### HARBOR SPRINGS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HONORS LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN MARTY VAN DE CAR

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordina-

The Har-**Springs** bor Area Chamber of Commerce recently named its Community Ambassador Award in honor of LTBB Tribal Citizen Marty Van De Car, who passed away on August 11, 2022.



Hannah Bianchi of the

Harbor Springs Farmers Market received the inaugural Marty Van De Car Community Ambassador Award on October 4, 2022 at the 26th Annual Harbor Stars Awards Dinner 2022.

Prior to Hannah winning the award, Rob Sargent and Jenny Brower explained why the award was named in Marty's honor and shared memories of their times with Marty.



"Marty was an 'influencer' long before it became a thing," Brower said. "'Creating awareness' should probably have been middle name. was always spreading the

word' – introducing new people to other locals – pitching new businesses that opened to the locals – and that is why this naming of the Ambassador Award in his honor is so fitting. He actually was the unofficial Ambassador of Northwest Michigan – he just didn't have the title yet."

Marty served on the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Harbor Springs Area Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Mackinaw City Chamber of Commerce and was honored with the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce's Community Enthusiast Award

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### CARLA OSAWAMICK: ANISHINAABEMOWIN LANGUAGE WARRIOR

By **Annette VanDeCar**, Communications Coordinator

As the Director of the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department, LTBB Tribal Citizen Carla Osawamick spent 20 years working to preserve, revitalize, support, teach and promote Anishinaabemowin.

"Having the opportunity to work for my tribe, especially in the area of Anishinaabemowin language revitalization, has been a privilege," said Carla, whose last day as the director was October 14, 2022. "I am very proud of the work I've accomplished and of my 22 years of service (to LTBB). I've been fortunate to work on many projects over the years with awesome teams. I'm also very proud of LTBB Waganakising Odawak and the progress that I have been able to be a part of. I will continue to contribute, in new and different ways, to LTBB's journey, and will remain a part of our community."

Carla said she will continue to work in language endeavors.

"I feel the Creator assigned me this role; this is my life's work," she said. "I support and care for all things in our community, but this is what I was meant to do. My mom (Alice Yellowbank) taught us we had an obligation to do something of service for our people and this is how I can be of service to my people. I never saw my job as learning the language, I saw it as making language happen for my community. My role was to help make change through promotion, and curriculum development and resources to help others."

Her mother, Alice Yellowbank, introduced her to language learning when Alice took Helen Roy's community language class in Lansing, MI. Carla took language classes from Roy when she lived in Lansing



and Mt. Pleasant, MI. Carla worked seven years for the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe in Soaring Eagle Human Resources (1993-1996), as a K-12 Tutor (1996-1999) and an Administrative Assistant in Registrar and Financial Aid (1999-2000) before joining LTBB as the Executive Assistant in the Human Services Department (2000-2002).

When Carla worked in the LTBB Human Services Department, she did language activities at the weekly LTBB Elders Luncheon held in the Human Services Department. She and fellow LTBB Tribal Citizens, Joe Mitchell and Winnay Wemigwase, were all interested in the language and began meeting. They then met with LTBB Tribal Administrator Albert Colby-ba and made a presentation to the LTBB Tribal Council. LTBB Tribal Council approved the presentation and the LTBB Language Department was established in 2002 under the LTBB Archives "Osawamick" continued on page 28.

### NETAWN KIOGIMA EMBRACES NEW LEADERSHIP ROLE

By Annette VanDeCar, Communications Coordinator

As a young person growing up in East Lansing, MI, LTBB Tribal Citizen Netawn Kiogima had no Native American teachers to help her navigate the educational system.

"That fueled my fire to be a teacher," Netawn said. "There were no Native teachers or advocates at any of my schools. I wanted to change some of the educational systems and help Native youth. I was exposed to higher education at a young age because of my dad (Archie Kiogima, Jr., who earned a Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University in 1988 and retired in September 2021 after 24 years as the LTBB Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist), so I



knew education was the key to a good, successful life. But, before I took an educational journey, I took a journey to find myself as an Anishinaabe person. Once I found my self-identity as an Anishinaabe person, I made my education fit in with my self-identity. I always had education, but I wanted to find more meaning in my life. I wanted to look to our spirituality, culture and language

and see how that intertwined with education."

That journey led her to meet her life partner, Robert "R.J." Smith, and she discovered pow wow dancing. While at a pow wow when she was 17, she heard a prayer spoken in Anishinaabemowin and there was an instant connection.

"That struck my heart," she said of hearing the prayer in Anishinaabemowin. "In the late 1990s, my daughter (Miigwaans) was born and I knew it was my responsibility to pass on the language to her. I heard about the BMCC (Bay Mills Community College) teaching certificate and I dedicated myself to formal language training. I had taken a few community language classes from Helen Roy before that, but I spent three summers of intense "Kiogima" continued on page 29.

### LTBB TRIBAL CITIZENS ENROLLED AS OF 10-24-2022 = 4,470

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242-1400

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ElectionBoard@ltbbelectionboard.org

### Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Anishinaabemowin Interpretation of LTBB Mission Statement

Debendiziwin aawan maanda Odawa aawiyiing. Geyaabi gdaa'aanaa miinwaa gdanwewmi Anishinaabemowin, maanda egishkaago'iing debendiziwin ebidgwasiing mnaadendiziwin miinwaa wiimnaadendiziyiing. Gdabendaanaa debendiziwin kina gwaya Odawak naasaap eyaamjik, maanda naakinigewinan, maadiziwin miinwaa mnidoowaadiziwin gaanaaniigaaniijik debendamowaad. Maanda debendiziwin eyaamiing nangwa, kanamaajiidonaa niigaan ezhibezhigoyiing, kinoomaadwin, dbaakinigewin, giigidowin miinwaa naakinigewin. Kazhiibiignaketaanaa maanda niizhwaachiing bimaadiziwin waabii'aamigak mjignamiing ninda mnomaadiziwinan echipiitendaakin: nbwaakaawin, zaagidwin, mnaadendamowin, aakde'ewin, gwekwaadiziwin, dbaadendiziwin miinwaa debwewin. Kanakaazinaa ninda gdabendaaswinaanin, jimiigwe'iing nakaazwinan jimnomewzi'iing, enitaanokiijik maampii Anishinaabek enaapshkaamwaad maanda gbimaadziwinaa. Ninda eyaamiing echipiitendaakin, miigo kina gwaya maampii enjibaad jiniigaanibizad.

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.



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 December 2022 issue of Odawa Trails is November 4, 2022.

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

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# PROGI





### REQUESTS FOR TRIBAL CERTIFICATE OF EXEMPTION (TCE)

The LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) would like to remind all Resident Tribal Citizens (RTC) that Requests for Tribal Certificates of Exemption (TCE) must be submitted prior to making the purchases. DOC has up to 96 hours to process the request once all necessary information has been received. If the purchase is made before obtaining the TCE, there is now a fallback option which makes it possible for Citizens to request a refund directly from the Michigan Department of Treasury, however this should not be used in lieu of the regular TCE process. The refund process is more burdensome on the RTC and still requires that a TCE is obtained. Refund requests can be made within four (4) years of the original date of purchase. Please contact the DOC office at 231.242.1584 or DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov if you need to request a refund or for any other TCE questions.

### EXEMPTION UPDATE

The LTBB Department of Commerce would like to share an important update regarding the Tribal Certificate of Exemption (TCE).

While we strongly encourage Resident Tribal Members (RTMs) to obtain TCEs prior to the purchase(s), there is now a way to request a refund directly from the Michigan Department of Treasury for taxes paid on eligible items. If you made an eligible purchase while being an RTM, and you did NOT claim your exemption at the time of purchase - please contact the LTBB Department of Commerce for detailed information on how to request your refund. Refund claims must be made within four years of the original

date of purchase. Please note this refund option should not be used as an alternative to the regular TCE process; rather, it should be a fallback option as the process for a refund is more burdensome on the RTM and still requires the RTM to obtain a TCE. The refund will be requested directly from the Michigan Department of Treasury, however, LTBB DOC can walk you through the process and help you obtain the necessary paperwork to do so (TCE, appropriate receipts, forms from the seller, etc.).

Please contact the LTBB DOC office at 231-242-1584 or DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov for additional information.

### Resident Tribal Citizens LTBB TAX AGREEMENT AREA &

Listed below are the townships included in the LTBB Tax Agreement Area. If your principal residence is within the Tax Agreement Area and your address is updated with the LTBB Enrollment department, you are considered a Resident Tribal Citizen and are eligible for several tax exemptions as defined in our Tax Agreement. For more information on the available exemptions, please contact the DOC office at 231.242.1584 or DOC@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov.

LTBB Tax Agreement Area Townships: Cross Village (all)

Friendship (all)

Little Traverse (all)

Readmond (all)

West Traverse (all)

City of Petoskey (all)

City of Harbor Springs (all)

Bear Creek (all)

\*Resort (partial)

\*Hayes (partial)

\*Bay (partial)

\*City of Charlevoix (North of the bridge only)

\*Charlevoix Township

(North of the bridge only)

### ATTENTION LTBB TRIBAL CITIZEN Owned Businesses

LTBB Tribal Citizen owned businesses wishing to be e-mailed of various business opportunities within the LTBB Government or LTB-Bowned enterprises should contact the LTBB Department of Commerce (DOC) to provide an e-mail address in which they would like to be contacted and include a brief statement of what 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.

# EGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Tribal Council ATTENDANCE LOG



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DATE	September 2022								
9/6/22	Appropriations and Finance Committee		Χ	Χ	X		Χ		
9/13/22	Tribal Council Work Session	X			Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
9/15/22	Tribal Council Meeting	Χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
9/26/22	Tribal Council Special Meeting	Х		Χ	χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
9/27/22	Tribal Council Work Session	X		χ		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
9/27/22	U.S. Attorney-Western District Meeting							Χ	
9/29/22	Tribal Council Meeting		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ
	*Additional recording of attendance may be reported on future report logs.								

LTBB Tribal Council approved a per capita disbursement of \$500 for 2022. The LTBB Accounting Department will mail out checks on or before November 10, 2022. If you have any questions regarding your status, please contact the LTBB Enrollment Department at 231- 242-1520/1521/1522 Chi Miigwech!





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### EARLY HEAD START

### 2022/2023 PROGRAM YEAR

Assisting Needs Including Local Native AMERICAN CULTURE, NUTRITIOUS MEALS AND CENTRALLY LOCATED BUS PICK-UPS

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4 PM

EARLY HEAD START CAN WORK IN COORDINATION WITH THE

CALL TODAY!



# **EXECUTIVE BRANCH**

### From The Executive Office



Aanii boozhoo!

It is finally that time of the year again - Ghost Supper season. It is an important tradition which allows us to reconnect with our relations who have walked through the Western door and to honor their journeys. As a community, we come together to feast and lay semma down for our loved ones. Ghost Suppers often include the favorite meals of those who have walked on as well as teachings, so we remember who we are as Anishinaabek. We move forward with gratitude for our ancestors and all they accomplished to bring us to where we find ourselves today. There is no better medicine than maintaining our cultural ways as well as our relationship with the spirits. Be sure to look in this issue of the Odawa Trails for a list of upcoming Ghost Suppers.

A big chi-miigwech to the Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee, the Niigaandiwin Education Department, the Health Department, the Natural Resources Department, the Gijigowi Language Department and the many wonderful volunteers who rallied together to pull off yet another successful event! The day was full of laughter, fun and good food.

Community Health's Ogichidaa (Warrior) Trail is finally complete! The new addition to the pow wow grounds is a walking trail which incorporates 15 different physical activity stations throughout the course. Each station works to improve flexibility, muscle toning, cardiovascular conditioning, balancing skills, etc. I hope our community takes advantage of this great resource to stay healthy.

This past month, I attended the United Tribes of Michigan meeting as well as the investiture of U.S. Attorney Mark Totten. I also established a team of Executive leadership to begin working with the State of Michigan to provide feedback on the state's initiative to launch a statewide boarding schools study. The purpose of the survey will be to research the statistical data of Native American children who were forced to attend boarding schools in Michigan, the abuse they endured and the long-term impacts boarding school trauma has had on indigenous communities.

Vice Chairperson Stella Kay attended the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Fall Session as well as the Native American Food Distribution Programs on Indian Reservations (NAFPDIR) National Conference to participate in the Tribal Leader Workgroup in a continued effort to advocate for important changes to the FY2023 Farm

Lastly, I cannot emphasize this enough - be sure to vote in the midterm election on November 8. This election will determine seats for governor, attorney general, Secretary of State, statewide offices and measures, congressional races as well as other local seats and matters. We often see the number of voters decline during midterms but make no mistake, these elections are just as impactful as presidential elections. Visit https:// www.vote411.org to get register and receive non-partisan information about candidates and proposals on your ballot as well as other election information.

### **Serve your Tribal Nation**



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



### **Executive Town Hall Meeting Schedule**

Please join the Executive Branch on the second Wednesday of each month from 10AM to 12PM to receive updates on the LTBB Government's COVID-19 response, department services, Tribal Elder teachings, and more! Attendees can attend by phone, or Zoom. Meeting dates and times are subject to change. Agendas and notices for any rescheduled meetings will be posted on the LTBB website, and other tribal communication outlets.

