minwaa gchibaapyaang.

We were standing there waiting. Then, we saw her driving her bicycle rather fast. Then, right in front of us, she put her brakes on. The sand

flew all over and the dust smudged us, you can hear the bike tires skid on the ground. Then, everyone was laughing.

Shtaahaa ndinaanaa, "wiiba kajaagaashmak detbisenhak." Giji baapi sa. "Geyaabi kazhinomoonim bezhik," kida. Pane giinimaajibzo. Noomak giindendi gimaapiich nginwaabmaana biijbizod. Giimbaaknan niigan biimskowebshkignan miidash gwaeta beshik detbisenh giimi daabaangod.

"Holy smokes, soon you'll burn out your tires," I said. She laughed so hard. "I will show you another one," she said. She drove away with her bike. She took a while this time and then, we saw her coming. She lifted the front part of her bike and was driving on one tire.

Enwek sago nwaanch gego giinishkitoon wiimaawndaawchiked biimskowebshkigning. Enimaajigit nwaanch giinishinaagiziwan biiskowebshkignan.

She started to do different tricks with her bike. As she turned older, she had different kinds of bikes.

Gamaapiich giini giishknanan miikanang bembizod minwaa aabdek mide wiigishkanatood. Gibeyiing giibaadendi piinimaajiibzod. Pshkwegan pshkimat shkweyaang giiteni wiitood gego. Aapji nwaanch gego giipshigendan maaba nankiit.

Gaawiiin gego giizhi kataachsii. Aapji giinipenmandwaa wiinaadmowid nwaanch gego minwaa genii ngiinaadmowaa.

After a while, she bought a bike that drove on the road and you had to purchase gas for it. She would take off on the road and not be back for a while. She had a leather bag in the back to put things in. She enjoyed doing different things.

She was not afraid of anything. Then, later in life, I depended on her to help me with different things and I did the same.

Courtesy graphic.



# Anishinaabemtaadidaa!

Let's speak Anishinaabemowin to each other!



Answer Key  
on Page 24.

**ACROSS**

- 4 I'll try, I'm going to practice.
- 7 Help me.
- 8 Teach him or her.
- 9 Let's speak Anishinaabemowin to each other!
- 10 Let's get started!
- 11 Speak Anishinaabemowin to him or her.

12 Teach me.

- 13 I understand.
- 14 Let's help each other!

**DOWN**

- 1 You can do it!
- 2 I want to help you.
- 3 I'll help you.
- 5 Help him or her.
- 6 Speak Anishinaabemowin to me.

**WORD BANK:** ANISHINAABEMIAADIDAA, ANISHINAABEMTOW, ANISHIONAABEMTOOSHIN, GDAASHKITOOGWA, GWIINAADAMOON, KANAADAMOON, KINOOMOOSHIN, KINOOMOW, MAAJTAADAA, NAADAMAADIZIDAA, NAADAMOSHIN, NAADIMOOW, NDOSASTAAN, NGAGWEJITOON

**THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

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

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

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

Megwetch,  
Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

**Ebiimoshin**

(modern phrase to say "e-mail me")

**Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List -**

One word at a time - E-mails sent of a single word or phrase with MP3 audio sound attached.

**Anishinaabemowin E-mail List -**

In addition to the Bibezhik Kidwin e-mails, you'll also receive occasional e-mails regarding Anishinaabemowin Language such as announcements of Language or Cultural Activities, Classes, Events or General Information and News.

Send us an e-mail, and we'll add you to the "Bibezhik Kidwin E-mail List" or the "Anishinaabemowin E-mail List." Carla Osawamick (McFall) at [cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:cosawamick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

**Pashkwaanaajiinh (Bat)**  
Tune: Frere Jacques  
Pashkwaanaajiinh, Pashkwaanaajiinh (Bat, bat)  
Gichinibaa, gichinibaa  
(Deep sleeping, deep sleeping)  
Naakshik baabiitooon, naakshik baabiitooon  
(Waiting for the night, waiting for the night)  
Wiipaambizod, wiipaambizod  
(To fly around, to fly around)

**Mjikwe'ish, mjikwe'ish (Witch, witch)**  
Gichibaapi, gichibaapi  
(Laughing hard, laughing hard)  
Minwendaagzi, minwendaagzi  
(Having fun, having fun)  
Poogidizid, poogidizid (Teasing, teasing)

**Makade gaazhag, makade gaazhag**  
(Black cat, black cat)  
Paamaandwe, paamaandwe (Climbing, climbing)  
Zhiingendaagzi, zhiingendaagzi  
(Being silly, being silly)  
Paadamnad, paadamnad

## Community Zoom Language Class - Fall 2022

With Fluent Speaker Maryann Endanawas

When: Tuesday evenings from 6-7:30 PM, beginning September 20th - December 13th, 2022

Where: Via Zoom

Open Zoom app; click "Join a Meeting," enter 990-147-0213  
OR click on/type into browser: [www.https://Zoom.us/join](https://Zoom.us/join) and then enter 990-147-0213

For more information, contact:  
Theresa Keshick  
[tkeshick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:tkeshick@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)  
Phone: 231-242-1457




# ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT

## 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.

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

## LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS ENJIBOOZBIIGENG - ENROLLMENT OFFICE

### 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

Forms are also available on the LTBB Website.

<https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/enrollment>

<https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/forms>

## LTBB ENROLLMENT DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Address Verification Forms are now being accepted through Email & Fax.

- Forms must be completed in full
- Hardcopies **MUST** still be mailed in or left in outdoor mailbox located in front of Administration Building

✉ Enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

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Office is open for appointments  
For questions or appointments call:

231-242-1522 – Katie

231-242-1521 – Marin

231-242-1520 – Pauline



## Need to update your address?

When you move, please contact the Enrollment Office and we will send you an Address Verification Form.

Address Verification and many other Enrollment forms are also available at [www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov). They can be found in the Forms Directory or on the Enrollment page of the website.

It is the responsibility of the parent, guardian or custodial parent to complete an address form for any minor children.

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

Upon reaching the age of 18, an Adult Address Verification form must be completed. Failure to do so may result in a delay of per capita payment.

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

Minor verification forms must be signed and notarized.

Adult verification forms must be signed and either witnessed or notarized, depending on your address.

Contact the Enrollment Office at 231-242-1521, 231-242-1520 or by e-mail [enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov).

## LTBB VETERAN CARDS

Dear Tribal Citizen,

Tribal Council passed WOS# 2021-009 Waiver of Fees for Military Veterans Statute on June 10, 2021, which was signed by Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Chairperson, on July 7, 2021.

Under the statute, the Executive has authorized the waiver of identification card fees for military veterans.

### Definition

“Military Veteran” means a person who served in the active military, naval or air service and who was discharged or released there from under conditions other than dishonorable, this includes United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard service and members of the Reserves, Air or Army National Guard.

We have created new



Tribal Identification Cards for our LTBB Veterans.

If you are a veteran, give us a call and we will verify if your picture and address are current. We will issue you a new Tribal Identification Card. We have issued our first Veteran ID Card to Thomas Henry Naganashe.

**Zhimaaganish - Veteran**

Please contact the Enrollment Office through Lindsey Doerfler at 231-242-1522 or Marin Taylor 231-242-1521. You may also contact the Enrollment Office via e-mail at [enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov).

Sincerely,  
Pauline Boulton  
Enrollment Officer

### 2021 Tribal Directories Now Available!

Tribal Directories include adult name and addresses of LTBB Citizens enrolled before January 28, 2021, excluding undeliverable addresses and LTBB Citizens requesting not to be included.

To receive your copy:

- ✓ Must include a copy of your Tribal Identification Card
- ✓ A \$5 check or money order payable to LTBB of Odawa Indians
- ✓ Choice of cover design. If you do not specify, we will choose for you!

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

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Enrollment Office  
231-242-1520 or 231-242-1521  
Fax 231-242-1526

Lake Plumbago

Hoar Frost

Peanut Butter Falls

## IS YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT?

@

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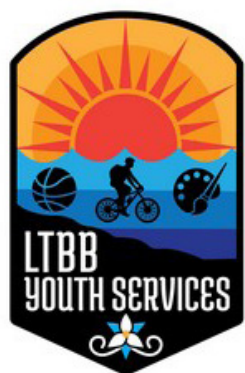
Update your contact information with the Enrollment Department.

- ADDRESS
- PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL ADDRESS
- VETERAN STATUS

Marin Taylor 231-242-1521  
Lindsey Doerfler 231-242-1522

Tribal Citizens Fee Schedule		FEES
<b>Replacement/Expired Cards in person or via mail</b> A replacement card is lost, stolen, expired or has an address change. Any name charges, no charge. Free to Elders.	<b>\$10</b>	
<b>Tribal Directory</b> Adults 18 and enrolled prior to 2/1/2021 Published every 4 years.	<b>\$5</b>	
<b>Tribal Directory Labels</b> Requestor must provide labels	<b>\$5</b>	
<b>LTBB List</b> The list includes adult's first, middle and last names only.	<b>\$5</b>	
<b>Photocopies of Enrollment file</b> <b>First 3 copies free, \$1 for each page thereafter.</b>	<b>\$1 ea</b>	
<b>Marriage License Application</b> <b>Certified Copies: \$10</b> <b>Photo Copies: \$5</b>	<b>\$25</b>	
<b>Tribal Notary Application</b> <b>Residency/Business residency requirement</b> <b>Surety Bond: \$125 **Cannot be waived**</b>	<b>\$10</b>	
<b>Marriage Commission Application</b> <b>Residency/Business residency requirement</b>	<b>\$25</b>	
<b>*** Enrollment Fees waived for LTBB Veterans***</b>		

# YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT



**DON'T LET TIME RUN OUT!**  
 FALL 2022 DEADLINE FOR  
 MICHELLE CHINGWA AWARD IS  
 OCTOBER 15, 2022.

**CONTACT THE EDUCATION  
 DEPARTMENT FOR MORE  
 INFORMATION AT  
 231-242-1480**



**Ma'iingan  
 Day Camp  
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 Guest Teachers  
 Wasson Dillard  
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**Honoring  
 Our Past.  
 Creating Hope  
 for the Future.**

**WE CAN HELP**

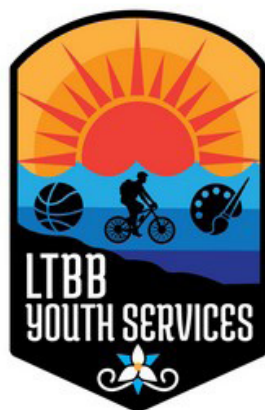
Victim service providers help victims rebuild their lives. We can help you learn about your legal rights and options, cope with the impact of crime, access victim compensation, develop a safety plan, and navigate the criminal justice and social service systems.

**DIRECT SERVICES FOR VICTIMS**

- Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline  
800-4-A-CHILD
- Cyber Civil Rights Initiative  
844-878-2274
- Love Is Respect  
866-331-9474, TTY 866-331-8453
- Mothers Against Drunk Driving  
877-MADD-HELP
- National Domestic Violence Hotline  
800-799-SAFE, TTY 800-787-3224
- National Human Trafficking Hotline  
888-373-7888, TTY 711
- National Runaway Safeline  
800-RUNAWAY
- Parents of Murdered Children, Inc.  
888-818-POMC
- Rape, Abuse, & Incest National Network  
800-656-HOPE
- Pathways to Safety International  
833-SAFE-833
- StrongHearts Native Helpline  
844-7NATIVE
- National Suicide Prevention Lifeline  
800-273-8255, TTY 800-799-4889
- The Trevor Project  
866-488-7386
- Veterans Crisis Line  
800-273-8255 x1, TTY 800-799-4889

**INFO & REFERRALS FOR VICTIMS**

- Battered Women's Justice Project  
Legal Helpline  
800-903-0111 x1, TTY 711
- Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Country  
Child Abuse Hotline  
800-633-5155
- Federal Trade Commission Identity  
Theft Hotline  
877-FTC-HELP, TTY 866-653-4261
- National Center for Missing &  
Exploited Children  
800-THE-LOST\*
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health  
Services Administration Helpline  
800-662-HELP, TTY 800-487-4889
- VictimConnect Resource Center  
855-4-VICTIM



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 Sarah Jo Schilling  
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## WELL AND SEPTIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

We can provide you with a new well and/or septic system for your new construction OR if your current well and/or septic system is deficient, we can help.

Please call the LTBB Housing Department at 231-242-1540 to find out more about how you can get a free well and septic system or replace your current system.

Please be aware it takes approximately 3 to 4 months to gain federal approval of your application.



**NATIONAL  
 SUICIDE  
 PREVENTION  
 LIFELINE**  
 1-800-273-TALK (8255)  
[suicidepreventionlifeline.org](http://suicidepreventionlifeline.org)

# NATIVE NEWS

## ODAWA CASINO GIVES BACK TO THE COMMUNITY



Odawa Casino was excited to present nearly \$400,000 to Emmet County, MI, on August 31, 2022 as a part of our 2% revenue sharing. These funds go back into our community in a variety of different programs.

Courtesy photo.



On September 8, 2022, we met with the Zonta Club of Petoskey, MI, to present a donation of more than \$1,200 to benefit its annual fashion show. We've been involved with the organization for years and are always happy when we get a chance to support it.

Courtesy photo.

## SWEARING IN CEREMONIES



On September 1, 2022, LTBB Tribal Citizen Alice "Ollie" Hughes took her oath of office for the LTBB Elders Commission from LTBB Associate Judge John J. Lemire. Hughes is serving a four-year term, ending on July 28,

2026. On September 13, 2022, LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado swore in Timothy Buse as an LTBB Law Enforcement Officer. Photos courtesy of the LTBB Tribal Court.

