



# Little River Currents

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT  
12

### Tribal Council Talking Circle

4:30 - 6:30P

Three Fires Conference Room  
Little River Casino Resort

OCT  
12

### Ogema's Meet & Greet

7 - 9P

Three Fires Conference Room  
Little River Casino Resort

OCT  
13

### Fall Membership Meeting

Membership Meeting Registration Opens  
Little River Casino Resort  
Agenda TBA

### Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI 49660  
888.723.8288 / 231.723.8288

### Reoccurring Events

#### Elders Meal

Aki Maadiziwin  
Mon-Thu 12PM

#### Language Class

Government Center  
Every Friday 10:30AM

#### Traditional Healer

Government Center  
Every 3rd Thursday  
by Appointment

### Little River Currents:

#### Submissions due by 2nd Wednesday of the month

Currentscomments@lrboi-nsn.gov  
231.398.6841

On the web@ lrboi-nsn.gov  
Can be found under the  
News & Media Tab:

Rapid River Online News:  
"Daily Posts - Members Only"

#### LRBOI Calendar:

- Events
- Government Center Activities/Meetings

Little River Currents:  
Newspaper .pdf Archives

### Little River Band of Ottawa Indians - Phone Listings

Aki Maadiziwin Kitchen	231.398.2813	Public Safety	231.398.2225
Little River Casino Resort	888.568.2244 / 231.723.1535	Trading Post	231.398.2274
LRBOI Muskegon Office	231.398.6651	Tribal Court	231.398.3406
Natural Resources	231.723.1594	Purchased & Referred Care/Clinic	231.723.8299
Next Generation Learning Center	231.398.6718	Mshkikii Gamig (Pharmacy)	231.398.6853

### Jiingtamok Miikaanhs (Pow Wow Path)

Indian Summer Fest	Sep 7 - 9	Milwaukee, WI
Grand Valley American Indian Lodge Pow Wow	Sep 8 - 9	Grand Rapids, MI
Hunting Moon Pow Wow	Oct 19 - 21	Milwaukee, WI
15th An. Honoring Our Anishinaabe Veterans Pow Wow	Nov 10	Kinross, MI
Sault Tribe New Years Eve Sobriety Powwow	Dec 31	Sault Ste. Marie, MI



## OGEMA LARRY ROMANELLI

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lrboi-nsn.gov  
-Government  
-Executive Branch: Tribal Ogema  
-Ogema Larry Romanelli

### Ogema's Meet & Greet

October 12, 2018  
7PM - 9PM  
LRCR Three Fires Conference  
Room

### Fall Membership Meeting

October 13, 2018  
LRCR Event Center

Membership Meeting Videos are  
posted on lrboi-nsn.gov on the  
Ogema's Online Page

### Elders Conference

November 3 & 4  
Little River Casino Resort -  
Schedule/Agenda TBA

Aanii:

I hope everyone is getting used to the new information process we are implementing. We are getting a lot of good feedback. The system which includes the Rapid River News (RRN), the Currents Newsletter and the Tribal website are all being used and coordinated as a source of getting the right information out as early as possible.

The Tribal Council agenda is now being posted on the RRN as soon as it is received by Public Information. Tribal Council is also now trying to reformat the information on work session attendance and Tribal Council meeting notes in a way that is more specific and without some of the mundane details.

There is an effort to get the Currents put out on a regular cycle with more pertinent information for those who do not have access to a computer. Contact information for the Tribal Council and Ogema will be included in each issue of the Currents going forward. Membership Meeting information will be included in each issue. We've tried to set each meeting for the second Saturday in April and October every year. We did have a snafu with the Resort which caused a change last year but I believe that is now resolved.

We are also requiring government departments to submit information more frequently.

The issue with the sculpture being placed in the Old Indian Cemetery in downtown Muskegon is currently on pause until a new spot can be found to place the sculpture. There was an objection by members of the Grand River Band of Ottawa Indians of placing the sculpture in the cemetery and the City of Muskegon agreed to remove current plans and find a new location. There is much more to the story too long for this space, but when the new spot is found, I will be happy to give a full report. A partial report can be found on the Ogema's website.

The final Governor's Summit with Governor Snyder will be held in Lansing next month. This will be held just before the United Tribes Meeting. I've been asked to be a presenter for the "Building Strong Sovereign Nations" program put on by Michigan State University at that time.

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of the good weather.

Until next month...



"Candidate Jon Bumstead wanted us to remind our members that he has been a constant supporter of our Muskegon Casino project."