### 2022 EXECUTIVE TOWN HALL MEETING DATES

November 9th, December 14th



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# HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### NOVEMBER 2022 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM SCHEDULE

CLOSED ON NOVEMBER 11TH FOR VETERANS DAY AND NOVEMBER 24TH - 25TH FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

Open Distribution: 7th - 10th from 9am - 3pm Cooking Demos 7th and 8th

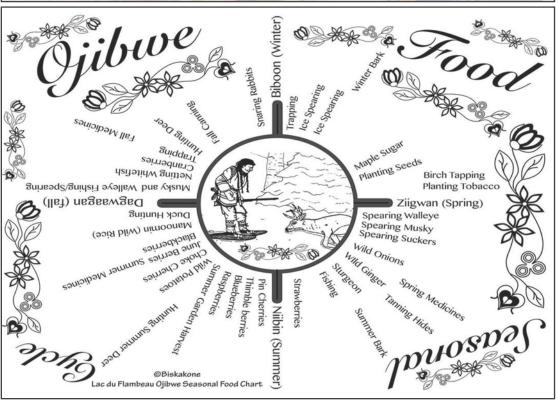
Call 231-881-2855 or 231-347-2573 for food pick-up appointments outside of our Open Distribution Week

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

Deliveries: Local: 3rd and 4th Peshawbestown: 16th Traverse City: 22nd

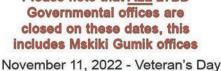
For more information, contact Food Distribution Program Specialist Joe VanAlstine at 231-347-2573





### LTBB GOVERNMENTAL OFFICE CLOSINGS

Please note that ALL LTBB Governmental offices are closed on these dates, this



November 23, 2022 - Thanksgiving

November 24, 2022 - Day After Thanksgiving

December 23, 2022 - Christmas Eve December 24, 2022 - Christmas Day December 30, 2022 - New Year's Eve



### Tribal Notary Information

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

Tribal Notary Commission Full Name	PLANTAGE STATE	Phone Number (231)	Expiration Date	Serial Number
Rebecca R Fisher	Active	NA	February 20, 2027	02-09
Cynthia Brouckaert	Active	242-1462	June 5, 2023	05-09
Beverly J Wemigwase	Active	242-1400	February 21, 2027	10-09
Julie Rose Janiskee	Active	242-1610	August 23, 2027	11-09
Marin C Taylor	Active	242-1521	May 14,2024	13-09
Hayden Hooper	Active	242-1584	February 1, 2027	15-09
Lakota Worthington	Active	242-1401	May 4, 2027	16-09
Kerstine Omey	Active	242-1418	January 17, 2028	17-09

## Temporary Help Wanted

Are you a tribal citizen who would like to:

Gain valuable work experience?

Work in the tribal community?

Make a little extra money?

Gain experience in several fields?

### Apply today to join our LTBB Temporary Worker pool!

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

Call: 231-242-1563

### **November Elders Birthdays**

### November 1

Yvonne Eastman Albert Schwiderson Edward Burch, Jr.

### November 2

Wanda Elzinga
Sandra Williams
Allen Hardwick
James Gaus
Ramona Gall
Michael Skippergosh
Joyce Munson
Walter Page, Jr.
George Anthony

### November 3

Dexter McNamara Russell Menefee Cynthia Greensky Richard Washegesic Russell Worthington

### November 4

Chris Paulsen Carol Rinko Joseph Nadeau, Jr. Chester Eagleman, Jr.

### November 5

Anne Taylor
Anthony Bjornstad
Ramona Sachtler
Dorothy Dyer
Lynne Holiday

### November 6

Rita Serva Maureen Kilpatrick Elizabeth Talamantez

### November 7

Lawrence Couillard Robert Martell, Jr. Neoma Hallett Judith Nuytten George Portman, Jr. Katherine Martin

### **November 8**

Eileen Yeager
Edwin Fluette
Brook Barney
Judy Hernandez-Martin

### November 9

Edward Crossett
Renee Dillard
James Teuthorn
Rosalee Star Chief

### November 10

Philip Ramage Elaine Willis Michele Sands

### November 11

Shelly Solinski
Jerome Skippergosh
Elizabeth Williamson
Mark Demoines, Sr.

### November 12

Marcelino Bernard, Sr. Paul Sharkey

### November 13

Robert Sky-Eagle
Toni Krzesowiak
Cynthia Sloan
Bernice Olson
Kathy Heilman
Melissa Mulholland

### **November 14**

Leslie Gasco William Teuthorn Patricia Reedy

### November 15

Mary McLaughlin Flora Shears Geneva Liebenberg Cecilia Bernard Edward VanValkinburg

### November 16

Mary Kraemer

### November 17

Michael Fetterhoff
Kahtnee Tobasageshik
John Tyo
Susan Christie
Levina Smith
Steven Sanchez

### **November 18**

Cinthia Szucs Maria Godfrey David Portman

### November 19

Debra Riley
Harold Demoines
Robert Sebeck

### November 20

Joan Sobbe Larry Leo Shane Paulsen

### November 21

Amanda Meshekey

### November 22

Daniel Hemenway
Jill Haley
Jon Petoskey
Edward Paul
Michael Harper
Linda Keway
Jon Weber
Patricia Walker

### November 23

Marian Sedlak Kimberly Williams Bruce Kahgee Cynthia Gilbert

### November 24

John Denemy, Jr. Mark Kishego II Mary Kiogima

### November 25

Gilbert Young
Anthony Keller
Daniel Praschan
Darrin Wabanimkee

### **November 26**

John Sharkey Julia Shananaquet

### November 27

Mary VanEenoo
Ann Reed
Jane Schertzing
Nancy Ortiz
William Hoar
Barry Minor

### November 28

Kimberly Knoppe Darlene Rowland Mary LaFord Velda Ries

### November 29

Cheryl Seymour Charlyne Carss

### November 30

Joseph Beaver Barbara Sharkey Mark Kosequat

# LTBB Tribal Flags for Sale!!



For more information, contact Don Portman at biindigen@gmail.com

or 231-487-1093

# 2022 Ghost Supper List

### Friday, November 4

Shananaquet Family LTBB Community Building 5656 Apgishmok Blvd. Harbor Springs, MI Time: 4 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

SPRING Program Ghost Supper LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI Time: 1 p.m. – 6 p.m.

### Saturday, November 5

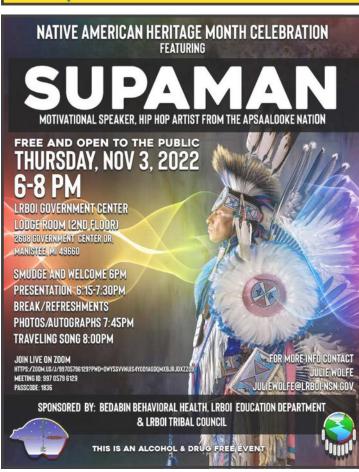
Naganashe/Boda/Lewis/Bott LTBB Governmental Center 7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI Start: 5 p.m.

### Saturday, November 12

Kiogima/Shawa/ Warren/Moses 3207 Indian Road Brutus, MI Time: 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Craven/Isaac
6735 Maple Drive
Pellston, MI
Start time: 4:30 p.m.
In person or take out option
available. Send a member of
your party to door to place
take out order.





LTBB Town Hall meetings are available to be viewed at:

www.ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/townhallmeetings.html

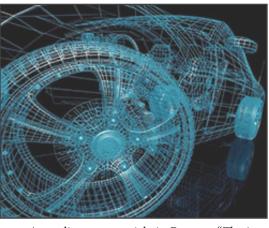
# EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

### Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training Program - Training People for the Future of Industrial Manufacturing

By Benedict A. Hinmon, NIT Project Dictor



We are seeing drastic changes in the industrial manufacturing industry as U.S. companies move towards full automation using smart factories and robotics. Manufacturing companies hope the move to full automation will level the playing field with the cost of labor steadily rising, driving the cost of U.S. made goods up in a highly competitive global market. Since World War II, U.S. manufacturing has steadily fallen behind countries like China, Japan and India because of steadily rising labor costs. Although the U.S. still ranks high in the total of goods marketed around the world, that figure has been impacted by labor costs, making it difficult for American manufacturers to remain competitive in the global economy.



According to an article in Reuters, "The incentive for companies to pursue robot-enhances are obvious in the current tight labor market. With nearly two open jobs for every unemployed worker, employers are bidding up wages..." The total U.S. labor costs-covering wages and benefits-surged 5.1% in the second quarter of 2021, the most since the Labor Department began tracking it in 2001. Much of this has been attributed to labor distortions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic as many older workers exited the labor market during the highest infection rate of the pandemic.

Add this all together and the move to full-automation by U.S. manufacturing companies makes complete sense. With less and less people entering industrial manufacturing careers and jobs becoming less physical and more technical in nature, the industry hopes the move to automation will save millions in labor costs, thus reducing the cost of goods manufactured. As automation becomes more and more common, jobs like Computer Numeric Control (CNC), Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacturing will become one job. This

means skilled operators will be becoming top wage earners in the new era of automated industrial manufacturing. The time to consider a career in industrial manufacturing is now, at the beginning of the move to automation, putting you in a good position to grow with the industry.

Nitaazhitoojik Industrial Training (NIT) is accepting applications for the Winter 2022 CNC Operator and Computer Aided Design Operator courses at North Central Michigan College (NCMC) in Petoskey, MI. These one-year certif-



icate programs can position you to begin a lucrative career in industrial manufacturing and position you to ride the wave to automated manufacturing. NCMC is now a Certification Site for the Smart Automation Certification Association (SACA) where you can take online modules while you work full-time to earn industry recognized credentials for automated jobs of the future. We provide wrap-around support services like stipends and mileage for all your classroom time, assistance with tuition and fees, all required course material and much, much more.



If you're someone who enjoys playing on computers, enjoys designing and build things, then a career in industrial manufacturing might be just what you're looking for. Qualified Automation Operators with industry credential and experience will earn roughly \$92,000 to \$275,000 in the automated manufacturing industry. Top wage earners will be highly dependable, highly skilled workers who have both technical and practical experience in the automated manufacturing industry. If this sounds like something you're interested in and would like to learn more, feel free to stop by the Niigaandiwin Education Department, located in the LTBB Governmental Center in Harbor Springs, MI. Our friendly staff will be happy to get you started in a new career and show you how easy it is to enroll in classes and start earning while you're learning.

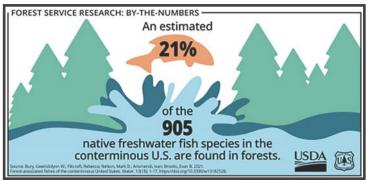
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# COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

# Christmas Coloring Contest Rules

Crayons \* Markers \* Paint \* Stickers \* Colored Pencils \* Glitter \* You choose!

Age categories are 3-7 and 8-12.

- Limit one submission per child.
- All entries must be the original size.
- Open to LTBB Community Citizens.
- Entries can be submitted by snail

mail, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 or dropped off at the LTBB Governmental Center, 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740. No exceptions! · All mailed entries must be post-

marked by November 28, 2022. No exceptions! Submissions judged by Communications/Odawa Trails staff with three winners being selected in each age category. Each winner will receive a prize!



PHONE:

Parent or Guardian needs to fill out information!



- · 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



### LTBB ELECTION **BOARD CONTACT** INFORMATION

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### 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 dury. 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
- Date of Birth

This information will be used by the Grants Department.

**Branch of Service** 

Megwetch,

Pauline Boulton, Enrollment Officer

### 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.

# 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

- 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 Web-

https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/enrollment https://ltbbodawa-nsn.gov/forms

### 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

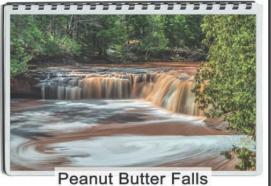
Please contact the Enrollment Office through Lindsey Doerfler at 231-242-1522 or Marin Taylor 231-242-1521. You may also contact the Enrollment Office via e-mail at enrollment@ltbbodawa-nsn.

> Sincerely, Pauline Boulton **Enrollment Officer**











**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.

- 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.



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

### 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



Office is open for appointments For questions or appointments call:

231-242-1522 - Katie 231-242-1521 - Marin 231-242-1520 - Pauline





Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Enjiboozbiigeng **Enrollment Office** 

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

\*\*\* Enrollment Fees waived for LTBB Veterans\*\*\*

# HEALTH DEPARTMENT

### LTBB COMMUNITY HEALTH

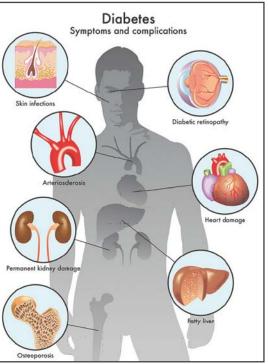
November 2022: American Diabetes Month



The statistics cannot be ignored: 37.3 million people in America diagnosed with diabetes, one in five people have diabetes and do not know it, Native Americans are twice as likely as whites to have diabetes.

These stats can be intimidating. It can feel debilitating to get a diabetes diagnosis, but it does not have to feel that way. If you can develop healthy habits, you are able to live a happy life with diabetes.

"Insulin, a hormone, is the key to getting the glucose out of the blood and into the body's cells to be used for energy."



### What Causes Diabetes?

Diabetes is a disease of metabolism. Metabolism is the way the body uses food for energy and growth. The body's metabolism is particularly related to carbohydrates, which are food nutrients which supply energy. With a normal metabolism, the stomach and intestines digest the carbohydrates in food into a sugar called glucose. Glucose is the body's main source of energy. After digestion, the glucose moves into the blood to give the body energy.

The glucose does not stay in the blood. The pancreas makes a hormone called insulin, which is the key to getting the glucose out of the blood and into the body's cells to be used for energy. With diabetes, either the body does not make enough insulin to convert the glucose or the cells cannot use it the way they should. Instead, the glucose builds up in the blood, causing diabetes, otherwise known as persistent high blood sugar.

The exact causes of diabetes are not fully understood and typically involve multiple factors such as genetics and interactions with the environment.

Source: What causes diabetes? | NICHD - Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (nih.gov) Native Americans with Diabetes - Vital Signs - CDC

### Living Healthy with Diabetes

In the last 20 years, the rates of several diabetes complications have decreased among U.S. adults living with diabetes. People with diabetes are living longer, healthier lives with fewer associated complications. The greatest declines were for the two leading causes of death: Heart attack and stroke.

How do you live a life with fewer complications of diabetes? A healthy lifestyle is your road map for managing diabetes, which is the key to preventing or delaying complications.

Here is a helpful Prevention Toolkit:

- Follow a healthy eating plan. Imagine your meal plate having three separate sections: 1/4 of the plate for proteins, 1/4 for starches and 1/2 for vegetables and fruits.
- Be physically active for at least 150 minutes a week (just 30 minutes, five days a week).
  - Manage your ABCs:
- A: Get a regular A1C test to measure your average blood sugar over two to three months; aim to stay in your target range as much as possible.
- B: Try to keep your blood pressure below 140/90 mm Hg (or the target your doctor sets).
  - **C:** Control your **c**holesterol levels.
  - s: Stop smoking or don't start.

