“The 2015 Membership Meeting was held on April 11th in the Makwa Endaat (Entertainment Center) at the Little River Casino Resort. Tribal Council members joined Ogema Romanelli on stage during the business meeting. See pages 3 and 4 for more photos and information.”

The Little Bear Deli will be opening soon at the LRBOI Trading Post across from the casino on US 31 at M22. This deli will offer sandwiches, salads and more and will be located inside the Trading Post. Watch for opening announcements!

2015 Golden egg Winners…0-3, 4-6, 7&up
See page 13 for more Easter Egg Hunt photos
Over 100 Tribal Members attended Ogema Romanelli’s Meet-n-Greet in the Makwa Endaat on Friday evening before the Spring Membership Meeting.

The meeting was lively with issues and explanations. Some of them, the Ogema asked to be deferred to the Membership Meeting for all of the elected leaders to have the opportunity to answer. At the Friday night meeting, Tribal Manager Jessica Burger answered a number of questions concerning the clinic and went into a long explanation about the state of tribal health on the national scene. She also addressed how there is a shortage of doctors working in tribal health here and that LRBOI is actively recruiting. Burger also addressed some of the patient load questions concerning the clinic.

CFO Steve Wheeler was at the meeting and addressed some of the members financial question. Julie Wolfe brought everyone up to speed on information on the highly successful ‘Sugar Shack’ project this year with a big shout-out to Brian Gibson, Dave Cory and their crew for constructing a very beautiful processing shack on the property. She and Brian also went into the background of the project for this year. The Tribal Warriors Society provided the bottles for bottling of the syrup and they got a big thank you from the members.

A number of members brought their questions to the Ogema and, where he could, he provided answers or explanations. Some of the issues included the Muskegon project, the renovation at the casino and services for members.
April 11th, 2015 was the 16th Membership Meeting for Ogema Romanelli and it was a special meeting thanks to the attendance and participation of all of the sitting Tribal Council members!

The day began with numerous tables and booths set up for the members regarding government services, programs or initiatives. They ranged from the Trading Post with a lot of great logo wear, to our Marketing Firm MRG having letters for members to use to support the Muskegon plans. Also there were Natural Resources, Concerned Citizens, LRBOI Warriors Society, tribal artists and Members Assistance. Enrollment was there as always to assist members with their Tribal ID cards.

Before noon, the Warriors presented the colors and ‘Urban Nation’ honored the attendees with song. CFO Steve Wheeler gave a thorough update on the tribal finances, Tribal Manager Jessica Burger and clinic senior staff Gina Guenthalrdt and Janice Grant addressed the clinic operations. Burger also announced that the Third Party Billing procedure had been readied thanks to the outstanding work of the tribal Information Technology staff and management.

Also before noon, Yvonne Parsons and Julie Wolfe gave a quick talk about the Maple Sugar program this year. Some of the students who participated were on stage as drawings were held for bottles of the delicious syrup. The same young folks and a few others also participated as runners for the give-aways conducted by the Ogema.

At 1 p.m., the Election Board reported to the Ogema that there was not a quorum present as just 214 registered tribal voters were present. With a total of 1203 voters registered for this election, 361 were needed to establish a quorum. The board also reported that there is a total tribal population of 3806 members who are 18+ years of age and who could register to vote.

The Ogema then rolled on into the meeting and invited Tribal Council to join him on stage where tables and chairs were already set up for them. All Council members came to be on the stage to field comments and questions with the Ogema. The wide-ranging issues dealt with the Casino Board of Directors, Clinic Operations, Muskegon project updates, highlights of finances over the last ten years and other areas of interest for the membership. To view the meeting, please go to the website at www.lrboi.com.
The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Elders met Saturday the 4th at Aki Maadiziwin for their monthly meeting. Elder Ron Wittenberg made a special presentation of an Eagle feather that he had received from a Tribal Member and that he had prepared as a Talking Feather. Council member Marty Wabindato constructed a beautiful wooden case for the feather. The Elders Committee graciously received the gift and announced that they would bring it to their meetings in the future. Members Services Coordinator Lee Ivinson also addressed the Elders and told them of a new survey that would be coming out soon.
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Total number of Work Sessions - 43
The Indian Village Camp program has been offering traditional culture and wilderness immersion experiences for youth since we received a TYP grant from the Department of Justice in 2009. Since then, the grant has long run out, but last year we were able to keep the camp running with Community supported fundraisers, including funds donated from the LRCR Charity Golf Outing, and half of our budget matched from Tribal Council. This year, the Tribal Court plans to shift the program a bit, and partner with the LRBOI Natural Resources Department. The camp will remain the same, but we will be adding partnerships and programs for the general community, including programs for adults. We hope to receive a grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs to continue our good work. We have also developed partnerships with Historic Preservation Dept. and the Education Dept. We are hoping in 2015 to extend the programs we have offered to our youth in the past, and also add special programs to invite ADULT PARTICIPATION!!

The regular Indian Village Camp sessions for the youth (4 days and 3 nights in wigwams) are going to continue to take place, as they have in the past, exclusive for youth, tribal and descendants, ages 12-17, male and female. BUT...IN ADDITION: We plan to add about 25 more "Day Long" programs, which will also be open to parents and guardians, and even for individual adults who might not have participating children. "Day Long" program means anything from several hours, happening all in one day, to day sessions that occur over a series of days, depending on the particular activity. (EXAMPLE: Snowshoes or Hide Tanning takes several days in a row)

Adult participants will be encouraged to attend with their families. Individual adults will still be allowed to attend these programs, but they will be encouraged to offer back some volunteer services, in return for their participation, on an honor system. In this way they can give back to the community for their participation, by helping to prepare the camp area, set up and take down camps, and help with various other camp needs. This will be a good faith agreement for them to return some volunteer work for their participation in the programs. This will not be required, but encouraged. Our funding is limited in offering these programs, but we would like to open up participation for the general community, wherever possible. Many adults have asked over the years “What about offering some of this cultural stuff for us grown-ups too?” and now, we may have found a way to do just that.