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS  
28TH ANNUAL

# Sovereignty Day

CELEBRATION

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022**  
**3PM - 7PM**

ACTIVITIES, WORKSHOPS, VENDORS, AND MORE!  
ADDITIONAL DETAILS WILL FOLLOW. BE SURE TO CHECK OUT LTBB SOCIAL MEDIA AND WEBSITE FOR UPDATES. CONTACT [EVENTS@LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV](mailto:EVENTS@LTBBODAWA-NSN.GOV) WITH ANY QUESTIONS

LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS  
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**SOVEREIGNTY DAY CELEBRATION**

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 3:00 - 3:30 PM** SOVEREIGNTY DAY PARADE  
GRAND MARSHALLS: ANNETTE VANDECAR & ROSE SMALLEY DRUM: SPIRIT LAKE DRUM GROUP
- 3:30 - 5:00 PM**
  - BOUNCE HOUSES
  - FACE PAINTING
  - OBSTACLE COURSE
  - ANISHINAABEMOWIN GAMES
  - APPLE CIDER MAKING
  - TRACTOR PULL
  - SINGO
  - CAKE WALK
  - VENDORS
  - BARTER TABLE
- 5:00 - 6:00PM** DINNER & LIVE MUSIC  
FRYBREAD TACOS, SOUPS, SIDES, AND DESSERTS
- 6:00 - 7:00 PM**
  - BOUNCE HOUSES
  - FACE PAINTING
  - OBSTACLE COURSE
  - ANISHINAABEMOWIN GAMES
  - APPLE CIDER MAKING
  - SINGO
  - LIVE MUSIC
  - CAKE WALK
  - VENDORS
  - BARTER TABLE
- 7:30 - 9:30PM** OUTDOOR MOVIE  
POPCORN & CANDY PROVIDED; PLEASE BRING A BLANKET AND CHAIR

**\*SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

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**SOVEREIGNTY DAY CELEBRATION**

Grab your free raffle ticket at the event for a chance to win one of our awesome prizes!

- 1 of 2 Eighth Generation Wool Blankets
- Nintendo Switch
- Sony Bluetooth Speaker
- Odawa Casino All-Inclusive Stay
- Masterbuilt Smoker
- Bose Headphones
- A Drone
- Weight sets
- A Power XL Air Fryer
- Gift cards and much more!

Must be present to win.

LTBB Town Hall meetings are available to be viewed at:  
[www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/townhallmeetings.html](http://www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/townhallmeetings.html)

# ODAWA CASINO HOSTS ACTIVE SHOOTER TRAINING: RUN. HIDE. FIGHT.

**Editor's note:** The following is an Odawa Casino press release dated September 9, 2022.



Odawa Casino Petoskey hosted a Run, Hide, Fight Active shooter training last week, taught by the Louisiana State University (LSU) NCBRT/Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education (ACE), in addition to several other trainings for law enforcement, security and first responders in the area. The purpose of these trainings was to prepare attendees for emergency and disaster situations, including instances of an active shooter.

Over three days, law enforcement, security teams and first responders from all over Michigan, in addition to interested casino employees,

were provided with courses to develop a prepared conditioned response in the event of emergency. These courses included both presentations and hands-on drills. The management team at Odawa Casino was excited to bring the LSU team to Northern Michigan and share this training to better prepare those in attendance for these types of emergencies, and those in attendance will be able to take this information back to their communities.

LSU NCBRT/ACE is a nationally recognized center for emergency preparedness and response training located at Louisiana State University's flagship campus in Baton Rouge, LA. They provide mobile training to both the national and international emergency response community. Their focus is to influence human safety, security and resilience in a positive manner. Their team consists of experts in research, development and delivery of training in the areas of specialized law enforce-



ment operations; biological incident response; food and agriculture safety and security; and instructional design and technique.

*Owned and operated by the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, Odawa Casino in Petoskey, MI, opened in June 2007 and features nearly 900 slot machines, table games, multiple dining options, the fabulous new Victories Sports and Entertainment Bar and an off property 137-room hotel. Odawa Casino Mackinaw City opened in May 2016, and in 2021, completed an expansion for an even better, more exciting gaming experience.*

Courtesy graphics.

**WOCTEP**

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

**SCAN HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION**

231-242-1494  
WOCTEP@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov  
www.facebook.com/woctep.woctep

Waganakising Odawa Career and Technical Education Program

### Serve your Tribal Nation

[tinyurl.com/ltbbcbc](https://tinyurl.com/ltbbcbc)

**Join a board, commission or corporation**

Open your camera and scan the QR code or follow the link to fill out an intake form and attach your resume.

Vacancies

- Gaming Authority – 2 seats
- Elders Commission - 1 seat
- HEMP Regulatory Commission – 2 seats
- Housing Commission – 2 seats
- Liquor & Tobacco Licensing Board – 1 seat
- Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation – 3 seats
- Odawa Economic Development, Inc. – 1 seat

## ANNOUNCING OMB'S FIRST EVER TRIBAL ADVISOR



Today (September 12, 2022), as part of the Biden-Harris Administration's strong commitment to Indian country, I am thrilled to announce the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is naming Elizabeth Carr as Tribal Advisor to the Director. This position is historic — the first of its kind at OMB, created out of conversations with tribal leaders — and will be instrumental in coordinating tribal priorities across OMB's budgetary, management and

regulatory functions while working with other key leaders at the White House and across the entire administration.

OMB plays a unique and crucial role in advancing the President's agenda for Indian country. Through the President's FY 2023 Budget, the administration proposed historic investments in tribal nations and communities which would help lay a strong foundation for prosperity for generations to come. The budget includes proposals to advance health equity, significantly increase funding for the Indian Health Service and shift that funding from discretionary to mandatory, reduce unacceptably high maternal mortality rates for American Indian and Alaska Native women through maternal health initiatives and training for healthcare providers, improve poor housing conditions with investments in tribal housing efforts and more. These historic propos-

als were developed in dialogue with tribal nations and communities, which OMB has made a priority by holding five tribal consultations since the beginning of the administration.

In her new role as Tribal Advisor, Elizabeth will help build on these efforts to deliver for Indian country. She brings a wealth of experience to this new position. A member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, she has most recently served as the senior advisor to the director of the Indian Health Service where she has led strategy and implementation of health policy. She has more than 10 years of experience working with tribes, tribal colleges and universities, tribal organizations and urban Indian organizations, including as Senior Native Affairs Advisor with the National Indigenous Women's Resource Center, Inc.

Courtesy photo.

### Native Way Two Exercise Class Schedule

**Wijigaamshin = Dance with me Zumba Class**  
**Mondays @5pm – 6pm**  
Come follow along via DVD and get your cardio workout for the week!  
**Starts May 15<sup>th</sup>!!!**  
Please call day of class to sign up.

**Wiishkitooyin = You can do it! Pilates Class**  
**Tuesdays/Thursdays @8am – 9am**  
Low impact exercises with strength training and cardio all in one bundle for a great full body workout! **Starts May 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Anishinaabe Mskoziiwin = Native Strength**  
**Wednesdays @4pm – 530pm**  
Love variety and timing exercises? Stop in for this full body cardio and strength training.  
**Starts May 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Niimidaa! = Let's dance! Pow Wow Dance**  
**Thursdays @530pm – 7pm**  
Shake off the dust, sharpen your footwork, and build your stamina while listening to Native American music. For all ages and experience welcomed. **Starts May 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Please call day of class to sign up.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, class sizes are limited. Please contact Marlene Gasco at (231)242-1616 for any questions.

## THREE TIPS FOR STAYING HEALTHY AT ANY AGE

Whether you are a family of two or a multigenerational household, nutrition and physical activity can help you and your loved ones to stay healthy at any age. Healthy food choices and regular exercise help kids of all ages to grow and develop while also supporting adults and older adults to maintain health and reduce the risk of chronic disease.

### Fuel Right for Your Stage of Life

Did you know the body's nutrient needs change when growing and aging? For example, teenagers and older adults require more calcium for bone health and more folate/folic acid is needed during pregnancy.

### Build Memories and Healthy Cooking Skills in the Kitchen

Cooking is a great opportunity to spend time with your children, parents or grandparents. You can pass down family food traditions or try new recipes together which can keep everyone healthy.



### Be Active at Any Age

Regular exercise or active play can strengthen muscles and bones during growth or aging and improve your stress and sleep. Kids and teens need at least 60 minutes daily while adults and older adults need at least 150 minutes weekly. Try a family hike, soccer match or yoga break.

Visit Nutrition.gov for more healthy eating and cooking resources to fuel your family.

Courtesy graphic.

## Weekend Urgent Care Alternative!

### Urgent Care

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

Petoskey Urgent Care 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.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL  
416 Connable Avenue Petoskey, MI 49770  
1-800-248-6777

When using Petoskey Urgent Care, 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.

Charlevoix Hospital  
14700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720  
231-547-4024

After hours and weekend emergency treatment can be obtained at McLaren Northern Michigan Regional Hospital in Petoskey, MI, or Munson Healthcare Charlevoix Hospital in Charlevoix, MI.

## ORAL AND DENTAL BENEFITS OF BREASTFEEDING

By Jessica A. Rickert, DDS, Anishinaabe Dental Outreach

Breastfeeding is also known as nursing.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends breastfeeding for the first year of a baby's life.

There are many oral and dental benefits for the baby. Breastfeeding reduces the risk for Baby Bottle Tooth Decay also known as Nursing Bottle Mouth Syndrome. This type of tooth decay often occurs when a baby is put to bed with a bottle containing formula, milk or fruit juice. Babies as young as 10 months old have developed Baby Bottle Tooth Decay.

There are natural sugars in breastmilk, so it is important to begin to clean baby's gums and eventual teeth in the first weeks of life.

The American Dental Association found babies who were exclusively breastfed for 12 months or more were less likely to have teeth alignment issues such as open bites, crossbites and overbites than those exclusively bottle fed. Still, this doesn't mean a breastfed baby won't need braces someday. Other factors, including genetics, pacifier use and thumb sucking, affect alignment. But, why not control those factors you can control?

Breastfeeding is a healthy choice for both moms and babies with many benefits, including a fast and strong bond between baby and mom.

Breast milk and baby:

- Is easier for babies to digest than formula.
- Is the best source of nutrition for baby.
- Changes to meet the nutritional needs of a growing baby.

• Helps protect baby from infection and illness like ear infections by providing immunities from mom to the baby.

• May lower child's risk of overweight, obesity and asthma.

• Can also help lower baby's risk of sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS).

• Breastfed infants tend to have fewer speech problems than bottle-fed infants.

Breastfeeding and mom:

• Moms who breastfeed have lower rates of ovarian and breast cancer.

• Moms who breastfeed have lower rates of high blood pressure.

• Moms who breastfeed have lower rates of Type 2 diabetes.

• Breastfeeding helps the mother's body re-



turn to normal and **decreases blood loss after the baby is born.**

The medical doctor will likely recommend at about six months, baby can begin to have other foods. Experts recommend continuing to breastfeed the baby for at least the first 12 months — and for as long as baby and mom are comfortable.

Breastfeeding is natural, but it does not mean it's always easy. It is common to need a little help, especially in the beginning. The good news is it gets easier with time.

To get ready to breastfeed, while mom is pregnant, she can:

- Talk to the doctor or midwife about breastfeeding.

- Do her own research.

- Ask family members for support.

- Plan for baby's possible feeding schedule.

Realize in the first couple of months, babies need to nurse every few hours even at night.

- Learn about breast pumping, especially if Mom wants other family members to be able to feed the baby.

- Find out how to eat healthy while breastfeeding.

Once baby is born:

- Let the doctor, nurse or midwife know immediate skin-to-skin contact with baby is important.

- Nurse whenever baby is hungry.

- Ask health professionals for help anytime.

They can answer questions about nursing.

Breast milk is the perfect food for baby. Breastfeeding gives mom and baby a closeness that is delightful. The emotional satisfaction is intense and is so unique for each mom and her baby, truly a time to be cherished.

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## PEANUT SKINS: MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

America's fondness for peanuts accounts for 65% of all U.S. nut consumption. Per person, it equates to nearly eight pounds of goobers annually.

But what's to be done with the estimated 40 million to 70 million pounds of peanut skins stripped from the nut in the process of turning it into peanut butter, snack food, candy ingredients, oil and other products?

Ondulla Toomer, a research chemist with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) in Raleigh, NC, has some ideas.

Her studies at the agency's Food Science and Market Quality and Handling Research Unit in Raleigh suggest a range of food and livestock feed uses which could potentially open the door to new, value-added markets for peanut skins.

Instead of landfill waste, Toomer sees untapped nutritional potential in the paper-thin skins, which are chock full of protein, carbohydrates, fats, fiber, minerals and vitamins. Peanut skins also

contain bioactive compounds, including antioxidants which help neutralize cell-damaging molecules in the body called free radicals. Some, in fact, have antioxidant activity levels equal to those of green tea, grape skins and other sources.

On the livestock feed front, Toomer and collaborators are exploring the benefits of adding peanut skins to the diets of poultry. However, peanut skins contain tannins, which can reduce the digestion of protein from feed. The researchers have begun evaluating low inclusion levels (4%) of peanut skins with a view to determining the optimal amount which can be added.

Aware of peanut sensitivities in some consumers, the researchers also checked for the presence of allergenic peanut proteins in egg and meat samples produced from birds fed peanut-containing diets. However, no traces of peanut allergens were detected. Another interest: Determining whether birds fed peanut skins shed fewer *Salmonella* bacteria, which can pose a human food safety concern with the



consumption of poultry meat or eggs.

On the functional food front, the researchers are comparing concentrations of bioactive compounds in different colored peanut skins, which range from red, tan and brown, to white, black and variegated.

Toomer said profiling the nutritional chemistry and properties of peanut skins is a key step towards figuring out how best to use them with potential benefits to producers and consumers. More broadly, Toomer's efforts dovetail with the ARS lab's overarching mission to improve the productivity, processing, end-user quality and nutritional value of not only peanut, but also cucumber, sweet potato, pepper and cabbage crops.

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# TRAUMA RESILIENCE KEY TO ADVOCACY

By StrongHearts Native Helpline

## How Advocates Help

In the field of domestic and sexual violence, an advocate's work bridges the gap between a victim-survivor and service providers. They help their contacts recognize abuse, assess the risk of danger and to plan for safety. They offer peer support, crisis intervention and assistance locating resources. Ultimately, the work of an advocate can be lifesaving.

## The Impact and Vicarious Trauma

Advocacy may sound like a rewarding job because saving lives is undeniably an honorable profession. That may be true, but the fact of the matter is the work of an advocate is steeped in trauma. Those who work in the field may even be victim-survivors and their work can be triggering. Nonetheless, advocates are committed to their work. Despite the risk of having to relive their own trauma — the desire to help others — is as important to them as it is to their contacts.

