



United Tribes/Governor Annual Summit



LRBOI Tribal CO on winning team!



Tribal Conservation Officer, Sgt. Robert Robles Jr. was part of the winning Great Lakes team in a recent national competition. See more photos and details on page 22.

Leaders of the United Tribes of Michigan held their annual summit meeting with Michigan's Governor Rick Snyder at Soaring Eagle Casino in Mt. Pleasant. The meeting gives the tribes an opportunity to directly talk with the Governor over issues, concerns and opportunities within our state of Michigan. See more photos and details on page...3

Tribal Preference what it really means

The LRBOI Human Resources Department would like to take this opportunity to provide you with detail on the process that is followed for all permanent full-time and part-time hiring for the LRBOI Tribal Government. The processes illustrated below are in accordance with the Indian Preference in Employment Ordinance #11-600-02 and as amended.

Application Process

1. All positions are posted for at least ten (10) business days during which applications are accepted. Only those applications received after during the posting period are applied to the posting.
2. Applications are reviewed in order of the Preference Hierarchy, which starts with LRBOI Tribal Members. Other preference categories are reviewed if the posting was for more positions than Tribal Member applications received.
 - o Ex #1: One (1) Maintenance Technician position to fill. Received 2 Tribal Members and 2 Descendent applications. Only the Tribal Members applications will be reviewed. When this situation occurs, the remaining categories of Preference Applicants are informed in writing by the HR Department.
 - o Ex #2: Three (3) Maintenance Technician positions to fill. 2 Tribal Member and 2 Descendent applications received; all applications will be reviewed at the same time.
3. If a Preference Applicant meets the qualifications stated on the job description, that Preference Applicant is deemed a Preference Candidate and invited to interview. Interviews are also conducted according to the Preference Hierarchy.

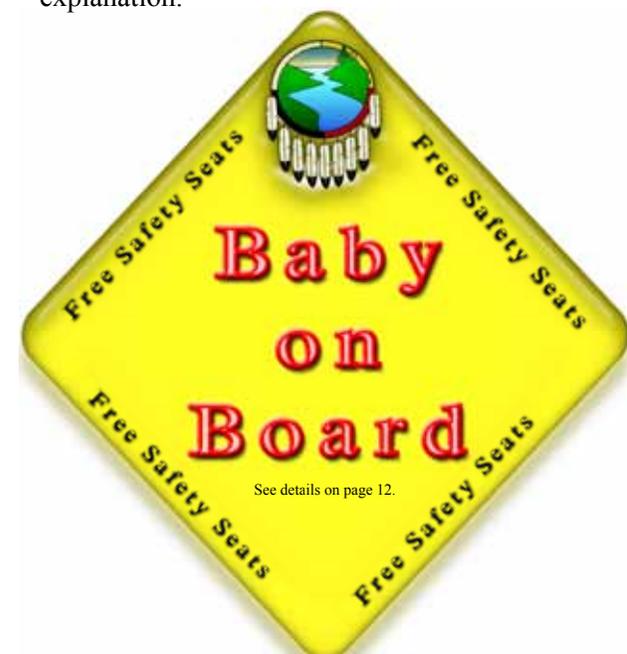
4. If the Preference Applicant is lacking in any area of the stated qualifications, the HR Department will make contact with the Preference Applicant and provide five (5) days for the Preference Applicant to respond with additional information.
 - A. If the Preference Applicant provides additional information, in writing and within the allotted time frame that substantiates their ability to meet the qualifications, that Preference Applicant is deemed a Preference Candidate and invited to interview.
 - B. If the Preference Applicant does not respond to the request for additional information, the Preference Applicant is deemed unqualified and no further contact is made.
 - C. If the Preference Applicant responds, but the additional information does not support their ability to meet the qualifications, the HR Department will notify the applicant of the determination and the hiring process will move forward without their inclusion.

Interview Process

- If a Preference Candidate confirms the qualifications provided on their application during the interview, the Preference Candidate will be offered the position. If there is more than one Preference Candidate of the same category eligible to be offered employment, the results of the interview will determine the successful candidate.
- If a Preference Candidate is unable to confirm their qualifications during an interview, and there is not another Preference Candidate of the same Category qualified to fill the position, a Disqualification Report is prepared by the Department Director and submitted to the Ogema for a final determination.

- o If the Ogema signs the Disqualification Report, the HR Department will inform the Preference Candidate of this decision.
- o If the Ogema does not sign the Disqualification Report, the Preference Candidate will be offered the position.

If you have any questions regarding the hiring process, please contact LRBOI HR for further explanation.



Working through a grant from the Federal government, your Commerce department has arranged to provide approved child safety seats at no cost as part of the Child Car Safety Seat Education Program.



Aanii:
Finally, Spring is here in Upper West Michigan after a long, snowy winter.

I am having a difficult time trying to keep up with the Currents new schedule of one month hard copy and the next month an E-Currents. Personally, I think the Currents should be a hard copy each month unless the member requests otherwise.

I will be working to try and make that happen in the future. We continue to work on the tribal fishing program and Tribal Council recently put out another RFP to contract out the removal of any problem fishing nets. The nets are scheduled to be removed by the end of May. Tribal Council will also be working on revamping the fishing program.

A major event is being scheduled to honor the tribe's 20th anniversary of reaffirmation. Both the tribal Government and the Resort are working together to prepare for the event. Keep watching the Rapid River news for updates.

Declining government budget continues to be a focus of attention which we are continually monitoring. Revenues at the resort are down from previous years but the Casino/Resort Board of Directors continue to work at solutions to increase revenues.

We continue to work at our Muskegon Project and our focus is turning to doing some economic development on the property, hopefully on the Sternberg side. We are in contact with the State and Federal governments as we work to get through the red tape to get our Muskegon Casino up and running. We have worked out an agreement with MDOT for them to purchase sand from the area to be used in their work on local highways. You may see loaders and a variety of heavy equipment near the "hill" area on the property.

Little River CASINO RESORT

It appears that spring has finally come to Little River Casino Resort. The hardest winter in the history of the resort is now in our rearview mirror, and we can now move forward to an exciting summer. I'm truly looking forward to my second summer in Manistee. Western Michigan is one of the most beautiful places that I've been, and it is truly an honor to live here. Beside the great "Pure Michigan" outdoors that we have to attract guests to our resort, we also have several great entertainment events.

Our summer starts on Friday, May 23rd with *Hotel California*, the world-famous Eagles tribute band, but that is just a warm-up to June when we have four BIG shows.

We are hosting *The Mavericks* on Saturday, June 7th. This great country group never ceases to please. The end of June hold the best week of concerts in the history of the resort. It starts on Saturday, June 21st with Michigan's own Grand Funk Railroad and ends with the Grammy award winning Mavis Staples and Robert Cray on June 27th. In the middle, we are proud to host the open show of Alice Cooper's tour. Alice is using Little River to rehearse his new show where he opens for the farewell tour of *Motley Crue*. After he perfects his show, he will unveil it at Little River on Thursday, June 26th. Please show Alice that Little River hospitality while he makes us his temporary home.

We have more exciting show for August that we will announce shortly.

This summer is the 15th anniversary of the casino. All of our great Team Members are anxious to show you their top customer service and hospitality. Please come help us celebrate 15 years of being the best casino in Michigan. We are proud to be your casino.

Beautiful Podium

The Tribal Council would like to thank **Lonnie Ballard** and **Mike Burmeister** for the beautiful podium both presented to Tribal Council. The hands of a true craftsman added beauty to our Lodge.

From the bottom of our hearts "Chi Miigech" to all who made this possible.

- Virgil Johnson
- Sandy Mezeske
- Pat Ruitter
- Shannon Crampton
- Del Peters
- Frankie Medacco
- Gary DiPiazza
- Marty Wabindato
- Mike Ceplina



Thank you so very much!!!!



Tribal leaders from the United Tribes of Michigan met on May 12 at the Soaring Eagle Casino with Michigan Governor Rick Snyder. Each year at this time the leaders of the sovereign tribal nations meet with the current governor of the state to discuss issues of importance to both the tribes and the state.

From Little River, Ogema Larry Romanelli and Tribal Council Speaker Virg Johnson led our delegation which also included Council member Gary DiPiazza, Commerce Director Robert Memberto and Executive Counsel Damian Fisher.