Your doctor may also prescribe medicines which can help you manage your blood sugar, blood pressure, cholesterol and triglyceride lev-

- 4. Lose weight if you're overweight—just a 5% to 7% weight loss lowers the risk for complications. That's 10 to 14 pounds for someone who weighs 200 pounds.
- 5. Take medicines as instructed, and talk to your doctor if you have questions about or problems with your medicine. Make and keep appointments with your health care team (primary care doctor, dentist, foot doctor, eye doctor and

Sources: Put the Brakes on Diabetes Complications | DDT (cdc.gov)



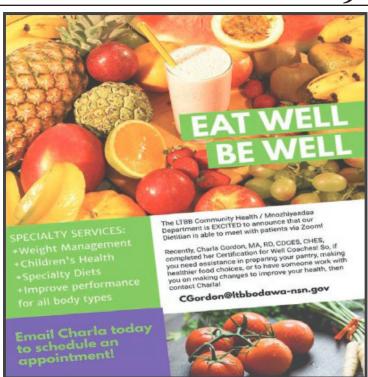
### The Thirteen Moons

November is the month of the Baashkaakodin Giizis or the Freezing Moon. This is the time when the earth and creatures prepare to fast and slow down, reminding us to prepare ourselves spiritually for the coming months. Contact Charla, RD, for information on the 13 Moon

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.

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We welcome everyone to visit our Official Facebook Page at https://www.facebook.com/LTBBODAWA. Please be respectful in your comments.





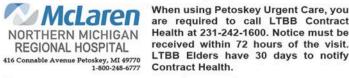




To schedule, please contact LTBB Behavioral Health at (231) 242 - 1640



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



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.

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.

**MUNSON HEALTHCARE** Charlevoix Hospital 4700 Lake Shore Drive, Charlevoix, MI 49720 231-547-4024

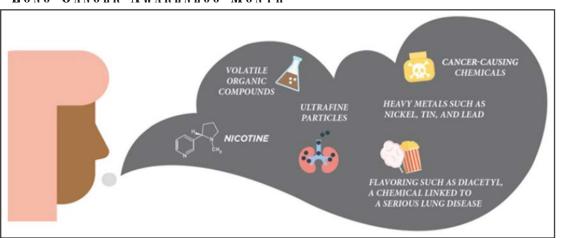
### AT HOME WORKOUTS

As the temperature begins to change outside, we have to make a plan on what can be done on the inside for physical activity. Here is a

beginner's guide to help plan your workouts and also give you ideas on what can be done in small spaces.



### Lung Cancer Awareness Month



Submitted by **Emily Ferroni**, Patient Navigator for Cancer Screening

November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month — this type of cancer is one of the leading causes of death among American Indian men and women. Stopping the use of commercial tobacco is the most effective way you can prevent lung cancer. If you are a smoker, try and remember to smoke far away from your home and others as well as make sure you are in an outdoor area to ensure your family, friends and community members are not being affected by the secondand third-hand smoke.

As most lung cancers are caused by cigarette smoking, it is important to be mindful of the harm e-cigarettes and vaping can do to your lungs and body as well in both our youth and adults. Data taken from the Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System shows 47.3% of American Indian high school students used electronic vapor products such as e-cigarettes and vape pens within the last 30 days with 19.9% of American Indian high school students using these products on at least 20 days or more within a month's timeframe. E-cigarette products contain high amounts of nicotine which can be harmful to the development of the adolescent brain — affecting attention span, learning, mood and impulse

control. Becoming addicted to nicotine at such a

young age also increases the likelihood of cigarette smoking in the future. Studies have found e-cigarette "smoke," which is an aerosol, could also be harmful to the lungs long term just like normal cigarettes are as they contain chemicals linked to lung disease, cancer, also heavy metals such as tin, nickel and lead which are harmful within the body.

Becoming aware of the harms of tobacco and e-cigarettes is one of the first steps of lung cancer prevention. Be aware of what you are putting in your body, the harmful effects of it, and make the decision to either not start using the product or get the help from your primary care provider to quit. It is more likely for a child who lives in a household which uses tobacco to also become a tobacco user later. Keep your loved ones and yourself healthy and stop the use of tobacco and e-cigarettes — if you are a current or past tobacco user, talk to your primary care provider about lung cancer screening.

To make an appointment with your provider to discuss if lung cancer screening is the right decision for you or if you need support to quit, call the clinic at 231-242-1700 to make an appointment. Take care of your health for yourself and your loved ones! The holidays are coming up, and we want you to feel your best to enjoy them with family and friends.

Courtesy graphic.

### Native Way Two Exercise Class Schedule



Wiijigaamshin = Dance with me Zumba Class

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.

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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.

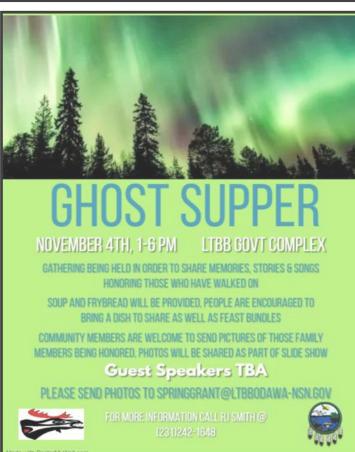
Starts May 11<sup>th</sup>.

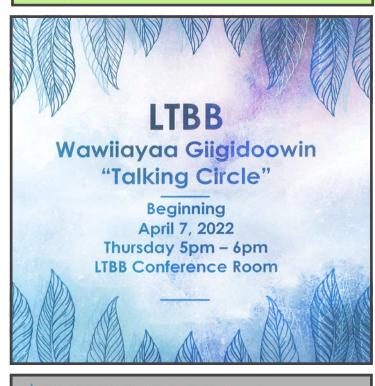


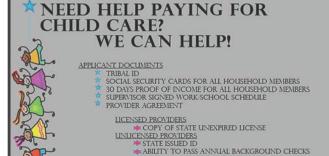
Niimidaa! = Let's dance! Pow Wow Dance Thursdays @530pm - 7pm

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.







LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
98 SPRING STREET, PETOSKEY, MICHIGAN

### ORANGE SHIRT DAY ALSO KNOWN AS TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION DAY - WHY ORANGE SHIRTS?



The creation of Orange Shirt Day is tied to the St. Joseph Mission Residential School Commemoration Project reunion event held in 2013 when Phylis Westbad shared her experience with the world. Just before leaving her family for residential school at the age of six, Phylis was given an orange shirt by her grandmother. So proud she was to be wearing that new orange shirt as she approached the school tightly holding on to the hand of her Nokomis. However, when she arrived at the school, the shirt was seized, and she never saw it again. From then on, the orange

shirt symbolizes the systematic stripping away of local cultures and the unfortunate experiences the children had to face.

To put it simply, orange shirts are a way to recognize and raise awareness about the residential school system in Canada and the United States to honor the experiences of indigenous peoples - past and present. Wearing an orange shirt is a symbol of solidarity and remembrance and its origin comes from the long, complicated and tumultuous history of indigenous people in Canada and the United States

No, it doesn't mean your anti-Canada or anti-United States.

The effects of the residential school system are still felt today - not only by individuals, but by indigenous culture and communities as a whole. To this day, many children remain missing or unaccounted for, which only extends the cultural trauma inflicted upon indigenous people by this cruel system.

Courtesy graphics.



### Orange Shirt Day 2022

By Deleta Gasco Smith, Behavioral Health Cultural Advisor

Knowing that we had one of these residential schools right here in our own backyard, Holy Childhood of Jesus School in Harbor Springs, MI, as a testimony to recognize those who survived and also those who came and never left, the LTBB Behavioral Health Services offered a chance for anyone wishing to recognize their loved ones an opportunity of remembrance.

Friday, September 30, 2022, a ceremony was held at the LTBB Health Park in Petoskey, MI. This ceremony included a pipe ceremony, water ceremony and a prayer offered in our beautiful language, Anishinaabemowin. Chi-Miigwetch to R.J. Smith, Netawn Kiogima and Maryann Endanawas for the incredible show of love, respect and remembrance you offered. It touched the hearts of everyone in attendance. An honor song to recognize this day was also offered by numerous citizens present, Chi-Miigwetch. After the ceremony was done, prayers and thoughts of remembrance were offered by numerous tribal citizens in remembrance of loved ones.

Keeping in mind the spirit of this day, anyone wishing to further honor and remember loved ones were given the opportunity to write names of loved ones on an orange flag which will become part of a continued effort to recognize all who attended Holy Childhood as an annual remembrance. "Say Their Name" as a reminder to everyone of this part of our history.

As a permanent reminder and in honor of this day of Truth and Reconciliation, an eagle feather staff was created by the Behavioral Health team and put together by team member, tribal citizen and survivor of Holy Childhood of Jesus School, Deleta Gasco Smith.

"Putting this together was a labor of love and healing. Not only for myself but hopefully, as a sign that moving forward, we can all tell our truth, let go of the past and move forward as a loving, nurturing community," she said. "A community full of hope, kindness and most importantly, healing. I have placed a Migizi Miigwan on the staff to honor my two sisters and two brothers who could not be here but I am sure are watching from the other side. With much love and respect, I present this staff to the community of Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa. Chi-Miigwetch."

Chi-Miigwetch to the Behavioral Health Department for providing all the orange shirts. Much appreciated to see the orange shirts supporting this day of remembrance.

Courtesy photos.

### **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.





### **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
- Rents are based on income
- Accept very low, low and moderate income applicants
- All units are 2 bedroom and 1 bath
- and 94 sq. feet Located in a quiet country setting, but
  - only 4 miles from Harbor Springs, MI

Bedrooms are approximately 121 sq. fe

- 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





e American Programs



### SECTION 184 OAN GUARANTEE



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

THE SECTION 184 LOAN CAN BE USED FOR

Low Monthly Payment

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.



### 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.

# NATURAL RESOURCE DEPARTMENT

LTBB Chief Conservation Officer Kevin Willis Honored by NAFWS



At the Great Lakes Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Business meeting on September 20, 2022, the region presented Great Lakes Outstanding Service awards to Robert "Bob" Jackson, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Larry Wawronowicz, Lac Du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians; Ed Fairbanks, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe; Chris Johnson, 1854 Treaty Authority; and Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer for the LTBB Natural Resources Department. Willis has served LTBB for 24 years. Kevin Willis is pictured fourth from the left in the courtesy photo.

### Fall Walleye Stocking 2022

LTBB Fisheries Enhancement Facility found some remaining walleye in our rearing ponds as a pleasant surprise. Staff were able to net out 200 for fall planting into Douglas Lake on October 5 and 6. These fish are expected to reach spawning size in three years. For any anglers who might catch one of these fall-stocked fish, look at the right pelvic fin (see belly picture). All of the fall-stocked walleye were finclipped, allowing us to estimate the fall stocking's contribution to the population.

As for the size of these fall walleye, there was a size discrepancy between our two ponds. A Pond averaged 148.36 mm (22.4g; 126x) and B Pond averaged 98.4mm (6.45g; 74x). This difference in size was likely related to available food within the pond. We will be conducting fall young of year (YOY) surveys in the lake within the next couple of weeks. These surveys are hopeful to find survivors from our June stocking (8,760) and some of the fish released

on October 5 and 6. Surveys like this are the foundation of our understanding of the population's recruitment through stocking or natural means.

The stocking of walleye into Douglas Lake is a part of LTBB's restoration and rehabilitation efforts across the 1836 ceded territory. Fishery Assessment records from the 1960s show there was a healthy and thriving population of walleye as late as 1963. By 1968, the fisheries survey found zero walleye and that has generally been the case ever since. Douglas Lake has many of the attributes of a good walleye system such as large surface area, increased depth and associated forage such as cisco. For these reasons, we believe the system just needs some help getting the population up and going again. The increased species diversity should help balance the overall biodiversity of the system and likely, we should see positive trophic cascades.

Courtesy photos.



### 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

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

investigation prior to moving or taking the eagle.

# HELP PROTECT OUR NATURAL RESOURCES

# 1-855-NRD-TIPS

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

### 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.

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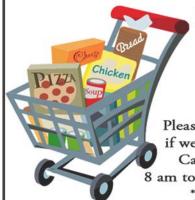
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### LTBB Conservation Officer Tim Mallory Earns Top Honors

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remaining members include Brad Cameron, Donnie Carrick, Henry Bearheart and Darren Seppala. Terry Metoxen and Ashley Zurn will serve as alternates.

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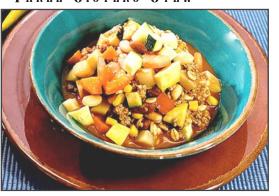
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# NATIVE NEWS

### Three Sisters Stew



### Makes: 6 Servings

This hearty stew is great for dinner and even better the next day. It uses different ingredients like sweet potatoes and quick cooking oats. Adapted from a recipe submitted by Alicson Scott, Chickasaw Nation Get Fresh! Program.

### Ingredients

1/2 pound ground beef

- 1 cup onions, diced
- 3 cups water
- 3 cups red potatoes, cubed (or 1 1/2 cans, about 24 ounces, low-sodium sliced potatoes, drained)
- 2 tomatoes, diced (or 1 can, about 15 ounces, low-sodium diced tomatoes, drained)
  - 1 can (15 ounces) low-sodium tomato sauce
- 1/2 cup frozen corn kernels (or 1/4 can, about 4 ounces, low-sodium whole kernel corn, drained)

1/2 cup yellow squash, diced (or 1/4 can, about 4 ounces, low-sodium sweet potatoes,

drained and diced)

1/2 cup green squash, diced (or 1/4 can, about 4 ounces, low-sodium carrots, drained)

1/2 can (about 8 ounces) low-sodium kidney beans, drained

1/2 can (about 8 ounces) low-sodium vegetarian beans

1/4 cup quick cooking oats

2 cloves garlic, finely chopped

1/4 teaspoon black pepper

1/4 teaspoon salt

### Directions

In a small skillet, brown ground beef and onions over medium to high heat for 8 to 10 minutes. Drain fat.

In a large pot, combine cooked ground beef, water and red potatoes.

Bring the pot to a boil and cook for 15 minutes.

Add all the other ingredients to the pot and bring to a boil. Lower heat and simmer for about 25 minutes.

### Notes

**Tip for cooking ground beef:** The recommended safe minimum internal temperature for ground beef is 160 degrees F as measured with a food thermometer.

See how to make this recipe and more on USDA's MyPlate Kitchen YouTube site.

Source: A Harvest of Recipes with USDA Foods USDA Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

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### Network Series Tackles MMIW Cold Cases

By Joaqlin Estus

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

A B C launched a TV series starring Academy A ward winner Hillary Swank as a New York



investigative reporter who moves to Alaska and winds up focusing on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women.

"Alaska Daily" producers hired three Alaska Natives to help bring Native perspectives to the story: Writer and filmmaker Andrew Okpeaha MacLean, Inupiaq; writer Vera Starbard, Tlingit; and consultant Peter Blanchett, Yup'ik.

Starbard and MacLean talked with KTOO's Rhonda McBride. They said the show's being shot mostly in Vancouver and British Columbia with some scenes in Alaska. But the northernmost state plays a big part in the show, MacLean said.