Vicarious Trauma is work-related trauma exposure. It includes secondary stress, compassion fatigue and all the negative impacts of work-related trauma exposure. It is often experienced by people in the fields of child welfare and protection or domestic and sexual violence. It can leave advocates feeling overwhelmed with worry but hopeful they did enough to help.

## Resources, Support and Safety

When it comes to Native Americans and Alaska Natives impacted by domestic



and sexual violence, advocates are faced with resource disparities beyond compare. In StrongHearts' database, there are 272 Native-centered service providers compared to more than 3,500 non-Native service providers. The picture is even bleaker when looking at shelters where there are only 59 tribal shelters compared to more than 1,500 non-tribal shelters.

When advocates realize they are limited by available resources, they develop an even stronger desire to provide emotional support and lifesaving safety planning. In many cases, it's all they can do. It's what our relatives have done for centuries.

## Resilience, Transformation, Satisfaction

By observing resilience in their clients and helping them to overcome challenges, advocates themselves can gain vicarious resilience, vicarious transformation and compassion satisfaction.

Vicarious Resilience: Survivors are hearty and their ability to move forward and beyond their experience can encourage resilience in the work of advocacy.

Vicarious Transformation

is about the engagement with survivors, what we learn and what we get out of it, and how it can transform us.

Compassion Satisfaction is about feeling good in the work of advocacy. It happens when advocates are able to help people efficiently and effectively. It may involve a policy change in the work environment which came as a result of an advocate's suggestion.

The benefits of vicarious trauma are a sense of strength and resilience gained only through contact with survivors, what we learn through them and the difference made not to one, but everyone impacted by domestic and sexual violence.

## Culture is Key

"Trauma resilience is a common bond between Native peoples," said StrongHearts Chief Executive Officer Lori Jump (Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians). "Our advocates have the shared goal to eradicate violence and to help our people find a path toward healing. Our people have come this far because it is our way not to leave anyone behind. Culture is key to ensuring a better future for the next generation."

## About StrongHearts Native Helpline

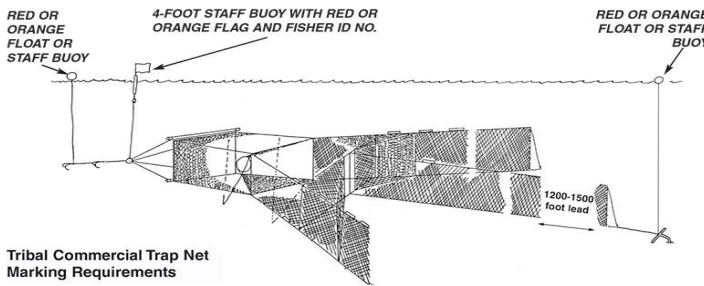
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Source: "What Is Vicarious Trauma," Michigan Victim Advocacy Network. <https://mivan.org/paper-to-practice/#vicarious>

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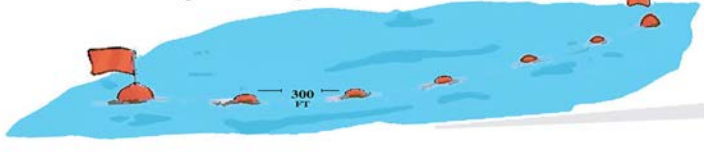
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# FIRST NATIVE WOMAN IN SPACE

By Jourdan Bennett-Be-gaye

**Editor's note:** The following article and photographs appeared on *Indian Country Today (ICT)*, and they are reprinted here with permission.

Nicole Aunapu Mann will be making history as the first Native woman to fly into space this fall.

Mann, enrolled in Wailacki of the Round Valley Indian Tribes in northern California, will be aboard the SpaceX Crew-5 mission to go to the International Space Station no earlier than September 29.

"It's very exciting," she told *ICT* referring to being the first Native woman in space. "I think it's important that we communicate this to our community, so that other Native kids, if they thought maybe that this was not a possibility or to realize that some of those barriers that used to be there are really starting to get broken down."

This is NASA's fifth crew rotation flight as part of the agency's Commercial Crew Program. As mission commander on the SpaceX space-



craft called Dragon, Mann is leading all phases of the flight from launch at NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida to re-entering the Earth's atmosphere. She will also serve as the Expedition 68 flight engineer on the space station.

Three other astronauts will also be on the Crew-5 mission: NASA astronaut Josh Cassada, JAXA astronaut Koichi Wakata and Roscosmos cosmonaut Anna Kikina.

The crew will live on board for six months to complete their mission of conducting approximately 250 scientific experiments in the space station that is "a floating laboratory,"

Mann said, who is a Colonel in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Besides the other crew members, Mann will also be accompanied by the personal items in her personal preference kit. The Dragon spacecraft allows 3.3 pounds for personal items.

"I have some special gifts for my family, which I can't say because they're a surprise. Definitely taking my wedding rings, and I have this dream catcher that my mother gave me when I was very young," she said. "It's kind of always stayed with me throughout my time."

This is the 45-year-old's first spaceflight and she looks forward to the science on board which will benefit the human race.

"One of the ones that I'm looking most forward to is called the biofabrication facility. And it is literally 3D printing human cells, which to me sounds so futuristic, right?" she enthusiastically said.

The force of gravity makes printing and growing cells on Earth difficult. That is a different story in space with "a much more intact structure of the

"Space" continued on page 20.

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

October 22, 2022

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To sign up, please contact the Natural Resources Department at 231-242-1670, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or e-mail information to [dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov). Space is limited, so reserve your space early. At time of registration, please indicate whether registered youth needs a mentor or firearm to use when hunting.

**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: [dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:dbrowne@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

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cell," she said.

The end goal: Printing human organs.

"We're not there yet. However, we have successfully printed some heart cells as well as part of the meniscus of a knee. And, so, this facility has flown, and then come and printed cells and then come back to Earth," she said. "They made changes, they learned it flew again, came back to Earth, they made changes, and they're about to fly it again. So that'll be our chance to participate."

Of course, she hopes to do a spacewalk or two since she trained a lot for that. That was probably the most challenging but enjoyable part of her astronaut training experience.

"So, they put you in a spacesuit, just like you would be in space, and they blow up like a balloon," Mann said.

The pressure in the suit is filled to approximately 4.3 pounds per square inch or psi. For comparison, the Earth's air pressure psi is at 14.7, according to NASA. The high pressure in suits is needed to supply adequate oxygen and air pressure to let human bodies function properly.

"And that's what it's like when you go out the door in vacuum, then they put you in this huge pool to simulate microgravity, and use a team of divers and weights and foam."

A mockup of the space station, or most components of it, lies inside this huge pool where the astronauts crawl around in "this kind of like scuba diving, kinda like a jungle gym" making modifications on the space station.

"But each time you move, you're working against the pressure of that suit, of that 4.3 psi. So, it's like a marathon. The training run is six hours long, you're physically exhausted, you're mentally exhausted," Mann said. "You're done at the end of one of these runs, but everybody says it is the most realistic training for doing a spacewalk in space. And being under the water and climbing along the space station and doing these tasks. It is incredible. It is some of the coolest training I think that we do. And hopefully, I'll have an opportunity to do that in space for real."

#### Astronaut Dreams

Becoming an astronaut didn't occur to Mann as a kid. Years later, she says with a laugh, "Why would you not want to become an astronaut?"

"It was a little bit later on in life actually that I realized that being an astronaut was an opportunity and something that I could do," she said. "To be honest, I didn't understand when I was younger what astronauts actually did."

Mann graduated from Rancho Cotate High School in Rohnert Park, CA, in 1995. She obtained a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering in 1999 from the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. In 1999, she was also commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps.

She realized she could be a fighter pilot and a Marine simultaneously while riding in a F/A 18, a fighter and attack



aircraft, in the summer before her senior year at the naval academy.

After earning a master's degree in mechanical engineering from Stanford University in 2001, she went to the U.S. Naval Test Pilot School. Mann has more than 2,500 hours in 25 different aircrafts, 200 carrier arrestments and 47 combat missions in Afghanistan and Iraq under her belt.

During test pilot school, she started looking for options for herself after. Becoming an astronaut fell on the list.

She applied to the 21st astronaut class. Mann was selected with seven others in the 2013 cohort out of more than 6,100 applicants. At that time, it was the second largest number of applicants NASA had received. She was 35 and a Major in the Marine Corps when selected.

#### To the Moon and Beyond

Little by little, NASA is working its way to deep space exploration. The SpaceX Crew-5 mission is only the beginning for Mann.

"This is a huge part of our larger mission under Artemis to go to the moon and eventually to Mars," she said at an August 4 NASA press conference. "So, what we are going to do in low Earth orbit is a stepping stone to achieving those goals of exploration into deep space, the technology development, the research that will do some of the operations that will learn to develop and work with the ground, understanding how we're going to do that from a further distance where we don't have the accessibility of the ground so often."

In December 2020, NASA announced Mann as part of the initial 18-member Artemis Team to return to the moon.

"There is so much exciting work ahead of us as we return to the moon, and it will take the entire astronaut corps to make that happen," said Chief Astronaut Pat Forrester in a 2020 press release. "Walking on the lunar surface would be a dream come true for any one of us, and any part we can play in making that happen is an honor. I am proud of this particular group of men and women and know that any of them would do an outstanding job representing NASA and the United States on a future Artemis mission."

The Artemis mission plans to send two of the 18 astronauts to land on the lunar surface, the first woman and first person of color. If Mann is selected, she would be the first woman (and Native person) to step on the moon.

"It's just this really overwhelming sense of emotion in the best of ways that I can de-

scribe," she told Inverse if she is the first woman. "Yes, you want to be the first person to walk on the Moon, you want to fulfill that role, but really it's not about you ... It's about the bigger mission, so you're just excited to support in whatever role you can."

The Artemis-III crewed mission hopes to land on the south pole of the moon's surface in 2025. A change from the original and unfeasible 2024 moon landing pushed by the Trump administration.

"Returning to the Moon as quickly and safely as possible is an agency priority. However, with the recent lawsuit and other factors, the first human landing under Artemis is likely no earlier than 2025," said NASA Administrator Bill Nelson in 2021.

The Artemis-III will be the first crewed moon landing since Apollo 17 in December 1972. Twelve astronauts have walked on the moon of the 24 American astronauts' who traveled to the moon between 1968 and 1972, according to NASA. The first moon landing was the Apollo 11 on July 20, 1969, by American astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin. Both were the first humans to walk on the moon.

Other Natives who have been to space or sent projects to the cosmos: John Herrington and Aaron Yazzie. Herrington, Chickasaw, was the first Native astronaut to travel into space. The Navy veteran spent 14 days on the space station. Yazzie is a Diné mechanical engineer at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California. He has contributed to four Mars projects since his time with the agency.

While the history books write Mann's story, the female Native astronaut will continue to train and prepare intensively for her mission in a couple of months.

"We're going to gain a ton of experience in flying low earth orbit, and any of us could be assigned to an Artemis mission in the future," she said. "And hopefully we'll walk on the moon together one day."

Follow Mann's journey on Twitter at @AstroDuke, @SpaceX and @NASA.

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# INDIGENOUS ANCESTORS FOUND ON NORTH DAKOTA COLLEGE CAMPUS

By Kolby KickingWoman



Armacost recognizes the process of repatriating the objects and remains is going to take a lot of hard work and possibly several years. However, he and the university remain committed to following through until its completion.

He also added in the statement many people and communities will be affected by the news.

“While I cannot take away their pain, I can apologize on behalf of UND for our mistakes,” Armacost said in the statement. “The tribal communities have my assurance that as a university, we are strongly committed to repatriation.”

Throughout the process, it has been a priority of the committee to be transparent as well as documenting and recording their efforts so they might be a model for other universities and museums in the future.

Doug McDonald, Oglala Lakota, is a psychology professor at the university and is on the committee as well. He said they don't want other universities or organizations to be blindsided as they were.

“We don't want other universities or other organizations to have to do what we've had to do, which is essentially scramble from scratch,” McDonald said.

What was made clear during the news conference is how difficult this has been for all involved. North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission Executive Director Nathan Davis, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, said everything he's been taught and learned in his life, he's never been taught to put relatives back in the ground.

“It violates who we are, it violates our culture,” Davis said. “So, when we say this hurts, it's because it touches our soul, it touches our spirit because in our ways, this is not supposed to happen. Our loved ones are supposed to rest.”

The university is not facing criminal or civil penalties under NAGPRA and Armacost said it was not a dissuading factor.

“This is too important and we owe it to the tribes to make sure we bring their ancestors home and I think that's an important point,” Armacost said. “So, even though I speculate that there isn't any penalty, that is absolutely not the reason we came forward. We would have come forward anyway.”

The university has launched a repatriation webpage which contains the statement from Armacost, answers to frequently asked questions and links for mental health support for those affected by the announcement.

The committee held discussions with indigenous students on campus and Lyons said many felt the same anger and devastation the committee felt.

“They can feel that way and that's okay. We've all felt that way,” Lyons said. “If we anticipate certain actions, maybe, but that's their right. They have every right to do what they need to do with their emotions.”

She added she'd be more worried if the students didn't feel anything.

“It means they still care. They care about our people. They care about our ancestors, they care about each other and that's important,” she said.

It is still early in the process and McDonald said there is still plenty to be done.

“Pray for our continued healing because there's still a lot of work to do to bring the ancestors home.”

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The University of North Dakota (UND) in Grand Forks has begun the process of repatriating sacred objects and ancestral remains which belong to indigenous communities which were found weeks ago on the school's campus.

At a news conference, school President Andrew Armacost said in November 2021, the university formed a UND repatriation committee to develop policies on the process of returning Native artifacts to tribal lands.

In late February and early March, the committee found a significant number of artifacts on campus, including ancestral remains. Armacost noted the records of what is in possession of the university is incomplete but there are more than 250 boxes of artifacts and the number of ancestors “can be measured in the dozens.”

The university has been in touch with 13 tribes, a number he says will continue to grow, to gain their advice and counsel to make sure the process is done correctly and completed.