Shortly after a working lunch by the tribal leaders, the Governor joined them in a formal setting to discuss issues. Jennifer Wassegijig, the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan Tribal Chaplain began the meeting with prayer followed by a greeting and opening statement by Steve Pego, Tribal Chief.

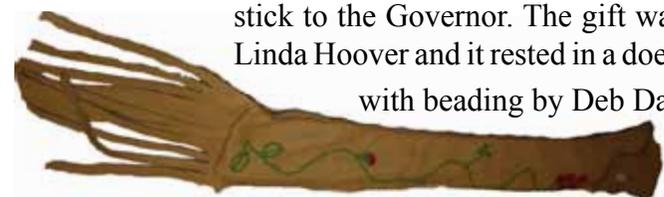
Governor Snyder then gave a few opening remarks which were followed by each leader at the table taking five to ten minutes for a presentation on issues of importance to the Tribal nations. The topics were ranging from the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver to Water concerns to invasive species fears, sovereignty of tribal nations and even a brief touching on the subject of the state Wolf Hunt...something vehemently opposed by the tribal leaders.



The cordial meeting gave the tribal leaders and the governor the opportunity to publicly address concerns and lend strength to our sovereign position within the state.



Following the formal discussion, gifts were exchanged. From Little River, Ogema Romanelli and Speaker Johnson presented a beautiful hand-beaded talking stick to the Governor. The gift was made by Linda Hoover and it rested in a doeskin pouch with beading by Deb Davis.



Council News

Date	Work Session Title	Delano Peters	Michael Ceplina	Shannon Crampton	Gary DiPiazza	Virgil Johnson	Frankie Medacco	Sandy Mezeske	Pat Ruiter	Marty Wabindato	Total Attending
04/01/14	NRC - Chapter 1	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
04/01/14	Old Casino		x	x	x		x	x	x		6
04/01/14	Indian Preference	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
04/01/14	Time Clocks		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	8
04/03/14	Muschigon	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		x	8
04/04/14	LRCR Financial Review	x	x	V	x	x	x	x	x	x	8
04/07/14	Ethics Ordinance	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
04/07/14	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
04/07/14	Priorities for Tribal Council	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	9
04/08/14	Honorariums	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	8
04/08/14	Day Care Center	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	7
04/10/14	Audit Presentation	x	x		x	x	x	x		x	7
04/11/14	LRCR Board of Directors	x	x	x	x	*	x	x		x	7
04/14/14	Ethics Ordinance		x	x	x	x	*	x	x		6
04/14/14	Valliant Report		x	x	x	x	*	x	x		6
04/14/14	Agenda Review		x	x	x	x	*	x	x		6
04/14/14	Health Insurance		x	x	x	x	*	x	x		6
04/15/14	Legal Reform Act	x	x	V	x	x	*	x		x	6
04/15/14	Update on Commodities Building	x	x	V	x	x	*	x		x	6
04/15/14	Round Table Discussion	x	x	V	x	x	*	x		x	6
04/17/14	Constitution	x	V	x	x	x	*	x	x	x	7
04/17/14	Muschigon Construction	x	V	x	x	*	*	x	x	x	6
04/17/14	Renovation Presentation	x	V	x	x	x	*	x	x	x	7
04/17/14	Burial Assistance	x	V	x	x	x	*	x	x	x	7
04/21/14	Ethics Ordinance	x	x	x	x	x	x	V		x	7
04/21/14	Valliant Report	x	x	x	x	x	x	V		x	7
04/21/14	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	x	x	V		x	7
04/21/14	Health Insurance	x	x	x	x	x	x	V		x	7
04/22/14	Legal Reform Act	x		V	x	x		x	x		5
04/22/14	Commodities Construction	x		V	x	x		x	x		5
04/22/14	Indian Preference	x		V	*	x		x	x		4
04/22/14	Gov Financial Report Review					x					1
04/24/14	Constitution	x		V	x	x	x	x	x	x	7
04/24/14	Campground Upgrade	x		V	x	*	x	x	x	x	6
04/25/14	Health Insurance	x	x		x	x	x	x	x		7
04/28/14	Ethics Ordinance	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		8
04/28/14	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		8
04/29/14	Round Table Discussion	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	8
	Total # of Work Sessions - 38	31	28	23	36	34	23	33	26	26	

* - Business Related

V - Vacation

B - Bereavement



The Location: Little River Casino Resort, Manistee Michigan



June 11th, 12th, and the 13th.

The Keynote Speaker

State of Michigan Circuit Court Judge

Tim Connors

"Affirmation of positive actions can and should be a part of State Court Justice Systems. Peacemaking Courts can guide us. We have much to learn."

Guest Speaker

David Raasch

Retired Tribal Project Specialist for NCJTC at Fox Valley Technical College,
Former Chief Judge of the Mohican Nation Tribal Court,

Regular Registration

Starts April 1 and ends May 24th, 2014

Registration fee is \$350.00

(Early Registration fee is \$300.00 and Ends March 31, 2014)



Peacemaking/Probation Department

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick Wilson at 1(231) 398-2239 or 1(231)398-3406

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3rd Midwest Peacemaking Conference "The Debwewin of Peacemaking"

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

8:00 am — 9:00 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast	Ojibwe
9:00 am — 10:00 am	OPENING CEREMONY Posting of the colors by: Little River Warrior Society Flag Song by: Little Bird Drum Opening Prayer by: Ron Wittenberg	Bodweadamiinh
10:00 am — 10:30am	Welcome From: Emcee: Glenn Zaring, Public Information Office Larry Romanelli, Ogema of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Gary DiPiazza, Tribal Council Member of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Daniel Bailey, Chief Judge of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Court	
10:30 am — 12:00pm	Peacemaking: JoAnne Gasco, <u>A view of our community past and present: Furthering the discussion on Healthy & Unhealthy Communities</u> ADR: Jackie Hallberg, <u>Involving Parents/Caregivers in Restorative Programming</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
12:00 pm — 1:00 pm	Lunch — On Your Own	
1:00 pm — 2:30 pm	Peacemaking: Paul Raphael <u>A view of our community past and present: Furthering the discussion on Healthy & Unhealthy Communities</u> ADR: Phillip Schaedler <u>The Truth in Daily Life: the Path to Peace and Freedom</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
2:30 pm — 2:45 pm	Break 15 min.	Ojibwe
2:45 pm — 4:15 pm	Peacemaking: David Raasch, <u>Pieces of Peace</u> Peacemaking: Wilma Henry, <u>Peace making and Self Esteem in the School Setting</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
4:15 pm	Supper On Your Own	
5:30 pm — ?	Talking Circle: Paul Raphael, <u>Open Topic</u>	Bodweadamiinh

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Thursday June 12, 2014

8:00 am	Continental Breakfast	Bodweadamiinh
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Emcee: Glenn Zaring, Public Information Office Peacemaking Host Speakers Patrick D. Wilson, Peacemaking/Probation Supervisor Wanda Joseph, Mediation & Training Austen Brauker, Peacemaking/ Probation Assistant	
9:00 am -- 10:30 am	Peacemaking: Coleta Walker, Adelle Fontanet, Aaron Arnold, <u>Peacemaking at Red Hook</u> ADR: Wilma Henry, <u>Peace making and Self Esteem in the School Setting</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
10:30 am -- 10:45 am	Break 15 min	Ojibwe
10:45 am --12:15 pm	Peacemaking: Austen Brauker, <u>Peacemaking at Indian Village Camp</u> ADR: Wanda Joseph, <u>Seeking Truth, Seeking Reconciliation</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
12:15 pm — 1:15 pm	Lunch — On Your Own	
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2:45 pm— 3:00 pm	Break 15 min.	Ojibwe
3:00 pm— 4:30 pm	Peacemaking: Coleta Walker, Adelle Fontanet, Aaron Arnold, <u>Peacemaking at Red Hook</u> ADR: Jackie Hallberg, <u>Restorative Opportunities in School Settings</u>	Ojibwe Bodweadamiinh
5:30 —	Plated Dinner Dinner Prayer: Ron Wittenberg	TBD - Ojibwe/Bodweadamiinh
	Keynote Speaker: Judge Tim Connors, <u>Peacemaking in State Court Justice Systems: An Ancient Tradition Whose Time Has Finally Come</u>	