"Alaska kind of has this, like, this mythic quality in people's imaginations. And it kind of does in reality, too. I mean, there's no place like Alaska, so that's what people are gonna want to tune in for."

A dark side to Alaska's mystique, though, is its high rate of violence against women – among the highest in the country. A 2015 federal Indian Law and Order Commission report stated, "Based on their proportion of the overall state population, Alaska Native women are over-represented in the domestic violence victim population by 250%; they comprise 19% of the population, but 47% of reported rape victims."

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The state recently hired retired state trooper
Lonny Piscoya of the Nome Eskimo Community
to serve as the new missing and murdered indig-

enous persons investigator.

Starbard said the show helps people see the reasons behind violence against women in Alas-

"I'm hoping it will bring them foundation-



al reasons for why these things happen and look into that as well as see the excellence and the joy and the beauty of Alaska."

She said the show also highlights a feature of Alaska Native life which builds resilience.

"The thing that came up – almost every single conversation – that ended up being a strong theme was the sense of community that Alaska Native people have," Starbard told *ICT*, "Both the responsibility to your community and how much that community takes care of you, looks after you, holds you accountable."

She said the talent assembled for the show is outstanding. The director is multiple Academy award-winner Tom McCarthy, who co-wrote and directed "Spotlight," a film about the Boston journalists who uncovered widespread sexual abuse by Catholic priests.

Former Anchorage Daily News reporter Kyle Hopkins of Anchorage, who won a Pulitzer Prize for a series on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, is an executive producer of the show.

The supporting role of a Tlingit reporter is played by Grace Dove, who is Shuswap of the Canim Lake Indian Band in British Columbia. She had a role in "Revenant" which starred Leonardo DeCaprio, and won the American Indian Film Institute's 2020 Best Actress award.

MacLean said the tight deadlines and magnitude of putting together the series has been exciting but also challenging. "Somebody compared it to building a train

while it's hurtling down the track. And I think that's kind of right ... it's a very intense situation on many, many levels."

Joaqlin Estus, Tlingit, is a national correspon-

dent for Indian Country Today. Based in Anchorage, AK, she is a long-time journalist. Follow her on Twitter @estus\_m or e-mail her at jestus@ictnews.org

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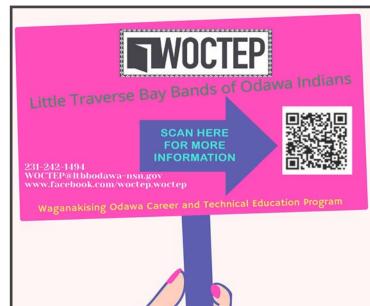
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2022 LTBB Town Hall Meeting Schedule: November 9, and December 14

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### BAY MILLS RESORT & CASINO ANNOUNCES EXPANSION PROJECT

After years of planning, Bay Mills Resort & Casino (BMRC) will break ground on an expansion project next spring. The \$65 million project will generate new employment opportunities while providing new amenities and space for guests.

The three-story waterfront resort expansion includes adding 134 additional rooms with balconies, a deli, spa with massage therapy rooms, pool with splash pad, hot tubs, nail salon, fitness center, arcade, conference space and storefront. The employee break room will also get a face lift, adding additional space and amenities for staff to relax and enjoy themselves. The exterior plans include new fishing piers, gardens, gazebos and outdoor patios as well as marina upgrades.

Bay Mills Indian Community (BMIC) will bid out the



project this winter and expects to break ground in spring 2023 with completion the following year. DSGW is serving as architect for the project.

Opened in 1995, BMRC employs more than 200 individuals, features more than 600 slot machines, eight table games, two restaurants, a golf course, gift shop, hotel and RV park. The Draft Kings retail sportsbook is expected to be complete in October and will feature live sporting events, game play and sports betting.

Bay Mills Resort & Casino, owned by BMIC, is situated in the Upper Peninsula on scenic Lakeshore Drive in Brimley, MI. BMRC shares boundaries with the Hiawatha National Forest and is centrally located to many U.P. destinations such as Tahquamenon Falls, Soo Locks and Pt. Iroquois Lighthouse as well as numerous outdoor hiking and snowmobiling trails and

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### MAKING BUTTER-LIKE SPREADS HEALTHIER



A dollop of margarine or spread can go a long way to livening up a slice of toast, a piping hot ear of corn or other food. But that enhanced flavor can also come with a side helping of worry over consuming saturated fats, which are used as solidifying agents in some margarines and spreads and give them their butter-like proper-

Jill Moser and Hong-Sik Hwang, research chemists with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) in Peoria, IL, want to create a healthier product by replacing those fats with plant-based and other natural waxes — sunflower, rice bran, candelilla and beeswax among them. They do this by melting the waxes in hot vegetable oil and letting it cool to room temperature. This results in a semi-solid substance called an oleogel. When mixed with water, salt and other ingredients, the oleogel mimics the role of saturated fat in producing a margarine, spread or shortening which has the desired firmness, mouthfeel, melting point, shelf-life and other properties, including when used in baked goods.

Artificial trans fats (those not naturally present in meat and dairy products but rather created via a chemical process called partial hydrogenation) were once the popular choice for making margarines, spreads and shortening. However, artificial trans fats were phased out of use in 2021 over concerns their consumption can increase the risk of heart disease and stroke. Saturated fats without a trans structure such as from palm oil and fully hydrogenated vegetable oil are among the replacements now used to make margarine, spreads and shortening. Consumers, though, are advised to limit their intake of saturated fats from foods or beverages that contain them.

Using wax-based oleogels, 'we think 100% of the saturated fats can be replaced, including saturated fat in palm oil and fully hydrogenated vegetable oil," said Hwang, who, together with Moser, is located at the ARS center's Functional Foods Research Unit in Peoria.

The wax-based oleogels are made of a network of plate-like crystals which immobilize molecules of oil in a gel state which mimics the function of solid saturated fat in margarines and spreads - minus the associated human-health concerns.

To date, the researchers have created oleogel formulations from four different natural waxes and 12 different kinds of vegetable oils, including soy and, most recently, hemp seed oil, which is rich in beneficial polyunsaturated fats and antioxidants, including Vitamin E.

Of the waxes they've worked with, sunflower and rice bran seem to work best in creating margarines and spreads which compare to those made from fully hydrogenated (saturated) vegetable oil. Very little wax is needed, too. In one experiment, between 2 and 6% of sunflower wax was needed to create an oleogel which was nearly as firm as margarine containing 18 to 30% of saturated soy oil.

Oleogel ingredients can come from a variety of sources, but those derived from plant waxes are especially of interest because they are "generally recognized as safe" by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and are abundant and inexpensive. Sunflower waxes, for example, are waste products generated from refinery procedures used to remove impurities from crude oil in the flowering crop's seed. Similarly, rice bran waxes are waste byproducts of husk-oil refining methods.

The researchers continue to refine the oleogel formulations, for example, by blending different waxes with oils to achieve the very best combination of properties expected in a margarine or spread. Their efforts and collaboration with industry are part of a larger research effort at the ARS center to usher in new, value-added uses for both established crops such as corn and soybeans and newer ones such as penny cress and hemp which will benefit producers and consumers

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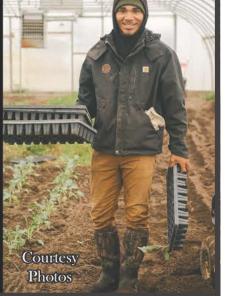


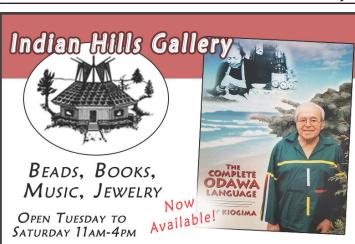




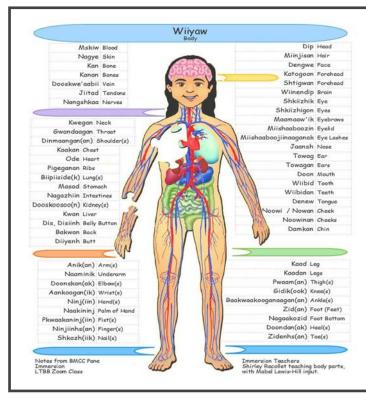








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### DATHS OF OFFICE



Susan Dobrich received her oath of office as an LTBB Pro-Tem Judge from LTBB Associate Judge John J. Lemire on October 7, 2022. Courtesy photo.



LTBB Tribal Citizen Julie Janiskee received her oath of office for the LTBB Liquor and Tobacco Licensing Board from LTBB Associate Judge John J. Lemire on October 4, 2022. Courtesy



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LTBB Tribal Citizen Steven Sochay received his oath of office for the LTBB Child Welfare Commission from LTBB Chief Judge Allie Greenleaf Maldonado on October 14, 2022. Courtesy photo.







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# HHS Announces Roselyn Tso as Director of the Indian Health Service

On September 27, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra formally swore in Roselyn Tso as Director of the Indian Health Service (IHS). Director Tso is a member of the Navajo Nation and previously served as the IHS Navajo Area Director. She has served in various leadership roles at IHS for nearly four decades.

"Roselyn brings decades of experience and expertise to the director role," Becerra said. "Roselyn will work tirelessly to ensure that American Indians and Alaska Natives are provided with the high-quality culturally appropriate care they deserve. I look forward to working with Roselyn to continue delivering on IHS's mission to raise the physical, mental, social and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level. The Biden-Harris Administration's commitment to Indian Country has been evident since Day 1. Today marks another step forward in ensuring that the federal government and HHS live up to our government-to-government responsibilities."

As Director, Tso will lead



a nationwide health care delivery system responsible for providing preventive, curative and community health care to approximately 2.7 million American Indians and Alaska Natives in hospitals, clinics and other settings throughout the United States. Prior to her new role, she served as the director of the IHS Navajo Area - a role she had held since 2019 where she led a federal, tribal and urban Indian health care delivery system for more than 244,000 American Indians and Alaska Natives throughout Arizona, New Mexico and Utah. The IHS Navajo Area is the largest IHS area with 4,000 employees and a budget of nearly \$1 billion.

Tso began her career with the IHS in 1984. She has served in various roles in the

IHS Portland Area, both at the service unit level as the administrative officer for the Yakama Service Unit, and at the area level as the planning and statistical officer, equal employment officer and special assistant to the area director. In 2005, she assumed the role of director for the Portland Area's Office of Tribal and Service Unit Operations where she was responsible for the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Act and working directly with tribes. After that role, she served as the director of the Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes at IHS headquarters.

Tso holds a Bachelor of Arts in interdisciplinary studies from Marylhurst University in Portland, OR, and a master's degree in organizational management from the University of Phoenix in Portland, OR.

### **About IHS**

IHS is responsible for providing comprehensive, culturally appropriate personal and public health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives and ensuring those services are available and accessible.

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### Long-Awaited "Spirit Rangers" Debut

By Aliyah Chavez

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



When Netflix's 220 million subscribers log into their accounts, they will find a new animated series called "Spirit Rangers."

The show was created by "the Avengers" of Native writers, producers and voice actors. That can be seen through the 20 episodes unveiled on Indigenous Peoples Day.

The show is the first kids show in the U.S. to be created by a Native woman, according to

It joins the animated world of indigenous onscreen characters, which includes PBS Kids' "Molly of Denali" released in 2019.

"Spirit Rangers" follows a modern Native family who lives and works in a national park. The three main characters are Kodi, Summer and Eddy Skycedar, who share a secret which allows them to transform into animals to protect their home. Together, the indigenous children take on many challenges from helping a lost thunderbird to waking a sleepy sun.

"Spirit Rangers" follows a modern Native family who lives and works in a national park. The three main characters are Kodi, Summer and Eddy Skycedar who are Chumash and Cowlitz.

"Spirit Rangers" was created by Chumash citizen Karissa Valencia who joined "The ICT Newscast with Aliyah Chavez" in September to say the project was a labor of love.

"I'm particularly proud of our all-Native writing staff. That was something I told Netflix, I really wanted when I pitched the show," Valencia said. "That is where the heart of the series really

lies.

The voice actors are some many might recognize.

Talon Proc-Aflord plays Eddy; Wacinyeya Iwasaka Yracheta plays Kodi while Isis Celilo Rogers plays Summer.

Other cast members include Devery Jacobs, Tantoo Cardinal, Wes Studi and Brook Simpson among others.

"Spirit Rangers" was created by the "Native avengers" team, including various voice actors.

Valencia says her team wanted to display the diversity of indigenous people in the show. That's why Kodi, Summer and Eddy all have different skin tones, hair and eye colors.

The three main characters, the Skycedars, are from two tribes: The Chumash and Cowlitz.

"When I wanted to make the family multi-tribal, I obviously went to my tribe to ask for their permission," Valencia said.

She went to one of the "Spirit Rangers" writers Joey Clift, Cowlitz, with the idea of including his tribe.



"Joey had a big meeting with his tribe and elders to ask for their permission. And they said yes," Valencia said.

"We're incredibly proud to see the Cowlitz

Indian Tribe depicted on the Netflix platform, and commend the "Spirit Rangers" team for their inclusive and culturally appropriate approach to producing the show," said Patty Kinswa-Gaiser, the General Council Chairwoman of the Cowlitz Indian Tribe.

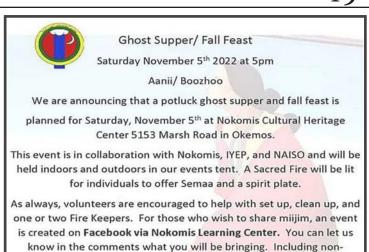
"This has been such a joy to show a beautiful

Native family," Valencia said. "I can't wait for everybody to see it."

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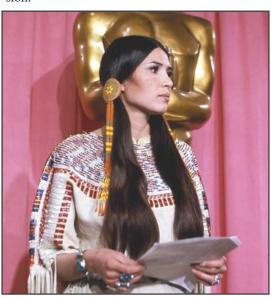


### Iconic Activist Sacheen Littlefeather Dies at 75

By **Dianna Hunt** 

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Actress and activist Sacheen Littlefeather — whose calm protest to the world at the Academy Awards nearly 50 years ago put an enduring spotlight on the treatment of indigenous people in the film industry — died October 2 at her home in California surrounded by her family. She was 75.

Her death from metastasized breast cancer came just two weeks after she received an in-person public apology from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for the harsh treatment she received after refusing an Oscar for best actor on behalf of Marlon Brando at the Academy Awards ceremony on March 27, 1973.