**MAST****Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes**

Larry Romanelli Delegate  
 Shannon Crampton Alternate  
 Sandra Lewis Alternate  
 Jamie Friedel Alternate

**NIGC****National Indian Gaming Commission**

Joe Riley, II  
 Ron Wittenberg  
 Diane Lonn

**US Chamber of Commerce**

Joe Riley, II Delegate  
 Shannon Crampton Delegate  
 Gary DiPiazza Alternate

**NCAI****National Congress of American Indians**

Larry Romanelli Delegate  
 Jamie Friedel Alternate  
 Sandra Lewis Alternate  
 Shannon Crampton Alternate

**NIGA****National Indian Gaming Association**

Larry Romanelli Delegate  
 Joe Riley, II Alternate  
 Ron Pete Alternate  
 Sandra Lewis Alternate

**United Tribes of MI**

Larry Romanelli  
 Ron Wittenberg  
 Gary DiPiazza

**State Liaisons**

Gary DiPiazza  
 Ron Pete

**Federal Liaisons**

Sandra Lewis  
 Shannon Crampton

**Joint Units of Government**

Gary DiPiazza  
 Ron Pete

**ELECTION BOARD**

**Terri Burmeister**, Chair  
**Tammy Burmeister**, Secretary  
**Valerie McDonnell**  
**Karen Love**  
**Michael Ceplina**

**Open Meetings**  
**Government Center Building at 5:00PM**  
 September 26, 2018

**Address:** 2608 Government Center Drive  
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**Toll-free:** 1.888.723.8288

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**Online:** <https://lrboi-nsn.gov/government/election-board/>

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•Voter Registration Application

•Election Board Regulations

**COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEE****Binojeeuk Commission**

Meetings: 1PM 1st & 3rd Thursdays  
 Family Services Department

**Vacant** 09/20/21

**Norma Hinkle** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Beverly Cole** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Vacant** • Chairperson 09/20/21

**Vacant** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Jamie Friedel** • Liaison

**Diane Lonn** • Liaison

**Enrollment Commission**

Meetings: 5:30PM 2nd Tuesday of the Month  
 Enrollment Department

**Vacant** • Commissioner 09/20/21

**Diana O'Neal** • Chair 09/20/21

**Charmaine Stone** • Co-Chair 09/20/21

**Krystyne Medawis** • Secretary 09/20/19

**Charles Fisher** 09/20/19

**Ron Wittenberg** • Liaison

**Sandra Lewis** • Liaison

**Diane Lonn** • Liaison

**Gaming Commission**

Meetings: 5:30PM Every Tuesday  
 Gaming Commission Office

**Bill Willis** • Chairperson 09/20/19

**Vacant** 09/20/19

**Vacant** 09/20/21

**Vacant** 09/20/21

**Deb Davis** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Joseph Riley II** • Liaison

**Ron Pete** • Liaison

**Health Commission**

Meetings: 4:30PM 2nd Monday of the Month  
 Law Library

**Vacant** 09/20/21

**Pamela Johnson** • Chairperson 09/20/21

**Al Patricio** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Sandra Lewis** • Liaison

**Diane Lonn** • Liaison

**Housing Commission**

Meetings: 10AM 2nd Thursday of the Month  
 Aki Maadiziwin Community Center

**Judy Hardenburgh** • Chairperson 09/20/21

**John Pabami** • Commissioner 09/20/21

**Julia Chapman** • Chairperson 09/20/21

**Marcella Leusby** • Secretary 09/20/19

**Teresa Callis** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Sandra Lewis** • Liaison

**Shannon Crampton** • Liaison

**Ron Wittenberg** • Liaison

**Jamie Friedel** • Alternate

**Natural Resource Commission**

Meetings: 5PM 2nd Monday of the Month  
 Natural Resource Office

**Martha Howell** • Secretary 09/20/19

**Connie Eno** • Commissioner 09/20/21

**Boo Battice** • Chairperson 09/20/21

**John Koon** • Commissioner 09/20/19

**Jacob Kequom** • Commissioner 09/20/21

**Gary DiPiazza** • Liaison

**Jamie Friedel** • Liaison

**Elders Committee**

Meetings: 12PM 1st Saturday of the Month at Aki Maadiziwin

**Mary Thomas** • Chairperson

**Terri Tyler** • Trustee

**Darleen Martin** • Vice-Chair

**Al Metzger** • Trustee

**Marcella Leusby** • Secretary

**Diane Lonn** • Liaison

**Ron Pete** • Liaison

## TRIBAL COUNCIL

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## TRIBAL COUNCIL WORK SESSION ATTENDANCE