“First, I sincerely express my apologies and heartfelt regrets that UND has not already repatriated these ancestors and sacred objects as they should have been years ago,” Armacost said in a statement. “Second, I pledge my administration's full support and commitment to the tribal nations impacted by this mistake. Our primary goal now is to work diligently until all ancestors and sacred objects are returned home, regardless of how long it takes.”

On March 3, the first ancestor was discovered by members of the committee.

Fighting back tears, Laine Lyons, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, said it is a day and moment she will never forget. Lyons is a committee member.

“In that moment, my heart sunk into my stomach,” she said. “It was at that moment that I knew we were another institution that didn't do the right thing.”

After sharing the news with other committee members, many felt the same feelings of betrayal, anger, sadness, frustration and exhaustion, she said.

Some 870,000 Native American artifacts which should be returned to tribes under federal law are still in the possession of colleges, museums and other institutions across the country, according to an *Associated Press* review of data maintained by the National Park Service.

As the search continued to other areas and more remains were found, each new discovery “felt like a deeper and deeper cut in our hearts,” Lyons said.

In 1990, Congress passed the Native American Graves and Repatriation Act, commonly known as NAGPRA. It is a federal law enacted to protect and provide the repatriation of “human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony.”

According to the National Park Service website, any “federal agencies and museums, universities, state agencies, local governments or any institution that receives federal funds must comply with NAGPRA.”

Along with working with tribes, the university has also been working with government agencies to ensure the law is being followed correctly.

Taking questions from the media, Armacost was asked about the timeline of events and why it took as much time as it did to make the information available to the public as well as why the news conference wasn't live-streamed.

After the discovery of the remains, he said the university immediately began working with tribal representatives in the region and following their lead was an important priority.

“The fact that it took us six months to get here, we went as fast as humanly possible, speaking with as many people as we could to get to this point,” Armacost said. “So, there is no interest or intent on hiding this. We're as public as possible.”

He added the recording will be posted on the university website for all to watch.

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## NORTHWESTERN PARTNERS WITH INDIGENOUS SCIENTISTS TO CONSERVE GREAT LAKES WETLANDS



Northwestern University

A Northwestern University-led research team has received a \$5 million grant over five years from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to develop new methods to help mitigate the effects of climate change on the Great Lakes and its surrounding natural ecosystems.

By partnering with indigenous and Native American scientists, conservation agencies and government agencies, the team will focus on manoomin (the Ojibwe word for wild rice), a critical — yet declining — part of the Great Lakes ecosystem and a sacred food which connects Native communities to the land.



The project is one of five new Coastlines and People (CoPe) Hubs, announced by NSF. It marks the first CoPe Hub for the Great Lakes region.

In addition to Northwestern, the academic team includes members from the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, Purdue University, Argonne National Laboratory and the University of Wisconsin. The team spent two years establishing relationships and learning from Bad River, Lac du Flambeau, Fond du Lac and Mille Lacs tribes with assistance and guidance from the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission and indigenous faculty at Northwestern.

“This hub represents a significant investment by the NSF in seeding technology, practices and programs for Great Lakes climate resilience,” said Josiah Hester, the principal investigator of the grant, who is Native Hawaiian. “It is an acknowledgement that we urgently need to partner with Indigenous scientists, who can draw on their ancestors’ sustainability practices and knowledge in our efforts to mitigate the effects of climate change.”

Hester is an adjunct assistant professor of computer science, computer engineering and electrical engineering at Northwestern’s McCormick School of Engineering. After spending several years at Northwestern, he joined the faculty at the Georgia Institute of Technology this month. Hester will be joined by four co-principal investigators, including Kimberly Marion Suseeya, an assistant professor of

political science at Northwestern’s Weinberg College of Arts and Sciences.

The hub will engage researchers from several units and centers across Northwestern, including the Center for Native American and Indigenous Research (CNAIR), the Center for Water Research, the Institute for Sustainability and Energy at Northwestern, the Center for Engineering Sustainability and Resilience and the Northwestern-Argonne Institute of Science and Engineering.

“This project began with relationship building and a willingness by Northwestern researchers to step back and invite our Indigenous partners to frame the research,” said Patty Loew (Mashkiiizibii-Bad River Ojibwe), an advisor who helped facilitate early conversations about the project, a professor of journalism at Northwestern and CNAIR’s founding director. “The result is a project that is both meaningful and respectful to our tribal collaborators.”

By engaging researchers across disciplines — political science, natural sciences, computing and data science, communication and journalism, education and engineering — the hub will reinforce a holistic, indigenous viewpoint of how physical and social problems intersect around manoomin. Similarly, these viewpoints are broadened by the inclusion of entities outside of academia, including, Ojibwe tribes who shared research problems as well as technical and traditional knowledge; conservation agencies such as Wisconsin Greenfire who shared expertise and policy guidance; and government agencies such as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which provided data and programmatic advice on effective regional data science.

“The CoPe project is innovative, exciting and unique because it is based upon tribally driven research questions and seeks to incorporate indigenous knowledge into scientific research,” said Jonathan Gilbert, director of the biological sciences division of the Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC). “I am hopeful that this project will expand GLIFWC and tribal expertise in sensor technology and machine learning, but I am also hopeful that it will help to expand the perspectives of our partners from Northwestern (among others) to include cultural sensitivity and appreciation within the academic community.”

While considerable work has been done to protect marine coastal marshes from climate change and land development, the Great Lakes’ fringing wetlands systems have received substantially less attention. Manoomin, which grows in these wetlands, is particularly endangered. Ecologically, culturally and dietarily important to Native Nations, manoomin has de-

clined significantly in recent years due to extreme weather events, warming waters, rapid habitat loss and pollution from mining and leaking pipelines.



“Manoomin ties the physical and ecological issues of coastal wetlands to the spiritual, social and subsistence issues of the people who have lived on these coasts for millennia,” Hester said. “It is an interface between people and coastlines, much like wetlands are an interface between land and water.”

To help the region push back against climate change, the CoPe Hub has outlined two major goals: 1. to enable development of indigenous-led, data-driven resilience strategies to monitor manoomin and 2. to increase participation among Great Lakes indigenous people in science through culturally empowering and sovereignty-affirming collaborative research in support of manoomin wetlands.

Much of the scientific work will revolve around the development and implementation of new, inexpensive smart sensors and data science cyberinfrastructure to capture data from plants and wildlife. These sensors will extract new sources of data, potentially uncovering hidden insights into the connections among physical processes, ecosystems and human activity. The cyberinfrastructure also will include a custom smartphone application to enable local community members to gather observations such as water levels or temperatures of the wild rice beds.

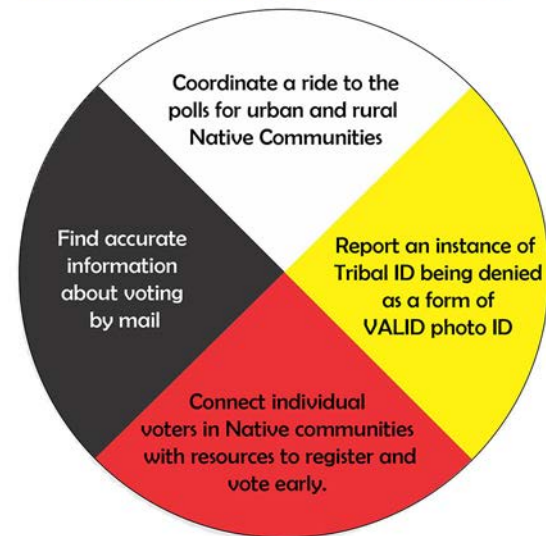
“It is exciting to see regional coordinated efforts to support manoomin after decades of decline,” said William (Joe) Graveen, Tribal Council Member and Wild Rice Cultural Enhancement Program Technician of the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians. “I’m happy to see the CoPe Hub team trying to work with all the stakeholders in the region to address this critical issue.”

The program, “Strengthening Resilience of Manoomin, the Sentinel Species of the Great Lakes, with Data-Science Supported Seventh Generation Stewardship,” is supported by grant number 2209226. CoPe supports multi-institutional coastal research hubs that study the interactions among natural, human-built and social systems in coastal populated environments.

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Aanii, my name is Tina Dominic and I am a professional photography student at the New York Institute of Photography. My goal is to make senior portrait photography accessible to Tribal Youth in need.



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-- Linda Lomahaftewa, Artist--

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### Anishinaabemtaadidaa! Answer Key

Puzzle on page 11.

Anishinaabemtaadidaa	Let's speak Anishinaabemowin to each other.
Anishinaabemtooshin	Speak Anishinaabemowin to me.
Gdaashkitoogwa	You can do it!
Gwiinaadamoon	I want to help you.
Anishinaabemtow	Speak Anishinaabemowin to him/her.
Ndosastaan	I understand.
Kanaadamoon	I'll help you.
Kinoomow	Teach him/her.
Kinoomooshin	Teach me.
Naadimow	Help him/her.
Naadamoshin	Help me.
Naadamaadizidaa	Let's help each other!
Maajtaadaa	Let's get started!
Ngagwejitoon	I'll try, I'm going to practice.



# TRIBAL COLLEGE ANNOUNCES NEW CERTIFICATE IN TRIBAL LEADERSHIP

The College of the Muscogee Nation (CMN) is pleased to announce its new Certificate in Tribal Leadership program, which will be offered in the fall 2022 semester.

The specialized curriculum brings Native American cultural values to the forefront of academics and combines various disciplines to develop leadership skills tailored for modern tribal communities. CNM's Tribal Services director and Muscogee Nation member, Matthew Yates, says the program is for a new generation of Mvskoke leaders.

"It takes the best aspects of administration and focuses more on developing leaders for the future," said Yates. "Proper leadership can completely change the way an organization functions. We are treating it separate from just the business functionality, to learning how to excel in a leadership role."

Yates says CMN's president is ambitious about his vision for the program. They are developing curriculum using leadership theories and real-world examples from traditional and western standpoints.

"We want to expose students to a wide range of leadership theories, including traditional concepts in real-world situations," he explained. "We will look at how our leaders handle situations, considering the history and trauma that is still playing out. Connecting these concepts in this specialization will be advantageous for our Msvkoke students when they become leaders."

The certificate program will have students make significant impacts in Muscogee communities, including a re-



quired community development capstone project.

"Our capstone in this new leadership program is a community development project where students will get hands on to produce something that benefits the community," said Yates. "I think sometimes we need a reminder to stay grounded. Remember who we're working for and that good leaders cannot succeed alone."

Exemplifying Exceptional Leadership

Few others are suited to push forward a leadership curriculum with cultural values at the forefront such as CMN's President and Muscogee community leader, Dr. Monte Randall.

Before being selected to lead the college in 2021, he served in various educational leadership roles after earning his bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees. He is also a U.S. Navy and Oklahoma National Guard veteran. He says his motivation to excel came from his military experience and Mvskoke culture.

"I have always had a strong foundation of Mvskoke culture. That, along with my military service right out of high school, helped to shape the person I am today," said Randall. "I have experienced great leaders throughout my life and was eager to follow. I had people in my family, school and military that inspired me to do my best."

In February 2022, the *Tribal College Journal of American Indian Higher Education* published an article by Dr. Randall titled, *The Native American Leadership Model*. He writes about how cultural values with modern leadership styles will create more effective leaders who will maintain traditional cultures for future generations.

"While we have many great Native American leaders today, leadership development was one of the most overlooked aspects of identity stolen from our people during the numerous policies and assimilation attempts," said Randall. "We still have many traditional and ceremonial ways to develop leaders; however, many of our Tribal governments and programs require an understanding of cultural values in leadership."

Dr. Randall says while there are similarities and differences between Native American and mainstream leadership concepts, understanding cultural values is crucial for motivating and inspiring people in tribal organizations.

"The main tenets of character, values, community and excellence exist between mainstream and Native American leadership, but the differences are purpose and culture," he explained. "The character and values of a person are the most important and should be rooted in Native American culture. Leaders can then positively and more effectively impact the culture of tribal organizations."

For more information about the Certificate in Tribal Leadership program and the College of the Muscogee Nation, visit [www.cnm.edu](http://www.cnm.edu)

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# RESEARCHERS ENLIST STURDY YEAST TO HELP MAKE COST-EFFECTIVE ETHANOL

Yeasts play a key role in converting ("fermenting") sugars from plants into ethanol fuel. But not all yeasts are created equal. Some are better fermenters than others because they can tolerate the harsh conditions of the bioreactors in which they're used.

*Clavispora* NRRL Y-50464 is just such a yeast.

A team of Agricultural Research Service (ARS) scientists at the agency's National Center for Agricultural Utilization Research in Peoria, IL, used a standard microbiology procedure called "adaptive laboratory evolution" to generate the hardy yeast strain, which in tests outperformed the industry standard, *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

Cornstarch has long been a leading source of simple sugars which can be fermented into ethanol fuel as a cleaner-burning alternative to gasoline. However, there are many competing uses for the versatile commodity, prompting researchers and fuel makers to focus on alternative sources — perennial grasses, forestry byproducts and crop residues like rice straw and corn stover among them.

To get to these sugars, the "brick and mortar" of plant cells — cellulose and lignin (a.k.a., lignocellulose) — must first be broken down using enzymes or diluted acids. However, this produces furfural and other chemical byproducts which are harmful to the yeasts, hobbling their



ability to ferment sugars released from lignocellulose.

Fortunately, *Clavispora* NRRL Y-50464 is no ordinary yeast.

The strain is the toughest of the tough selected by the researchers from a natural population of *Clavispora* yeasts originally found growing on sweet sorghum. This toughness includes heat tolerance, fast growth and an ability to detoxify harmful byproducts like furfural while producing ethanol. The yeast strain also makes its own beta-glucosidase, an enzyme which catalyzes the breakdown of simple sugars like glucose from lignocellulose, so they can be fermented into ethanol. This eliminates the need to add beta-glucosidase "and lowers the enzyme cost of cellulose ethanol production," explained Z. Lewis Liu, a molecular biologist (retired), formerly with the ARS center's Bioenergy Research Unit in Peoria.

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"Yeast" continued from page 25.

That's kind of a big deal — so much so ARS patented the yeast strain for use in lignocellulose-based ethanol production systems, whose enzyme costs are typically 10 times those of starch-based ones.

