

Rapid River News

May 18th, 2015

News , updates and recent announcements from our tribe, calendar of events, flyers, prayers and more information. Please note that: *Hyperlinks are scattered throughout the RRN .These 'links' take you direct to documents, websites and further information that you can use. Just click on them or copy and paste them in your browser for more info!* _____

Election Certified! The Election Board has certified the results of the 2015 LRBOI Elections and presented the report to Tribal Council. The Swearing-In Ceremony has been set for May 20th, 2015 in the Lodge Room at the Government Center in Manistee. The ceremony will be held beginning at 10 a.m. with a feast to follow.

Your newly elected leaders are:

Ogema—Larry Romanelli

Tribal Council 9-County: Sandra 'Peanut' Lewis, Ronald Wittenberg and Jessica Lynn Burger

Tribal Council At Large: Joseph Riley II

Chief Judge: Daniel T. Bailey

Appellate Judge—Elder: Joseph J. LaPorte

Appellate Judge—Lawyer: Melissa L. Pope

Election Board: Tammy Bowen, Karen Love

LRCR General Manager—Ron Pete! The resort Board of Directors has appointed Ron Pete as the new General Manager of the Little River Casino Resort. See more about Ron on page 3.

New Organization Chart! Tribal Council has approved the Ogema's recommendation for a new organization chart for the Executive Branch of the tribal government. This 'new' approach is expected to improve delivery of services to the membership, improve the function of the government and communications throughout.

BIA Letter on Constitution: Ogema Romanelli has received a letter from the Department of the Interior regarding proposed Constitutional changes. See the link on the Ogema's page at www.lrboi.com or follow this link: https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/images/docs/ogema/docs/Request_for_Secretarial_Election_for_revision_to_the_Constitution_of_LRBOI.pdf

2015 Jiingtamok at LRBOI! News out of Tribal Historical Preservation is that the Pow Wow this year will be on July 4th and 5th at the Gathering Grounds in Manistee. Grand entries will be on Saturday the 4th at noon and 7 p.m. and on Sunday the 5th at noon. See page 4 for updated details!

May Currents is online! The 28 page May **Currents** is on line. Go to <https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/images/docs/public-affairs/currents/2015/Currents%20-%20May%202015.pdf> to see this and other issues. The printed May issue will be arriving in homes in 7-10 days.

Directory! See the new government directory on page 11!

THP Award: Be sure to check out the Tribal Historic Preservation award presented to Director Jonnie "Jay" Sam in Lansing. The article is in the May **Currents** on page 13.

Little Bear Deli is Open! The Deli at the tribal Trading Post is now open. Be sure to come in for some good food and good selection! Watch for more details and photos in the June **Currents**

Tribal Facebook! Last week, the Tribal Facebook page had a total reach of 2,598. Thanks for checking in!



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Enrollment in Muskegon June 23rd!

The Enrollment Department will be at the **MUSKEGON OFFICE ON, TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2015, from 10 to 5 p.m.** with their Tribal Identification Machine. Any person who needs a new Tribal Card, or has an expired Tribal I.D. card can get new card at that time. Make sure you bring your Old Tribal I.D. Card, a Driver's License or picture I.D. The cost for a new Tribal I.D. is \$5.00.

The Enrollment Department will bring Forms for Direct Deposit, Beneficiary Forms, Change of Address Forms. Remember the Enrollment Department will only be in Muskegon for one day, and that is Tuesday, June 23.

If you have other questions, or need help please call the Enrollment Department at 231-398-6720; 398-6713; 398-6712.

Other Upcoming Items, Dates & Announcements

(For details, see previous Rapid River News, Facebook or *Currents* issues)

- **Upcoming Entertainment at LRCR!** See page 9!
- **Little Bear Deli Opens for Business!** Monday the 18th is the official opening!
- **Manistee Shop with a Cop Golf!** The golf event will be at the Heathlands on May 30th
- **Housing Commission Info Meeting!** June 27th from 9-noon at Community Center
- **2015 LRBOI Jiingtamok!** July 4th and 5th in Manistee at the Gathering Grounds. See pg 4
- **2015 Language Camp!** July 25-26. See the event flyer in past issues and in the *Currents*
- **Membership Meeting Dates for 2016-2017:** (Call the hotel at Ph: (231) 723-1535 or Toll Free at 1-888-568-2244 for reservations)
 - 2016 – April 9, 2016 & October 8, 2016
 - 2017 – April 8, 2017 & October 7, 2017
- **See the new tribal department directory on the last page!**
This updated list will now appear on the inside back page of every *Currents* for your convenience.
- **Housing 'Findings of No Significant Impact'** Please see the previous Rapid River News for three findings from the Housing Department.