Date	Work Session Title	Jamie Friedel	Ron Wittenberg	Shannon Crampton	Gary DiPiazza	Diane Lonn	Frankie Medacco	Joe Riley, II	Sandra Lewis	Ron Pete	Total
07/03/18	ULD Ordinance	x	x		x	V	x	x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/03/18	Constitution	x	x	x	x	V		x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/03/18	Whitetail Management	x	x	x		V		x	x	x	<b>7</b>
07/03/18	2018 Goals	x	V	x		V		x	x	x	<b>5</b>
07/03/18	Fishing	x	V	x		V		x	x	x	<b>5</b>
07/09/18	Be-da-bin Org Chart	x	x	x	x			x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/09/18	Food Vendor License	x	x	x				x	V	x	<b>6</b>
07/10/18	Constitution	x		x				x	V	x	<b>5</b>
07/10/18	Government Financial Rev	x	x	x				x	V	x	<b>6</b>
07/10/18	Elders Insurance/Survey	x	x	x		x		x	V	x	<b>6</b>
Dave Corey											
07/12/18	Housing Commission	*	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	<b>7</b>
07/16/18	Youth Work Experience	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	*	<b>8</b>
07/16/18	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	*	<b>8</b>
07/16/18	Walter's Family Fishery	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	*	<b>7</b>
07/17/18	Be-da-bin Healer	x	x	x	x	P	x	x	x	*	<b>8</b>
07/17/18	Pharmacy Delivery	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	*	<b>8</b>
07/17/18	Clinic/Muskegon	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	*	<b>8</b>
07/23/18	Constitution	x	x	P	x	x	x			x	<b>6</b>
07/23/18	Work Force Policy	x	x	P	x	x	x	*		x	<b>6</b>
07/23/18	Civil Commitment Code	x			x	x	x	x	x	x	<b>7</b>
07/23/18	Agenda Review	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/23/18	Commerce/EDC Funding	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/24/18	Fishing	x	*	x	x	x	x		x	P	<b>5</b>
07/24/18	Second Pharmacist	x	*	x	x		x	*	x	*	<b>5</b>
07/30/18	Gaming Ordinance	*	x	x		x		x	x	x	<b>6</b>
07/30/18	Interview for EDC	x		x		x		x	x	x	<b>6</b>
07/30/18	Agenda Review	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/31/18	Pharmacy	x	x	x	x	x	x	*	x	x	<b>7</b>
07/31/18	Elders Insurance/Survey	x	x	x	x	x	x	*	x	x	<b>8</b>
07/31/18	Campground	x	x	x		x	x	x		x	<b>7</b>
<b>Total: 30</b>		<b>28</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>22</b>	

V = Vacation \* = Business Related P = Called In

**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 11, 2018 10:01A - 11:55P****MOTION CARRIED / MOTION FAILED**

DIPAZZA•PRESENT CRAMPTON•PRESENT FRIEDEL•PRESENT LEWIS•PRESENT LONN•PRESENT COREY•PRESENT PETE•PRESENT RILEY•PRESENT WITTENBERG•PRESENT

**Oaths of Office Administered****Tribal Council-Outlying**

## • Dave Corey

I, *Dave Corey*, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa and the United States of America.

I will maintain the respect and honor of the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, and place the concerns of the Tribe before personal considerations in matters that come before me. To the best of my ability, I will perform the responsibilities and duties that go with the position I hold, so I affirm by all that I hold dear and sacred.

Signed and sworn before me this 11th day of July, 2018.

## • Shannon Crampton

I, *Shannon Crampton*, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa and the United States of America.

I will maintain the respect and honor of the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, and place the concerns of the Tribe before personal considerations in matters that come before me. To the best of my ability, I will perform the responsibilities and duties that go with the position I hold, so I affirm by all that I hold dear and sacred.

Signed and sworn before me this 11th day of July, 2018.

**NEW BUSINESS:****18-0711-217; AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED FAMILY SERVICES ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE TO INCLUDE HEAD START FUNDED EMPLOYEES AT THE NEXT GENERATION LEARNING CENTER** by Pete; supported by Lonn

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	COREY•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**18-0711-218; RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JASON CROSS AS THE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS QUALIFIED EXPERT WITNESS IN INDIAN CHILD WELFARE HEARINGS** by Crampton; supported by Friedel

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	COREY•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

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**LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2018**

Regular Tribal Council Meetings have been established for every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m., unless otherwise stated below.

**ALL REGULAR MEETINGS SHALL BE HELD AT THE GOVERNMENT CENTER LODGE**

September 12	November 3, Saturday (LR CR)
September 19	November 7
September 26	November 14
October 3	November 28
October 10	December 5
October 17	December 12
October 24	December 19

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**Tribal Council Talking Circle**

October 12, 2018

4:30 - 6:30PM

LR CR Three Fires Conference Room

**Fall Membership Meeting**

October 13, 2018

LR CR Event Center

**Tribal Council Information**

Can be found online @ lrboi-nsn.gov

or under the Government Tab / Legislative Branch: Tribal Council

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|-------------|---------------|
| • Agendas   | • Ordinances  |
| • Minutes   | • Regulations |
| • Calendars | • Resolutions |