Laboratory trials conducted by Liu, ARS chemical engineer Bruce Dien and their collaborators bare out the yeast strain's superstar status as a fermenter of sugars from lignocellulose-rich sources like rice straw and corn stover (which refers to the corn plant's unharvested stalk, leaves, husks and cob).

In flask, beaker and bioreactor trials using a two-in-one step called "simultaneous saccharification and fermentation," *Clavispora* NRRL Y-50464 outperformed genetically engineered *Saccharomyces* yeast strains.

Highlights of results recently published in the *International Journal of Microbiology* include:

- An ethanol concentration (or "titer") of 47 grams per liter (g/L) of purified cellulose within 72 hours over the minimum required standard of 40 g/L for industrial use. What's more, *Clavispora* NRRL Y-50464 supplied its own beta-glucosi-

dase, so none had to be added.

- An ethanol titer of 32 g/L of pre-treated corn stover and 25 g/L of rice straw within 48 and 36 hours, respectively. That's also a plus, given this represents the shortest time needed to complete cellulosic ethanol production from agricultural residues (leftover).

- Better resistance to acetic acid (used in pre-treatments to liberate sugars from lignocellulose) and tolerance to temperatures of up to 102 degrees Fahrenheit (39 degrees Celsius).

Liu said although the *Clavispora* yeast doesn't ferment all types of simple sugars available from lignocellulose sources, it still has the potential to reduce the cost of producing ethanol. Additionally, the genetic makeup behind the yeast's unique combination of traits could yield important clues to improving the use of other microbial strains in lignocellulose-based ethanol production systems. The key, Liu added, will be making critical process engineering improvements to the bioreactors now being used, including their ability to stir the cellulosic mix with high loads of fermentable solids.

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## ASSOCIATION ON AMERICAN INDIAN AFFAIRS ANNOUNCES 8TH ANNUAL REPATRIATION CONFERENCE



of dispossession."

Hosted by the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi at the beautiful Four Winds Resort & Casino in New Buffalo, MI, on October 11, 12 and 13, the Repatriation Conference will look to compliance, advocacy and activism to form strategies and commitments for generational healing while we work together to repatriate our ancestors' remains, their burial belongings, sacred objects and cultural patrimony which has been stolen and looted as part of a legacy of violence and racism against indigenous peoples.

"We are excited to host this conference and provide a welcoming and productive space for truth-telling about the impact of stolen cultural items, and how to best work with Native nations to return our ancestors and items that are necessary for our physical, mental, emotional and spiritual healing," said Nicole Holloway (Potawatomi), Director of the Center of History and Culture for the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi.

More than 300 in-person attendees plus several hundred virtual participants, including spiritual and traditional leaders, anthropologists, archaeologists, museum curators and directors, auction house experts, dealers and collectors, artists, youth, academics, lawyers, preservation specialists, government agencies, foreign entities and institutions and the public are expected to attend this hybrid conference and focus on **collectively healing from the past and committing to being good ancestors for future generations to come.**



Keynote speakers include *New York Times* bestselling author Angeline Boulley (Ojibwe, Anishinaabe); Abigail Echo-Hawk (Pawnee), MA, the Chief Research Officer at Seattle Indian Health Board and the Director of the Urban Indian Health Institute; and author and professor Jennifer Anne Raff, a geneticist and assistant professor of Anthropology and Indigenous Studies at the University of Kansas, specializing in anthropological genetics relating to the initial peopling of the Americas.

All conference registration fees, sponsorships, vendor and exhibitor fees are used to support the Association's work in repatriation and sacred site protection: Protecting sovereignty, preserving culture, educating youth and building capacity. The 8th Annual Repatriation Conference registration, hotel room block information, scholarship applications, sponsorship information and vendor and exhibitor registration are available on the Association on American Indian Affairs website at [www.Indian-Affairs.org/8th-annualrepatriationconference](http://www.Indian-Affairs.org/8th-annualrepatriationconference). For questions, send an e-mail to [general@Indian-Affairs.org](mailto:general@Indian-Affairs.org) or call 240-314-7155.

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"The Repatriation Conference continues the long-standing legacy of the Association to work at a grassroots level to strengthen our national and collective futures," said Frank Ettawageshik (Odawa), the Association's President of its Board of Directors. "Together, we must work to revitalize our diverse cultural practices and empower Native Nations to heal from centuries

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# TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**Little Traverse Bay Bands  
of Odawa Indians  
Tribal Council Chambers  
7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor  
Springs, MI 49740**

**Tribal Council Meeting Minutes  
August 11, 2022  
In person and via ZOOM**

Call to Order: **9:03 a.m.**

Opening ceremony: Mary Schneider

Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee

Corporate Charters Present: Gaming Administration – Chairperson Mary Kilmer, Secretary/Treasurer Donald Lasley; Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. President Tanya Gibbs, Vice President Alan Proctor, and Board Member Doug Craven; Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Executive Director Shanna Shananaquet and Administrative Assistant Nick Peltier

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, Planning Department Director Amanda Swiss, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Planning Department Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Gijigowi Language Department Administrative Assistant Theresa Keshick, Education's WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Accounting Department Controller Cheryl Kishigo, Education Department Office Administrator Tammy Gasco

Judicial Officials and Staff: None

Public: Brian Anthony, Patrick Anthony

Invited Guest: Merrill Lynch's Krystal Julius; Odawa Casino Resort – General Manager Ron Olson, Director of Finance Roger Borton, and Director of Marketing Alan Bouscher; GSP Online Gaming Primary Executive Official Matt Stemkoski.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to Adopt the Agenda of August 11, 2022 as presented.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Review and Approve Minutes of July 28, 2022.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to approve the minutes of July 28, 2022 as corrected.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Executive Oversight Report: **Discussion: Vice Chairperson Stella Kay**

Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley is attending Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes,

(MAST) at Pokagon's.

The Executive Branch is getting ready for the Deb Haaland visit.

Pow Wow Committee has secured shuttle drivers

Preparing for the 2022 Per Capita payment as this line item does not have a budget. A supplemental funding request will be sent to Tribal Council.

The youth jiimaan journey is currently going on.

Mshkode farm is up and running.

**Discussion: Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson**

Preparing and coordinating with the Secret Service for the United States Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland visit this Saturday, August 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. at Pellston Public Schools, 172 Park St, Pellston MI 49769. Odawa Casino Resort will be providing boxed lunches.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the verbal Executive Oversight Report as presented by Vice-Chairperson Stella Kay and Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson for August 11, 2022

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Tribal Council Officer Reports:**

Legislative Leader Report:

**Motion** made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Leader Emily Proctor's verbal and written report for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Secretary Report

Documents Delivered to the Executive: None

Vetoes (*a vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within 90-days of the veto*): None

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council:

**-08/04/2022 Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve CERTIFIED MOTION Support of Amicus Brief in the case Haaland v Brackeen to be filed by the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) with the United States Supreme Court in August 2022.**

Phone Poll Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 2 Absent (Councilor Marty Van

De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin) Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Marcella Reyes' verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Treasurer Report – Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: July 19, 2022

(Motions made at the 07/19/2022 Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting were presented to Tribal Council at their 07/28/2022 meeting)

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee: None

-Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and via Zoom

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee Report

-Last Meeting: August 5, 2022

(Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting)

*Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to not*

## Tribal Council Meeting Dates

October 11 Work Session  
October 13 Council Meeting  
October 25 Work Session  
October 27 Council Meeting

November 8 Work Session  
November 9 Council Meeting  
November 29 Work Session  
December 1 Council Meeting

All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at  
7500 Odawa Circle,  
Harbor Springs, MI.

## Legislative Tribal Council Members

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader  
Marcella Reyes, Secretary  
Leroy Shomin, Treasurer  
Tamara Kiogima, Councilor  
Aaron Otto, Councilor  
Melissa Pamp, Councilor  
Marty Van De Car, Councilor  
Fred Kiogima, Councilor  
William Ortiz, Councilor

*pursue Land Parcel #145.*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 0 absent Motion carries.

*Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to not pursue Land Parcel #161.*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 0 absent Motion carries.

*Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to not pursue Land Parcel #162.*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 0 absent Motion carries.

*Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council to not pursue Land Parcel #163.*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 0 absent Motion carries.

*Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recom-*

*mend to Tribal Council to pursue Land Parcel #165.*

Vote: 3 yes, 0 no, 0 abstained, 0 absent Motion carries.

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: None

-Next Meeting: Friday, September 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and via Zoom

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Councilor Aaron Otto, Committee Chairperson for August 11, 2022

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Tribal Council Member Reports:**

Councilor Fred Kiogima – Will attend the Pellston event on Saturday.

Councilor Tamara Kiogima – Attended the Executive Town Hall Meeting, volunteering for the Miss Odawa Fundraiser on Friday night at the Tribal Government Complex and registering dancers at the pow wow on Friday and Saturday; will try to attend the Pellston MI event on Saturday; is interested in making the boys and girls club work.

Councilor William Ortiz – Attended the 2022 Negotiations on Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

Councilor Aaron Otto – No additional report

Councilor Melissa Pamp – Attended the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation dinner with Executive Director Shanna Shananaquet and Tanya Gibbs and CEO Monica King of Gun Lake Investments

Councilor Marty Van De Car – Absent

Treasurer Leroy Shomin – Absent

Secretary Marcella Reyes – Absent

Legislative Leader Emily Proctor – No additional report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, and Councilor Melissa Pamp's verbal report for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Legislative Office Reports:**

Office of Finance and Revenue - Senior Financial Analyst

Office Update

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Tribal Burial Board, Inc.

Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation

**Motion** made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**10:00 a.m.** Merrill Lynch account update on performance.

**10:20 a.m.** Break

**10:31 a.m.** Meeting resumes Tribal Historic Preservation Officer – No report

Legislative Office Manager **Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

General Counsel

**Motion** made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Office of Citizens Legal Assistance

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the Office of Citizens Legal Assistant verbal and written 2022 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Reports as provided by Cherie Dominic for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Discussion:** Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report. Online Gaming to report immediately following the Gaming Authority.

**Public Comment:**

**11:52 a.m.** Opens Patrick Anthony – Let's go to lunch

No other comments made

**11:57 a.m.** Closed

Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort discussion resumes

**12:12 p.m. Motion** made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to enter into Closed Session for Confidential Business.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**12:33 p.m.** Councilor Tamara Kiogima steps away

**12:36 p.m. Motion** made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to return to Open Session.

Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 3 Absent (Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Discussion:** 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Online Gaming Report presented by Primary Executive Official Matt Stemkoski

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report as presented by Gaming Authority Chair Mary Kilmer and Secretary-Treasurer Don Lasley; Odawa Casino Resort General Manager Ron Olson, Director of Finance Roger Borton, and Marketing Director Alan Bouscher for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor "Minutes" continued on page 28.

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Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt on the verbal and written Online Gaming 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report presented by Pre-Licensure Primary Executive Official Matt Stemkoski and Primary Executive Official Roger Borton for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**12:52 p.m. Break**

**12:52 p.m.** Councilor William Ortiz exits meeting

**1:51 p.m.** Meeting resumes

**Discussion:** Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.'s 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report as provided by President Tanya Gibbs, Vice President Alan Proctor, and Board Member Doug Craven for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Discussion:** Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation

Member quorum  
Financial Banking issue  
Amendment to charter needed

Tribal Council Action Items:

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to acknowledge receipt of the Executive's proposed Legislation of Land Use, Building Regulation, and Zoning Statute as received by the Legislative Office on August 3, 2022.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to rescind the June 30, 2022 Tribal Council motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Marty Van De Car to approve release of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ziibimijwang, Inc. Budgeted funds in the amount of \$36,172.00 (based on one of the three options provided) to fund Strategic Planning with final contract approval of the Tribal Council.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Ziibimijwang, Inc. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Budget and approve the release of Ziibimijwang, Inc. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter funds in the Amount of \$36,172.00.

**Vote suspended for Public Comment**

**Public Comment:**

**2:56 p.m.** Opens

Brian Anthony commented the farm has no working land except 10 acres. Need heavy equip-

ment to aid with the farm and other departments. Train Tribal Citizens on how to use heavy equipment.

**3:01 p.m.** Closed

Vote continues for Ziibimijwang, Inc. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter budget

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to **not** pursue Land Parcel #145 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to **not** pursue Land Parcel #161 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to **not** pursue Land Parcel #162 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to **not** pursue Land Parcel #163 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to pursue Land Parcel #164 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to pursue Land Parcel #165 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to reappoint Heidi Bosma to the Child Welfare Commission for a 3-year term ending August 11, 2025.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the Midwest Professionals, P.L.L.C. Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. Audit Report for year

ended December 31, 2021.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to rescind the July 28, 2022 motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to schedule a Special Regular Tribal Council Work Session on August 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. to review the following Statutes: 2020-010 Marriage and 2008-007 Dissolution of Marriage; and as time allows: 2015-013 Amendment to 2008-007 Dissolution of Marriage, 2015-010 Paternity and Custody, 2022-001 Child Protection, 2022-005 Vulnerable Elder and Adult, or Incapacitated Adult Protection, Guardianship and Conservatorship, 2021-003 Interim Criminal Code-Amended by 2021-003, 2021-005 Amendment to 2021-003 Interim Criminal Code, 2021-015 Grandparent and Grandchild Visitation Statute, 2015-005 Victims Rights, 2007-011 Juvenile Justice, and 2011-003 Probate Small Estate.

Vote: 4 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Aaron Otto), 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Other Items of Business:** None

Adjournment:

**3:32 p.m. Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adjourn this meeting in honor of Marty Van De Car-ba, our relative, friend, and fellow Tribal Council member.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 4 Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Marty Van De Car ba, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Next Scheduled Meeting:

August 25, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Tribal Council Chambers and via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary Date

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Chambers 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes August 25, 2022 In person and via ZOOM**

Call to Order: **9:07 a.m.**

Opening ceremony: Councilor Fred Kiogima

Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Councilor William Ortiz

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Executive Legal Assistant Su Lantz

Corporate Charters Present: Tribal Burial Board, Inc. Chairperson Annette VanDeCar; Ziibimijwang, Inc. Chairperson Kevin Gasco, Vice Chairperson Rosebud Schneider, and Board

Member Netawn Kiogima; Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Executive Director Shanna Shananaquet and Secretary Jeremy Steele.