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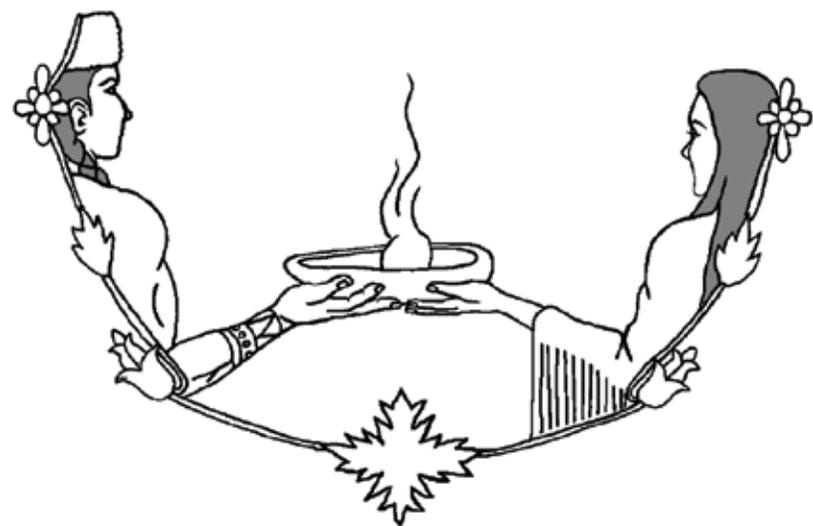


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Friday June 13, 2014

8:00 am — 8:30 am	Time: ROOM Location: Continental Breakfast Location: Ojibwe
8:40 am — 9:20 am	Presentation: Final Day of Event Address: Bodweadamiinh Presentation: M.C. Glenn Zaring Presentation: Midwest Peacemaking Conference Coordinator, Pat Wilson Presentation: M.P.C. Committee Member, Wanda Joseph Presentation: M.P.C. Committee Member,
9:20 am — 10:20 am	Presentation: Guest Speaker: David Raasch, <u>The Truth is: "Peacemaking is Stirring of the Soul"</u>
10:20 am — 11:20 am	Presentation: W Joan P. Vestrand, Associate Dean and Professor of Law, Thomas M. Cooley Law School, <u>Cooley Law School/Ypsilanti Community High School Student Peacemaking Court</u>
11:30am — 12:00 pm	Presentation: Closing Ceremony Presentation: Closing Prayer by: Ron Wittenberg Presentation: Retiring of the flags: Little River Warrior Society Presentation: Traveling Drum Song: Little Bird Drum
12:00pm	Presentation: Conference Concluded...

STAFF Patrick Wilson Austen Brauker COMMITTEE Wanda Joseph Tom St. Dennis Mary Velikan KEYNOTE SPEAKER Tim Connors GUEST SPEAKER David Raasch PRESENTERS David Raasch JoAnne Gasco Paul Raphael Wilma Henry Coleta Walker Adelle Fontanet Aaron Arnold Phillip Schaedler Jackie Hallberg Wanda Joseph	Support Staff: Deb miller, Laurie Willis, Amber Moore,
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WE CAN DO IT NATIVE STYLE

Recruiting 11-17 year old Anishnaabe Kwe to join us for a

PRINCESS PREP

Experience an adventurous day of activities

- *Jiingtamok etiquette
- * Teachings
- * Games
- * Motivational speakers
- * Guide to your reign

Wenesh pii:
Saturday June 7th
10am-6pm
Aanii piisb:
Tribal gathering grounds
2596 Loon Drive
Manistee, MI 49662

Please call the *Kwanok Circle* at 231-510-4366 to RSVP/if transportation is needed
Lunch and dinner will be provided and mother participation is strongly encouraged.
A giveaway will be awarded to all recruits.

Attention Vendors

Applications are now being accepted for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians **19th Annual Jiingtamok July 5 & 6, 2014**

Do you make **baskets, jewelry and beadwork, pottery, quillwork, leather-made items such as drums, dance sticks, pouches, regalia** or some other native art or craft? Why not sell them at the Jiingtamok? All native arts and crafts are needed!

Applications (including vendor letter and map) are available by visiting the tribal website www.lrboidnsn.gov or at the Historic Preservation office located at 2608 Government Center Drive in Manistee. To request an application by email, postal mail or for more vendor information, please contact Valerie Chandler: Email: vchandler@lrboidnsn.gov (231) 723-8288, ext. 6895 Toll-free 1-888-723-8288, ext. 6895.

Prayer Request



Submitted by Terry Webb:
As his grandmother, I pray for him but, my heart is so worried. This is my firstborn grandson, Anthony Webb. He has just been deployed to Kuwait. He went straight into the army after graduation. He is 19 years old. I told him how proud I was of him and that he is a Strong Warrior like his daddy. He responded with "I get it from my Gammy!" He says that because of the cancer journey that I went on. I fought like a girl and won!
Please add him to your prayer list, if you would. Miigwetch, Terry

You can become a Princess!

Miss LRBOI Princess Isabel Burger 2013-14



Requirements to apply
Age 13-18
Single, no dependents
Full regalia
Must have knowledge of customs and traditions, will have to write a short Bio about yourself. Share goals, ambitions, education, family, your interest and hobbies
Must be Little River or a descendent

You will be judged on traditional knowledge, Dance, Personal Interview.

For information on how to apply call *Kwanok Circle* 231-510-4366

Imagine yourself being crowned Miss LRBOI Princess

What an honor!

You will travel to make personal appearances to represent the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, as a role model for our people and the other young ladies aspiring to become princess.

You will receive a Crown, Sash, Flowers, a photo shoot and many extras including being treated as royalty. The runners up will receive a sash, flowers and a gift certificate.

Food Distribution Program (FDPIR) was created by congress in 1977 Food Stamp Act as an alternative to the Food Stamp Program for Indian Reservations. The program offers commodity to low income Native American households. No household may participate in both the Commodity Food Program and Snap Program, but eligible households can switch from one program to the other at the end of each month. Eligibility and participation for FDPIR are based on application and certification requiring tribal status, income and resources qualification, in determining who is eligible for the program. We are federally funded by the USDA and they set the regulations and guidelines for the Commodity Program.

USDA Income Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
Monthly Income Standards October 1, 2012 & October 1, 2013

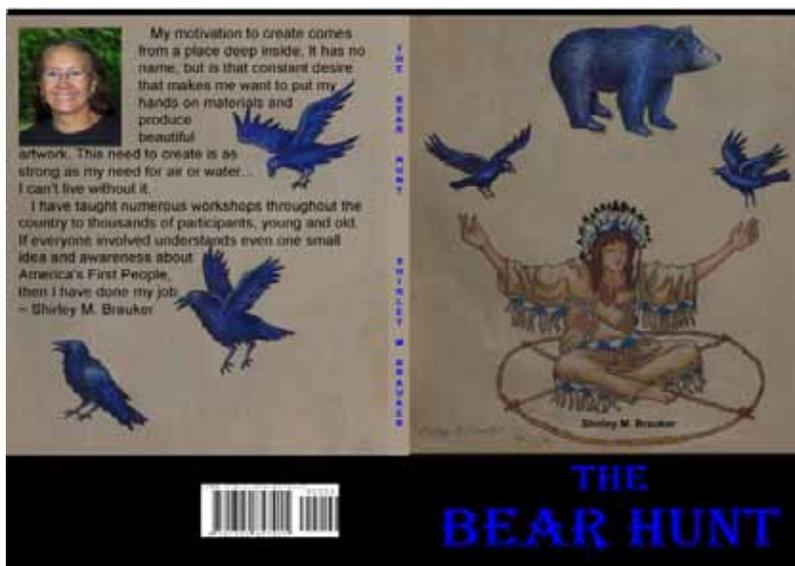
Office hours are
8:00 A.M – 5:00 P.M
Lunch hour is 12:00 - 1:00

Household Size	Income Limits
1.	\$ 1,110.00
2.	\$ 1,445.00
3.	\$ 1,780.00
4.	\$ 2,126.00
5.	\$ 2,489.00
6.	\$ 2,852.00
7.	\$ 3,187.00
8.	\$ 3,522.00

For each additional member add \$ 335.00

Yvonne Theodore, Laurie Jackson
1-888-723-8288 ask for Commodity Program
Office 231-398-6716 or 231-398-6715

Commodity Department
serves 13 counties: Benzie,
Grand Traverse, Lake
Leelanau, Manistee, Mason,
Mecosta, Muskegon,
Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola,
Ottawa, Wexford.