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Little River
CASINO RESORT

The WAVE

LRCR Team Member Newsletter



Ron Pete
Named General Manager
For The Little River Casino
Resort!

The Board of Directors for the Little River Casino Resort has named tribal member Ron Pete as the new general manager of the resort.

Ron has been an LRCR team member for the last 10 years. Most of you have had some interaction

with Ron. He is willing to share some tidbits about his career and life outside of LRCR so you can get to know him a bit better.

Ron is a Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Citizen, and is Chairman of the Elder's Committee, which he has been for the past 8 years. Ron brought with him 17 years of General Manager experience at two properties prior to coming to work at LRCR. Prior to obtaining the General Manager position, Ron was our Food & Beverage Director.

It is Ron's belief that there is an opportunity for everyone at LRCR. He plans to move forward with the development of all team members for the future success of the Resort. It is important to him that we remain a team and move forward together.

Some of the goals Ron has are to continue the 10 cards of a winning hand, so that the Resort can soar above the competition. He is looking forward to beginning and seeing through until the end, the major renovation project that will take the Resort to a higher level of success. He is planning on continuing some of the MAC trainings when he, Connie Waitner, Assistant General Manager and Keith Sensabaugh, Senior Strategy Executive, identify the needs of the Resort.

When asked what changes he would like to see at the Resort, Ron's response is "Good is no longer good enough, excellence is good enough".

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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 20th Annual Jiingtamok

Grand Entries

Saturday: 12pm & 7pm

Sunday: 12pm



Public Welcome

Everyone is invited
to attend!

Free Parking & No Admission Fee

July 4 & 5, 2015

Tribal Gathering Grounds

(corner of US-31 & M-22 across the street
from the Little River Casino Resort and
behind the Trading Post gas station)

Manistee, MI

**Native American Food Available
Native American Arts & Crafts Vendors**

Drum Information: Call Philip Memberto at 315-925-9545

All Head Personnel and Drums are to be announced at a
later date - keep watch or visit www.lrboi-nsn.gov for updates as
they become available.

**Drum & Dancing Competition
Throughout the Weekend!**

Bleacher seating available, but feel free to bring your own chairs.
NO alcohol, drugs, weapons, and pets except service animals.

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American Indian Youth Summer Film Workshop

A Residential Camp and Film Experience

July 6th-10th, 2015



Selected Students Will:

- * Be Provided room and board in a secure MSU Dormitory.
- * Create their own short film.
- * Receive training and hands-on experience with lighting, sound, storyboarding, shot design, special effects production and other aspects of film production.
- * Interact with other Native Youth.
- * Enjoy supervised recreation activities and field experiences.

There is **NO FEE** for this camp.
But space is limited!
Applications can be found on the NAI's website

www.nai.msu.edu



For More Information Contact:
MSU's Native American Institute at
(517) 353-6632, or email at nai@msu.edu, or visit www.nai.msu.edu.

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(Cultural & Government related items)

Warriors Society: Wanted...Veterans who want to actively participate in the Little River Band Warrior Society. Please email vjohnson@lrboi.com for an application and/or additional information.

We are constantly in need of Warriors for color guard duties for various events. Please consider becoming active or joining and being an active member. The Warrior Society meets the first Saturday of every month at 10am at the Aki Community Center located at the entrance to the LRBOI Housing Area. The Warrior Society meetings are usually followed by the monthly elders meeting at Noon.

Commander John Shano reported that this month, members of the Warriors participated in the funeral services for GTB's Chair George Bennett-ba and LRBOI Warrior Joe Koon-ba.



Commission Openings! The tribe continues to seek applications from tribal members interested in serving on any commission or committee of the tribe. Ogema Romanelli has asked for members to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the various Commissions and what skills or knowledge they bring to the group. Applicants will need to submit a commission application along with your letter of interest. You will need to contact Mary Thomas (extension 6824) in the Ogema's office to get an application and will need to submit both in order to be considered.

Please send the letter and application to the attention of Executive Assistant, Mary Thomas, Office of the Ogema, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660.

"Everything really is equal. The Creator doesn't look at me any better than He looks at the trees. We're all the same."

--Janice Sundown Hattet, SENECA

Sometimes humans think we are the center of the Universe. Sometimes we think we are above or better than other people or things. The Great Spirit made a set of Laws and Principles by which all things should live. Everybody and everything lives by the same Laws. We are all made of atoms just like the trees. The life force in the middle of the atom is the life force of the Great Mystery. It is the same for everything. We are all equal in the eyes of the Creator.