Here are the scheduled activities for the “Day Long” programs which will also be available for adults (pending BIA grant approval):

- LEATHER PROJECTS
- BOWDRILL FIRE-MAKING
- NATURAL CORDAGE
- GATHERING MUSHROOMS
- COPPER BOWLS
- LODGE BUILDING
- HERBAL SALVE
- WOODEN SPOONS
- JEWELRY CRAFTS
- GREAT LAKES FIELD TRIP
- DREAM CATCHERS
- WILD RICE FIELD TRIP
- RIVER CANOE TRIP
- SALMON SPEARING FIELD TRIP
- STURGEON FIELD TRIP
- CARVED WALKING STICKS
- BRAIN TANNING DEER HIDES
- ATLATL MAKING
- ATLATL PRACTICE
- ATLATL HUNT
- SUGAR BUSH
- MAKING TRADITIONAL RAWHIDE SNOWSHOES
- VARIOUS BEADWORK
- BIRCH PROJECTS
- WINTER BARK

These projects are meant to be INCLUSIVE and bring the community TOGETHER. Certain projects will have specific guidelines for participation but for the most part, they will be open for ALL to attend, wherever possible. YAY! For INDIAN VILLAGE CAMP!

Chi-Miigwetch!
Austen Brauker
Peacemaker/Probation Officer
LRBOI Tribal Court
The 2015 Governor’s Awards for Historic Preservation were announced last month and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Historic Preservation Department, led by Director Jay Sam was one of the recipients of the award for their work in Archaeological Data Recoveries project. Governor Rick Snyder and Michigan State Housing Development Authority Acting-Executive Director Wayne Workman made the announcement. Governor Snyder said, “I applaud the great work that takes place across the state and recognize the people who preserve these places for all Michiganders.” He added, “The sites contribute to Michigan’s uniqueness, teach us about the people who lived here in the past, and are important to a vibrant future. Executive Director Workman commented that, “The diversity of projects and their geographical distribution demonstrate the importance communities place on preservation and the commitment among our partners to preserve Michigan’s past for the future.” Director Sam, a former Tribal Ogema and Chief Judge said regarding the recognition, “This effort of collaboration and cooperation is a model of how projects should go forth. The Tribes were consulted very early on and made recommendations that lead to testing and some significant discoveries. Continuing with the collaboration and cooperation the Tribes and MDOT are putting together education materials that can be made available to schools about the site, and others like them with inclusion of the Tribes stories and traditional knowledge. The effort included site visits, meetings to discuss materials discovered and how to proceed with the project.” The State Historic Preservation Office at MSHDA initiated the program in 2003 to recognize outstanding historic preservation achievements that reflect a commitment to the preservation of Michigan’s unique character and the many archaeological sites and historic structures that document Michigan’s past.

The little river Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Utility Department, run by Utility Supervisor Gary Lewis, Administrative Assistant Sally Bell and Utility Operators Clatus Clyne, Jonathon Robertson and Gregory Walters has been awarded a ‘Certificate of Excellence’ for being a ‘Laboratory of Excellence’ by achieving 100% acceptable data in competition with 377 participating laboratories. The award is made by the Environmental Resource Association- A Waters Company.

The ERA’s Quality Officer Kristina Sanchez said on the award that, this certificate, “...is a demonstration of the superior quality of the laboratory in evaluation of the standards in the operators and Supervisor’s recent proficiency testing for (E coli, total coli forms) microbe, o-Phosphate Nutrients and pH. "Gary Lewis has been an asset to this Tribe for many years in the department and works quietly with his very capable and dedicated staff to go above and beyond expectations, making the Tribe and its members proud,” said Tribal Ogema Larry Romanelli. Congratulations to the entire team at Waste Water for their fine work.
Boozhoo all my Relations and Friends,

First I would like to say miigwetch to all the staff, volunteers membership and Council who always support the Sacred Fires that are provided at The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians.

This gatherings has been going on since 1999 when at times there was only the committed Fire Keepers an a very few others that helped make those Spring and Fall Sacred Fires happen, some of those committed Anishnabek are still with us and some of those Anishnabek are looking down from the Spirit world smiling that our people are still making sure that Sacred beacon burns for them to see.

This Spring as we all know was a cold start and continued through the week.

The Anishnabek and others who were present were asked for the first three mornings to offer all they could in regards to what they knew and learned over the years about our sacred fires, no matter if you were from Little River or from any other Anishnabek community. Many good things were spoke on. We had several men and women from places that have had much involvement with Fires in their communities and Lodges they attend. Most agreed the main thing is to have a organized group in our community of men and women. It was spoken that men and women and our young ones should be given instructions and teachings about that Sacred Fire, but our women should be the last to be asked to do this. If there is no men, someone has to, but again we have plenty men in our community and if things are organized, talked about and good communication is made we should never have to ask our women folks. They can help with other things during this time that is just as important. Everyone's help is important. The other thing that was said it the family asking for that Fire should participate in some way if possible, we all know there will times when some families cannot help.

The most important thing that was said and agreed by most, is ask with that gift of sahma for those men to help, organize them so communication is clear, if a man agrees, make sure to be there, your help is important. I think whoever is going to strike that Fire should know once you strike it you are responsible for it, that why communication and understanding is most important. Our People need us all at these times, we are all needed, this is one of those times we put our differences and pitiful human faults away and do the good way for each other.

Al Metzer said it best, if you come talk with me, put that sahma in my hand, let me organize my schedule I will be there. I have known Al for probably 30 plus years and if he says that, that is his word, so communication is important.