This story is an account of the coming of age of a young Native American boy on a bear hunting trip in Canada. He finds himself through personal events and Spiritual awakening that he encounters. He realizes the importance of seeing and understanding the little messages the Universe gives us every day. He has many decisions to make that eventually help form the man he becomes. He carries these teachings with him throughout the rest of his life. He grows in personal strength and wisdom, through the choices me makes.

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Michigan Indian Legal Services may be able to help you with your legal issue. MILS Attorneys can handle the following types of cases in Tribal Court:

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- ◆ Juvenile Delinquency
- ◆ Criminal Defense
- ◆ ICWA-MIFPA
- ◆ Appellate Cases*
- ◆ Guardianship*
- ◆ Other Matters

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To find out if we can help you with your legal issue, call us at (231) 947-0122 or toll free at (800) 968-6877. Our office is open Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to Noon and from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit our website at www.mils3.org.

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2014 Spring Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake

Sponsored by Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health of The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

“Wawiinge maadaadziwin”.

“Beginning a journey with wellness”

Talking Circle 12-Step meeting

Wenesh pii: Every Wednesday @ 3:30pm

Aanni pish: BeDaBin Conference Room

We meet weekly to support healing thru a holistic approach to wellness including recovery of all forms utilizing anishnaabe values and teachings to encourage the adoption of a healthy, balanced lifeway by reclaiming our place in the circle of life

More information:

Dottie 231-398-6741 Or Julie 231-398-6740



Sponsored by Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health of The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

The season will be similar to last year where one sturgeon may be harvested by spear or hook and line. With the cold spring weather the sturgeon harvest opportunities may be towards the middle of June. To obtain a permit or for more information please contact Marty Holtgren at the Natural Resources Department at (231)398-2193 or mholtgren@lrboi.com.

1. One fish quota. After fish is harvested, the fishery is closed and all licensed anglers will be notified by LRBOI NRD personnel.

Only one fish total can be harvested regardless of the number of licensed anglers.

2. Season: Wednesday, May 1st through Sunday, June 30th (or until quota is reached after which season will be immediately closed).

3. No minimum size limit.

4. Method of harvest is openwater spearing and/or hook and line.

5. Angler must maintain in their possession at all times a valid Lake Sturgeon Harvest Permit for Black Lake in order to fish. This permit must be acquired from the Natural Resources Department 48 hours prior to fishing. The permit will indicate specific dates for which the permit is valid. Because LRBOI Natural Resource Department or Conservation Law Enforcement staff will be present during all sturgeon fishing. Angler must call contacts designated on the permit if the permit will not be used for any of the designated days.

6. Daily Angler check-in is required. Once angler arrives at Black Lake they will call contacts designated on permit prior to fishing for the day.

7. After an angler harvests a sturgeon they must immediately contact the LRBOI NRD staff.

8. Registration of sturgeon is required immediately upon harvest with a LRBOI NRD field staff.

9. Registration of fish harvest will include an examination of the fish.

10. Tribal Law Enforcement may check anglers during each fishing day.

Positive Indian Parenting Honoring Children by Honoring Our Traditions

EVERY MONDAY EVENING

JULY 14TH 5:30 TO 7:30

1101 W. Hackley Ave.

Muskegon, MI 49441

**Traditional Parenting Lessons of the Storyteller
Lessons of the Cradleboard Harmony in Childrearing
Traditional Behavior Management Lessons of Mother Nature
Praise in Traditional Parenting Choices in Parenting**

TRADITIONAL ANISHINABE WAYS TO PARENT IN A MODERN WORLD

Presented by Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Family Services Department

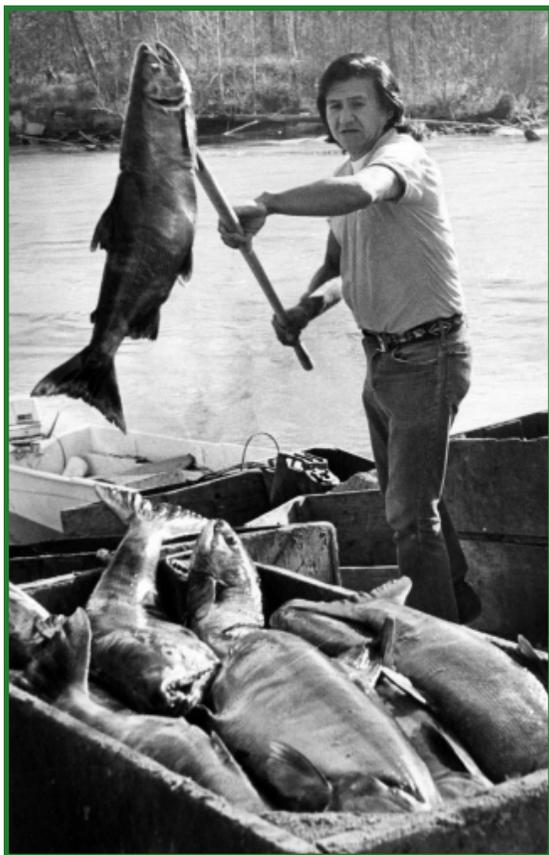
Facilitators: Shelly Kequam 398-6707 and Kathy Lagerquist 398-3705

Class is free

**Call for Child Care
231-398-6707 or 231-398-3705**

Meal Provided

Billy Frank Jr. walks on...



WASHINGTON, D.C. – Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs Kevin K. Washburn issued the following statement May 6th on the passing of Billy Frank Jr., a member of the Nisqually Indian Tribe and chairman of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission in Washington State:

“Billy Frank Jr. was an undaunted defender of and respected elder statesman for tribal treaty fishing rights. For over 30 years he helped lead the fight to preserve and protect the salmon and its habitat in Western Washington, thereby ensuring it remains a vital part of Northwest tribal culture and the Pacific Northwest’s economy.

“His wisdom on the importance of conservation and the protection of natural resources has been recognized by all who love the great outdoors. Thanks to his leadership and years of hard work, we can continue to appreciate the great gifts of nature that are still with us and the tribes of the Pacific Northwest can still rely on the salmon to sustain them for generations to come.

“Thank you, Billy, for your tireless work for Indian Country and our nation.

“On behalf of my office, the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education, we extend our condolences to the Nisqually Indian Tribe, the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, and to Mr. Frank’s family, friends and colleagues.”

Aaron Payment, Chairman of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians also commented on Billy Frank’s passing and offered these thoughts:

“Jimmie Mitchell (Natural Resources Director for LRBOI) established a friendship and working relationship with Billy that helped the Northwest Fisheries understand our Great Lakes Treaty Rights and needs. I was just getting to know Billy. He believed in treaty rights protections through inter-tribal solidarity. I spoke with him briefly before the House Appropriation hearing on the President’s FY2015 budget. He joked with the panel but delivered his testimony with the admiration and respect and honor of the tribal leaders and Members of Congress alike. He set a high standard for a life-long commitment to upholding our treaty and trust obligations. Like the legacy of Big Abe, we are all better off due to his contribution to our lives as American Indians. Chi Megwitch Billy Frank!”

A Collection of Stories and Links about Billy Frank by Kate Fort

Billy Frank's Last Post at NWIFC: [Keep Big Oil Out of Grays Harbor](#)

PBS Newshour: Northwest ["Salmon People" Face Future without Fish Oral History Project, Where the Salmon Run](#)

[Bunky Echohawk's Portrait of Billy Frank](#)

NY Times: [On the River Bank with Billy Frank Jr. Indians and Salmon: Making Nature Whole](#)

Seattle Times: [Billy Frank: Champion of Tribal Rights Dies at 83](#)

Seattle Times: [Timeline of Billy Frank's Life](#)

Bellingham Herald: [Billy Frank Jr. -- Activist, Icon, Environmental Giant](#)

Time Magazine: [Native American Fishing Activist Billy Frank](#)

North Kipsap Herald: [Billy Frank Jr. Devoted His Life to Defense of Fishing Rights, Salmon Habitat](#)

The Olympian: [Tribal Fishing Activist Led Fight Resulting in 1974 Bold Decision](#)

[Statement of Cynthia Iyall, Nisqually Indian Tribe Chair](#)

[Statement of the President](#)

[Statement of the Secretary of the Interior](#)

[Statement of the Assistant Secretary of the Interior](#)

[Senator Cantwell's Statement](#)

FREE CHILD CAR SAFETY SEATS!