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Regulatory Internal Auditor Dan Pierzynowski, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Natural Resources Department Conservation Biologist Derek Hartline, Education’s WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Accounting Department Controller Cheryl Kishigo, Planning Department Director Amanda Swiss and Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Tribal Chairman’s Office Executive Assistant Kerstine Ome, Gijigowi Language Department Administrative Assistant Theresa Keshick, Natural Resources Department Great lakes Fishery Program Manager Kevin Donner

Judicial Officials and Staff: None

Public: Judy Field, Renee “Wasson” Dillard, Brian Anthony, Dexter McNamara, Mary Donner

Invited Guests: None  
**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to adopt the agenda for August 25, 2022 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Secretary Marcella Reyes and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Tribal Citizen(s) who have walked on: Raymond Beaver-ba, Jacob Boyd-ba, Morris Fox Jr.-ba, Robin Martell-ba, Randy Shell-ba, Janet Shomin-ba, and Martin “Marty” VanDeCar-ba.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

Review and Approve Minutes of August 11, 2022.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the minutes of August 11, 2022 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**9:30 a.m.** Introduction of new Tribal Government Employees

Derek Hartline – Conservation Biologist (Transfer)/Natural Resources Department

Special Mention of new positions (not attending):

Dan Monhollon – Great Lakes Fisheries Management Technician (transfer)/Natural Resources Department

Executive Oversight Report:

**Discussion:** Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley

The Road to Healing event went well. There were 800+ attendees. Chi Miigwech to all the staff who assisted.

Had a debriefing with the Department of the Interior on Wednesday, August 24, 2022. This was to provide Tribal input to make the future events better.

2020 Negotiations will continue into September. The next meeting will be held on September 7-8, 2022 in Bay Mills, Michigan. The presiding justice will need to render his decision by September 30, 2022.

The State of Michigan put funding into the Michigan Department of Civil Rights for curriculum and a study on Native American Boarding Schools. All

Michigan tribes will work with the state.

**Discussion:** Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon

Thanked all volunteers and staff for working at the Road to Healing and the pow wow.

The next Executive Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. A flier will be posted.

The traditional pow wow is scheduled for September 10-11, 2022 at Osborne Road, Harbor Springs, Michigan.

Update on Eagle Aviary is approximately \$200,000 short for Phase I. The Natural Resources Department Aviary Raffle went well. The department is looking for donations.

**Discussion:** Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson

Attended the Native Boys and Girls Club meeting on Wednesday, August 24, 2022. Future plans are to meet with Tribal Council during a Work Session to discuss.

The houses on US 31 Highway North need cosmetic upgrades. Inspections are scheduled next week.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Executive Oversight Report as presented by Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon, and Unit II Executive Director Daugherty “Duffy” Johnson for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Tribal Council Officer Reports:**

Legislative Leader Report:

**9:55 a.m.** Treasurer Leroy Shomin steps away

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Leader Emily Proctor’s verbal and written report for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Treasurer Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

**10:02 a.m.** Treasurer Leroy Shomin returns

**Motion** made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to schedule a Special Tribal Council Meeting to discuss the Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. audit report on **Monday, September 26 at 9:15 a.m.** in Council Chambers and via Zoom.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**10:00 a.m.** Tribal Burial Board 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Tribal Burial Board, Inc’s 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report as presented by Annette VanDeCar, Chairperson for August 11, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**10:42 a.m.** Break

**11:00 a.m.** Meeting resumes

**11:00 a.m.** Ziibimijwang, Inc. 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Ziibimijwang, Inc. 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report as provided by Kevin Gasco, Committee

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*"Minutes" continued from page 28.*  
Chairperson for August 25, 2022.

**Vote suspended to after Public Comment**

**Public Comment:**

**11:45 a.m.** Opens  
No comments made

**11:49 a.m.** Closed

Vote continues for Ziibimijwang, Inc. written and verbal report

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**12:00 p.m.** Lunch break

**1:09 p.m.** Meeting resumes

**1:00 p.m.** Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation – 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation 2022 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report as provided by Shanna Shananaquet, Executive Director and Jeremy Steele, Secretary for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Officer Reports continues

**Discussion:** Vacant seat on Tribal Council

Policy is conflicting and is not concise

**1:57 p.m.** Secretary Marcella Reyes steps away from meeting.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to repeal the Policy and Procedure for Appointment of a Vacant Seat on Tribal Council and bring an updated policy to the next regularly scheduled Work Session on September 15, 2022.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Aaron Otto), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to declare a vacancy on Tribal Council.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Secretary Report:**

Documents Delivered to the Executive: None

Vetoes (*a vote of Tribal Council to override a veto shall occur within 90-days of the veto*): None

Phone Polls passed by Tribal Council:

**-08/12/2022** Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to approve the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Amendment dated 08/11/2022.

Phone Poll Vote: 6 Yes, 1 No (Councilor Aaron Otto), 0 Abstained, 1 Absent (Treasurer Leroy Shomin) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Marcella Reyes' written report as provided on the agenda by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Treasurer Report:**

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: August 16, 2022

(Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting)

-Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to

recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-01 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury, State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) Capital and

Technical Assistance Programs.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 1-abstained (Secretary Marcella Reyes), 0-absent Motion carries.

-Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to

recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-02 Funding from the

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act

of 2021 (STRA-2021), Tribal Transportation Program Agreement

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carries.

-Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to

recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-03 Request for Funding

from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Discretionary Funding.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstained, 0-absent Motion carries.

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

**07/28/2022** Reason for Phone Poll: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 072822-08 Request for Funding from the Affordable Housing Program (AHP).

Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carries.

-Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and via Zoom

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Committee Chair for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Land and Reservation Committee Report**

-Last Meeting: August 5, 2022

(Motions made at Land and Reservation Committee Meeting were presented to Tribal Council at their 08/11/2022 Tribal Council meeting.)

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee:

-Next Meeting: Friday, September 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Council Chambers and via Zoom

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee verbal and written report as provided on the agenda by Councilor Aaron Otto, Committee Chairperson for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Member Reports:

**Councilor Fred Kiogima:** Attended the Road to Healing

**Councilor Tamara Kiogima:** Read statute language for our Tribal youth in regards to additional funding for the Native Boys & Girls Club.

**Councilor William Ortiz:** Absent. Legislative Office Manag-

er Michele Portman-LaCount relayed a message he would like to attend the 2020 Consent Decree negotiations in September.

**Councilor Aaron Otto:** Statutes need review

**Public Comment:**

**3:04 p.m.** Opens

Theresa Keshick commented on her disappointment on the actions of persons in charge of the Road to Healing event. Our culture and traditions should not be oppressed as this is what we're here for, healing. Our parents and grandparents experienced this.

**3:10 p.m.** Closed

**3:10 p.m.** Public Comment Re-opens

Mary Schneider commented on the uncleanliness of the community center.

**3:12 p.m.** Closed

Tribal Council Member Reports continued.

**Councilor Melissa Pamp:** Attended the Road to Healing. The Potawatomi tribe will be hosting a business seminar.

**Legislative Leader Emily Proctor:** No additional report

**Secretary Marcella Reyes:** Absent

**Treasurer Leroy Shomin:** No additional report

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Aaron Otto, and Councilor Melissa Pamp's verbal report for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**3:18 p.m.** Break

**3:35 p.m.** Meeting resumes

**Legislative Office Reports:** Office of Finance and Revenue - Senior Financial Analyst

Office Update

Corporate Charters and/or Board Updates:

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - No update

Gaming Authority - No update

**3:41 p.m.** Secretary Marcella Reyes returns to meeting

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Secretary Marcella Reyes), 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Tribal Historic Preservation Officer** - No report

**General Counsel**

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Jim Bransky's written report for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve the General Counsel contract renewal between the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indian and attorney James A. Bransky for a term beginning February 20, 2023 until either Party provides six (6) months written notice of termination. and authorize Legislative Leader Emily Proctor to sign the contract renewal.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Legislative Office Manager**

**Motion** made by Councilor

Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal report for August 25, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items:

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-01 Request for Funding from the U.S. Department of Treasury, State Small Business Credit Initiative (SSBCI) Capital and Technical Assistance Programs.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-02 Funding from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act of 2021 (STRA-2021), Tribal Transportation Program Agreement.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 082522-03 Request for Funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Discretionary Funding.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Kiikaajik, Emergency Fuel and Utility Assistance Regulations REG-WOS 2015-008 072522-001-C.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Kikaajik, Food and Utility Appropriation Allowance Regulations REG-WOS 2015-008 072522-001.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes approve travel for Councilor William Ortiz to attend September 2022 Consent Decree negotiations.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to post the Land Use, Building Regulation, and Zoning Statute to the web as sponsored by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to appoint Susan Dobrich to Pro-Tem Judge in accordance with LTBB Constitution, Article IX, Section J (2).

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to **table** the Waganakising Odawak Statute Citizenship Statute.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to amend the agenda for Tribal Councilor Tamara Kiogima and Treasure Leroy Shomin to travel to the Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) 2022 Fall Conference at Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, CT on October 2 - 4, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp for Tribal Councilor Tamara Kiogima and Treasurer Leroy Shomin to travel to the Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) 2022 Fall Conference at Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, CT on October 2-4, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

Other Items of Business:

Closed session personnel

**4:15 p.m.** Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to enter into Closed Session for personnel.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

**4:15 p.m.** Secretary Marcella Reyes left the meeting.

**4:48 p.m.** Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to return to Open Session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**5:01 p.m.** Motion made by Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to enter into Closed Session for personnel.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**6:05 p.m.** Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to return to Open Session.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to approve Confidential Memo 081122-01 Personnel.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz and Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Motion** made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to **table** Confidential Memo 081122-02, Confidential Memo 081122-03, and Confidential Memo 081122-04.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Adjournment:

**6:09 p.m.** Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Tamara Kiogima to adjourn.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz) Motion carries.

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 15, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Tribal Council chambers and via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary Date

## TRIBAL COLLEGE CELEBRATES 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF RESTORATION THROUGH EDUCATION

The College of Menominee Nation (CMN) will celebrate its 30th anniversary with the theme of *Restoring Nations Through Education*, highlighting significant milestones in its history.

The college's anniversary coincides with the 50th anniversary of the Menominee Restoration Act of 1973, which reversed an earlier act of Congress to terminate Menominee's status as a federally recognized tribe. CMN's President Christopher Caldwell says the college has a mission and tradition of advancing restoration through its degree and certificate programs.

"Both anniversaries are significant to our college's work to restore our sovereignty and traditional culture," said Caldwell. "We will reflect on the impact of tribal termination policies and celebrate the progress of restoration over the past half century. The creation of tribal colleges and universities, particularly CMN, is a powerful expression of sovereignty and self-determination."

The celebration began with the 11th Annual Golf Benefit Outing on September 16 at Thornberry Creek in Oneida, WI. The college will host various events over the next year to recognize its extraordinary history and achievements.

### Termination of the Menominee

In 1961, the United States terminated the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin's status as a federally recognized tribe. The federal government rescinded the trust status of the land, which became a county land of Wisconsin, and cut off federal funds for essen-



tial services.

Extreme poverty and social disorder forced the tribe to sell a sizable portion of the land it retained to help the people through a tough time. When the Menominee learned of the plans for an artificial lake and luxury homes for non-Indians, they aggressively protested the project.

In 1972, the Determination of Rights and Unity for Menominee Stockholders (DRUMS) blocked the project, a massive victory which ignited the movement to restore federal recognition and the sovereign status of the tribe.

In a timely opportunity, DRUMS successfully lobbied the U.S. Congress to pass an act to restore Menominee's status as a federally recognized tribe. President Richard M. Nixon, known to be sympathetic to Native American interests, signed the Menominee Restoration Act into law in December 1973.

### Restoring Nations Through Education

For the past 50 years, the Menominee have made considerable progress in undoing the negative impact of federal termination efforts, including establishing the College of the Menominee Nation. Dr. Verna Fowler, a former member of the Menominee Restoration Committee, which

implemented the Restoration Act, began instructing the first classes in the basement of her home in January 1993.

Since then, the college campus has grown, occupying 46-acre on the Menominee reservation with a satellite campus in Green Bay, WI. It has become a driving force for restoring the culture, economy and overall health of the Menominee Indian Tribe and other tribal nations whose students attend and graduate from CMN.

For the Menominee, restoration is about the livelihood of the people who depend on sustaining the surrounding forest lands and ecosystem. This unique relationship is a primary focus of CMN's Sustainable Development Institute (SDI) where Caldwell served as the director before becoming president in 2021.

A large part of his research at SDI concentrated on the impact of climate change on indigenous language revitalization efforts. He says the Menominee language and culture contain the understanding and values for sustaining forest health.

"Menominee's culture and language are rooted in our relationship with the environment," he explained. "The Menominee language is currently a highly endangered language with only a small handful of fluent speakers left. Therefore, the impacts of climate change threaten not only our forested home but also our knowledge expressed through language and culture."

For more information about the College of the Menominee Nation, visit [www.menominee.edu](http://www.menominee.edu)

*Courtesy graphic.*

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ic Party member with Chair positions being reserved for Anishinaabek of Michigan's federally recognized tribes.

The Caucus has a Political Coordinating Committee, a Membership Committee, a Finance Committee, an Oversight Committee, a Policy Committee, an Event Committee and a Communications Committee. To read about the specific functions of each committee and/or to volunteer for a committee, please visit [www.anishinaabekcaucus.org/volunteer](http://www.anishinaabekcaucus.org/volunteer)

The Caucus endorses and approves political candidates and brings awareness to gas and oil, Line 5, Indigenous Peoples Day, manoomin, mascots, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Indian Boarding Schools, Monroe/Custer, wolves, tribal appointments and other indigenous issues.

For more information on the Caucus, please

visit [www.anishinaabekcaucus.org](http://www.anishinaabekcaucus.org) or visit its Facebook page.

Pierce is currently serving a four-year term, ending on September 21, 2025, on the LTBB Election Board and serves as the LTBB Election Board Chairperson. She was first appointed to the LTBB Election Board on February 11, 2021 and served the remainder of a term until September 21, 2021. The LTBB Election Board conducts all general and special elections and adopts rules and regulations governing elections. LTBB Election Board members are nominated by the LTBB Tribal Chairperson and appointed by the LTBB Tribal Council and must be enrolled LTBB Tribal Citizens 18 years of age or older and meet voting eligibility requirements.