**\*updated daily**

**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 18, 2018 10:00A - 11:15A****MOTION CARRIED / MOTION FAILED**

DIPAZZA•PRESENT CRAMPTON•PRESENT FRIEDEL•PRESENT LEWIS•PRESENT LONN•PRESENT COREY•PRESENT PETE•ABSENT RILEY•PRESENT WITTENBERG•PRESENT

**CONTINUING BUSINESS:****MOTION FOR APPROVAL FOR COUNCILOR LEWIS TO ATTEND THE 2018 AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL DATA SYMPOSIUM**

by Crampton; supported by Lonn

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSTAIN	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**MOVE FOR THE APPROVAL FOR COUNCILOR WITTENBERG TO ATTEND REGION 5 TRIBAL OPIOID STRATEGIC PLANNING CONFERENCE BY SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR THE DATES OF AUGUST 22-23, 2018 by Lewis; supported by Di Piazza**

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSTAIN

**NEW BUSINESS:****18-0718-221; RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE LAW AND ORDER-VICTIM'S BILL OF RIGHTS ORDINANCE #18-400-12 by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel**

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHAPTER 1 TRIBAL TAX REGULATIONS #R100-08:TRA-01 FOR 30 DAY COMMENT PERIOD**

by Di Piazza supported by Friedel

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**MOTION TO APPROVE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CHAPTER 1 TRIBAL TAX REGULATIONS #R100-08:TRA-01 FOR 30 DAY COMMENT PERIOD**

by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**#18-0718-222; RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MICHIGAN INDIAN LEGAL SERVICES APPLICATION TO BE A SUBGRANTEE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TRIBAL CIVIL AND CRIMINAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE GRANT**

by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**18-0718-224, APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WILLIAMS HUGHES, PLLC**

by Di Piazza; supported by Lonn

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**18-0718-225, RATIFICATION CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH MELISSA DOHME HILL TO PROVIDE ONE DAY SPECIAL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENT TO THE MANISTEE COMMUNITY by Di Piazza; supported by Lewis**

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•YES	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**18-0718-226, RATIFICATION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGER CONTRACT WITH WIELAND by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel**

DI PIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•ABSTAIN	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSTAIN	LONN•YES	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•ABSENT	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•YES

**All Casino Guests and Employees, Housing & Aki Maadiziwin Residents, Community Center, Justice Center, Government Complex, Trading Post, Next Generation Learning Center, and Gathering Grounds**

From: Gary Lewis / Diane Kerr

Date: August 31, 2018

RE: Water Main Flushing

The Utility Department will be flushing the water mains beginning at 8 am on Tuesday, September 11, 2018. They will finish by 5pm on Friday, September 14, 2018.

This may result in a slight discoloration of the water which could result in discolored laundry.

There are no side affects from the consumption of the water due to this process.

If you have any questions please call Gary Lewis at 231-398-2285.

Thank you,  
Gary M. Lewis  
Utilities Supervisor



**TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 25, 2018 10:00A - 11:17A****MOTION CARRIED / MOTION FAILED**

DIPIAZZA•PRESENT	CRAMPTON•PRESENT	FRIEDEL•PRESENT	LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	COREY•PRESENT	PETE•PRESENT	RILEY•PRESENT	WITTENBERG•ABSENT
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**NEW BUSINESS:****18-0725-229; CLOSE LITTLE RIVER TRADING POST BANK ACCOUNT AT PNC BANK** by Di Piazza; supported by Pete

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSENT

**18-0725-230; CLOSE LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS RESERVATION PRESERVATION BANK ACCOUNT AT PNC INSTITUTIONAL ASSET MANAGEMENT** by Pete; supported by Friedel

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSENT

**18-0725-231; AMENDMENT TO THE APPROVED FAMILY SERVICES ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE TO INCLUDE BE-DA-BIN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH** by Pete; supported by Di Piazza

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSENT

**18-0725-232, APPROVING CONTRACT BETWEEN LITTLE RIVER CASINO RESORT AND BLARNEY CASTLE OIL CO. FOR TRADING POST SALES AGREEMENT** by Pete; supported by Di Piazza

DIPIAZZA•YES	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSENT

**18-0725-233, APPROVING TRIBAL OGEMA'S EXECUTION OF EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH SUJEAN DRAKE FOR TELE-PSYCHIATRY GRANT COORDINATOR AND MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR**

by Di Piazza; supported by Friedel

DIPIAZZA•NO	CRAMPTON•YES	FRIEDEL•YES
LEWIS•ABSENT	LONN•ABSENT	MEDACCO•YES
PETE•YES	RILEY•YES	WITTENBERG•ABSENT

**GULF COAST ELDER ABUSE CONFERENCE**

I would like to update you on the Trip that Ron Pete and I took to Louisiana on Elder Abuse. This was a two day trip that was intense. We had to pick 12 classes out of 40. It was hard to decide what classes to select as each was so important to Elder Abuse. These classes did not just talk about Elder Abuse, as we would like of, but what signs to look if the Elder is Abuses, physically or mentally. Classes talked about the signs of Dementia and what to do. They gave examples of cases that happened. There were classes on Coordinating Care for the Elders, How to identify Scams on Elders. How to help the caregivers, what services are available for them.