Actress and activist Sacheen Littlefeather was just 26 years old when she stunned the Academy Awards in 1973 by rejecting the best actor Oscar on behalf of Marlon Brando because of the injustices in the way indigenous people were treated in the film and television industries. The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences publicly apologized to her on September 17, 2022, at "An Evening with Sacheen Littlefeather," at the Academy Museum of Motion pictures for the mistreatment she suffered after the speech.

Littlefeather, Apache and Yaqui, was the first Native person to appear at the podium at the Academy Awards and drew international attention as well to the American Indian Movement protests at Wounded Knee.

"When I am gone, always be reminded that



whenever you stand for your truth, you will be keeping my voice and the voices of our nations and our people alive," she said in a 2018 documentary about her life, "Sacheen: Breaking the Silence."

A Catholic Requiem Mass will be held later this month at St. Rita Church in Fairfax, CA, according to a statement released on behalf of her family. She is expected to be buried next to her beloved husband, Charlie Koshiway, Otoe/Sac and Fox from Oklahoma, who died in 2021.

Littleather spoke with *ICT* via Zoom just a few weeks before her death about the unprecedented apology and her life after she was largely blackballed by the entertainment industry. She became a holistic medicine expert and activist who helped found the American Indian AIDS Institute in San Francisco and worked to share the importance of incorporating traditional medicine with mainstream treatments.

Her health, she told *ICT* at the time, "could be better," but she spoke clearly and firmly for nearly 45 minutes. She said she had no regrets about the protest speech and the way it changed the trajectory of her life.

"When I was young and gorgeous back in the day, I promised myself I would never be bored," she said. "And I never have been."

She appeared in person on September 17 at the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures in Los Angeles for "An Evening with Sacheen Littlefeather," where she received a public apology for her treatment and those of other indigenous people in the film industry.

Bird Runningwater, Cheyenne and Mescalero Apache, who heads the Academy's Indigenous Alliance, led the discussion with Littlefeather at the museum event.

"To appear onstage and share space with Sacheen as part of her reconciliation with the Academy is one of the most meaningful experiences of both my career and life," Runningwater told *ICT* in a statement.

"I'm profoundly grateful for everything she stood for and for the long legacy of her activism that will impact generations to come," he said. "When she took to the Oscars stage in 1973, Native American representation had been essentially erased from education curricula and pop culture. The world has taken great strides since then, but there is still much work to be done — and we will continue to persevere in her memory."

Littlefeather received a formal apology letter in June from then-Academy President David Rubin.

"As you stood on the Oscars stage in 1973," Rubin wrote in the letter, "...you made a powerful statement that continues to remind us of the necessity of respect and the importance of human dignity.

"The abuse you endured because of this statement was unwarranted and unjustified. The emotional burden you have lived through and the cost to your own career in our industry are irreparable. For too long, the courage you showed has been unacknowledged. For this, we offer both our deepest apologies and our sincere admiration."

Her death drew an immediate response on social media where she largely was championed as a voice for indigenous people during the tumultuous 1970s.

"When I talk about how our current Native storytelling movement in Hollywood is built on the shoulders of activists fighting tirelessly for decades for Native people to finally get our day in the sun, I'm talking about Sacheen Littlefeather. RIP," Indigenous comedy writer Joey Clift, Cowlitz, posted on Twitter.

Canadian actress Devery Jacobs, who was nominated for a Canadian Screen Award for best actress for her appearance in "Rhymes for Young Ghouls," said she was honored to meet Littlefeather at the museum event.

"Two weeks ago, I got to meet one of my idols, Sacheen Littlefeather, on a beautiful evening, honoring her at the @academymuseum," Jacobs said in a Tweet. "Journey well Sacheen."

A model and an actress, Littlefeather was a member of both the Red Earth Theater Company and the Screen Actors Guild. She appeared in the films "The Trial of Billy Jack" in 1974 and "Winterhawk" in 1975, among others, before receiving a bachelor's degree in holistic medicine from Antioch University. She was also featured in the film, "Reel Injun" in 2010 and the documentary about her life, "Sacheen: Breaking the Silence," released in 2018.

Littlefeather was diagnosed with advanced breast cancer in 2018 after more than a decade of health issues. She told *The Guardian* in 2021 the cancer had metastasized to a lung and she was terminally ill.

She fold *ICT* of her plans to be buried next to her husband of 32 years.

"I'll have a plot next to him when it's my time to go to the spirit world," she said.

She told *ICT* she was shocked to receive the apology from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

"I never thought anything like this would ever happen in my whole lifetime," she told *ICT*. "This is an apology that is being given to all Native peoples – not just to me, myself and I, but to we, us and our. My response was on behalf of all of us who suffered years and years of humiliation, of poor self-esteem because of the stereotyping of our people, having to live under the stereotypes of the film and television and sports industries."

She continued, "I never expected anything like this. And I'm glad that I am still alive to receive it."

Dianna Hunt, of Cherokee Nation descent, is a senior editor at ICT. She can be reached at dianna@ ictnews.com or on Twitter at @DiannaHunt.

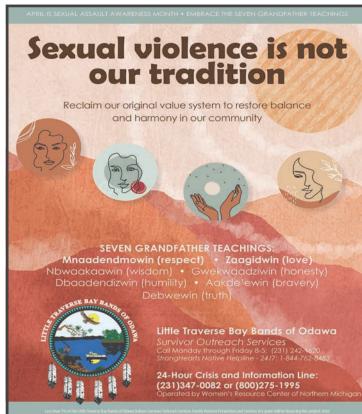
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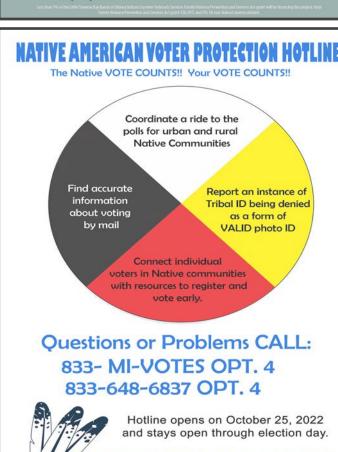
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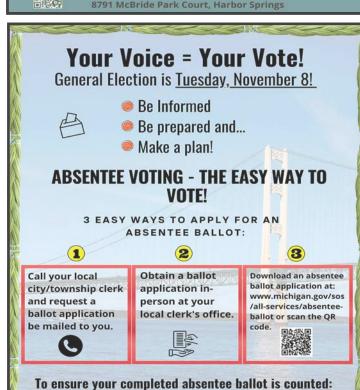
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Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians **Tribal Council Chambers** 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 Tribal Council **Meeting Minutes** September 15, 2022 In Person and Via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:06 a.m. Opening ceremony: Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley Closed Session: Yes

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

Absent: Secretary Marcella

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount, Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Executive Legal Assistant Su Lantz, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik, General Counsel Iim Bransky

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation Secretary Jeremy Steele, Executive Director Shanna Shananaquet, Administrative Assistant Nichlos Peltier

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chairperson Regina Gasco Bentley, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Regulatory Internal Auditor Dan Pierzynowski, Tribal Chairman's Office Executive Assistant Kerstine Omey, Planning Department Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Planning Department Director Amanda Swiss, Accounting Department Controller Cheryl Kishigo, Enrollment Administrative Assistant/ Genealogist Marin Taylor, Education Department Employment and Training Specialist Rachael Koepp, Gijigowi Language Department Administrative Assistant Theresa Keshick, Chief of Law Enforcement Terry McDonnell, Enrollment Receptionist/Data Entry Lindsay Doerfler, Education's WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Elder's Department Deleta Smith

Judicial Officials and Staff: None Public: Patrick Anthony, Rose Pyant, Brian Anthony

**Invited Guest:** 

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to adopt the agenda for September 15, 2022 as amended.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Closed Session Personnel Inter-

9:27 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to enter into Closed Session for Personnel Interview.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

11:54 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to return to Open Session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**Public Comment:** 

11:55 a.m. Opens

Brian Anthony commented on any opening for Tribal Chair or any Chair that opens up should fall to an elder or an Ance.

12:02 p.m. Lunch

12:01 p.m. Closed

1:08 p.m. Meeting resumes 1:00 pm. Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation

Closed Session for Confidential Business Matters.

1:10 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to Enter into Closed Session for Confidential Business Matters.

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

1:11 p.m. Councilor Fred Kiogima arrives.

2:41 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to Return to Open Session.

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

Executive Oversight Report -No report

**Tribal Council Officer Reports:** Legislative Leader Report

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Leader Emily Proctor's verbal and written report for September 15, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (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: None

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Marcella Reves' verbal report as provided on the agenda by Legislative Leader Emily Proctor for September 15,

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Treasurer Report

Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: September 6,

(Motions made at Appropriations and Finance Committee Meet-

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Lerov Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$1,300,000 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance, and a \$910,000 Budget Modification for FY 2022 Per Capital Distribution.

Vote: 2 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain, 1 - absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Trea-

surer Leroy Shomin to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Use of

Third-Party Support Revenue in the Amount of \$1,307,593.00 to Fund the Crooked

Tree Wellness Clinic FY2023 Budget.

Vote: 2 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain, 1 - absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carried.

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

recommend to Tribal Council to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropria-

tion of General Funds to the Executive Branch in the

Amount of \$28,510.12 to support the Department of Interior's Road to Healing Event.

Vote: 2 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain, 1 - absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carried.

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

recommend to Tribal Council to not pay Cottingham & Butler \$989.00 for the Crime

Extension Policy payment from 7/15/2022 through 08/01/2022.

Vote: 2 - yes, 0 - no, 0 - abstain, 1 - absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carried.

Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

-09/14/2022 Reason for Phone Poll #1: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve

CERTIFIED MOTION Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of

Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services, Community Services Block Grant Emergency Assistance Program FY 2023.

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

Motion carries.

-09/14/2022 Reason for Phone Poll #2: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to approve

CERTIFIED MOTION Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of

Michigan for funding from the

### **Tribal Council Meeting Dates**

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All Tribal Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Tribal Council Chambers located at

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### Legislative **Tribal Council Members**

Emily Proctor, Legislative Leader Marcella Reyes, Secretary Leroy Shomin, Treasurer Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor William Oritz, Councilor

Office of Community Services, Low Income Housing Energy

Assistance Program FY 20213. Phone Poll Vote: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstained, 0 Absent

Motion carries.

-09/14/2022 Reason for Phone Poll #3: Motion to recommend to Tribal Council to adopt

Tribal Resolution Appropriation of General Funds to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa

Indians Housing Department in the Amount of \$120,700.00 to Repair 1431 US 31 N,

Petoskey, MI, 49770 and 3202 Pickerel Lake Rd, Petoskey, MI

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

Motion carries. -Next Meeting: Tuesday, Octo-

ber 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in-person 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 September 15, 2022.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 3 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Secretary Marcella Reyes)

Motion carries.

Land and Reservation Committee Report including Closed Session for Confidential **Business** 

-Last Meeting: September 9,

(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 pursue Land Parcel #167 contingent on a satisfactory Phase I Assessment and Survey.

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

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

recommend to Tribal Council to approve the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

Administration of Land Acquisition and Due Diligence Policy. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain,

0-absent Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Council

to approve the Tribal Burial Board Murray Road Site Plan dated 09/9/2022.

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

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reves to

recommend to Tribal Council to pursue Land Parcel #159.

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

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to request a

Staff Review and Analysis Report for Land Parcel #168 to be completed and submitted to the

Committee by 10/06/2022.

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

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to request a

Staff Review and Analysis Report for Land Parcel #169 to be completed and submitted to the

Committee by 10/06/2022.

Vote: 0-yes, 3-no (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Secretary Marcella Reyes, Councilor Aaron Otto), 0-

abstain, 0-absent Motion fails. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to request a

Staff Review and Analysis Report for Land Parcel #170 to be completed and submitted to the

Committee by10/06/2022.

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

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to recommend to Tribal Resolution

to **not** pursue Land Parcel #171. Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to request a

Staff Review and Analysis Report for Land Parcel #172 to be completed and submitted to the Committee by 10/06/2022.

Vote: 3-yes, 0-no, 0-abstain,

0-absent Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to request a Staff Review and Analysis Report for Land Parcel #173 to be complet-

ed and submitted to the Committee by 10/06/2022. Vote: 1-yes, 2-no (Councilor

Fred Kiogima, Secretary Marcella Reyes), 0-abstain, 0-absent Motion fails.

Phone Polls passed by Land and Reservation Committee: None -Next Meeting: Thursday, October 6, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in-person and via Zoom

**Public Comment:** 

3:15 p.m. Opens

Brian Anthony asked when this corporate charter is going to be held responsible and when are shares going to be available to cit-

3:18 p.m. Closed

Land and Reservation Committee Report continues.

3:27 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to enter into Closed Session for Confidential Land.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

4:20 p.m. Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to return to Open Session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to approve Confidential Memo #091522-01 Land Parcel #159. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Council-

or William Ortiz to approve Confidential Memo #091522-02 Land Parcel #164. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to approve Confidential Memo #091522-03 Land Parcel #165.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Leroy Shomin 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 Sep-

tember 15, 2022. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Mar-

cella Reyes) Motion carries. Tribal Council Member Re-

No report

report

Councilor Melissa Pamp - Attended a work group for Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) with the Executive and Judicial employees. Registered to attend the United Tribes Three Fires Summit in October 2022, funding paid by

Legislative Leader Emily Proctor - No additional report

Secretary Marcella Reyes - Ab-

additional report

William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Melissa Pamp's verbal report for September 15, 2022. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

**4:51 p.m.** Meeting resumes

Legislative Office Reports: Office of Finance and Revenue -

"Minutes" continued on page 24.

Councilor Fred Kiogima - No Councilor Tamara Kiogima -Councilor William Ortiz - No Councilor Aaron Otto - No re-

conference.

Treasurer Leroy Shomin - No

Motion made by Councilor

4:44 p.m. Break

Senior Financial Analyst

Office Update

**Board Updates:** Gaming Authority - Odawa Casino Resort written July 2022 Monthly Report

Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation - Confidential Business (Closed Session)

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

Tribal Burial Board, Inc. Ziibimijwang, Inc.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for September 15, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the written Gaming Authority/Odawa Casino Resort July 2022 Monthly Report dated August 24, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Historic Preservation Of-

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's written report for September 15,

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. General Counsel:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal report for September 15, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Legislative Office Manager:

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of Legislative Office Manager Michele Portman-LaCount's verbal and written report for September 15, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Tribal Council Action Items: Review and Approve Minutes of

August 25, 2022. Motion made by Councilor

Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve the minutes of August 25, 2022 as corrected. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Ab-

stained (Councilor William Ortiz), 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor

William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to amend the agenda to include the Motion to mandate the Legislative Office to post the vacancy for letters of interest due by the close of business on October 6, 2022, and the date for interviews will be on October

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Mary Kilmer for the Gaming Authority and set up an interview.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Donald Lasley for the Gaming Authority and set up an interview.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Mar-

cella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve payment of \$989.00 (Nine Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars) to Cottingham & Butler for a short-term crime insurance extension ended August 1, 2022.