*Photo of Andrea Pierce with her award courtesy of Allie Greenleaf Maldonado and courtesy graphic.*

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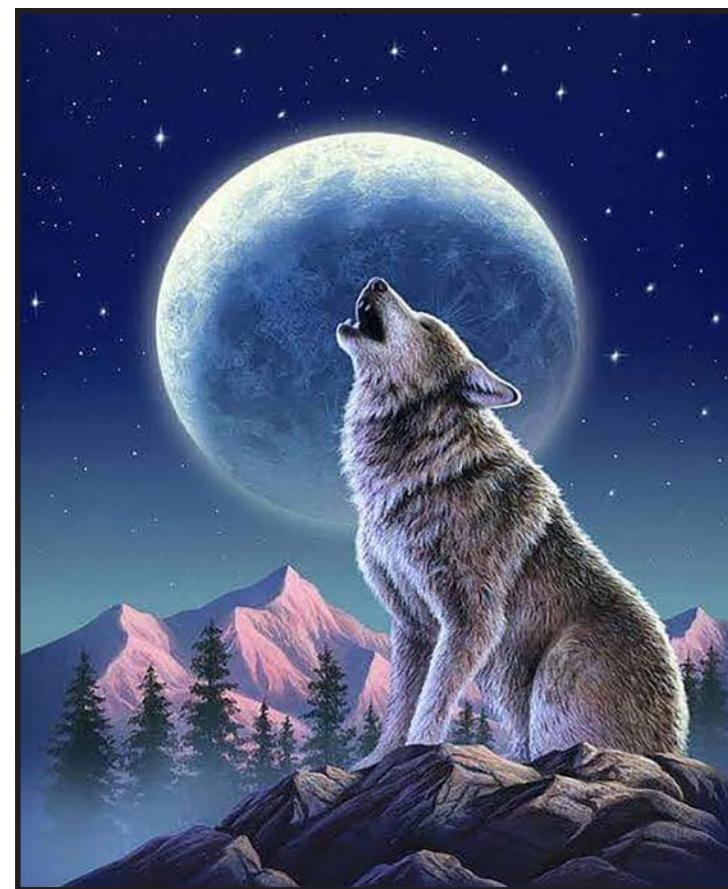
## Youth Services After-school Program

Opening Monday April 18th

- ✓ Homework Lab
- ✓ Cultural Activities
- ✓ Healthy Meals

Waanigaanzijik embraces shared teachings of Odawa/Anishinaabe culture, traditional practices, and healthy lifestyles for the betterment of youth and community

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### Tribal Council Vacancy



Tribal Council has Officially declared a vacancy on Tribal Council at its last meeting on August 25, 2022 and made the following motion, "Motion made by Councilor Fred Kigima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to declare a vacancy on Tribal Council. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Secretary Marcella Reyes)."

Tribal Council made the following motion at its September 15, 2022 meeting, "Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to mandate the Legislative Office to post the vacancy for letters of interest due by close of business on October 6, and the date for interviews will be October 25, 2022. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes)."

Please send a Letter of Interest and Resume' to Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council Office, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. Additional information may be obtained by calling 231-242-1403.

# October

Sunday (Name-Giizhigat)	Monday (Ntaam-Nokii Giizhigat)	Tuesday (Niizho-Giizhigat)	Wednesday (Nso-Giizhigat)	Thursday (Niwo-Giizhigat)	Friday (Naano-Giizhigat)	Saturday (Nwebi-Giizhigat)
						<b>1</b> <b>Sovereignty Day Celebration</b> 3 pm - 7 pm Governmental Center Harbor Springs, MI
<b>2</b>	OEAHCM Meeting 5 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon	Elders Luncheon at Noon Zhibimijwang, Inc. Meeting 2 pm Elders Commission Meeting 5 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Land and Reservation Committee Meeting 9 am Child Welfare Commission Meeting 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Gaming Authority Work Session 9 am - 10 am Meeting 10 am - 11 am
<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Indigenous Peoples Day</b> <b>All Governmental Offices Closed</b> OEDMI Meeting 12:15 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am	Elders Luncheon at Noon Executive Branch Town Hall Meeting 10 am on Zoom Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm Natural Resources Commission Meeting 6 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Meeting 9 am	<b>14</b> Election Board Work Session 5 pm	<b>15</b> Election Board Meeting 9 am Tribal Burial Board Work Session 9 am
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Housing Commission Meeting 12 pm OEAHCM Meeting 5 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Appropriations & Finance Committee Meeting 9 am Citizenship Commission Meeting 1 pm Room 312	<b>19</b>	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Burial Board Meeting 9 am	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Gaming Authority Work Session 9 am - 10 am Meeting 10 am - 11 am
<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> OEDMI Meeting 1 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Work Session 9 am	<b>26</b> Elders Luncheon at Noon Gaming Regulatory Commission Meeting 5:30 pm Natural Resources Commission Meeting 6 pm	Elders Luncheon at Noon Tribal Council Meeting 9 am	<b>28</b> <b>Fall Encampment</b> 4 pm - 8 pm Governmental Center and LTBB Pow Wow Grounds Harbor Springs, MI	<b>29</b> <b>Please Note:</b> Meeting times and dates are subject to change. Any changes will be posted on the LTBB Website.
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>Safe Night of Trick or Treat</b> 3 pm to 5 pm Governmental Center					

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Canada to attend with some coming as far as Arizona. As each individual entered the gym, they were offered traditional medicines, counseling resources and then guided to the seating area. Trauma-informed staff were posted throughout the event and inside the gymnasium to keep an eye out for individuals who may have been in need of services.

At 10 a.m., the event started off with a welcome ceremony, which included the Spirit Lake drum group, LTBB's honor guard and a morning prayer offered by tribal elder Wasson Dillard in Anishinaabemowin. Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley highlighted the importance of the event for indigenous communities in initiating healing and bringing awareness to the realities of Indian boarding schools. Department of Interior Secretary Deb Haaland (Laguna Pueblo) and Assistant Secretary Bryan Newland (Bay Mills Indian Community) followed with a brief introduction on the intentions of the event and guidelines before handing the floor over to the survivors and descendants.

As the moderators began asking for volunteers to share their testimony, a sea of hands shot up. One after another, people began sharing what it was like attending boarding schools. Some came to share their personal experiences while others came with letters in hand to read testimony from those within their

communities who were unable to attend the event. For some, the Road to Healing event was the first time recounting their experiences. For others, it was a time to recognize the journeys of those who have walked on and the impact the schools had on their lives. Emotions ran high with attendees and volunteers taking frequent breaks outside of the gym to collect themselves.

Yet, while there was much grief, there was also just as much healing which occurred with families and friends coming together to support survivors and descendants as they came forward. Lunch and breaks were filled with conversation and laughter. Ribbon skirts, ribbon shirts and copper adorned attendees, sacred medicines were burned, Native language was spoken and tribal flags were on display. The very community and culture boarding schools sought to dismantle and assimilate were on full display in the gym that day, a stark reminder of the resiliency of tribal nations. In total, 850 individuals came to listen and share their experiences. Hopefully, the event is the first of many for our communities to continue healing from boarding school experiences.

There are still opportunities to provide testimony with upcoming Road to Healing listening sessions being conducted in Hawaii, Arizona and South Dakota. Additional states will be announced in 2023. Alternatively, public feedback from federal Indian

boarding school survivors or their families may be submitted to the Department at roadtohealing@ios.doi.gov. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Joaquin Gallegos, Special Assistant for Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, at joaquin\_gallegos@ios.doi.gov.

A special chi-miigwech to Pellston Schools for being incredibly gracious hosts at such short notice, to the Odawa Casino Resort for their hospitality, sound tech crew and catering, to our flag carriers, Shirley Adkins, Jesse Boda, Jade Barnes, Fred Harrington and Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley, to Spirit Lake drum group, Dr. Frank Animikwam, Wasson Dillard and Kevin Gasco for ensuring the event was conducted in a good way, to Axiom Cleaning for their hard work ensuring the facilities were clean, to the Emmet County Sheriff's Office for their cross deputization, to Michigan State Police for their assistance in covering events that weekend, to Emmet County Emergency Management for their guidance in planning, to our drivers who worked tirelessly that day, and to our amazing Elders, Health and Niigaandiwin Education Department staff volunteers who never stopped moving. Without the support and hard work from all of these individuals and organizations, the event would not have been possible.

Photos by Neely Bardwell.





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the LTBB tribe create promising opportunities for its citizens, even as it grapples with the long-term negative effects of historic trauma created by U.S. policies toward Native Americans that cost Indian families their land, their sovereignty and even their children.

The practice of removing Indian children from their parents and placing them for adoption or at Indian boarding schools was an official U.S. policy that ripped thousands of Native American children across the country from their families and communities. Ostensibly intended as a way to lift Indian children from poverty, it was in fact a form of cultural genocide that resulted in the destruction of entire family units, the effects of which still resonate today in the lives of thousands of tribal descendants and survivors of this practice.<sup>4</sup> Located in Harbor Springs, MI, Holy Childhood was one of the last Indian boarding schools to operate in Michigan. Opened as a mission school in 1889, it did not cease operation until 1983.<sup>5</sup> Many Odawa tribal families were forever affected by its legacy.

Despite these challenges, the LTBB tribe continues to persevere. It could be said that through hard work and a focus on education and training, the LTBB tribe has succeeded in creating an environment where its citizens and children can thrive, achieve their potential and give back to their community — and in this sense, the LTBB tribe and Allie Greenleaf Maldonado have much in common.

After earning a bachelor's degree in business from the City University of New York in 1995, Judge Maldonado graduated in the top third of her class from the University of Michigan Law School. There, she was a contributing editor of the Michigan Law Review. She earned a spot in the highly competitive Honors Program at the U.S. Department of Justice and worked as a staff attorney in the Indian Resources Section of the Environment and Natural Resources Division before becoming Assistant General Counsel for the LTBB tribe.

She has received numerous awards and recognitions along the way. For her work on the drafting of the Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act, Judge Maldonado was voted "Woman of the Year" by her peers and the Michigan Lawyers Weekly in 2014.<sup>6</sup> She successfully litigated the first case that, upon appeal, overturned a termination of parental rights due to the state of Michigan's failure to follow the provisions of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). She wrote the amicus brief in *In re Morris* that successfully persuaded the Michigan Supreme Court to adopt a policy of "conditional reversal" in ICWA cases.<sup>7</sup> Her advocacy for ICWA and determination to bring Michigan and other states into compliance have earned her the "Unsung Hero" award from the Michigan State Bar as well as the "Michiganian of the Year" award from *The Detroit News*. Additionally, she is a 2016 Honoree of the "Women Inspiring Change" award from Harvard Law School as part of its annual International Women's Day Portrait Exhibit, which showcases the astounding contributions of women to the areas of law and policy.<sup>8</sup>

In 2018, she was a contributing author for the book *Tough Cases* (The New Press, NY). In it, judges from across the country recount some of their most high-profile and challenging cases, providing a rare first-person account of how they arrived at the decisions they made from the bench. Judge Maldonado's contribution is called *Walking With My Ancestors: Tribal Justice for Salmon Running*, which relates the story of a young tribal woman who lost parental rights to two young children due to substance abuse yet continued down a path of addiction, drug dealing and criminal behavior seemingly without remorse. Balancing the need to protect the community as well as the rights and future of a tribal citizen, Maldonado found herself in the position of having to weigh the tribal court prosecutor's harsh recommendations against her own instincts. Drawing upon the teachings of a respected tribal elder who started the LTBB tribe's first Healing to Wellness Program, Judge Maldonado arrived at a difficult decision: She would override the advice of her valued team members and give Salmon Running a second chance by allowing her to participate in the program instead

of going to jail. Known as Waabshii Miigwan (White Feather) Healing Court, the innovative program offers a holistic approach to restorative justice for substance abuse offenders, providing them with a culturally centered pathway to wellness, utilizing Odawa values and teachings.

The decision proved pivotal, both for Salmon Running and for Judge Maldonado. For the young woman, it represented the first time anyone had demonstrated such faith in her ability to finally break free from the cycle of drug abuse and addiction, and to work her way toward becoming a healthy and contributing member of her tribal community. For the judge, it represented a leap of trust in the power of traditional Native teachings and alternatives to the familiar but punitive system of criminal justice. Such a decision would be difficult and risky even for a tribal judge raised within their own tribe and steeped in its traditions. Allie Greenleaf Maldonado did not have that advantage.

Born to a Native LTBB Odawa mother who was removed from her tribe as a child and a Jewish father who designed oil refineries all across the country, Judge Maldonado spent her entire childhood as an outsider learning how to be "the new kid on the block." She lived in 19 different locations before she graduated law school, but the reservation in Harbor Springs, MI, was not one of them. "I grew up knowing I was Native American," she says, "but my mother couldn't teach me much more than that because she had had her own culture erased."

Judge Maldonado's mother, Donna Lou Chapman, was removed from the LTBB tribe after her own mother died. Although only a child, she was sent to live with a Mennonite minister and his wife to serve, essentially, as their live-in domestic servant. "They purposefully cut her off from her community," says Judge Maldonado. "They cut her hair and put Clorox on her skin to try and lighten it. They told her she wasn't wanted, that nobody [from the reservation] wanted her. And they told her to lie and say she was Armenian instead of Native American." Likewise, Judge Maldonado's grandmother, Ella Lou Bush, and all of her uncles had similar experiences after being sent to the Indian boarding school in Harbor Springs, MI. "My grandmother kept taking my uncle Dale and running away. She would walk from Harbor Springs (Michigan) all the way back to the family in Good Hart (Michigan). The third time she did that, the Indian agent took all four of her children away to the Mount Pleasant boarding school, where they stayed for nine years without ever being allowed to return home."


Like her mother, Judge Maldonado's uncles were sent in the summers to work on local farms, providing free labor under the auspices of "job training." The goal, in the words of Richard Henry Pratt, founder of Carlisle Indian Industrial School, the first government-run Indian boarding school, was to "kill the Indian, save the man."<sup>9</sup>

The brutality of this practice began to wane in the 1930s, yet did not completely cease in Michigan until the 1980s, leaving generations of Native children forever scarred by what they endured. Many, like Judge Maldonado's mother, never returned to their tribe or their families. Those who did return often faced the emotional trauma of trying to integrate back into a culture from which they had been alienated. "My mother spent her whole life looking for a purpose and a place. It left her feeling really lost," Judge Maldonado recalls. "I remember my mother bouncing from religion to religion, from community to community, trying to be a part of all sorts of different things."