We had only 10 minutes to go from one class to another and 45 minutes to eat. It was one of the best meetings that I have ever attended. So much information to share with everyone.

**Classes I attended First day:****Coordinating Care for Victims & At Risk Older Adults****Needs At the Time of Dementia Diagnostic Disclosure (Part 1 & 2)****Financial Exploitation – 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Techniques (Green Dot Carts, & EFT)****Assessing Quality of Care n Family Caregiving in the Home****Demographics of Aging****Second day classes****The Early Inheritance Syndrome: Family & Friends Exploiting Elders****Assessment of Capacity of Elders****The Missing Link in Supporting Elder Abuse Victims****Developing an Effective Program to Assist Elder Abuse Victims****Legal Exposure & Risk for Unlawful and/or Neglectful Actions****Problem-solving and Sustaining Commitment to Multi-Disciplinary Teams**

Once again it was classes that we can use for assessing and helping our Elders.

This is an overview of my impressions of the Elder Abuse conference that Diane and I attended in Slidell, Louisiana. The conference was attended by a variety of individuals from across the nation. An example of the people that attended were prosecuting attorneys, attorney advocates for Elders, care givers, nurses and police officer advocates for Elders.

**Topics that were discussed:**

Physical Elder abuse and this happens often with Elders. Some of the cases that were presented were tragic and family needs to be more aware of the warning signs that this is occurring. Family needs to check on their loved ones on a regular basis and always vet anyone that is giving care to our Elderly.

Emotional abuse happens to our Elders too much on a regular basis. There are no physical signs of this abuse but it is just as damaging as physical abuse. There are no physical signs of this but we must listen to what our Elders are saying and in some cases read between the lines of what is happening.

Financially a number of Elders are being abused by the caregivers and family members. These people gain the Elders trust and they are then put on their bank accounts and they are literally robbed blind. All family members and loved ones should be monitoring their loved ones financial situation and take steps to prevent this type of abuse.

There are case after case out in our communities of this type of situation happening to our Elders and we must take every precaution we can to prevent this from happening. Paying attention to the habits of what is going on with our Elderly and really listen to them. Be aware of their finances and take extreme precautions so this does not happen to our loved ones. At the end of the day, it is up to all of us to work at preventing abuse from happening as our Elders are one of the most vulnerable members of our families.

Tribal Councilors

Ron Pete &amp; Diane Lonn



## Election Board

2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI 49660  
Phone (231) 723-8288

## Announcement of Regular Election

**Date of Election: April 26, 2019**

### Offices to be Elected:

**Office of Tribal Council - Nine County District (two seats)**

**Office of Tribal Council - Outlying (two seat)**

**Office of Election Board - (two seats)**

**Office of Associate Judge - (one seat)**

**Office of Tribal Ogema – (one seat)**

### Procedures for Establishing Candidacy

Any Tribal Member who is running for one of the elected offices must obtain, complete, and submit a **“Declaration of Candidacy packet”** during the period listed in the Election Calendar below.

### Election Calendar

Election Board Declared 2019 Regular Election .....	August 13, 2018
Declaration of Candidacy Packets available .....	October 8-19, 2018
Declaration of Candidacy Packets due .....	October 19, 2018
Date of Disclosure certified .....	October 19, 2018
Background Checks certified .....	November 30, 2018
Slate of Candidates certified .....	December 14, 2018
Last day to withdraw candidacy .....	December 21, 2018
Ballots mailed out for Primary Election .....	January 18, 2019
Ballots due and Primary Election Day .....	February 15, 2019
Deadline for Primary Election recounts, disputes, challenges .....	February 22, 2019
Deadline for Withdrawal of Candidate after Primary Election .....	March 1, 2019
Ballots mailed out for Regular Election .....	March 29, 2019
Ballots due and Regular Election Day .....	April 26, 2019
Deadline for Regular Election recounts, disputes, challenges .....	May 3, 2019
Deadline for Regular Election campaign financial report .....	May 3, 2019
Deadline for Withdrawal of Candidate after Regular Election .....	May 3, 2019

The Primary Election will be conducted by secret mail ballot only. The homes of registered voters shall be designated as polls for voting purposes. All Tribal Members who turn 18 years old thirty days prior to the Primary Election will receive a ballot and will be considered a registered voter. The ballot counting will begin at 12:30 pm and will be held in the Lodge at the Government Center, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI.