Vote: 1 - Yes, 6 - No (Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion fails.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to approve the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Administration of Land Acquisition and Due Diligence Policy.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 091522-01 Approval of Site Plan for Mtigwaakiis.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to pursue Land Parcel #159 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to pass Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Kikaajik, Food and Utility Appropriation Allowance Regulations REG-WOS 2013-008-072522-001.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to not pursue Land Parcel #171 as recommended by the Land and Reservation Committee.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to pass Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Department of Kikaajik, Emergency Fuel and Utility Assistance Regulations REG-WOS 2013-008-07252022-001-C

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 091522-02 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services, Community Services Block Grant Emergency Assistance Program FY 2023.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor

Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to approve CERTIFIED MOTION # 091522-03 Request for Funding as a sub-grantee from the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding from the Office of Community Services, Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program FY 2023. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Wil-

liam Ortiz and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to mandate the Legislative Office to post the vacancy for letters of interest due by the close of business on October 6, 2022, and the date for interviews will be on October 25, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to adopt Tribal Resolution Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$1,300,000 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance, and a \$910,000 Budget Modification for FY 2022 Per Capital Distribution as recommended by the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to adopt Tribal Resolution Use of Third-Party Support Revenue in the Amount of \$1,307,593.00 to Fund the Crooked Tree Wellness Clinic FY2023 Budget as recommended by the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-no, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropriation of General Funds to the Executive Branch in the Amount of \$28,510.12 to support the Department of Interior's Road to Healing Event as recommended by the Appropriations and Finance Committee.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to appoint Steven Otto and Debra Smithkey-Browne as Delegates for the Michigan Indian Elders Association.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor liam Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-abstain, Councilor Melissa Pamp-yes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corpo-

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampves, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-ves Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Treasurer Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Land Use, Building Regulation, and Zoning Statute. Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred

Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred presented. Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Citizencella Reyes) Motion carries. ship Statute.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred

Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-yes Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor

William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adopt Tribal Resolution Appropriation of General Funds to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department in the Amount of \$120,700.00 to Repair 1431 US 31 N, Petoskey, MI, 49770 and 3202 Pickerel Lake Rd, Petoskey, MI 49770.

Roll Call Vote: Councilor Fred Kiogima-yes, Councilor Tamara Kiogima-yes, Councilor William Ortiz-yes, Councilor Aaron Otto-yes, Councilor Melissa Pampyes, Treasurer Leroy Shomin-yes, Secretary Marcella Reyes-absent, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor-ves Motion carries.

Other Items of Business: None Adjournment:

6:01 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to adjourn. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries. Next Tribal Council Special

Monday, September 26, 2022 at

9:15 a.m. In-Person and via Zoom Next Regularly Scheduled Meet-

Thursday, September 29, 2022 In-Person and via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as written. Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Coun-

cil Secretary

Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians **Tribal Council Chambers** 7500 Odawa Circle, Harbor Springs, MI 49740 **Tribal Council Special Meeting Minutes September 26, 2022** In Person and Via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:17 a.m.

Closed Session: No

Council Present: Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz (arrives 9:18 a.m.), Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Treasurer Leroy Shomin (arrives 9:20 a.m.), Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Absent: Secretary Marcella Reves

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

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. President Tanya Gibbs, Vice President Alan Proctor, Board Member Belinda Bardwell, and Secretary/Treasurer Doug Craven Executive Officials and Staff

Present: Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Education's WOCTEP Administrative Assistant Mary Schneider, Planning Department's Director Amanda Swiss and Administrative Assistant Shari Judicial Officials and Staff: None

Public: Brian Anthony, Robert Invited Guest: Midwest Profes-

sionals PLLC Alex Vollmer, CPA Audit Partner, Chris Baker, Baker Accounting, Bookkeeper Motion made by Councilor

Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to adopt the agenda for September 26, 2022 as

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Mar-

Discussion: Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. 2021 Audit Report

Adjournment: 10:07 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to

Adjourn. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Secretary Marcella Reyes) Motion carries.

Next Regular Tribal Council Meeting: Thursday, September 29, 2022 These Minutes have been read

and are approved as written. 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 **September 29, 2022** In Person and Via ZOOM

Call to Order: 9:06 a.m. Opening ceremony: Daugherty

"Duffy" Johnson

Closed Session: Yes

Council Present: Councilor Tamara Kiogima, Councilor Fred Kiogima, Councilor William Ortiz, Councilor Aaron Otto, Councilor Melissa Pamp, Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Secretary Marcella Reyes

Absent: Legislative Leader Emi-

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Administrative Assistant Linda Gokee, Senior Financial Analyst Rachel Cope, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolic, General Counsel Jim Bransky, Executive Legal Assistant

Corporate Charters Present: Odawa Economic Development Management Inc. President Tanya Gibbs, Vice President Alan Proctor, Secretary/Treasurer Doug Craven, Board Member Belinda Bardwell

Executive Officials and Staff

Present: Unit I Executive Director

Phil Harmon, Unit II Executive

Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Carrie Carlson, Human Resources Director Denise Petoskey, Planning Department Director Amanda Swiss, SPRING Youth Outreach Specialist Robert "RJ" Smith, Facilities Cleaning Technician Emilio Becenti, Natural Resources Department Seasonal Fisheries Technician Jessica Walker, Gijigowi Language Department Director Netawn Kiogima, Gijigowi Language Department Media Technician Sara Schilling, Planning Department Administrative Assistant Shari Temple, Gijigowi Language Director Carla Osawamick, Gijigowi Language Department Administrative Assistant Theresa Keshick, Executive Branch Administrative Assistant Lakota Worthington, Accounting Department Controller Cheryl Kishigo, Natural Resources Department Office Coordinator Debra Smithkey-Browne, Education's WOCTEP Administrative

Judicial Officials and Staff: None Public: Brian Anthony, Patrick Anthony, Melissa Shomin, Linda Keway, Marvin Mulholland

Specialist Rachael Koepp

Invited Guest: None

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to adopt the agenda for September 29, 2022 as presented.

Assistant Mary Schneider, Educa-

tion's Employment and Training

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred

cilor William Ortiz to dedicate this meeting in honor of the following Tribal Citizen(s) who have walked on: Mary Burks-baa, Bernadine Campbell-baa, Alice Honson-baa, and Jeffrey Ward-baa.

Kiogima and supported by Coun-

"Minutes" continued on page 25.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries. Review and Approve Minutes of September 15, 2022 and September

26, 2022. Motion made by Councilor Tamara Kiogima and supported by Councilor Melissa Pamp to ap-

prove the minutes of September 15, 2022 as presented. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to approve the minutes of September 26, 2022 as presented.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

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

Robert Smith - SPRING Youth Outreach Specialist - Health Department

Emilio Becenti - Facilities Cleaning Technician - Facilities

Jessica Walker - Seasonal Fisheries Technician - Natural Resource Department

Netawn Kiogima - Language Director - Gijigowi Language Department Sara Schilling - Media Techni-

cian - Gijigowi Language Department

**Executive Oversight Report:** Discussion: Unit II Executive

Director Daugherty "Duffy" John-Collaboration between McLar-

en Northern Michigan Hospital, Michigan State University, and the Tribe to include physicians to participate in rural clinics residency programs.

The Elder's Department reached out to forty-three (43) Tribal Citizens and their families who reside in Florida to make sure they were safe from hurricane Ian. The Tribe will offer support to afflicted fam-

Working with Planning Department Director Amanda Swiss, City of Petoskey Officials, and the City of Harbor Springs Officials on increasing the size of the waste water treatment plant (Petoskey) and water/sewer utilities for the development of "Indian Town" (Harbor Springs).

Discussion: Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon

In honoring and remembering the children who attended the boarding schools, our Health Department - Behavioral Health program will be distributing orange T-shirt day on Friday, September

Chi-Miigwech for all the volunteers who made the traditional jingtamok successful.

The Tribes Sovereignty Day celebration will take place this Saturday, October 1, 2022 here at the Government Complex from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. If you plan on being in the parade, please arrive at 2:30 p.m. for lineup.

Attended the Annual Government-to-Government meeting on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

-Mark Totten was sworn in as the United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan on May 5, 2022. -Lengthy discussion on Oklaho-

ma v. Castro-Huerta. The federal government and the state have concurrent jurisdiction to prosecute crimes committed by non-Indians against Indians in Indian country. This sets an unfortunate new precedent: states have jurisdiction over Native lands, unless Congress acts directly to limit this power or it's determined that states' jurisdiction unlawfully infringes on Tribal Sov-

-Discussion had on challenges and opportunities between the State of Michigan and Michigan

Indian Tribes.

Motion made by Councilor Melissa Pamp and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to acknowledge receipt of the verbal and written Executive Oversight Report as presented by Unit II Executive Director Daugherty "Duffy" Johnson and Unit I Executive Director Phil Harmon for September 29, 2022.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

**Elder Public Comment:** 9:56 a.m. Opens

Brian Anthony commented about the Tribe's reservation boundary.

Patrick Anthony commented he is not happy Tribal Council is going into closed session for Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc.

10:01 a.m. Closed 10:01 a.m. Break

10:16 a.m. Meeting resumes

10:00 a.m. Odawa Economic

Development Management, Inc. update (Closed Session) 10:19 a.m. Motion made by

Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to enter into closed session for Confidential Business.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

11:22 a.m. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor William Ortiz to return to open session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

11:00 a.m. Councilor William Ortiz - Closed Session - Confiden-11:29 a.m. Motion made by

Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to enter into closed session for Confidential Legal Matters. Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries.

12:26 p.m. Motion made by Councilor William Ortiz and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to return to open session.

Vote: 7 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 1 - Absent (Legislative Leader Emily Proctor)

Motion carries

**Public Comment:** 12:27 p.m. Opens

Linda Keway, Ed.D., professor at Aquinas College is bringing her Indigenous Study students to northern Michigan for a tour. A feast will be provided on Friday, October 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Dr. Keway at lsk004@aquinas.edu if you are planning on attending. This is to ensure enough food will

be provided.

12:33 p.m. Closed 12:33 p.m. Lunch break

1:33 p.m. Meeting resumes **Tribal Council Officer Reports:** 

Legislative Leader Report: No

Secretary Report: Documents delivered and signed

by the Executive: -Tribal Resolution # 091522-01

Use of Third-Party Support Revenue in the Amount of \$1,307,593.00 to Fund the Crooked Tree Wellness Clinic FY2023 Budget. -Tribal Resolution # 091522-

02 Supplemental Funding in the Amount of \$1,300,000 to come from the General Fund-Fund Balance, and a \$910,000 Budget Modification for FY 2022 Per Capita Distribution. -Tribal Resolution # 091522-03

Appropriation of General Funds to the Executive Branch in the Amount of \$28,510.12 to Support the Department of Interior's Road to Healing Event.

-Tribal Resolution # 091522-04 To Appoint Steven Otto and Debra Smithkey-Browne as Delegates for the Michigan Indian Elders Asso-

1:35 p.m. Councilor William Ortiz arrives

-Tribal Resolution # 091522-05 Appropriation of General Funds to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Housing Department in the Amount of \$120,700.00 to Repair 1431 US 31 North, Petoskey, MI 49770 and 3202 Pickerel Lake Rd, Petoskey, MI 49770.

-Waganakising Odawak Statute 2022-006 Citizenship Statute.

-Waganakising Odawak Statute 2022-007 Land Use, Building Regulation, and Zoning Statute.

Documents delivered to the Ex-

-Waganakising Odawak Statute Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation due on or before October 17, 2022.

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: None 1:36 p.m. Councilor William

Ortiz exits meeting Additional information: Secretary Marcella Reyes has been ap-

proached by the Harbor Springs Historical Society and was asked to join. Secretary Reyes will pursue. Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Secretary Marcella Reyes' verbal and written report as provided on the agenda for September 29, Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Treasurer Report:

### Appropriations and Finance Committee

-Last Meeting: September 6,

(Motions made at the September 6, 2022 Appropriations and Finance Committee Meeting was presented to Tribal Council at their September 15, 2022 meeting.)

-Phone Polls passed by Appropriations and Finance Committee:

-Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in-person and via Zoom

Additional information: Lunch scheduled with Chuck Freemont of Sovereign Finance. Received notice form John Link the Tribes Crime Insurance Renewal Policy was cancelled as of July 15, 2022.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Secretary Marcella Reyes to acknowledge receipt of the Appropriations and Finance Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Treasurer Leroy Shomin, Committee Chair for September 29, 2022.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Land and Reservation Commit-

-Last Meeting: September 9, 2022

(Motions made at the September 9, 2022 Land and Reservation Committee Meeting was presented to Tribal Council at their September 15, 2022 meeting.) -Phone Polls passed by Land and

Reservation Committee: None -Next Meeting: Thursday, Octo-

ber 6, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in-person and via Zoom Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the Land and Reservation Committee verbal report as provided on the agenda by Councilor Aaron Otto, Committee Chairperson for September 29, 2022. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries Tribal Council Member Re-

Councilor Fred Kiogima - No

Councilor Tamara Kiogima - No

Councilor William Ortiz - Confidential Legal Business (closed session at 11:00 a.m.)

Councilor Aaron Otto - Attended the Annual Government-to-Government with the United States Attorney General for the Western District on September 27, 2022.

Councilor Melissa Pamp - No report

Legislative Leader Emily Proctor

Secretary Marcella Reyes - No additional report

Treasurer Leroy Shomin - No additional report Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Councilor Aaron Otto's verbal report for September 29, 2022. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

**Legislative Office Reports:** Office of Finance and Revenue -

Senior Financial Analyst Office Update: written report

submitted to Tribal Council. Corporate Charters **Board Updates:** 

Gaming Authority - No report Odawa Economic Affairs Holding Corporation, Inc. - No report

Odawa Economic Development Management, Inc. - Closed session at 10:00 a.m.

Tribal Burial Board, Inc. - No Ziibimijwang, Inc. - No report

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Lerov Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Sr Financial Analyst Rachel Cope's verbal and written report for September 29, 2022.