Our Sunrise Ceremonies are always will attended with 30 plus folks every morning except Saturday. We always have good attendance throughout the days with people coming and going. Some items we discuss or present or offer are more important to some folks that is why we allow folks to come when they can and offer their teachings that they have learned, we all have good things to share. I want to make it known that 90% of the people who attend are Tribal citizens from Wisconsin, Toledo Ohio, Indiana and from Michigan, New York we also had many youth attend. We are open to new ideas or teachings for the fall, please contact Jay Sam at Historic Preservation. Again Miigwetch to all the cooks, presenters, elders and attendees who make the spirit of our teachings and talking circles come alive. A special Thanks to Val Chandler and Terri Tyler who do so much to make a lot of things happen for everyone.'

Hope to see you next time.

Miigwetch, Philip Memberto
Now would be a good time to mark your calendars for September 12th for the Annual Sturgeon Release Ceremony. The 2015 Nmé (sturgeon) program is looking forward to the coming field season and the Ceremony. The off season has been filled with preparations to get into the spring water efficiently and effectively to collect Nmé from the Manistee River and then rear in the streamside facility. The natural resource department (NRD) will be looking to get the Streamside Rearing Facility out to the Rainbow Bend site when spring breaks allowing for setup. It will take a few days to complete the setup and allow for the system to be fully operational before the rearing of eggs or larvae begins.

We will be collecting eggs and larvae similar to how we have in the past. Egg mats will be used to collect fertilized eggs from naturally spawning lake sturgeon at old bridge pool and larval drift at Sawdust Hole access. Typically larval Nmé collection occurs from May through June from dusk until midnight. We invite anyone that is in the area to setup up a time to view the sturgeon and see their progression by contacting the NRD or stopping and talking with staff at the site. We are at the site typically at least twice a day to complete the required care and maintenance with some days requiring more time allotment than others.

If you would like more information on the Nmé (sturgeon) program please contact Corey Jerome at the Natural Resource Department at 866-723-1594.

**Sturgeon Release Application**

**Application must be postmarked by Monday May 8, 2015 at 5:00 pm**

Questions or comments please call: 866-723-1594

Drawing will be held in June, 2015

Name: ____________________________ Tribal ID#: ____________________________

Address: __________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: __________

Daytime Phone: ____________________________ Cell: ____________________________ Elder: ____________________________

Hunting units: Baldwin, Gladwin, Red Oak, Newberry, Gwinn, Baraga

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**Elk Permit Application**

Application must be postmarked by Monday May 8, 2015 at 5:00 pm

Questions or comments please call: 866-723-1594

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**Bear Permit Application**

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Questions or comments please call: 866-723-1594

Drawing will be held in June, 2015

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Address: __________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: __________

Daytime Phone: ____________________________ Cell: ____________________________ Elder: ____________________________
There’s excitement at the successful LRBOI Trading Post these days… the Little Bear Deli is under construction and should be opening in early May!

Trading Post Manager Jamie Friedel told the Currents that the deli will be a sub shop with all the ‘fixings’ to make for a great lunch stop (or for any other time!). There will be a good variety of breads, meats, cheeses, veggies and all of the garnishments necessary to make for some great eating. The Deli will also provide four jobs (follow this link for the details)

Deli Attendant  Trading Post  3-31-15   4-15-15
You may also see the announcements on the tribal website at https://www.lrboi-nsn.gov/index.php/resources/employment under Resources.

Trading Post employee Mary Reel (LRBOI) had fun showing off the location of the deli when construction first began.

Just a peek!
2015 is the first year that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has had a community Ziisibaakwaadake Gamig (sugar shack) of its own. Thanks to the efforts of a collection of tribal government departments and government branches, and support of the community, there is now a tribal community sugar shack, conveniently placed in the midst of a beautiful area with its own little sugar bush—a pleasant spot where children and their families have the chance to gather and hear the stories, learn the teachings, and maintain the ancient Anishinaabek tradition of making maple syrup; where everyone can come and learn and have fun doing it! And this— the first year— turned out to be a perfect one!!!!

Hundreds of gallons of sap were collected and cooked down to beautiful golden ninaatigo ziiwaagimide (maple syrup). That is no easy task when you consider that it takes nearly 40 gallons of sap to make one gallon of syrup. Trees had to be tapped, sap had to be gathered daily, wood cut for the fire, and hours spent cooking the sap down and then bottling the syrup. More than 60 people gathered throughout the day on March 20th for tree tapping demonstrations, a potluck dinner and socializing. Sap was cooked late into the night for that first cooking, but there were many days of work remaining and many people continued participating, volunteering time whenever they could throughout the weeks of the season.

Thanks to Dave Cory, Brian Gibson and Julie Wolfe, whose hard work and tireless dedication made this happen, and to the tribal kids, parents and everyone in the community whose almost daily participation, support and enjoyment of this activity is what it is all about. What an exciting start to a community effort to ensure the preservation of this wonderful tradition. Thanks too to Steven McKinnon for the beautiful wood burning artwork that now graces the doorway of the Ziisibaakwaadake Gamig, and to the Warrior Society for their donation of bottles for the finished product!
Nangonhsak

Pick up after school available!

Weekly Attendance Prizes

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Prevention Program and Anishinaabemowin

Wenesh (who)
K-3rd Students

Aanii piish (where)
Aki Madaziwiin Community Center

Wenesh pii (when) 3:45 pm till 5:00 pm on Tuesdays, April 7 thru May 12

Snacks and Smiles provided

To Register please contact Julie Wolfe Youth Prevention Counselor
1-888-723-8288 ext 6740
Shirley M. Brauker
1048 Silver Road Coldwater, Michigan 49036
260-243-9027 email: sbrauker@gmail.com

Eve Salisbury (231) 571-0627
Independent Beauty Consultant
craftylady1940@comcast.net
www.marykay.com/ysalisbury

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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, Binojleeuk, 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.