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for young children, and properly restrained children have a more than 50 percent greater chance of surviving a crash. When driving with children, you should always use the appropriate car seat or seat belt.

If you are a Tribal family with children 12 years of age or younger, and want to provide greater protection for your children when they are riding in your vehicle, then we encourage you to participate in our **Child Car Safety Seat Education Program**.

Benefits of the Program

- Find out the most appropriate safety seat for your child
- Learn the proper way to install your car safety seat
- Receive a new car safety seat for each eligible child absolutely free!



Qualified staff will be available to assist in the selection of a car safety seat and provide instruction on how to properly install and remove each safety seat.

Locations and Dates

Saturday, July 5, 2014

LRBOI Government Center
(during the 19th Annual Jingtamok)

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



Saturday, July 26, 2014

LRBOI Government Center
(during the 21st Annual Anishinabe Language and Culture Camp)

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If you have questions or would like additional information, please contact Steve Parsons at 231-398-6810.

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS

2014 Child Car Safety Seat Education Program This program is made available through a grant provided by the Federal Highway Administration Tribal Transportation Safety Fund



Mother of all sales

Watch
for signs!

Aki maadiziwin
Memorial Week-end
May 22, 23, & 24 2014
8:00 a.m. – 4 p.m. Daily

North on 31,
turn left at
Little River Casino & Resort
turn left on Dantz Road (first road
to the left after Casino)
1 ½ miles down and turn on
Shaw Be Quoung Road, or
Turn on Hill Road (at Parkdale
Wesco) until it ends and take a right on Kott Road
→ 2 ½ miles and turn right on Shaw Be Quoung
License # TC14-028



**Colossal
Multi-Family Sale!**

YARD SALE

Family neighborhood sale



MIEA Scholarships!

MICHIGAN INDIAN
ELDERS ASSOCIATION 2014
SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

The Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) is pleased to announce that it will make available 3 (3) \$1000 scholarships and six (6) \$500 scholarships. The scholarships will be awarded to at least nine qualified students with the \$1000 scholarships being awarded to top 3 qualified student, as determined by committee review and lottery, if necessary. Each student must be currently enrolled in a course of study at, or have a letter of acceptance from, a public college or university or technical school and must meet the following qualifications.

QUALIFICATIONS – the student:

Must be an enrolled member (copy of tribal card) or be a direct descendant of an enrolled member of one of the MIEA constituent Tribes/Bands (must be verified in writing by your tribal Enrollment Department).

Must have successfully completed and passed all five General Education Development (G.E.D.) equivalency tests with a minimum score of 40 and an average score of 45 and must possess a G.E.D. certificate; or must have graduated from an accredited high school with a 3.00 grade point average; or if currently enrolled at a college, university or trade school, must have an accumulated grade point average of 3.00.

Must, except for special and extenuating circumstances, attend college, university or trade school on a full-time basis.

Must complete the provided application form and submit it with required supporting documentation and the mailing must be RECEIVED BY THE COORDINATOR not later than June 20, 2014. (PLEASE NOTE, incomplete or late applications will not be considered).

For link go to:

<http://www.michiganindianelders.org/MIEA%20Students.htm>



The OLC Bravehearts Archery Team were the 2013 3D Target National Collegiate Archery Champions. Pictured are Michelle LeBeau, Edwina Fills Pipe, Elaine Yellow Horse, Nick Gibbons, Cammie Griffith, Roy Hernandez, Akisa Milk, and Coach Joe Flood.

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, in tribal newsletters, 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
- ✓ Global E-mail
- ✓ Michigan Works Offices or Website
- ✓ By calling the HR Department

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 49660
Fax: (231) 398-9101
E-mail: agiltz@lrboi.com

Casino Employment

Check out the new Employment Opportunities tab on the tribal website at <https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/index.php/resources/employment>

Our new preference ordinance is there along with links to website and job opportunities. All in one place for your convenience! Check out the exciting opportunities that await you at the Little River Casino Resort. There are many ways to apply. Log onto our Website at www.LRCR.com and click on Careers. Call our Human Resources Department at (231) 723-4530. Stop by our Human Resources Department located at 2700 Orchard Hwy Manistee, MI
Monday – Friday 7am-5pm

Send your Application, Resume and Cover letter to:
 Little River Casino Resort Attn: Recruiting P.O. Box 417 Manistee, MI 49660 Phone: (231) 723-4530 · Fax: (231) 723-1589

Email: recruiting@lrcr.com Available job openings can also be found at all LRBOI Tribal Government buildings, in LRBOI Tribal Newsletters and at Michigan Works!

Tribal Preference will be followed in accordance with the LRBOI- Indian Preference in Employment (Ordinance #11-600-02)

Commission Openings!

Even though most committee positions have been filled, the tribe continues to seek applications from qualified members interested in serving upon the Commerce, Gaming, Housing, Binojeeuk, Enrollment, Health and Natural Resources Commissions.

Ogema Romanelli is building a pool of tribal members who are interested in sitting on a Commission. Members are invited to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the 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 our 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.

LRBOI Warrior Society

Looking for LRBOI Warrior Society Volunteers who would like to serve on a Rifle Team for 21 Gun Salute

Michigan Indian Family Olympics



Its time to start training for the Michigan Indian Family Olympics. The 2014 Games will take place on Friday, July 18th in Mt Pleasant, MI

Be-Da-Bin Prevention Program would like to invite all tribal member families that are interested in attending the 27th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics to pre-register. We are looking for participants of all ages, shapes and sizes! This event is to promote

health and wellness through a family fun day of physical athletic events with mainly track and field events. The 2014 games will take place on Friday, July 18, 2014. Our department is arranging a trip to Central Michigan University (in Mt. Pleasant) to compete in the Olympics. Please contact Julie Wolfe at BeDaBin to sign up at 1-888-723-8288 ext 6740.

Government Closes for the following Holidays

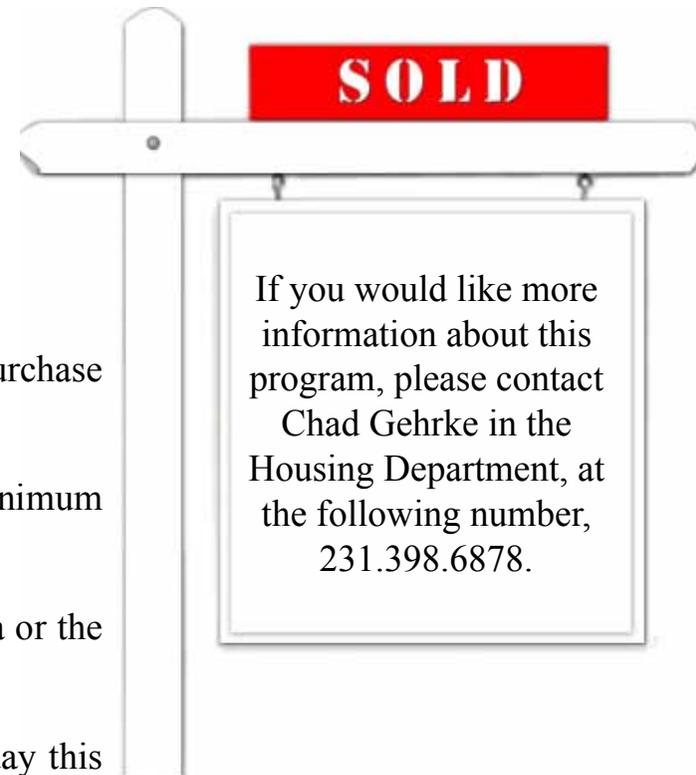
- *New Years Day
- *Treaty Recognition Day
- *Memorial Day
- *Independence Day
- *Labor Day
- *Reaffirmation Day (Sept. 21st)
- *Veteran's Day
- *Thanksgiving Day
- *Friday after Thanksgiving Day
- *Christmas Eve Day (Half Day)
- *Christmas Day

Just use the toll-free number 888.723.8288. Some areas of the government will be continue to be available on these holidays, such as Public Safety. Currents will inform you of any scheduled closings of the Government facilities. It's always a good idea to call first.

Grant Opportunity

The Little River Band Housing Department has recently received an extension for the ICDBG to assist prospective Homeowners with Down Payment and Closing Cost Assistance. This program is available for first time Homeowners.