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

Tribal Historic Preservation Of-

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Melissa Wiatrolik's verbal and written report for September 29, 2022.

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

General Counsel

Motion made by Treasurer Leroy Shomin and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to acknowledge receipt of General Counsel Jim Bransky's verbal and written report for September 29,

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Legislative Office Manager - no

report Tribal Council Action Items:

Motion made by Councilor Aaron Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Citizenship List A (Eligible) dated August 24, 2022 for a total of eight Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor

Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to approve Citizenship List A (Eligible) dated September 22, 2022 for a total of Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Aar-

on Otto and supported by Councilor Fred Kiogima to approve Citizenship List B (Ineligible) dated September 22, 2022 for a total of three (3).

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

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Carol McFall for the Enrollment Commission and set up an interview.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Trea-

surer Leroy Shomin to acknowl-

edge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Sharon Sierzputowski for the Enrollment Commission and set up an interview. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor

William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowl-

edge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Dorothy Boda for the Enrollment Commission and set up an interview. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor

William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomina-

an interview. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader

tion of Alice Hughes for the En-

rollment Commission and set up

Emily Proctor) Motion carries. Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Councilor Aaron Otto to acknowledge receipt of the Executive Nomination of Steven Sochay for the Child Welfare Commission and set up an

interview. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to reappoint Mary Kilmer to the Gaming Authority for a 4-year term ending September 29, 2026.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 1 - No (Councilor Tamara Kiogima), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Motion made by Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to reappoint Donald Lasley to the Gaming Authority for a 4-year term ending September 29, 2026.

Vote: 5 - Yes, 0 - No, 1 - Abstained (Councilor Tamara Kiogima), 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Other Items of Business: Motion made by Councilor Fred

Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to acknowledge receipt of Councilor William Ortiz' verbal and written report for September 29, 2022

Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries. **Public Comment:** 

2:13 p.m. Opens No comments made

2:14 p.m. Closed Adjournment: 2:15 p.m. Motion made by

Councilor Fred Kiogima and supported by Treasurer Leroy Shomin to adjourn. Vote: 6 - Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Ab-

stained, 2 - Absent (Councilor William Ortiz, Legislative Leader Emily Proctor) Motion carries.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in person and via Zoom

These Minutes have been read and are approved as corrected.

Marcella R. Reyes, Tribal Council Secretary

# LTBB Tribal Citizen Nichole Biber Initiates Change in East Lansing, MI



During this year's Indigenous Peoples Day, Abbot Road Park became Azaadiikaa Park during a special Park Renaming Ceremony hosted by the City of East Lansing, MI, and the Abbot Road Park Renaming Committee on October 10.

In recognition of historic and contemporary indigenous people who gather, trade, learn, work and celebrate in the Greater Lansing area (Nkwejong), all community members were invited to be a part of this special ceremony. Traditional attire was welcome.



### Background

An application was recently submitted by East Lansing, MI, resident Nichole Biber, Ph. D., to rename Abbot Road Park with an indigenous language-based name to acknowledge and educate residents and visitors about indigenous heritage. East Lansing City Council voted to forward Biber's application to an ad hoc committee (the Abbot Road Park Renaming Committee) appointed by East Lansing Mayor Ron Bacon. At the September 20 City Council meeting, the appointed committee presented the name to Council: Azaadiikaa Park (pronunciation: uh-ZAH-dee-kah).

The name Azaadiikaa means "Many Cottonwoods," to honor their strong presence and all the tribal nations who uphold their sacred being. Cottonwood trees are sacred to indigenous

nations throughout Turtle Island, also known as the United States, and recognized in kinship among indigenous peoples.

The new park name is further explained in this excerpt from the Park Renaming resolution approved by Council:

Cottonwood trees hold a strong presence throughout the City and especially within the parklands, by virtue of their numbers, height, sound and distinctive movement of leaves. Cottonwood trees follow and show where waters run and reside, in reflection of how Anishinaabek and other Indigenous nations from across the Great Lakes gathered together at these river places converging on the lands named Nkwejong, now known as East Lansing and Greater Lansing.

"This park renaming aligns with our



City Councilmembers' commitment to uplift all of the voices in our community as well as their pledge by resolution for Indigenous Peoples Day to sustain the natural woodlands, meadows, wetlands and green spaces in East Lansing's parks," East Lansing Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Director Elaine Hardy said. "It is significant that this park renaming ceremony is happening on Indigenous Peoples Day in the largest park in East Lansing."

"For all of us alive at this time, we have a responsibility to commit ourselves to the protection and restoration of the natural world, humble in our dependence. Waters and plants and insects and animals large and small have for far too long been sacrificed for the sake of profit and ease. All across Turtle Island and around the world, Indigenous nations are finding strength in community to uphold the inherent worth and value of All Our Relations, to heal our lands and our people with gratitude and love," said Dr. Biber, an LTBB Tribal Citizen. "Azaadiikaa Park is a place to gather and spend time with the sounds and sights that would be familiar to our ancestors: The namesake cottonwood trees, the wetland and meadow plant species, the animals drawn to a haven where they can conduct their lives. People also need such places, for every aspect of our health and well-being. For Indigenous people in particular, it is critical that we be able to restore our spirits and our relationships, so we can continue the necessary work of sustaining our traditional cultural values, which are so intertwined with balanced, thriving eco-

Photos courtesy of Andrea Pierce.

### LTBB Tribal Citizen Januar Cotto Joins Grand Rapids Public Museum

In honor of National Indigenous Peoples Day (October 10, 2022), the Grand Rapids Public Museum (GRPM) in Grand Rapids, MI, is pleased to announce it is the recipient of two grants, one from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and the second from the Wege Foundation, which will help ensure indigenous voices and perspectives are consistently incorporated into the programming and exhibits GRPM hosts. These grants have allowed the GRPM to create a new position for an Anishinaabe Curator as well as to create a robust indigenous internship program. We welcome Jannan Cotto, who has joined the GRPM as the Anishinaabe Curator. Jannan is

an LTBB Tribal Citizen.

Courtesy photo.



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# LTBB OFFICE OF CITIZENS LEGAL ASSISTANCE



The Office of Citizens Legal Assistance has been established to provide free legal advice to enrolled tribal citizens in non-criminal matters such as:

- Family Law
  - Divorce
  - Child Custody
  - Child Support
  - GuardianshipsParentage/Paternity
- Indian Child Welfare Act / Michigan Indian Family Preservation Act
- Setting Aside a Conviction
- Driver License Restoration
- Estate Planning
   Wills
  - Health Care DirectivesPowers of Attorney
- Probate
- ❖ Landlord/Tenant
  - EvictionsTenant Rights
- Consumer
- Debt Collection

The office is available to provide legal guidance and drafting of certain legal documents but does not provide in court representation at this time. The office may give procedural advice only on matters that are of a criminal nature or involve the Tribe or other Tribal Citizens as a potential party in a dispute.

For assistance and to make appointments, Please call Monday – Friday, 9 am – 5 pm 231-242-1433



Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians

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Department. The Language Department became a standalone department in 2009.

"I've watched the changes in the community and it's encouraging," Carla said. "I've seen the increase in the prominence of Anishinaabemowin in our community and it's been steady. We've created a long-term foundation."

Carla earned an Associates in Anishinaabemowin Instruction from Bay Mills Community College (BMCC) in 2003, graduated from the six-year BMCC Nishnaabemwin PANE Immersion Program in 2020 and won the Frank Hugo Award in 2021. Each year, BMCC honors tribal elder Frank Hugo for his past efforts in revitalizing and maintaining the Nishnaabe language by selecting a student who shows outstanding effort in language revitalization. LTBB is a satellite location for the Nishnaabemwin Pane Immersion Program. Carla has taught Anishinaabemowin at North Central Michigan College (NCMC) since 2010. She also has certificates in Advanced Management - Business Administration and Management, General and Supervision from Ferris State University.

"The teaching came in naturally after being a student," Carla said. "I was always observing my teachers' methods. I observed teacher methods and deliveries and student reactions. I've learned a lot from other teachers. I consider myself a lifelong learner of the language. I'm an advanced learner, but I have a long way to go."

Carla said her motivation to revitalize the language is the healing that comes with it.

"Language helps us work toward coming back to our identity, to what we were meant to know, which are our teachings," she said. "Our truth as Anishinaabe people are our teachings. When you revive those teachings, healing is brought forth by living the language. It's joyous to see the change in a person's way of life because it benefits the individual, the family and the community. It's very rewarding.'

The Language Department created the Aankwadong (On the Cloud) Online Course Project after it received a grant from the Administration for Native Americans (ANA) to create online language courses. The online community class began in Fall 2021 with 50 students completing the class. The majority of the students were LTBB Tribal Citizens and Descendants, other tribal students from Michigan and Ontario students. The high school class currently has 15 students from Alanson High School, East Jordan High School, Harbor Springs High School and Petoskey High School. The class meets the World Language graduation credit in Michigan.

'We offered NCMC the two-year project in exchange for using their Brightspace license to teach high school classes for credit and offered it to BMCC for their college classes in exchange for using their LMS to teach our community classes," Carla said. "Through this project, we'll eventually have 130-180 video lessons to go along with the curriculum, handouts and supplemental learning materials. The key to getting younger people involved with language learning is with technology and online learning. Technology has made the biggest impact to reach people and how they learn. We started writing the grant proposal in 2018, so we were already heading in that direction before COVID. It's good that we were ahead of the game."

The Language Department received a threeyear ANA Language grant in 2015 to create the Kinoomaagejik ANA Project. The goal of the project was to train language teachers and develop curriculum materials to use for teaching children. LTBB Tribal Citizen Renee "Wasson" Dillard and Raymond Shenoskey completed the program, graduating with a certificate from LTBB endorsing them as language and culture

"Wasson is knowledgeable in many cultural areas and passes on her knowledge of bulrush, cattails mats and baskets, using Anishinaabemowin in her instruction," Carla said. "Raymond is a very proficient language student and he does language presentations at language camps and other gatherings."

Carla is currently serving on the LTBB Election Board as the Secretary. 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.

Carla is married to Lionel Osawamick and has two sons, Cody Bigjohn and Maheengunse Osawamick, a daughter, Priscilla McFall, and eight grandchildren, Aanzhenii Bigjohn, Nangwegan Osawamick, Waabzii Flores, Waawiiesenhs Shomin, Kizhep Shomin, Chimkwa Big Bear Shomin, Niibiishenh Osawamick and Mookse Giizis Osawamick. She credits her mother, Alice Yellowbank, for introducing her to Anishinaabe-

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| Gibaabiwin          | I wait for you               |  |  |  |  |
| Gibaabiw            | You (are) wait(ing) for me   |  |  |  |  |
| Gizaagin            | I love you                   |  |  |  |  |
| Gizaagiw            | You love me                  |  |  |  |  |
| Giwaabimin          | I see you                    |  |  |  |  |
| Giwaabam            | You see me                   |  |  |  |  |
| Ginoondoon          | I hear you                   |  |  |  |  |
| Ginoondaaw          | You (are) hear(ing) me       |  |  |  |  |
| Ginistatoon         | I understand you             |  |  |  |  |
| Ginistataaw         | You (are) understand(ing) me |  |  |  |  |
| Giminin             | I give to you                |  |  |  |  |
| Gimiish             | You give to me               |  |  |  |  |

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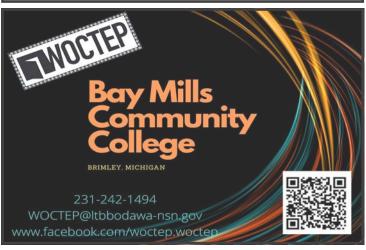
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### **Humility** Dabasendiziwin

To think lower of oneself in relation to all that sustains us

- · Dabas = low or lower
- End = pertaining to thought
- Izi = state or condition
- · Win = a way it is done

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in 2017. He served on the LTBB Tribal Council and the LTBB Election Board and volunteered on the Sovereignty Day Celebration Committee and the Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee. He worked as the Community Development Coordinator at the Odawa Casino Resort in Petoskey, MI.

"I do want to thank the Chamber for recognizing him for this honor - especially because Marty was a very humble person who downplayed his contributions and would have never expected this in a million years," Brower said. "When I texted (Harbor Springs Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director) Bonnie (Kulp) last month that I felt he had no idea of his impact - she texted back saying, 'It's part of why people loved him - so unassuming' - and she is absolutely right. He was a quiet force - and always

"Kiogima" continued from page 1.

language training at BMCC. Carla (Osawamick, who was the Director of the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department for 20 years) was there at the same time I was. I wanted to complete the training for my children (daughter, Miigwaan, and son, Zhaawon). It was tough, sometimes, I felt like a baby learning the language, but I knew I had to stick with it. I was determined to stick with it. With the support of my teachers, staff and fellow language students, I completed it."

In 2003, Netawn graduated with an Anishinaabemowin Teaching Diploma from BMCC and worked as a teacher's assistant at her children's immersion school, Waadookodaading Immersion School, in LCO, WI. That inspired her to pursue a teaching degree at Central Michigan University (CMU), earning a Bachelor of Science in Education with honors, from CMU in May 2013. She began as an LTBB Anishinaabemowin Language Instructor in Fall 2013 and became the Director of the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department on September 19, 2022. Netawn earned a Master's in Education from CMU in June 2019.

"I've definitely been handed a legacy," Netawn said. "Carla (Osawamick, whose final day as the Director of the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department was October 14, 2022) built the department from the ground up. It has an amazing history with a solid base built around indigenous education and Anishinaabe teachings. I'm ready to continue that legacy and take on the challenge. I'm used to being second in command to the director and to look to Carla for answers, but now, people look to me. I feel like I've been preparing for a leadership role all my life. I always wanted to be a principal, curriculum director or lead at a school or tribal school. Taking on a leadership role at LTBB is a huge step for me, but it's a natural next step. I'm ready for the leadership role since I've been around the department for nine years and I have a good relationship with Carla. We communicate well and she helped prepare me for this. I'm forever a language student; I'm always growing and learning."