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.

Casino Employment

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

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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)

LRBOI Warriors Society

The Committee consist of the following:

Commander- John Shano
Vice Commander- Vacant
Secretary - Virgil Johnson
Treasure - Vacant
Sargent of Arms - Chuck Nelson
Chaplin- Raymond Zeeryp

The Warrior Society is ever looking for Tribal Member Warriors to honor and support. If you or someone you know would like to attend any meetings, events, or join, please contact allWarriorSociety@lrboi.com

The Tribal Public Safety Department wanted to remind you that they take back the prescription drugs program year ‘round out at the Tribal Police Department offices on M22. Tribal police have a secured location for these drugs and regularly arranges for their disposal.

Bring these drugs into the department. Leaving them in the medicine cabinet or somewhere in the home poses a danger to youngsters and other family members. Properly disposing of these drugs protects our young, our families and our environment.
The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Invites you to the 22nd Annual
2015 Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp

July 25 - 26, 2015

- No Registration Fee
- All Meals are Provided
- Camping available (first come, first serve)
- On-site Restrooms & Bath house
- Location: 2596 Loon Drive, Manistee, MI
  Corner of US-31 & M-22, across from the Little River Casino Resort
- "Celebrating the Unity of Our Language & Culture"
- For the sunrise ceremony, please dress appropriately (women wear long skirts) and respectfully for all.
- We politely ask that English be the second language used at this camp.
- Bring your Nation’s Flag and a Giveaway Gift
- The agenda and other information will be posted as soon as possible; please visit www.lrboi-nsn.gov or www.anishinaabemdaa.com for updates.
- Some presentations/workshops may include: cultural teachings, traditional medicines, craft making, games, language learning, etc.

Saturday, July 25:
Washini Manidockewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
8:00am Breakfast
8:30am Opening Ceremony
9:15am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
12:00pm Lunch
1:15pm - 3:00pm Presentations/Workshops
5:00pm Dinner
7:00pm Jimgatamok (Pow wow)

Sunday, July 26:
Washini Manidockewin (Sunrise Ceremony)
8:00am Breakfast
9:00am - 12:00pm Presentations/Workshops
12:00pm Lunch, Giveaway & Closing

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

For more information, please contact:
Kenny Pheasant: 231-398-6892, 231-590-1187 or Terri Tyler: 231-398-6891
Email: kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov or ttyler@lrboi-nsn.gov
Presenters Call
22nd Annual Anishinaabe Family Language and Culture Camp 2015
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We are looking for presenters for this year’s camp; this will allow for plenty of time for everyone. This year’s camp will be held on July 25th, 26th 2015. If you are interested in being a presenter, we will need a presentation outline and a biography.

We will need two different presentation outlines and some presenters may be asked to present up to three different times. Each presentation should be approximately 1 ½ hours long, but if you have a presentation that requires a longer amount of time, please let us know in order to accommodate your workshop. Please also let us know if your presentation is meant to target a particular age group or other demographic.

We also need to know if your workshop is total Anishinaabemowin immersion, if you will have a translator or if you will be presenting in the English language with some Anishinaabemowin. Please note that if you have handouts for your presentation, you are responsible for making sure you have enough copies because there are no copiers on site.

Just as a note, most of our guests do not speak Anishinaabemowin and some understand it, but do not speak it yet. For some of our guests, this is the only time that they get to hear Anishinaabemowin being used. It would be appreciated for all of the presenters to remain visible throughout the camp and to be available to speak in Anishinaabemowin. We have had successful Camps because of the good presenters that have participated. We attend one another’s presentations and socialize with the guests; we support one another and love our language.

Along with your presentation outline and biography, we will also need to know if you require lodging. Please send all of your information by email as soon as possible and do not wait until the last minute otherwise you may not make it on the presenter list. It would be appreciated if your presentation outline and biography could be sent as separately attached documents in the email. It’s just easier for us when we process our program book. (Phone calls are accepted to state your interest in presenting, but the written information is required by the deadline for consideration.)

If you know anyone who may be interested in presenting at the Camp, by all means, please forward this letter to them and have them state in their email who recommended them to present.

The deadline for all of this information is May 10, 2015

Here is my contact information:
kpheasant@lrboi-nsn.gov
231-398-6892

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Kenny Neganigwane Pheasant
NORTH AMERICAN INDIGENOUS SUMMER ENRICHMENT CAMP

CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

The Office of Native American Programs at Central Michigan University invite all Native American students interested in exploring life at college to apply for the week-long camp. Native American students entering 8th - 12th grades in Fall 2015 are eligible to apply.

The first 20 students who return completed applications will be accepted into the program. Students will be housed in a residence hall and involved in activities within Central Michigan University’s campus. Registration fee $25.

Why to apply:
- Academic Understanding - proper note taking, exam preparation, using resources such as the library
- Cultural Understanding - receive lessons on Anishinaabe language, history, and current issues
- Preparing for College - attend workshops with admissions, career services and financial aid
- Critical Thinking - students will be challenged to look at issues from multiple perspectives rather than one
- Learning Community - students will work on team building skills and will understand the value of working together

CMU
CENTRAL MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

NATIVE AMERICAN PROGRAMS
110 Bovee University Center
MOUNT PLEASANT, MICHIGAN 48859
PHONE (989) 774-2508 • FAX (989) 774-1727
cmich.edu, Keyword: NAISEC
Getting help through the Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program

Many Medicare beneficiaries have already had the opportunity to receive guidance from a counselor representing the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program, otherwise known as MMAP. The program provides free help to those who are currently receiving Medicare benefits or are anticipating the magic age of 65, when they first become eligible.

MMAP is Michigan’s version of a service that is sponsored nationally by Medicare, and is part of the Federal State Health Insurance Assistance Program, also known as SHIP. All states offer this service and have counseling help in each county.