-  Must be 21 years of age
-  Must be an enrolled member of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
-  Michigan residence only
-  Maximum amount allowed is \$12,000.00
-  It is based on 4% Down Payment and 4% Closing Cost on the total purchase price of the home, \$150,000.00 max
-  The home must be the members Primary Permanent Residence for a minimum of FIVE years
-  Household Income must be below the 80% Median Income for the area or the nation whichever is higher
-  Closing must be completed by September 30, 2014 as that is the last day this grant is available to us



Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
1101 W. Hackley Ave
Muskegon, MI 49441

Santana Aker
231-398-6654

Want
to
Purchase
a
Home?

When?
June 9th - June 13th, 2014

Financial Skills for Families Classes

These classes will help you:

-  Understand the requirements of home loans,
-  learn how to become accepted for a loan.
-  Determine your credit score, and build a plan to improve that score.
-  Know how Debt to Income Ratio determines your eligibility for a home loan.

Get Your hands on a home of your own

Join the
First Nations
Development
Institute

Time?
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

The education department is offering financial classes to any LRBOI Tribal Citizen that wants to own a home, and who would like to better understand the process of buying a home. The classes will use the First Nations Instructional tools and workbooks, and help LRBOI citizens create a financial plan to help them achieve their goal of owning their own home.

Indian Village Camp Benefit Event

At the Civic Club in Manistee
Friday June 13, 2014 6pm-9pm or?

Euchre Tournament

To Register for Card Tournament
Contact: Janine Sam
251-398-2811
jrsam77@gmail.com

Euchre Tournament
Limited to the
First 32 people registered.
Register by June 10th at 4pm.
A \$10 donation to our
Indian Village Camp
gets you a spot at the table!

Cash prizes!
And so
Much More!

Raffle

To Buy Raffle Tickets contact:
Victoria Brauker: vbrauker@lrboi.com
Austen Brauker: abrauker@lrboi.com



Snowsnake

50" TV &
Blue Ray DVD



Refreshments



Cast Iron
Cookware



Deluxe
Composter
Bin

PAID LABOR NEEDED for INDIAN VILLAGE CAMP

This is a temporary stipend paid contract opportunity for helping to prepare Indian Village Camp area for the 2014 season. The work is outdoor general labor. Primary tools you must know how to use are the rake, the shovel and a pair of trimming loppers.

Some of the duties will include, raking the grounds, burning leaves and old brush, removing new growth around the lodges, collecting saplings and building new lodges, hauling and preparing equipment, managing and preparing the canvas tarps, hauling water or stacking firewood, watering garden and trees, digging firepits, collecting project materials from the woods, cleaning storage areas, removing dead branches from camp and similar groundskeeping duties, as needed. This work is *not* working directly with the youth, but doing site prep work to get the camp ready for operation, *prior* to each actual camp time. The stipend will be 10 dollars per hour. Workers will need to sign a contract agreement in advance, which can take several weeks for approval, so please contact us as soon as possible.

If you are interested in doing this manual labor work, please contact Austen Brauker at the Tribal Justice Center at
231-398-2240 or email abrauker@lrboi.com

Tentative Camp Dates for 2014: **JUNE 26-29.....**
JULY 10-13..... **AUGUST 14-17.** **AUGUST 28-31**

Workers will be preparing the camp 1-3 weeks before each of these dates, depending on how many workers we have.

We are also accepting volunteer help for both pre-camp labor work, and, onsite direct care work with the youth. To volunteer to work at the actual camp, with the youth, you must come in, *in advance*, and be background checked and fingerprinted.

This takes a while, so, if you want to volunteer, please do so ASAP in order to get the process moving forward. Contact Peacemaking, and we will refer you to Human Resources, who will in turn, refer you to Tribal Police, who will do the background check. Thanks.

Free Well Water Testing Screening For Nitrates & Nitrites

Sponsored by the MAEAP, Manistee Conservation District and the
Little River Band of Ottawa Indians



Bottle Drop Off Date
July 8, 2014

Samples can be from
Private wells **only**.
Results of testing
are confidential

Bring your sample of water in a small clean jar to the:

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Natural Resource Department
159 Brickyard Road
Manistee, Michigan 49660
(231) 398-2180
9am-3pm

Manistee Conservation District
8840 Chippewa Hwy (US31)
Bear Lake, Michigan 49614
(231) 889-4761
9am-4pm

Reminder: For RTM's purchasing personal use vehicles

Resident Tribal Members must contact the Tax Office for a Tribal Certificate of Exemption **before** purchasing a vehicle tax-exempt. There are no provisions for receiving a refund after the sale is completed. If you sign a contract that includes Michigan sales or use tax, it will be a taxable purchase. Application forms are available on the Tax Office page of the LRBOI website under "Resident Tribal Member Information".

It's Time to Check your W-4 Status

Some employees have contacted the Tax Office to say they had their tax returns prepared and were surprised to find out they owe federal income tax. Others have said they were surprised to learn their tax refund was much smaller than they expected. You can avoid this situation next year if you take an active role in planning your payroll tax withholding so there is enough paid in at the end of the year.

One good tool for planning your withholding is the IRS Withholding Calculator. If you are an employee, the Withholding Calculator can help you determine whether you need to give your employer a new Form W-4 *Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate* to avoid having too much or too little federal income tax withheld from your pay. You can use your results from the calculator to help fill out the form.

You can find the Withholding Calculator online at: <http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/IRS-Withholding-Calculator>

Tips for using the Withholding Calculator:

- Have your most recent pay stubs handy.
- Have your most recent income tax return handy.
- Estimate values if necessary, remembering that the results can only be as accurate as the input you provide.

Don't forget to update your state withholding too. Some people, especially those who itemize deductions, may benefit by claiming fewer exemptions on their MI W-4 to assure that enough is being withheld by the end of the year.

Cigarette Purchase Limit Change is Coming

Beginning June 1, 2014, tribal members will be able to purchase 25 packs of tax-exempt cigarettes per month, for their personal use, at the Little River Trading Post. The annual quota allowed under the Tax Agreement between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the State of Michigan has not changed, but tax-exempt sales have decreased in the past year. Therefore, the limit is being increased to allow tribal members that choose to smoke an opportunity to purchase more tax-exempt cigarettes. As in the past, tax-exempt sales will be suspended when the annual quota is reached.

Smoking risks are more deadly now than they were 50 years ago.



Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, April 22, 2014.

Nearly 14,500 people die every year from commercial tobacco use in Michigan according to the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids. Teens are being targeted as their replacements. Every adult who dies early because of smoking is replaced by two new, young smokers, one of whom also will die early from smoking as reported in the 50th Anniversary of the Surgeon General's Report on Smoking and Health.

For decades the tobacco industry has been encouraging children to start smoking. Images that make smoking appealing to youth are still highly visible in our society. For instance, they are found in movies and on tv, in video games, in retail advertising, and online.

As a result of tobacco industry marketing and other influences, more than 3,200 children younger than the age of 18 smoke their first cigarette every day. Nearly 9 out of 10 smokers start before the age of 18. If you use commercial tobacco products, how old you were when you tried your first "smoke" or "chew"?

Cigars today are no longer the "big stogies" that our grandfathers used to smoke. Flavored tobacco products have become increasingly common in the United States. These products, contain flavors like vanilla, orange, chocolate, and coffee, just to name a few, and are especially attractive to youth. They are widely considered to be "starter" products, establishing tobacco habits that can lead to a lifetime of addiction. All tobacco products, including flavored tobacco products are as addictive and carry the same health risks as regular tobacco products.

Smoking risks are more deadly now than they were 50 years ago. Scientist have identified more than 7,000 chemicals and chemical compounds found in tobacco smoke. Of those, at least 70 of them are known to specifically cause cancer.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan received a Tribal Support Center/SEMA (Strengthening and Educating Michigan's Anishinabe) grant through the Centers for Disease Control to work with Michigan's federally recognized tribes to reduce commercial tobacco use in their tribal communities, eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke, promote tobacco cessation, and prevent youth initiation to commercial tobacco use.

As a result of these efforts the media campaign; "Don't be a Replacement, Be an Original" was adapted from the Rhode Island Department of Health's own youth media campaign to fit into our tribal communities in Michigan warning youth about the dangers of commercial tobacco use and to inform them of the tobacco industry marketing tactics they are exposed to each day enticing them to try their products.