In 1991, Netawn started dancing fancy shawl before stopping after having her children, but she hopes to start dancing again since her children are adults. Her husband, R.J., is a traditional dancer; her daughter, Miigwaans, is a fancy shawl dancer; and her son, Zhaawon, is a Northern traditional dancer. Netawn and Miigwaans are believed to be the only mother and daughter to be Miss Odawa Nation. R.J. is also a pow wow singer, MC and arena director. Netawn and R.J. are Midewiwin and their children were born and raised around the lodge. R.J. is an LTBB SPRING Youth Outreach Specialist; Miigwaans, 23, is the Female Cultural Advisor in the LTBB Judicial Branch; and Zhaawon, 19, works at Ziibimijwang Farm and attends North Central Michigan College. R.J. is the founder of Makwa Ziibi Baagadowewin, a community lacrosse group, and Miigwaans and Zhaawon have both played lacrosse. Netawn and R.J. have

"We (Netawn and R.J.) both hope to come out of semi-retirement and dance again," Netawn said. "We wanted our children to be comfortable with their identity and spirituality and be confident of who they are Anishinaabe."

a granddaughter, Waasebiya, 2-1/2.

put the spotlight on others - promoting others as only he could - often with a wink and a smile. He made you want to be a better person ... to do good things. We should all be so lucky to have a friend like him. Marty Van De Car - you are missed and may your spirit live on in this award."

Marty's family (his sister, Annette Van-DeCar, and his aunt, Rose Smalley) received a plaque at the awards dinner, which said, "The epitome of a true Community Ambassador, Marty Van De Car."

To read and view Jenny Brower's complete presentation, please visit www.odawatrails.com

Marty's family wishes to thank the Old Broads Dinner Club, the Odawa Casino Resort and LTBB for all attending the awards dinner.

Photos by Communications Coordinator Annette VanDeCar.

Netawn said Native people have the human right to our language.

"After colonization and the Boarding School era where our culture and language were taken away, our children have the right to take back their culture, identity and language," Netawn said. "It's rewarding when I hear our youth speak the language, introducing themselves and using basic conversation; it reminds me why I do this. I'm hoping what our youth learn reaches their homes and families. It's planting language seeds in families. Our language is such a spiritual experience. It's in our DNA and we can bring it out through our blood memory. Our language is like a prayer. We're asking the ancestors to help us bring it back. We're grateful for what they've done for us. We need to carry the torch because one day, we'll be the ancestors."

Netawn taught the Anishinaabemowin Language class at Harbor Springs High School and Petoskey High School for 4-5 years and the class met the World Languages graduation credit in Michigan. She then helped the department develop the online language classes created by the Aankwadong (On the Cloud) Online Course project, which was funded by an Administration for Native Americans (ANA) grant. The online community class began in Fall 2021 with 50 students completing the class. The majority of the students were LTBB Tribal Citizens and Descendants, other tribal students from Michigan and Ontario students. The high school class currently has 15 students from Alanson High School, East Jordan High School, Harbor Springs High School and Petoskey High School. The class also meets the World Language graduation credit in Michigan. Maryann Endanawas is a fluent speaker and language instructor in the LTBB Gijigowi Anishinaabemowin Language Department and teaches an online community language class separate from the Aankwadong Online Course project. LTBB is also a satellite campus for the BMCC's Nishnaabemwin Pane Immersion Program.

"My goal as a teacher is to be inclusive and positive," Netawn said. "I want all students to feel special and unique because they are all special and unique. Maryann is one of our greatest resources as a tribe. We're very lucky to have her. She inspires us to learn and speak the language. She is a very patient person, she is kind and understanding and very supportive of our department, community and our employees."

The department currently has four employees, Netawn, Maryann, Assistant Theresa Keshick and Media Technician Sarah Schilling. With the retirement of Osawamick, the department looks to add another employee in the fu-

"I have future visions and goals for the department," Netawn said. "I'd like to do more youth programming, especially with teens. At search and study. The ultimate goal is to plant

that age, they have the maturity to learn, remore language seeds and develop more language warriors." Netawan currently serves on the LTBB Ziibimijwang, Inc. Board and previously served on

the LTBB Tribal Burial Board. She also volunteers on the LTBB Odawa Homecoming Pow Wow Committee. Photo by Communications Coordinator An-

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### Respect | **Manaaji'idiwin**

To go easy on one another and all of Creation

- Manaaji = to go easy on someone
- Idi = in a reciprocal way
- · Win = a way it is done

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# TRIBES SUCCESSFUL WITH SWIFT FOX REINTRODUCTION PROGRAM AT FORT BELKNAP RECOVERY BOOSTED BY CONSERVATION PARTNERS

On September 28, 2022, the Fort Belknap Indian Community commemorated three years of its swift fox recovery program with the release of three swift foxes on tribal lands, bringing the total to 103 recovered back to these prairie grasslands. Based on post-release monitoring efforts, the native species is reproducing in the wild, which is a critical measure of success for a self-sustaining population.

"After being absent for more than 50 years, the swift fox has returned to the grasslands of Fort Belknap and our people could not be prouder," said Harold "Jiggs" Main, director of the Fort Belknap Fish and Wildlife Department. Over the last four years, the Nakoda (Assiniboine) and Aaniiih (Gros Ventre) Tribes of Fort Belknap have worked in collaboration with the Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute, Aaniiih Nakoda College, Defenders of Wildlife, American Prairie, World Wildlife Fund and Wilder Institute/Calgary Zoo on this five-year reintroduction effort.

Three of 28 foxes trapped in Wyoming were released during a special ceremony held by the Fort Belknap Indian Community. The remaining 25 foxes will be released later that same week. "This is an important educational opportunity for our students. They not only learn new field methods, but they are actively working with our Fish and Wildlife Department and the Smithsonian to return the swift fox to our homelands," said Daniel Kinsey of Aaniiih Nakoda College.

Monitoring efforts via GPS collar tracking show some foxes traveled long distances, including one documented over 200 miles away while most have settled on Fort Belknap and the surrounding areas in Phillips and Blaine counties in Montana. At least four females and males (four dens) have been documented pairing up or "denning" and 20 kits have been born in the wild since the original reintroduction of 27 foxes in fall 2020.

"The swift fox reintroduction is a collaborative program that brings together 15 organizations across multiple states, all contributing to the success of this interdisciplinary work," said Hila Shamon, research ecologist at the Smithsonian's National Zoo and Conservation Biology Institute. "There are several research projects tied to this program that will advance our understanding of swift fox ecology and reintroductions in general. We documented four dens with up to six kits, which indicates there is ample habitat for the foxes to reproduce within the reintroduction site."

Trapping efforts have been led by the Smithsonian and Little Dog Wildlife in Wyoming and Colorado, states with healthy populations, for the last three years, and with trapping assistance from Defenders of Wildlife. The Wyoming Game and Fish Commission and Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission approved permits for animals to be trapped and released at Fort Belknap as part of ongoing reintroduction efforts. Defenders of Wildlife and Wilder Institute/Calgary purchased the monitoring collars foxes receive prior to release at Fort Belknap. Additional support for the program was provided by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and Colorado Parks and Wildlife. "It has been an honor for Defenders to play a role in the Aaniiih and Nakoda effort to bring



back swift fox to their lands, and also as a long-term partner to recover buffalo and endangered black-footed ferrets back to their lands," said Chamois Andersen, Rockies and Plains senior representative at Defenders of Wildlife. "Fort Belknap is truly a model in native plains wildlife conservation."

The swift fox is the latest extirpated species to return to Fort Belknap, joining other iconic prairie species successfully reintroduced to indigenous lands under the leadership of the Fort Belknap Fish and Wildlife Department. Historically, swift foxes lived across much of North America's Great Plains.

"The vast grasslands on Fort Belknap provide a home to a variety of avian and terrestrial wildlife while providing economic benefits to the Tribes through livestock grazing, recreation and other land uses. With support from numerous partners, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the local government, the Aaniiih and Nakoda people have been bringing Indigenous wildlife back to these native grasslands for over three decades," said Tim Vosburgh, wildlife biologist with Fort Belknap Fish and Wildlife Department.

In addition to tracking animals with GPS collars, scientists collect blood and fecal samples ahead of release. This enables the team to use DNA samples to confirm survival and offspring production post release - the hallmark of a self-sustaining population. Camera trap data and ongoing fecal collection at strategically placed scent posts have also helped to confirm swift fox presence. Students from Aaniiih Nakoda College, Clemson University and George Mason University are assisting Fort Belknap and Smithsonian with the ongoing data collection and fieldwork. "Since its inception, American Prairie has taken inspiration from the land stewardship and rewilding efforts of the Fort Belknap Community. We are proud to stand with our neighbors and support the repatriation of swift fox to their home in Montana's Great Plains," said Beth Saboe, senior public relations manager for American Prairie.

Swift fox numbers declined precipitously in the late 1800s, mainly due to poisoning intended for coyotes and wolves and the loss of grassland habitat. During this same time, they were also eliminated from the northern portion of their range. Swift foxes made a comeback after successful reintroduction efforts began in 1983 in Canada and on the Blackfeet and Fort Peck Indian communities in Montana. However, these reintroduced populations have yet to reconnect with populations in the southern portion of their historic range. Establishing a population of swift foxes on Fort Belknap's lands will expand the species' occupied range in the north and help bridge the distribution gap between existing populations to the north and south.

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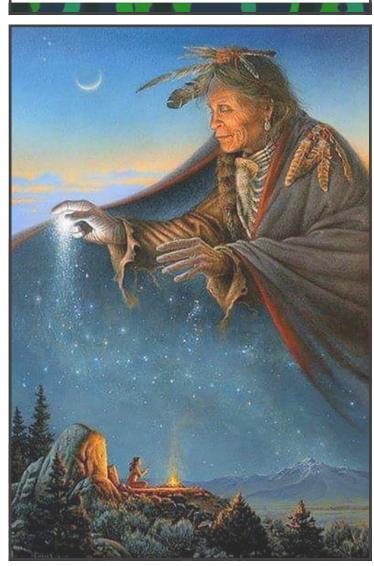
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- · Deb = to a certain extent
- We = sound through speech
- · Win = a way it is done

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# Lines From our Membership



### **Birthdays**

Wishing my brothers, Eric and Gerrett Glazier, a very happy belated 38th birthday. Love, Valorie.



Happy birthday to my kind-hearted, generous, strong cousin, Heather Syrette, on November 8. Miigwetch for being you and always checking up on me. Love, your favorite cousin.



# Walking On...



Judith Delores Pierzynowski, 62

Judith Delores Pier-Biindaabinkwe zynowski, (coming of the light at dawn), died unexpectedly in her home on September 28, 2022 at the age of 62. A traditional fire was tended at the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians property. Funeral services were held on October 5, 2022 at Stone Funeral Home in Petoskey, MI, with visitation at 10 a.m., followed by a beautiful funeral service and Odawa ceremony at 11 a.m. The funeral was officiated by Pastor Jonathon Mayes and traditional tribal leader Frank Ettawageshik. A feast and traditional burial ceremony were held at Greensky Hill cemetery in Charlevoix, MI. Judy was peacefully laid to rest aside her youngest brother. The ceremony was officiated by Frank Ettawageshik and shkawebis William Whitepigeon.

Judy is survived by her mother, Delores Ann (King) Pierzynowski; her loving husband, Michael L. Rosencrans; her brother, Joseph Daniel Pierzynowski; her maternal aunts, Alice May (King) Yellowbank, Carol Jean (King) McFall and Grace Marie (King) Zerbe; several half-siblings, nieces, nephews and cousins.

She is predeceased by

her father, John Joseph Pierzynowski; her brothers, John David Pierzynowski, Ronald James Pierzynowski, Thomas Charles Pierzynowski, and youngest brother, Mathew Mark Pierzynowski; and biological father, John W. Kes-

Judy was born March 12, 1960 in Petoskey, MI. She grew up with her family in Detroit, MI, and graduated from Murry-Wright High School. Judy worked for Michigan State University in various capacities and retired from MSU after 25 years of service. She



earned a Bachelor of Science degree from MSU in Agricultural Management. Judy married the love of her life, Michael Rosencrans, in a traditional ceremony in 2011. They brought great joy to one another and shared life's passions with each other.

Judy often shared fond memories of growing up in Detroit, MI, especially with all brothers. She was a wonderful, fun, and sometimes, stern auntie to her nieces and nephews. Judy helped to teach and care for them. She was passionate about family and shared a special closeness with her niece, Sheila (Pierzynowski) Hart, and nephew, Thomas Pierzynowski. Judy and Mike adopted and helped raise her

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great nephew and niece, Alex and Alexis Seneca, whom they are very proud of.

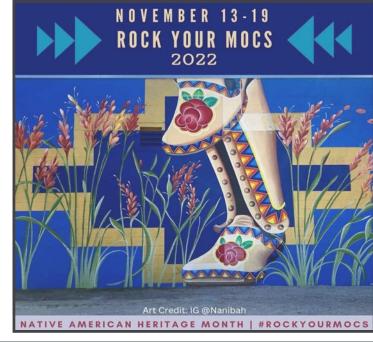
Judy enjoyed spending her time volunteering, working with youth and served on several boards and committees. Judy loved animals and plants and spending time in nature. She attended and danced at pow wows and often did crafts, sewing and beadwork. Judy often worked hard on making items and gifting them to family and friends. She was kind and extremely thoughtful.

Judy will be fondly remembered for her generous and helpful spirit and her great laugh. She laughed out loud often, and she walked with grace, integrity and respect for Mother Earth.



Virgil V. Sharkey, 86, of Oconto, WI, passed away peacefully at home on October 7, 2022. He was born on October 6, 1936 in Manistique, MI, to the late George and Elizabeth Sharkey. Virgil married Carmen Ragen on September 14, 1963. They celebrated their 59 years of marriage this year. Together, they had four wonderful sons who he was very proud of. He was a member

of the LTBB of Odawa Indians and took great pride in his Native American heritage. He coached Triple A baseball teams in Green Bay, WI, winning many tournaments and playing pickup games with the locals. Virgil enjoyed making \$1 sports bets with his grandsons. He loved keeping in touch and helping out family and friends. He will be missed by all who knew him. Virgil is survived by his wife, Carmen; four sons, James (Roni Sue); Robert; John; and Ken (Leslie); two daughters, Veda (Bernardo) Segundo; and Brenda (Jim) Cash; grandchildren, Ashley (Aaron) Bisick; Erin (Brenden) Sharkey; Kyle (Jessica) Sharkey; Eric (Hannah) Sharkey; Hana (Bryan) Hunsberger; Lauren; Bobbie; Mitchell; Keegan; Chloe; Lisa; and David Cash; and 10 great-grandchildren. Virgil was preceded in death by grandchildren, Ken and Nickolas; five sisters and two brothers.





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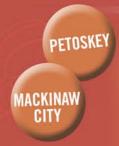
Early Voting begins September 29th at your local election clerk's office

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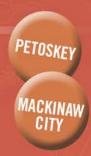
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