Great Spirit, today, I will respect your handiwork.

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April 2015 Tribal Court Docket

(subject to deletions or additions)

Key:

CO	Cora Offense/Conservation	GC	General Civil
CS	Child Support	GM	Guardianship of Minor
CT	Civil Ticket	GR	Employment Matter
DM	Divorce with children	JC	Judicial Complaint
DO	Divorce w/o children	JV	Juvenile
EA	Enrollment Appeal	LT	Landlord Tenant
EB	Election Board Appeal	NA	Neglect Abuse
EM	Emancipation of Minor	NC	Name Change
FJ	Foreign Judgment	PF	Probate
FSJ	Foreign Support Judgment	PPO	Personal Protection Order
GA	Gaming Appeal		

Court Docket

Monday, May 11, 2015

Judge Bailey

09:00 a.m.	LRB v. Metzger, D.	15047TM	Pretrial
10:00 a.m.	LRB v. Spears	15050TM	Arraignment

Friday, May 15, 2015

Judge Sherigan

10:00 a.m.	Neglect/Abuse	07188NA	Review Hrg.
11:00 a.m.	Juvenile	14101JV	Probation Viol.
11:30 a.m.	LRB v. Gibner	14152TM	Show Cause
02:00 p.m.	LRB v. Nedeau	15017TM	Pretrial
02:15 p.m.	LRB v. Nedeau	15041TM	Arraignment

Friday, May 15, 2015

Judge Bailey

4:00 p.m.	Guardianship	15048PF	Informal Hrg.
04:15 pm.	Conservatorship	15055PF	Informal Hrg.
04:30 p.m.	Term. Of Guardian	15027GM	Motion Hrg.

Monday, May 25, 2015

Offices Closed

OFFICES CLOSED FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Thursday, May 28, 2015

Judge Sherigan

02:00 p.m.	Price v. LRBOI	09182GC	Final Pretrial
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LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT JOBS

The Human Resources Department welcomes your application for posted positions that are of interest to you! Did you know that job openings can be found on-line and on bulletin boards at government buildings? Job announcements are updated on a continuous basis. Look no further than these convenient sources for your next opportunity.

www.lrboi-nsn.gov

Rapid River News Weekly—Tribal Government Buildings—By calling the HR Department

Job Title	Department	Open Date	Close Date
Customer Service Associate	Trading Post	5-18-15	5-29-15
Case Manager Generalist	Family Services	5-15-15	5-29-15
Surveillance Operator	Surveillance	5-1-15	5-26-15
Conservation Officer	Public Safety	4-21-15	5-19-15
Public Safety Director	Public Safety	4-21-15	5-19-15
Road Patrol Officer	Public Safety	4-21-15	5-19-15

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

An application must be submitted, resumes and cover letters are strongly encouraged.

Applications will remain active for a period of 6 months after receipt of your application. Please contact the Human Resource Department if you are unsure if you have an active application.

When you see a job that you would like to apply for please contact Alyce Giltz at Phone: (231) 398-6859, Fax: (231) 398-9101 or E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov This email address is being protected from spambots. You need JavaScript enabled to view it. . You can download the [Employment Application](#) and send it in by postal mail, e-mail, fax or hand deliver it if you choose. Applications are kept active for 6 months. Tribal Preference is applied to all positions.

What about Temporary Work? Send in or drop off your application at anytime and be included in our temporary employment pool. Just be certain to check "temporary" or place "temp pool" on the position of interest line.

Temporary assignments range from 1 to 180 days in duration. It's a great way to gain experience and sharpen your skills. **Indian Preference applies to the hiring of all vacant positions.** Please send your application, resume, and cover letters to: **LRBOI Human Resources**

2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660F

Fax: (231) 398-9101 E-mail: agiltz@lrboi-nsn.gov Phone: (231) 398-6859 or (888) 723-8288

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Promotions & Events

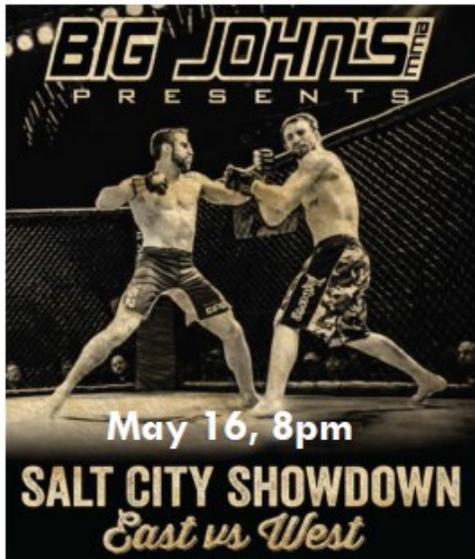
From the LRCR Wave news!