In Michigan, the 16 Area Agencies on Aging are the host for MMAP services. Each MMAP Region is headed up by a Coordinator who manages the program. There are nearly 800 counselors serving throughout Michigan. All trained and certified to provide this specialized type of assistance.

Counselors guide Medicare beneficiaries in a wide variety of areas associated with health care insurance. It is nice to have so many insurance options available, however, it can also be very confusing for the person who needs to make a decision on what plan or combination of plans will be best for them.

Counselors will help by identifying each of the major type of insurance coverage areas, including the benefits and cost.

MMAP representatives will routinely screen clients for eligibility in the various low income assistance programs, including Medicaid benefits and Extra Help. If qualified, they will help with the application process.

Counselors also provide assistance with health care billing issues, potential fraud and abuse concerns, explain how Medicare pays for durable medical equipment, and even advise how to apply for Medicare. MMAP representatives explain the programs and provide the options. The beneficiary is in the driver’s seat and is empowered to make their own decisions.

The MMAP headquarters for Region 10 is located at the Area Agency on Aging of Northwest Michigan, in Traverse City. Currently there are 58 counselors located throughout the 10 county region consisting of Antrim, Benzie, Charlevoix, Emmet, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Leelanau, Manistee, Missaukee and Wexford. About half of the counselors are volunteers and half work for various employers who allow them to provide MMAP services as part of their job function.

Fourteen individuals recently completed the rigorous 5 day initial training requirements and are now part a team that will be able to serve even more beneficiaries.

Team members take pride in the fact that their help is both unbiased and free of charge. Their counseling services can be valuable to those who need guidance in any aspect of Medicare and Medicaid. Nearly 6,000 people were served throughout Region 10 during the past year. Beneficiaries are satisfied and grateful for the help they get from our team.

We are always interested in talking to people who may have an interest in being a volunteer for MMAP. It can be a very rewarding experience to guide those in need through the decision process.

If you need assistance or would like to explore the possibility of being part of MMAP, please call our toll free number at 800-803-7174 and leave a message.

By: Jim Verville, Region 10 Coordinator
Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program
Area Agency on Aging, Traverse City, Michigan

Housing Commission
Public Informational Meeting
AKI Community Center
June 27th, 2013
9am to 12pm

Short-Term Work Experience/Employment Available

Short-term employment is available through the Commerce Department’s Workforce Development Program for FY 2015. If you are a LRBOI Tribal Citizen at least 18 years old, you may qualify for a paid adult work experience short-term placement. The Workforce Development Program offers the short-term adult worker 320 paid hours at $10.00 per hour. After application materials, background investigation and drug screen determinations are complete, workers are placed in an entry level position where help is needed. In addition, a few positions are also available for youth 16-17 years old. The youth work experience is also 320 paid hours at $8.15 per hour. Youth workers must also submit completed application materials, complete a background investigation and drug screen, and submit a Form CA-7 Combined Offer of Employment and Work Permit/Age Certificate for minors 16 and 17 years of age available from your school. Those interested should contact the Workforce Development Program toll-free at 1-888-723-8288, extension 6842, direct line 231-398-6842, or e-mail dawley@lrboi.com for additional program details and application materials. Information is also available online at lrboi.com under Membership Services/Commerce.
The Commodities Department

Food Distribution Program (FDPIR) was created by Congress in 1977 under the 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 during the end of each month. Eligibility and participation for FDPIR are based on application and certification requiring tribal status, income, and resources qualification, 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 September 30, 2014 & October 1, 2015

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For each additional member add $339.00

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

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Vendors/Indian Preference

The Tribe’s Purchasing Office maintains a vendor resource database that enables the Tribe to identify vendors who can supply products and services for the Tribe’s needs. The database is organized by service and product categories, so it is important that vendors describe their products and services.

The Tribe gives preference to Native American owned and operated businesses. Indian preference will be given only to bidders who provide proof of preference status to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indian’s Purchasing Office. For complete information on how you can receive certification for your business and have your business listed in the Tribe’s vendor database, please contact the Little River Band of Ottawa Indian’s Purchasing Office.

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 online, 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
Tribal Government Buildings
Global E-Mail
Michigan Works Offices or Website
By Calling the H.R. Department
What about Temporary work?
Send in or drop off your “temporary” or pace “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:
L.R.B.O.I. Human Resources
2608 Government Center Road
Manistee, Michigan 49660

Vouchers for Newly Hired Tribal Citizens

LRBOI Tribal Citizens at least 18 years of age who are newly hired at a new employer and within 30 days of your hire date, you may qualify for a Career Assistance Voucher of $200.00 and/or an Employment Daycare Assistance Voucher of $250.00 through the LRBOI Workforce Development Program. If you are a new hire, please contact the Workforce Development Specialist within 30 days of hire at 231-398-6842, toll free at 1-888-723-8288 extension 6842, or by e-mail at dhawley@lrboi-nsn.gov.
The Lakeshore Museum Center is opening a new park in Whitehall, Michigan this June. This park features a path through the wood with 7 different interactive stops. One of these is a Ottawa Wigwam village set in 1650. We are looking for individuals that would like to be costumed interpreters within the village. The Program Director would like to recruit interpreters from within the tribe.

Melissa Horton  
Program Director- Visitor Experiences  
melissa@lakeshoremuseum.org  
www.lakeshoremuseum.org  
231-722-0278

**Michigan’s Heritage Park/ Hilt’s Landing**

Our new living history park will open June 6. Your tour will take you through 10,000 years of Michigan History in a natural woodland setting in northern Muskegon County. Experience daily life in a Native American Wigwam Village. Interact with a fur trader stocking his shelves in the Fur Trade Post where you can participate in the trade. In the Settlers Cabin, learn about the life of early settlers and help with daily chores. Visit with Civil War Soldiers in their winter camp and hear about the dangers in camp. Stretch out on a bunk in the Lumber Shanty and learn what “small game in the camp” means. Find out what it took to put dinner on the table in the Farmhouse and learn what the Civilian Conservation Corps did in Michigan. Michigan’s Heritage Park is located in Whitehall. Take exit 128 from US 31 and head east. The park is located at 8637 N. Durham Road just past the Comfort Inn.