The remnants of this lingering sense of isolation affected Judge Maldonado's own self-identity, particularly growing up in various states without ever being able to put down roots in one place for very long. "I remember being mistaken for Chinese or Japanese by other kids in Louisiana or California," she recalls. "In Texas, people thought I was Mexican, in New York, it was Puerto Rican. I was literally mistaken for whatever the predominant ethnicity was, in whatever area we happened to live."

Facing discrimination was something Judge Maldonado learned to overcome at an early age.

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"Maldonado" continued from page 33.

She was attending school in Louisiana when the federal courts issued their desegregation order following the decision in *Brown v. Board of Education*, prompting a crisis of intense public resistance. When 6-year-old Ruby Bridges enrolled in a New Orleans elementary school in 1960, it was followed by a resurgence of racial animosity against non-white students of all ethnicities. "It wasn't easy growing up with a Native American mother and a Jewish father," she laughs. "Not in that era." The injustice of discrimination together with her knowledge of how racist assimilation policies had harmed her own family precipitated her desire to pursue a career devoted to social justice and the law. "I went to law school because I wanted to do whatever I could to make sure that what happened to my mother and to my grandmother, and to my great-grandmother who lost her children, didn't happen to anyone else. There is not one person in my community [at Little Traverse Bay] who wasn't affected."

Judge Maldonado was in law school the first time she set foot on the reservation at Little Traverse Bay, the place where her mother was born but to which she had never returned.

I went to a pow wow and was stunned — because I had never seen faces that looked like my own, other than my mother's. I never blended in anywhere. I never lived anywhere that I felt I fit in. And that makes you feel very alone. One psychologist has termed it "split feather syndrome." You never feel like you fit in with the dominant majority, but you don't quite fit in with the community in which you should have been raised.

The experience of discovering her ancestry and tribe was transformative. "It just makes you think, maybe I belong here." She joined the tribe as Assistant General Counsel shortly after law school and now, as Chief Judge, remains devoted to advocating for tribal rights and issues.

Judge Maldonado's dedication to this cause led her to excel both academically and professionally. Today, she is recognized as one of the nation's leading experts on ICWA. She wrote the first draft of what would become the Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act (MIFPA), working closely with a group comprising 87 stakeholders, including judges, court clerks, social workers, guardians ad litem, parents' attorneys and prosecuting attorneys. "We all got together and worked hard to draft it. I wrote the first draft,

but then everyone edited it and elevated it and worked together to get it passed in the state legislature." The same group wrote a judicial bench book on ICWA and revised some of Michigan's court rules and forms relating to ICWA compliance. Thanks to their efforts, MIFPA exceeds the standards set forth by ICWA, thus insulating Michigan somewhat from the current court challenges to ICWA's constitutionality.

Judge Maldonado's willingness to share her story has inspired others — from law students to judges and fellow attorneys — to take an interest in Indian child welfare and the protection of tribal sovereignty.<sup>10</sup> She is a frequent speaker and trainer on the subject and has served as chair and co-chair of the FBA's Indian Law Conference. Her tireless devotion to advocating for Indian children and tribal justice is something that undoubtedly makes her tribe, and her family, very proud.

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The family of Marty Van De Car would like to say miigwetch to Tom Teuthorn and Joe Syrette, who assisted with Marty's ceremonial fire and for memorial and burial services; Paul Shananaquet, who assisted during the memorial; William "Bill" Schuyler, who assisted with burial services; William "Bill" Schuyler, Cindy Schuyler, Heather Syrette, Shay Schuyler, Gwen Teuthorn and Phyllis Brecheisen, who assisted with preparing Marty for his journey with clothes, essentials for his journey, meals and prepping for his services; Diane and Tom Naganashe for the honor wreath and the prayer at the memorial luncheon; Cheryl Kishigo and Ben Hinmon for the cedar box; LTBB for the use of the LTBB Governmental Center for his memorial luncheon; Eric Vert and the Marriott Hotel for the bereavement travel rate; all the firekeepers who assisted with the ceremonial fire; and Stone Funeral Home, especially Victoria, who handled all the arrangements and accommodations for the services. Thank you to the Odawa Casino Resort Marketing family, the LTBB Tribal Council and the Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation, the Advisory Council of McLaren Northern Michigan, the Robert Dominic family, the Wenona Singel family, the Haggerty-Bearden family, the Odawa Casino Resort and the Harbor Brenn Insurance Agency for the beautiful flowers and plants. We wish to thank the following individuals for assisting before, during and after the memorial luncheon: Andi Shananaquet, Dennis Shananaquet, Brittany Bentley, Dora Graczyk, Mariesa Hill, Sam Tyczinski, Mickey Cannon, Nick Foltz, Rowdy Yates and Mark Fisher. We would also like to say miigwetch to the following individuals who contributed to the memorial luncheon: Sherry Schrage, Sarah Scheaffer, Willis Kiogima, Mark Phillips, Kristine Holbrook, Kyle Ulrich, Brandy Lee, Denise White, Olivia Massey, Parkview Café, Pauline Boulton, Regina Gasco-Bentley, Brittany Bentley, Tricia Sears, Rebecca Fisher, Pastor Sherry McGuffin, Kathy Kutcipal Reglin, Amy Carey, Michele Portman-LaCount, Wendy Congdon, Justin Wemigwase, Mary and Ken Roberts, Deleta Smith, Mickey Cannon and the Odawa Casino Resort. Miigwetch to the following individuals for the prayers, thoughts, cards and donations: Pearl Wong and Erica Gupton; Leah and Tory Phippen; Phyllis Brecheisen; Patrick Conti; Wendy Congdon; Bob VanDeCar and Julie; Amy Trent and Bill VanDeCar; Marie Newman and Norm Blumke; Anna VanDeCar; Carl and Brian VanDeCar; Matt and Stephanie VanDeCar; Jim and Nadine Keway; Debbie Schrupf; Keith and Karm Williams; John and Liz Kenoshmeg, Sr.; Terry Newton; Shawn and Dawn Pearson; Debra Dean; William Bodine; Jackie Wheaton; Jean Baumgartner; Sharon and Keith Szajnecki; Allie and Jay Maldonado; Mandy Martin; Martha Stolt (Hannan); the McLaren Infectious Disease staff; Cliff, Tricia and Derek Sears; Stacey Etawageshik; Marge VanDeCar; Danette Knight; Evette Chavez; BJ Eddy; Leslie and Allan Dhaseleer; Harlan and Kathy Eckholm; Jacklyn Burrell; John Smith; Peggy Kusina; the Petoskey District Library staff; Lisa Keller; D'Ann Zickert; Erica Ploeckleman; Vickie Young; Amy Brecheisen and Dave; the Petoskey-Harbor Springs Area Community Foundation; Julie Drost Dehn; Ellie VanderMolen; Connie Barker and PHS Class of '82; Terri Winegarten; Teresa Arnett and PHS Class of '82; Ray and Jan Jensen; Frank and Kat McPherson; Alan and Michelle Bouschor; Wanda Edwards; Teena Jones; Cherie Dominic; Mike Williams; the Greater Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce; Jennifer Anthony; Raina Staley; and all other cards and donations forthcoming. We were honored and humbled by the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce honoring Marty's memory by establishing the Marty Van De Car Inclusivity Award, which will be given annually to an individual working to better the community by breaking down barriers and fostering change to create an inclusive and welcoming community for all, and by the Harbor Springs Area Chamber of Commerce honoring Marty's memory by establishing the Marty Van De Car Community Ambassador Award to be awarded posthumously to Marty at the 26th Annual Harbor Stars Award Dinner 2022 on October 4 and given annually to an individual. Miigwetch to anyone we may have unintentionally omitted.

## Walking On...



**Alice Rita (Shenoskey) Honson, 83**

Alice Rita (Shenoskey) Honson, 83, of Oden, MI, walked on August 23, 2022 in the comfort of her own home surrounded by loved ones. She was born August 10, 1939 in Nahma, MI, the daughter of William and Margaret Shenoskey. On August 27, 1960, Alice married her beloved husband, Charles Eugene Honson, Sr., at St. Clement Catholic Church in Pellston, MI. She grew up in Cedarville and Hessel, MI, and attended Catholic boarding school. Alice actively fought for sovereign rights. She was a nurse's aide, worked

for Circuit Control and owned and operated the Lake Breeze Adult Foster Care for 18 years. Alice was a member of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians. She was also a member of the Holy Childhood Catholic Church of Harbor Springs, MI. Alice loved playing bingo and card games, crocheting, going to the casino and dancing. She enjoyed dressing up and going out to suppers, to pow wows, the county fair and the Posen Festival. Alice also loved spending time with her grandchildren. She is survived by her husband, Charles; children, Charles (Katie) Honson, Jr., Virgil Honson and Frank Honson; grandchildren, Charles (LaDonna) Honson III, Tiffany Honson, Mercades Lutz-Honson, Scott (Trista) Honson, Katrina, Taylor, Steven, Dakota and Kira Honson and Cheyenne (John) Honson-Kramer. She is also survived by several great grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews and by her husband and her baby dog Spike. Alice was preceded in death by her parents, William and Margaret Shenoskey, and her siblings, Lucille Winberg, Clarence Shenoskey and John Shenoskey.



**Bernadine L. "Dino" Campbell, 72**

Bernadine L. "Dino" Campbell, 72, of Kingsford, MI, passed away on August 23, 2022 in Milwaukee, WI, due to a massive and unexpected stroke. Dino was born on August 30, 1949, in Fremont, MI, to the late George and Susie (Walker) Case. She was a graduate of Kingsford High School, Class of '93. On August 31, 1994, she was married to Timothy "Puba" Campbell. He preceded her in death on April 12, 2005. Dino was proud to serve her community as a dietician for the senior center and a member of the Color Guard for the American Legion Auxiliary. Family

## Walking On...

was always Dino's first priority, and she cherished every moment with her grandchildren and her home was open to all of her "adopted children and grandchildren" in the community. Dino will be deeply missed by her children, Wesley (Michelle) Nicolls, Nickey Nicolls, Misty "Blue" Nicolls, Don Jones and Mark Campbell; grandchildren, Messiah (Joseph) Weinfurter, Delaney Cermack, Robin Nicolls and Kden Denny; great-grandchildren, Keira, Micah, Rocky and Dusty; siblings, Bernard (Janice) Case, Louis (Staci) Case, Georgianna Jolly-Comstock, Lucille Lafrienire and Angeline (Randall) Castie; and many other family and friends. In addition to her husband and parents, Dino is preceded in death by her siblings, Benjamin Case, Silas Case, Herbert "Pug" Case, Melvyn Case, Don Case and Geraldine Masse. The family would like to express their great appreciation to the Hiltunen family for their lifelong friendship with Dino. Condolences may be expressed to the family of Bernadine L. Campbell online at [www.ernashfuneralhomes.com](http://www.ernashfuneralhomes.com).



**Mary Angela Burks, 77**

Mary Angela Burks was a fun-loving, compassionate woman who loved to create beauty. Named for Mary the Mother of God and the angels, she was born on September 15, 1944 to Kenneth Earl Pierce (Seneca) and Dorothy Alma Wasaquam (LTBB). Mary walked on September 7, 2022 at home surrounded by the warmth of ambient love, surrounded by her children and loved ones. Mary was also very driven. She began working as a teenager at the age of 15 for a dry cleaner. She worked for several companies before settling in the IT industry when it was still in its infancy during the 60s and 70s. She spent most of her career at Stroh's Brewery Organization and retired from CompuWare in 2004 as a result of a serious accident she had at home. Following the accident, which forced her retirement, Mary was told she would be wheelchair-bound, but that was a

diagnosis her drive wouldn't accept. With perseverance and help from her loved ones, she did walk again. Mary had always been a fiercely proud Odawa woman and spent a lot of her personal time in the service of her Native community. She was the executive secretary for North American Indian Club and later, the organization's treasurer. She believed wholeheartedly in a chaos of color in everything. She hated when things were what she called, "too matchy-matchy," and kept to this vision all the way down to her household linens. She always slept on mismatched bedding and used towels which never matched each other and she loved it. She loved making things beautiful and giving them as gifts; she was very talented in beadwork, embroidery, crochet and later, diamond dots. She gifted her family and friends the most elegant embroidered pillowcases and kitchen towels to go with our crocheted doilies. Mary loved Miller Lite and during her illness, would sit at the bowling alley with a cold one cheering her great-grandson, Noah Nehila, while he bowled. Mary loved word puzzles and could finish crosswords, jumbles and word searches with the greatest of ease; she loved her children and accepted all of them and their foibles; she also loved her little dog, Radio, with whom she shared a birthday. Mary married the love of her life, David Burks, on November 23, 1966 and he preceded her in death. She met and fell in love with her partner of 33 years, Edward Rodriguez. They took care of each other. He could always cook just enough and made the perfect meals for them. She is preceded in death by her parents, two brothers; Jerry Daniel Pierce and Marshall Andrew Pierce; three aunts, Cecilia Wanageshik (Bender), Irene Wanageshik (Miller), Esther Wanageshik (Donovan); one uncle, Andrew Wasaquam; and one grandson, Kenneth August Andrew Burks. She is survived by her sisters; Shirley Andrea Pierce (Adkins), Alice Pierce (Arthur); sister-in-law, Jackie Pierce; three daughters; Andrea Wasaquam Pierce (Blackcrow), Marisa Zebet Burks (Jonathan Graves), and Lia Renee Burks; and one son; David Kenneth Burks. Also surviving Mary are her numerous grandchildren; David Jewell Burks (Brigitte Matthews), Antoine Royce Burks (Ariane), Brandi Marie Wasilewski (Nehila), her only granddaughter, Erwin Antonio Burks (Nataasha), Alexander Xavier Burks (Nakia Vernon), Liam Royce Burks, Andrew Francis Burks and oodles of beautiful and affectionate great grandchildren.

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