\$75,000
GOT IT MAY'D
Giveaway
May 30th 12pm - 10pm



Pick A Hat
Mondays & Thursdays
10am-4pm
4pm-10pm



BIG JOHN'S
PRESENTS
May 16, 8pm
SALT CITY SHOWDOWN
East vs West



JACK HANNA'S
INTO THE WILD
LIVE
presented by Nationwide



WAD



THE ORCHESTRA
May 24, 8pm

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Get Moving in May for National Physical Fitness and Sports Month

May 01, 2015

By: [President's Council on Fitness, Sports and Nutrition \(PCFSN\)](#)

May 1st marks the start of the annual [National Physical Fitness and Sports Month](#), led by the [President's Council on Fitness Sports and Nutrition](#). The month highlights the importance of healthy lifestyles, being physically active, and participating in your favorite sports.

That's why [National Physical Education & Sport Week](#) – observed May 1-7 – is the perfect kick off. May is the ideal time to get outside, be active, and enjoy nice weather. Warm weather motivates people to get moving. The sunny days entice kids to venture outdoors for free play, sports, and a healthy dose of physical activity.

While it's great to see our youth outside and active when the weather is nice, they need physical education and activity year-round. Studies have shown that active kids do better! When children are active, they perform better academically, have better attendance, and behavior improves.

[Let's Move!](#) Active Schools – part of First Lady Michelle Obama's *Let's Move!* initiative – is working to bring physical education and activity back to our nation's schools. The President's Council is proud to announce that over 15,000 schools have joined the *Let's Move!* Active Schools movement!

These schools are working hard to promote a culture in which physical activity and physical education underpin academic success. *Let's Move!* Active Schools equips school leaders and teachers with the resources and tools to incorporate at least 60 minutes of physical activity before, during, and after the school day. It also ensures that movement is a fundamental part of a child's educational experience.

Currently, *Let's Move!* Active Schools positively impacts the lives of over 8 million youth through physical education. But we need you to keep the movement going and growing! The President's Council is looking for school champions – physical education and classroom teachers, principals, administrators, and parents – to be a part of the movement.

How can you help? Work with your child's school to become a part of the *Let's Move!* Active Schools movement. [Sign up now!](#)

To the 15,000+ *Let's Move!* Active Schools, we challenge you to join the First Lady's [#GimmeFive challenge](#). Post five things your school is doing to help students eat better, be more active, and lead a healthier life. Let's show everyone how active schools across the country are getting students moving, not just during National Physical Fitness and Sports Month, but all year long!

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Government Phone Number and Office Location Information

Main Phone: (231) 723-8288 or Toll Free 888-723-8288. Use the following extensions for:

- 0-** Receptionist **1** - Office location and hours of operation **2-** Holiday Office Closures **3-** General Message
4- Per Capita Information **5** - Tribes website address and information **6-** Words of the Month

<u>Departments</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Director or main phone numbers</u>
<u>Accounting</u>	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6868
<u>Be-Da-Bin</u>	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6741
<u>Commerce</u>	Government Center — Main Entrance	231.398.6815
<u>Commodities</u>	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398. 6715
<u>Education</u>	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6735
<u>Enrollment</u>	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6712
<u>Fitness Center</u>	Government Center—Lower Level	231.398.6636
<u>Family Services</u>	Government Center—Clinic entrance	231.398.6734
<u>Grants Department</u>	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6843
<u>Health Clinic</u>	Government Center—North End	231.398.6600
<u>Historic Preservation</u>	Government Center— Lower Level	231.398.6893
<u>Housing</u>	Aki Maadiziwin Community Center	231.398.6879
<u>Human Resources</u>	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6871
<u>Members Legal Asst.</u>	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2234
<u>Members Assistance</u>	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6718
<u>Natural Resources</u>	9th Street Offices—Manistee	886-723-1594
<u>Peacemaking/Probation</u>	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2239
<u>Planning Department</u>	Government Center —Main Entrance	231.398.6810
<u>Prosecutor</u>	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2242
<u>Public Affairs</u>	Government Center-Main Entrance	231.398.6872
<u>Public Safety</u>	Justice Center on M22	231.398.2225
<u>Tax Office</u>	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6874
<u>Utilities/Waste Water</u>	Dontz Road (near Aki Maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
<u>Work Force Development</u>	Government Center—Main Entrance	231.398.6842