Here are a few examples:

### By the mid-1600s, the Anishinabe were well established in Michigan.

The Algonquin speaking people formed the Three Fire Confederacy which are now called the Chippewa, Ottawa, and Potawatomi. At Michigan’s Heritage Park our Wigwam Village represents the daily life for these Native Americans. We will show what a village was like just at the point of contact with Europeans. Join us to learn how these men and women found and prepared food, shelter, and clothing to sustain themselves and their families.

### Loggin Shanty-1880

Michigan has always been a land of many natural resources including timber. In the mid-19th Century, about two-thirds of Lower Michigan was covered in white pine woods. These forests were known as virgin timber, having never before been logged. Many of the trees were between 100-300 years old. From 1841-1900 vast fortunes were made and lost based on this resource. Join us as we examine what life in lumber camps was like in the early 1880’s. Find out what men ate, their jobs, what they wore, and much more. You may even get the chance to try your hand at a two-man saw.

### Settlers Cabin-1830

Believe it or not Michigan was not settled with the rest of the Midwest primarily because it was densely forested and had many wetlands. Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois were all states before any serious settlement took place in Michigan. The opening of the Erie Canal in 1825 and advances in steam navigation changed all that. In 1830, the Michigan territory had a population of 32,000. By 1834, Michigan had bloomed to 87,000 residents and it became a state in 1837. Join us as we explore what life was like for the early settlers in Michigan when the boom was just starting. We may even ask you to help us with some chores around the cabin.
Special ‘Ties’ for Special Friends

“Tie History”
(Editor: This article is about a great lady in our Casino who makes some very special ties for groups, co-workers, show bands and entertainers at Little River. Thanks Carol Brown!)

Carol told of her interesting activity this way: “Making homemade ties started for me in the 90’s. I worked Adult Foster Care for special needs adults and the State kept cutting funding. We started doing crafts to re-sell and keep the craft fund going. We soon found out that homemade ties did not sell but the elderly widowers loved being given a tie to wear to church and impress the widows.

Fast forward to the early 2000’s. The male Floor Supervisors started an ugly tie contest on Sunday’s. Now being a teenager in the 60’s there was no way they were playing without me. We all won some and lost some but we had the ugliest ties around. From there it went to holiday ties and then ‘show’ ties. The customers got involved so I started giving any extra including my own to them. They loved getting gifts from Table Games. The first few years they didn’t know I did this, they thought it was the department. Finally one of the other Supervisors told them it was me and from then on I had me a following. They would stand and wait for a swing to start, on concert nights, so they could get their ties. I finally saved out the ones for my regulars so they could keep playing and catch me later. The extras are first come first serve.

Robin and Josh (from marketing) now take ties to the bands for me. I get comments from some. Almost four years the Happy Together Tour was there and the lead singer for the Grass Roots and I became Face Book friends. We have been friends since. Along with being a pretty darn good guy, Mark is also a very funny man. He also does an internet radio show every Thursday on Our Generation Radio. I think I missed it once in the over 2 years it’s been on.

I have been able to go a few Meet & Greets if there is room and I’m going to the show… One night I was in the pit, shift came out and told me I was wanted in the back. Billy Ocean had asked and I got a picture with him. I missed a break but it was so worth it. I also made many friends in the tribute band world. Everyone I’ve met has been great.

A customer told me a story about a member of a band that when she asked about his tie he said he didn’t wear ties. She then explained to him that the ties were not necessarily to wear but a keepsake to remember us by and how nice we are. The whole band contacted her on Face Book and they send her their tour schedule so she can go see them again if they are close.

A fellow employee contacted me about making leg warmers for the Veterans home in Grand Rapids. I made a pair or U of M and a pair of MSU leg warmers for that. I just can’t do anything plain. I am making less now as prices keep skyrocketing but still make for as many concerts as I can.”

LRBOI Tribal Member in National Competition

Amy Foerster (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians tribal member) is a third year law student at Michigan State University College of Law (MSU COL). Over the past school year, Amy and fellow classmates prepared and competed in the National Native American Law Student Association Moot Court competition. Moot court is an extracurricular activity at many law schools in which participants take part in simulated court proceedings. Students that wish to compete at the NNALSA Moot Court Competition have to spend their winter vacation researching and writing about a topic of Indian law.

The topic of the moot court competition concentrates on issues of federal Indian law and/or tribal law and governance. After Amy wrote her moot court brief, along with partner Stephen M. Raslich (Saginaw Chippewa tribal member), she began preparing for the moot court oral arguments that took place in Tucson, Arizona. For the competition, both team members argue the moot court problem before a mock supreme court panel. The panel generally consists of judges, lawyers who practice federal Indian law and Indian law scholars.

This year was the largest NNALSA Moot Court Competition, bringing in over seventy (70) teams from all over the country, including three (3) teams from MSU COL. This year MSU COL teams, also known as Team Anishinaabe because all six competitors from MSU COL are Anishinaabe, worked hard and advanced farther than any past MSU COL teams in the competition. Amy, along with her partner, advanced to the Sweet Sixteen rounds. Amy and Stephen were also awarded the prize of third best brief written in the entire competition, an award that MSU COL has never received in the past.

During the competition Amy met other law students from across the country proudly representing the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. This year’s organizers also surprised the competitors by bringing in and honoring the first Native American female federal judge, Diane Humetewa.