The Regular Election will be conducted by secret mail ballot. The homes of registered voters shall be designated as polls for voting purposes. If a Tribal Member prefers to vote in person, the central polling place will be in the Lodge at the Tribe's Government Center from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm. All Tribal Members who will be 18 years old thirty days prior to the Regular Election are considered a registered voter and will receive a ballot. Ballot counting will begin at 12:30 pm. The ballot counting will be held in the Lodge at the Tribe's Government Center, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI.

If a candidate wishes to have their photograph and biography included in the Tribal Currents, the candidate must include the photograph and biography in their **“Declaration of Candidate packet.”**

***If a Tribal Member wants to receive a ballot and vote in the Primary and Regular Election, it's your responsibility to have a current mailing address on file with the Enrollment Department.***

**Important Reminders:** If a Tribal Member is running for elected office of Tribal Ogema or Tribal Council, the Candidate must disclose to the Tribal Membership any current prosecution pending or any conviction per the Tribal Constitution Article IV-Tribal Council Section 3(b) 1-4 and Article V-Tribal Ogema Section 2(b) 1-4. Some examples of where to disclose are: Tribal website, Tribal newspaper, postcards, candidate mailing to Tribal Membership, etc..... The proof of Disclosure statement that went to the Tribal Membership must be filled out and turned in with your **“Declaration of Candidate packet.”**

Also the Constitution states that the Election Board is required to perform background checks within the past ten (10) years for the positions of Tribal Council, Tribal Ogema, and Tribal Judiciary. The background check paperwork must be filled out and turned in with your **“Declaration of Candidate packet”** along with a fee to cover the cost of the background check service. Only cash and money orders will be accepted.

### ELECTION BOARD OFFICE HOURS - DECLARATION OF CANDIDATE PACKETS AVAILABLE

#### MANISTEE

10/08/18 = 3:00-5:00 pm (Monday)  
10/09/18 = 12:00-2:00 pm (Tuesday)  
10/10/18 = 12:00- 2:00 pm (Wednesday)  
10/11/18 = 10:00-12:00 pm (Thursday)  
10/15/18 = 3:00-5:00 pm (Monday)  
10/16/18 = 12:00-2:00 pm (Tuesday)  
10/17/18 = 12:00-2:00 pm (Wednesday)  
10/18/18 = 10:00-12:00 pm (Thursday)

#### MUSKEGON

10/09/18 = 1:00-3:00 pm (Tuesday)  
10/15/18 = 10:00-12:00 pm (Monday)  
10/19/18 = 1:00-3:00 pm (Friday)



## GOVERNMENT CENTER NEWS & INFORMATION

### Notice Regarding Unclaimed Per Capita Payments

As outlined in Regulation #R100-11: RAP-01, Chapter 2, Unclaimed Per Capita Payments, this is official notification that the individuals listed below have unclaimed per capita payments available. These individuals have until December 31, 2018, to claim these payments. Should any payments remain unclaimed after December 31, 2018, the funds will be reverted to the Tribe as specified in Regulation #R100-11: RAP-01, Chapter 2.

Badger, Timothy J.	Robinson Jr., Thomas L.
Bontrager, Robert A.	Sprague, Janina A.
Frees, Andrew E.	Studey, Leslie C.
Kequom, Anthony Jr.	Taylor, Allan
Nichols-Olivarri, Sabrina	Tyler, Jerry S.
Nichols-Olivarri, Samantha	Wabindato, Pauline
Pego, Eric	Wilson, David A.
Ricker, Trinity	

Please take the time to review the list and get the word out about these unclaimed payments. Any help you can provide to aid us in getting these payments to their rightful owners would be appreciated. Contact the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Enrollment Department at (888)723-8288, if you can claim outstanding payments, provide assistance in settling payment(s) or have any questions.

### October 2018 Per Capita Payment:

Tribal Members 18 – 54 : \$637.13

Checks will be mailed Sep. 29, 2018

Tribal Members 55+: \$1274.26

Direct Deposit Oct. 01, 2018

**Per Capita Information Line: 231.723.8288 / 888.723.8288 \*press # 4**

### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

**PROPOSAL DUE DATE:** September 24th, 2018

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is seeking proposals for site preparation and the construction of a 30'x40' Pole Barn.

Requests for bid packets shall be directed to [purchasing@lrboi-nsn.gov](mailto:purchasing@lrboi-nsn.gov) or packets can be picked up in person at:  
 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians  
 Attn: Purchasing Office  
 2608 Government Center Drive  
 Manistee, MI. 49660

### Academy Graduate

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018, Kyle Gunderson graduated from the West Shore Community College Police Academy. Kyle was hired as a Conservation Officer recruit and was sponsored by our department to attend the police academy. Kyle worked hard through his 5 months of training, along the way becoming the Guide-On (flag carrier) for his class. Kyle represented this department well and is the first LRBOI DPS sponsored cadet to graduate from this program.