According the Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids, tobacco industry marketing continues to spend \$8.8 billion (or more than \$24 million per day) nationwide. An estimated portion spent in Michigan on marketing each year is \$276.1 million, or \$23 million per month.

The Be Original campaign is designed to inform and educate our youth, and adults, to make healthy lifestyle decisions which will enable them to have a long and healthy life free of commercial tobacco.

The campaign kick-off will be held at the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan's Office at 2956 Ashmun Street (near the corner of 3 Mile and Ashmun) on Tuesday, April 22nd at 2:30 p.m. Please join us if you would like to learn more about the campaign. For more information please contact the ITC Office at 906-632-6896.

Be-Da-Bin 13th Annual Wellness Walk



Everyone Welcome!

Wenesh pii: Saturday July 5, 2014

Aanni pish: Three Fires Conference Center

Registration: opens 8:00 AM

Walk: starts 10:00 am

If you have any questions, please call:
1-888-382-8299

Julie Wolfe, Youth Prevention
Counselor.

Aki Community Center Elder Meals Menu 2014



Did you know????

A woman over 50 who:

Are not physically active need about 1600 calories a day. Somewhat physically active need about 1800 a day. Very active needs about 2000 a day.

A man over 50 who:

Are not physically active need about 2000 calories a day. Somewhat physically active need about 2200-2400 calories a day. Very active need about 2400-2800 calories a day.

Meals served at 12 o'clock

- **No Charge to Elders, their Spouse and Handi-cap/Disabled individuals who reside with Elder.**
- **Guests Meals are \$5.00**

Donations are appreciated and will be used for program activities and food.

ACTIVITIES:

- Mondays—Language Class
- Wednesdays—Wii Bowling
- Other Activities: Birthday of the Month Bingo
- Good posture Mondays!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	12 Chicken Lima Beans Pears Tapioca Language Class	13 Goulash Cauliflower Fruit Crumble	14 BBQ Beef Sandwich Cole Slaw Asparagus Strawberry shortcake Wii Bowling	15 Turkey Sandwich Fresh Veggies Fruit Salad Jell—o Activity: B-I-N-G-O	16 Muskegon Meal Please RSVP With Noelle 231-398-6886 Lunch served at	17
18	19 Ham AuGratin Potatoes Asparagus Dessert Language Class	20 Fish Rice Carrots Fruit Cobbler	21 Burgers Baked beans Corn on the cob Fruit Wii Bowling	22 Corn Beef Cabbage Potato Carrots Apple Sauce	23	24
25	Memorial Day Office Closed 	27 Chicken Wild Rice Peas Sherbet	28 Meatloaf Mashed Potato Green Beans Fresh Fruit Wii Bowling	29 Chefs Choice	30 Menu subject to change with out notice. Meals meet 1/3 of the RDI based on a 1600 to 2000 calorie diet.	31 

In Loving Memory Of Tammy Ann Kleeman



A million times we've needed you,
A million times we've cried.
If love cou Id have saved you mom,
You never would have died.
Things we feel most deeply are the hardest
Things to say.
Our dearest mom we love you in a very special way.
If we could have one lifetime wish, one dream that could
come true,
We'd pray to god with all our hearts,
For yesterday and for you.
Sadly missed by your children:
Billy bates, tiffany bates, Stephanie acre
Your grandchildren:
Kaiden, melina, Alicia, lexi, zoey Sophia
And grandma kleeman, sisters and brother.



May is Older Americans Month...follow this link for tips on helping our Elders prevent falls!

http://www.ncoa.org/improve-health/falls-prevention/older-americans-month-2014.html?utm_source=NCOAWeek_140415&utm_medium=newsletter&utm_campaign=NCOAWeek

Member's Submissions




My sincere thanks go out to those of you who have donated to my fight against breast cancer during the Spring Membership Meeting Easter Basket Raffle. Everyone's generosity is greatly appreciated. Because of your help, I will make a difference. Again, Kchi miigwech ! (a big thank you). Terri

Nancy Ann Bower
 Thomas John Bray
 William Morgan Compeau
 Emilio Cantu
 Robert Wendell Cantu
 Eugene Paul Cram
 Frank John Crampton Jr.
 Carlos Eagle
 Regina Mae Forbes
 Joan Connie Hanson
 Mary Lou Hoffmeyer
 Phyllis Leah Kott

Virginia Lenartowicz
 Martin Kay Lilleberg
 Charlott Ann Paszkowski
 Alvin Dean Patricio
 Violet Ann Peterson
 Eugene Richard Ramsey
 Harvey Alfred Ray
 Allan Gerold Ray
 Lillian Rodriguez
 Norma Somers
 Jacob Peter Wabindato

Robert Hart
 Alan Renner

Brad Jr Curtis
 Mark Cross
 Sharon Cross

Happy Birthday to Lillian Virginia Theodore (June 4th) on her 90th Birthday.



Johnathan Moore



Corey Wells on May 4th harvested a Sturgeon from Black Lake, Michigan Weighing in at 71 lbs. and measured 63"
Congratulations Corey!

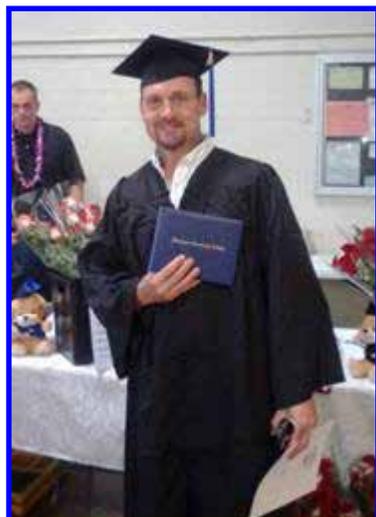
The fish was caught in the wee hours of the morning just before sunrise on March 11th 2014 in Manistee Lake at the boat launch area across from Mancino's. Bait used was fresh Steelhead spawn. He was using a medium action spinning rod with 10lb test line. He said that when it bit it would just barely move the tip of his pole. He waited till he thought it had the hook in its mouth, tightened his drag and set the hook. He said it felt like nothing he's ever felt before. There was no give and just a steady pull. After tiring the fish out he had to beach it because it wouldn't fit in his Steelhead net. The fish was 52" long and weighed about 50lbs. He said it was a very strong and healthy fish and is glad to see they are thriving in our area. It was returned back to the water and swam off majestically. It was one fish He is always going to remember catching. I am proud of him, he has always loved fishing and this was quite the accomplishment..... for any Fisherman!



Karen Draper
 Harvested an eight point buck on November 15, 2013 **Congratulations!**



Kelli L. graduating with an Associates Degree in Office Systems Education from Muskegon Community College.



Congratulations to Brian Theodore Sr on earning his Associates Degree from Muskegon Community College! He received the degree in ceremonies Saturday May 3rd in Muskegon.



2014 Spring Sturgeon Harvest on Black Lake

The season will be similar to last year where one sturgeon may be harvested by spear or hook and line. With the cold spring weather the sturgeon harvest opportunities may be towards the middle of June. To obtain a permit or for more information please contact Marty Holtgren at the Natural Resources Department at (231)398-2193 or mholtgren@lrboi.com.

1. One fish quota. After fish is harvested, the fishery is closed and all licensed anglers will be notified by LRBOI NRD personnel. Only one fish total can be harvested regardless of the number of licensed anglers.
2. Season: Wednesday, May 1st through Sunday, June 30th (or until quota is reached after which season will be immediately closed).
3. No minimum size limit.
4. Method of harvest is openwater spearing and/or hook and line.
5. Angler must maintain in their possession at all times a valid Lake Sturgeon Harvest Permit for Black Lake in order to fish. This permit must be acquired from the Natural Resources Department 48 hours prior to fishing. The permit will indicate specific dates for which the permit is valid. Because LRBOI Natural Resource Department or Conservation Law Enforcement staff will be present during all sturgeon fishing. Angler must call contacts designated on the permit if the permit will not be used for any of the designated days.
6. Daily Angler check-in is required. Once angler arrives at Black Lake they will call contacts designated on permit prior to fishing for the day.
7. After an angler harvests a sturgeon they must immediately contact the LRBOI NRD staff.
8. Registration of sturgeon is required immediately upon harvest with a LRBOI NRD field staff.
9. Registration of fish harvest will include an examination of the fish.
10. Tribal Law Enforcement may check anglers during each fishing day.