Amy will graduate this May with her Juris Doctorate and an Indigenous Law Certificate and a Child and Family Advocacy Certificate. Amy currently works for the Pokagon Tribal Court and will be spending her summer preparing for the Michigan Bar Exam. The MSU NALSA is very proud of Amy and knows that she will be a great leader and advocate in Indian Country. Please be sure to congratulate Amy on all of her accomplishments.

Dear Tribal Members,

Part of the request from the tribe was to apologize to the tribe in the newsletter or on Facebook.

I choose to put it in the newsletter due to not all tribal members read on the internet or have computers.

I apologize to each and everyone of you.

I apologize for dividing the tribe per Councilor Johnson in court, due to my poor decision with the gift card.

Sincerely from my heart

Kimberly Alexander
### Aki Community Center Elder Meals Menu 2015

**May**

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

**Meals served at 12 o’clock**
- No Charge to Elders, their Spouse and Handicap/Disabled individuals who reside with Elder.
- Guests Meals are $6.00

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

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Marguerita ‘Marti’ Rivera Johansen
April 8, 1976 - March 5, 2015

Marguerita ‘Marti’ Rivera Johansen, age 38, of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan died unexpectedly on Thursday, March 5, 2015. Marti was born on April 8, 1976 in Lansing, Michigan, the daughter on Augusta Rivera Cotto and Violet Walinda Green. On May 25, 2007, she married Ronald George Johansen in Mt. Pleasant. She was a resident of Mt. Pleasant for the past eleven years. Marti was a member of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. She enjoyed beadwork, collecting owls, going to the casino and her puppies and cats.

Survivors include her husband, Ronald, children: Patricia Marie Green and Joseph Allen Hathaway, both of Lansing, James Lewis Johansen and Dayna Marie Johansen, both of Mt. Pleasant. Her mother Violet Green of Mt. Pleasant, her father Agusta Cotto of Lansing. Four step grandchildren: Annie, Clara, Addison and Quinton. Her brother, Augustine Green of Lansing and her sister Luisa Green of Mt. Pleasant. Also several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Marti was preceded in death by her grandparents, James, who was a member of the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe and Anna Green, who was a member of the Little River Band of the Ottawa Indian Tribe. Funeral services celebrating Marti’s life was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 2 p.m. from the Faith Indian Church of the Nazarene with Rev. Doyle Perry officiating.

Mark Daniel Knee
May 6 1974- March 29, 2015

MARK DANIEL KNEE, 40, of Ludington, Mich., died Sunday, March 29, 2015, due to injuries received in a skiing accident. Born May 16, 1974, in Fort Wayne, he was the son of Daniel I. and Lynn Jo (Carroll) Knee. He was a 1992 graduate of Homestead High School, Fort Wayne, and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Conservation from Northern Michigan University. On Sept. 23, 2000, Mark married Jennifer Ann McWilliams at the Portage Point Inn in Onekama. Mark was currently employed as a wildlife biologist by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources at the Baldwin Field Office. He also was a fishing guide for Schmidt Outfitters in Wellston, Mich. An avid outdoorsman, he was a member of Ducks Unlimited. He enjoyed fishing, skiing, hiking, camping, fly tying, and duck hunting. Mark was an excellent friend to many and enjoyed spending time with his family. Survivors include his wife and two sons, Jennifer, Carter and Adam Knee, all of Ludington; his parents; sister, Erin (Mike) Dougherty and their boys, Jacob and Joseph, all of Novi, Mich.; and his maternal grandmother, Leanore Krom of North Manchester, Ind. Funeral service is 11 a.m. Friday, April 3, 2015, at Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center, Ludington, Mich., with Pastor Doug Beutler officiating. The family will receive friends from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, April 3, 2015, at the funeral home. Memorials in Mark’s name may be directed to the McWilliams-Knee Benefit Fund c/o West Shore Bank, PO Box 627, Ludington, MI 49431. www.themarkkneememorial.com Please visit Mark’s personal page of memories at www.oakgrovefh.com to share a story or photo. The family has entrusted the Oak Grove Funeral Home & Cremation Center of Ludington, Mich. with funeral arrangements.

Sage Jasmin Leek
February 15, 1997 -March 15, 2015

Sage Jasmin Leek was born on February 15, 1997 in Muskegon, Michigan to Traci Epplett of Fruitport, Michigan, and Dan Leek of Grand Haven, Michigan. Sage walked into the loving arms of her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, on March 15, 2015 at the age of 18. Sage was a Senior at Grand Haven High School.

Sage is survived by her mom and step-dad, Traci and Jason Epplett, her dad Daniel Leek; her brother, Paris Leek; step-sisters, Taylor and Callista Epplett; half-brother, Koden Colburn; grand parents; many aunts, uncles, and cousins; and special friends, Sam and Holly.

Sage had plans of attending Kendall College of Art and Design to further educate herself in her passion for the arts. Sage had a fond love of cats, and if she had her way, would have had a house full of cats. Sage had a love for Disney and had the chance to visit Disney during her life. Her favorite Disney movies were Alice in Wonderland and The Little Mermaid. She also had a love and appreciation for music and a hidden talent of a great singing voice that not many knew.

Sage will be greatly missed by everyone that knew her. She was a kind, young woman who had a heart of gold for those who were close to her. She was the kind of young woman that anyone would be proud to call daughter, grand-daughter, and friend.
Cecil F. Lamorandier was a devoted family man who valued his ancestry. He instilled pride in his roots and inspired his loved ones to respect their heritage. He was sincere and generous, patient and warm. Being laid-back, he took life easy, yet being sociable, he made life fun for those around him. His children and grandchildren carry on his legacy of love, honor and dignity.