He will now spend the next 20 weeks learning his job specific duties and responsibilities in the department's Field Training program. Upon completion of the FTO process, he will be a welcome addition to our Inland Conservation Enforcement program.

**WELL DONE OFFICER GUNDERSON!!!**

Director Public Safety  
 Robert R Medacco



### LRBOI BROWNFIELDS PROGRAM PUBLIC RECORD IS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!



⇒ **ONLINE AT [WWW.LRBOI-NSN.GOV](http://WWW.LRBOI-NSN.GOV)**

**Tabs: Government/NRD/ Tribal Brownfield -Response Program/Public Record**

⇒ **IN-PERSON AT THE NATURAL RESOURCES**

**DEPARTMENT LOCATED AT 310 9TH ST IN MANISTEE**

**For more information please contact Breanna Knudsen, Brownfield Specialist at 231-398-2182 or [breannaknudsen@lrboi-nsn.gov](mailto:breannaknudsen@lrboi-nsn.gov)**



**Budget Information presented at the 2018 Annual Budget Hearing held August 4th, 2018**

DEPARTMENT	2019 GAMING DISTRIBUTION	FY 2019 BUDGET ACT	2019 GAMING TAX	RENTAL	PROGRAM	TAXING AUTHORITY	THIRD PARTY	DIVIDENDS & INTEREST	OTHER	GRANT FUNDS
PROPERTY TAXES & INSURANCE	350,000	350,000								
TRIBAL OGEMA	610,283	610,283								
ELECTION BOARD	204,241	204,241								
ENROLLMENT	156,870	156,870								
PUBLIC INFORMATION	49,472	49,472								
TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION	305,958	305,958								
ELDERS	55,200	55,200								
PLANNING	93,512	93,512								
LEGAL ASSISTANCE	159,218	159,218								
<b>SUBTOTAL - EXECUTIVE BRANCH</b>	<b>1,984,754</b>	<b>1,984,754</b>								
<b>TRIBAL COURT</b>	622,014	637,014			15,000					
PROSECUTOR	247,638	247,638								
<b>SUBTOTAL - JUDICIAL BRANCH</b>	<b>869,652</b>	<b>884,652</b>			<b>15,000</b>					
<b>TRIBAL COUNCIL</b>	<b>1,226,825</b>	<b>1,226,825</b>								
UNIFIED LEGAL DEPARTMENT	971,798	1,721,798							750,000	
GOVERNMENT BUSINESS & ACCOUNTING	141,161	141,161								
COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES	61,750	61,750								
<b>SUBTOTAL - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH</b>	<b>2,401,534</b>	<b>3,151,534</b>							<b>750,000</b>	
<b>INLAND ENFORCEMENT</b>	298,421	298,421								
GREAT LAKES ENFORCEMENT	49,172	249,172								200,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	660,369	1,060,369								400,000
<b>SUBTOTAL - TRIBAL ENFORCEMENT</b>	<b>1,007,962</b>	<b>1,607,962</b>								<b>600,000</b>
<b>LAKE STURGEON REHABILITATION</b>	32,800	32,800								
NATURAL RESOURCES	558,394	858,394								300,000
GREAT LAKES FISHERIES ASSESSMENT	50,872	350,872								300,000
<b>SUBTOTAL - ENVIRONMENTAL &amp; NATURAL RESOURCES</b>	<b>642,066</b>	<b>1,242,066</b>								<b>600,000</b>
DEPARTMENT	2019 GAMING DISTRIBUTION	FY 2019 BUDGET ACT	2019 GAMING TAX	RENTAL	PROGRAM	TAXING AUTHORITY	THIRD PARTY	DIVIDENDS & INTEREST	OTHER	GRANT FUNDS
HOUSING	135,219	460,219		325,000						
DOWNPAYMENT/CLOSING COST ASST.		75,000							75,000	
<b>SUBTOTAL - HOUSING</b>	<b>135,219</b>	<b>535,219</b>		<b>325,000</b>					<b>75,000</b>	
<b>SURVEILLANCE</b>		1,511,168	1,511,168							
GAMING COMMISSION		759,114	669,114		90,000					
GAMING COMPLIANCE		337,568	337,568							
<b>SUBTOTAL - GAMING</b>		<b>2,607,850</b>	<b>2,517,850</b>		<b>90,000</b>					
<b>FACILITIES/MAINTENANCE</b>	377,138	377,138								
HUMAN RESOURCES	429,894	429,894								
FINANCE	376,464	1,276,464								900,000
IT	728,469	728,469								
GRANTS	80,929	80,929								
NATURAL RESOURCES BUILDING										
EAST LAKE BUILDING										
JUSTICE CENTER										
MUSKEGON BUILDING										
AKI COMMUNITY CENTER										
GOVERNMENT CENTER	700,000	700,000								
<b>SUBTOTAL - INDIRECT COST POOL</b>	<b>2,692,894</b>	<b>3,592,894</b>								<b>900,000</b>
<b>TOTAL - TRIBAL GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>9,734,081</b>	<b>15,606,931</b>	<b>2,517,850</b>	<b>325,000</b>	<b>105,000</b>				<b>825,000</b>	<b>2,100,000</b>
<b>38.55%</b>	<b>9,252,000</b>	<b>(482,081)</b>								