Per Cap

“Tribal Citizens: Please be aware that if your Per Cap check is lost, misplaced or destroyed and you want to cancel the check, that the tribes’ long-standing policy states that you will be charged the cost to cancel the check. The cost depends on what your institution charges.”



**Financial teachings from
Indian Country**

Ask Dr. Per Cap

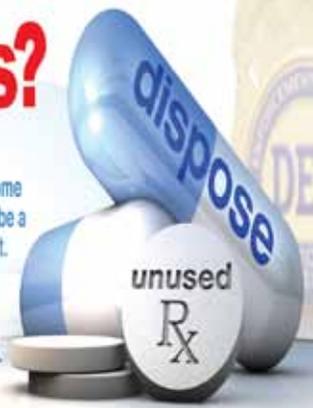
www.firstnations.org/askdrpercap

“This site provides financial information through First Nations that is used across the country and it offers some excellent advice. As with anything financial, be sure to check with your personal financial advisor before making changes dealing with your personal situation.”

Got Drugs?

Most abused prescription drugs come from family and friends. You could be a drug dealer and not even know it.

Visit www.dea.gov or call 800-882-9539 for more information.



“Drop off during business hours at the Tribal Police Department all year long.”

Got Drugs?

- Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.
- Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.
- The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America.
- The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family and friends – and the home medicine cabinet.
- Unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply. Proper disposal of unused drugs saves lives and protects the environment.
- Take-back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. But if a program is not available:
 - ▶ Take the meds out of their bottles;
 - ▶ Mix them with something unappealing like used kitty litter or coffee grounds;
 - ▶ Seal them in a bag or disposable container, and throw that away.
- For more information on prescription drug abuse, go to:
 - ▶ www.dea.gov
 - ▶ www.getsmartaboutdrugs.com
 - ▶ www.justthinktwice.com

EASTER

EGG HUNT



Golden egg winner 0-2 yr age group Arriella LaPine

2 Golden egg winner 3-6 age group Achilles Peterson

Golden egg winner 7&up age group Andre Pontiac W/ lil sister Joselyn



Please note that this is the egg hunt Sponsored by BEDABIN on Saturday on the Fundraiser that was held by Sandy Meseke

STRATEGIC EXCELLENCE VITAL TO ENRICH NATIVE SUCCESS SEVENS



Enter the new focus upon Tribal Development and you have a new, comprehensive program entitled “*Sevens*”.

INTRODUCTION

- The purpose of the Sevens program is to create opportunity for Tribal Citizens and people of preference through:
 - Empowerment
 - Enrichment
 - Education
 - Training
 - Continual Professional Development



SEVENS PROGRAM

What is Sevens?

- Anishinaabek Culture is the foundation.
- Sevens is the highly customized development process that utilizes a combination of Best Practices and the IDP process.
- Every preference employee will be accounted for in the program.
- An Individual Development Plan will be developed on and semiannual calendar year.

Late in April, a special program was debuted for preference employees at the Little River Casino Resort. General Manager, Wendell Long and the Director of Tribal Development, Israel Stone unveiled the new development program in presentations in the Three Fires Conference Center.

The background to the program is that over the years it had been identified that our tribal members were often not being given the training that they needed to be successful in their professions. Skill sets were not developed and the comment was often heard that members were, “being set up to fail” by putting them in positions where they faced a serious uphill battle due to lack of training and experience.

The program is based upon the Anishinaabek culture and our teachings such as the *Seven Grandfathers*. Look over the first few PowerPoint slides of the presentation given to preference employees and you will get a taste of one of the greatest programs to come along...one dedicated to our members and their success.

THE FOUNDATION

- The foundation of the program is based upon the Seven Grandfather Teachings.
- The Seven Grandfathers encompass all the qualities and characteristics that we would desire in a leader.
- Applying these Teachings to our daily lives as well as our career will guide us to be better employees and citizens.

Conservation Officer Shoot Team



The Great Lakes team comprised of Captain Bill Bailey from Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Conservation Officer Roger Willis from Little Bay Band of Odawa Indians, Sgt. Robert Robles Jr. from Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, and Chief Game Warden Terry Metoxen from Oneida Tribe of Indians. Our fifth team member was unable to make it to the conference. After all the shooting was finished and the targets were all scored the winners were announced at the conference banquet. Taking third place was the team from the Great Plains region. Taking second place was the team from the Pacific Northwest team. Finally taking first place was the team from the Great Lakes Region. Each member of the team was presented with an embroidered sweatshirt.

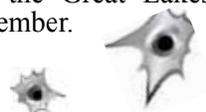


Last year at the NAFWS Great Lakes Regional Conference I made the Conservation Officer Shoot Team. Last week at the NAFWS National Conference the Great Lake Team competed against two shoot teams from the Pacific Northwest Region and the Great Plains Region.

During the competition each five member team had to shoot at automated targets from the 3, 7, 15, and 25 yard lines for a total of 60 rounds. Each team had to shoot that course three times.



It was a great honor for me to represent the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians as a member of the NAFWS Great Lakes Region Shoot team and I look forward to competing again at the Great Lakes Regional shoot this September.





11th Year of Sturgeon Rearing



The Lake Sturgeon program's 2014 field season is just getting underway with the arrival of spring. We currently have the sturgeon rearing facility deployed at Rainbow Bend. As the season continues the Natural Resource Department would like to keep you updated with progress throughout the season by placing updates on the Lake Sturgeon webpage at <https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/index.php/lake-sturgeon-program>. Check often for up to date news, tours, and contact information, and information regarding the 11th Annual Sturgeon Release Ceremony

We need
YOU...



...to help Welcome our Troops!

CHARITY FISHING TOURNAMENT FOR MICHIGAN VETERANS
Saturday May 17, 2014, at 1:00 PM

Help us line the Manistee Riverwalk - from the US 31 Bridge to the Lake Michigan piers - to join in a special moving salute to American heroes.



Map courtesy of:
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Manistee, MI

Denotes Tight Lines for Troops Flag Distribution Points (#1-18) on map & listed below:

Look for a member of Rolling Thunder to obtain a loaner flag (or bring your own)
Day of Event Contact is John Stockl at 231-920-2323.

1. 1st St. Beach/Stub Pier (Lions Pavilion)
2. 1st St. Boat Launch
3. Cherry St.
4. Cedar St.
5. Spruce Street
6. Pine Street
7. Manistee Elks/Oak Street
8. Manistee Inn & Marina
9. American Legion
10. Seng's Marina
11. US Coast Guard Station
12. 5th Ave. Beach/North Pier
13. Veterans Memorial Park/Bandshell
14. Big Fish Sports (former Glikes)
15. River Street Station
16. Hokanson Camera
17. Bloomer's Flower Shop
18. House of Flavors

Please help us organize by registering yourself, or a group, to help at one of the 18 sites above, each with nearby parking.
Email your name or group name, number of individuals, preferred location, and cell phone # to dianna@manisteechamber.com or call 231-723-2575.

CONCERT LINE UP FOR 2014

Sunday - May 4th at 3pm • SOLD OUT	Bobby Vinton Jack \$30, Queen \$40, King \$50
Friday - May 23rd at 9pm • SOLD OUT	Hotel California - Eagles Tribute Jack \$20, Queen \$25, King \$35
Saturday - June 7th at 8pm • SOLD OUT	The Mavericks Jack \$20, Queen \$30, King \$40
Saturday - June 21st at 8pm • SOLD OUT	Grand Funk Railroad Jack \$30, Queen \$40, King \$50
Thursday - June 26th at 9pm	Alice Cooper Jack \$45, Queen \$65, King \$85
Friday - June 27th at 9pm	Robert Cray / Mavis Staples Jack \$30, Queen \$45, King \$55
Saturday - July 5th at 8pm	Tim Allen Jack \$65, Queen \$75, King \$95
Saturday - July 12th at 8pm	Terry Fator Jack \$65, Queen \$75, King \$85
Friday - August 1st at 9pm	Peter Frampton Jack \$60, Queen \$75, King \$85
Saturday - August 9th at 9pm	Billy Ocean Jack \$35, Queen \$50, King \$60

More upcoming shows to be announced soon.
Stay tuned, and thank you for choosing Little River Casino Resort.

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