Cecil Frances was born to Robert and Anita (Empey) Lamorandier in Newaygo, Michigan on October 21, 1924. At the time, the United States was experiencing growth in industry and employment following World War I. Cecil came of age during the Great Depression and met the challenge of a second world war, numbering him among those who have been called “The Greatest Generation.”

In his youth, Cecil had attended school through the 9th grade and then helped work the farm with his family. At age 19, he joined the U.S. Army and proudly served as a paratrooper in the Pacific Tour. Stationed primarily in the Philippines, he completed his military duty in 1946 and was honorably discharged with the thanks of a grateful nation.

As a veteran, Cecil was a charter member of the VFW post in Comstock and a life member of the Otsego VFW Post 3030. His first job after the war became his lifelong employment. Cecil worked for Consumer’s Energy as a boiler operator until his retirement in 1983.

Love and marriage came to Cecil in an unusual way. He and his brother Ken had been set up on blind dates by their sister-in-law Helen. One evening, she arranged for Ken and Cecil to meet two of her nursing friends, Betty for Ken and Lil for Cecil. Somewhere along the way, the brothers decided to shift the arrangement and fate proved them right. Ken eventually married Lil and Cecil married Betty on April 30, 1949.

Four children were born to Cecil and Betty—Sue, Larry, Gary, and Gail—and any time the family was together, Cecil was happy. They often went camping on the family property or took cross country trips to relatives in California. Near or far, they hauled their Apache pop-up camper wherever they went. Also, Cecil satisfied another favorite pastime. He frequently fished at “Walleye Alley” on Hardy Pond near the property.

As a parent, Cecil was a very involved dad. Nothing pleased him more than having his kids hang out at home, especially if their friends came over. That way, he always knew where his children were. When he became a grandfather, Cecil was thrilled to spend time with his grandkids, who kept him young.

At one stage of life, Cecil and Betty had bought a house on James Street with the intention of fixing it up and moving the family to a bigger place. He often said he was still working at it; there were too many other activities to occupy his time. He played cards, especially penny ante poker, and he dabbled in woodcraft, making walking sticks and canes. The family dogs, Lady and later Chunky, added to his quality of life. Cecil lived well and happy. He was snug in his chair at home when he passed away at age 90.

Cecil F. Lamorandier of Plainwell, Michigan, died Monday, April 6, 2015. A graveside memorial service with military honors will be held on Sunday April 19th at 1:00 p.m. at Hillside Cemetery in Plainwell. Cecil was preceded in death by his wife Betty in 2009, grandson Doug Ingram in 2014, great grandson Jackson Kahler in 2006 as well as 9 brothers and 3 sisters. He is survived by his children Sue (Bob) Ingram, Larry (Ursula) Lamorandier, Gary (Sandy) Lamorandier and Gail (Russ) Morris, 14 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great grandchild, his brother Ray Lamorandier, his sister-in-law Lil Lamorandier and Marge Lamorandier as well as many other relatives. Visit Cecil’s memory page at www.lifestorynet.com where you can read his complete life story, archive a memory and sign the guestbook. Memorial donations may be made to VFW Post 3030 in Otsego.
MANISTEE SHOP WITH A COP
And
The Heathlands Golf Course
Present
3rd Annual Shop With A Cop Golf Shoot out and Dinner
Saturday May 30, 2015
Start Time 3:00pm
Many Raffles and prizes and Games

Team Members
Team Captain: Name: Phone: Email:

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$260.00 PER TEAM
Price includes 18 holes of golf, cart and dinner after.

Send money and Registration to
Manistee Shop With A Cop
2734 Caberfae Hwy
Manistee, MI 49660
Or give registration and money to Officer McShane

You may also register online
manisteeshopwithac.wix.com/manisteeshopwithacop   manisteeshopwithacop@yahoo.com
Ten students from West Shore Educational Service District’s CTE Culinary Arts program recently participated in the annual Michigan ProStart® Competition. Lori LeRay, CTE Culinary Arts Instructor, Violet Holden (LRBOI-Manistee), Stacie Talsma (Walkerville), Jor-dyn Nelson (ASM Tech), Megan Wright (Manistee), Kevin Wurtz (MCC), Masyn Berkel (MCC), Devin Tolin (Onekama), Janique Berard (Onekama), Blake Bentz (LHS), Anela Kettler (LHS), and Jared Funk, CTE Culinary Arts Paraprofessional.

One of the students is Violet Holden—she’s the second from the left in back, standing next to the teacher/advisor, behind the first group holding the sign. She is a tribal member from Little River (Laurie Jackson from Commodities is her mom). Violet’s group took second place!
Spread the good message
Most importantly: start talking about and flag openly about your decision. To reduce your own carbon footprint is to take personal responsibility for your own and future generations’ welfare and safety. By your actions, you can inspire others to follow your track.

Buy pleasures rather than things:
It is far more climate-friendly spending money on services and entertainment, rather than buying physical things. Treat yourself to great experiences, but do so locally. Because if you board an airplane, the climate gains go out the window. For instance, visit a local spa resort or holiday inn instead of flying off for a big city weekend.

Some Earth Day Ideas

Energy efficient home:
Turn off the computer and lights when not in use. Save on heating and cooling. Get the isolation in your home checked. Put solar panels on the roofs or purchase shares in a local wind turbine project.

Recycle creatively:
Swap clothes with friends or become member of a dress exchange concept like Resecond. Find the children's clothes at local flea markets. If it is in good condition, it will last until they grow out of it. Repair instead of throwing out. Use canvas shopping bags and re-useable packaging. Join exchange groups on Facebook and email. For example, become a member of freecycle.org.

Using muscle power and electricity for the transport:
Start walking more and using your bike more often. Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Buy an electric car. Enter a car sharing scheme. Make use of public transport, in particular trains and trams.

Streamline your way of working:
Use Skype instead of traveling around the world for meetings and conferences. If you live far from your work place, consider moving closer. Have days where you work from home.