**Budget Information presented at the 2018 Annual Budget Hearing held August 4th, 2018**

DEPARTMENT	2019 GAMING DISTRIBUTION	FY 2019 BUDGET ACT	2019 GAMING TAX	RENTAL	PROGRAM	TAXING AUTHORITY	THIRD PARTY	DIVIDENDS & INTEREST	OTHER	GRANT FUNDS
MEMBERS ASSISTANCE	1,101,403	2,083,553	982,150							
EDUCATION	1,076,172	1,151,172								75,000
FAMILY SERVICES	296,824	446,824								150,000
USDA FOOD COMMODITIES 2018		185,397							46,500	138,897
NEXT GENERATION LEARNING CENTER		717,767							<b>717,767</b>	
<b>SUBTOTAL - CITIZEN SUPPORT SERVICES</b>	<b>2,474,399</b>	<b>4,584,713</b>	<b>982,150</b>						<b>764,267</b>	<b>363,897</b>
IHS CONTRACT HEALTH	355,468	1,491,401				<b>235,933</b>		100,000		800,000
CLINIC & COMMUNITY HEALTH		1,653,712					<b>200,000</b>			1,453,712
FITNESS CENTER	24,563	24,563								
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH		321,891				258,192				63,699
PHARMACY	486,661	924,966					438,305			
<b>SUBTOTAL - HEALTH SERVICES</b>	<b>866,692</b>	<b>4,416,533</b>				<b>494,125</b>	<b>638,305</b>	<b>100,000</b>		<b>2,317,411</b>
<b>TOTAL - GENERAL WELFARE</b>	<b>3,341,091</b>	<b>9,001,246</b>	<b>982,150</b>			<b>494,125</b>	<b>638,305</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>764,267</b>	<b>2,681,308</b>
13.65%	<b>3,276,000</b>	<b>(65,091)</b>								
<b>TAX DEPARTMENT</b>		140,554				140,554				
<b>SUBTOTAL - TAX DEPARTMENT</b>		<b>140,554</b>				<b>140,554</b>				
<b>COMMERCE</b>	1,855,286	1,855,286								
<b>STRATEGIC GAMING</b>										
<b>UTILITIES - WATER</b>		290,939			290,939					
<b>UTILITIES - WASTEWATER</b>		342,215			342,215					
<b>UTILITIES - LAGOON US31</b>	268,026	421,200			153,174					
<b>TOTAL - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>2,123,312</b>	<b>2,909,640</b>			<b>786,328</b>					
7.70%	<b>1,848,000</b>	<b>(275,312)</b>								
<b>CHARITY &amp; DONATIONS</b>	24,000	24,000								
<b>PER CAP</b>	9,600,000	9,600,000								
<b>TOTAL - TRIBAL BUSINESS ACTIVITIES</b>	9,624,000	9,624,000								
40.10%	<b>9,624,000</b>									
<b>TOTAL - OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>24,822,484</b>	<b>37,282,371</b>	<b>3,500,000</b>	<b>325,000</b>	<b>891,328</b>	<b>634,679</b>	<b>638,305</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>1,589,267</b>	<b>4,781,308</b>
	<b>24,000,000</b>	<b>(822,484)</b>								

**The EDC Board**

Ron Pete	• Chair
Thad Tayler	• Vice Chair
Frank Lewis, Jr.	• Treasurer
E. James Nedeau	• Secretary
Frank Medacco	
Andrew Gentile	

**Subsidiary Companies:**

- Ayaa Ventures, LLC (InTerra and Advanced Protein Solutions – APS)
- Little River Capital Management, LLC
- Little River Development, LLC
- Little River Real Estate Management, LLC

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**Want to see some of what we do?**

InTerra Nutraceuticals	• <a href="http://interranutra.com">interranutra.com</a>
APS (Advanced Protein Solutions)	• <a href="http://advancedproteins.com">advancedproteins.com</a>
Odeno Homes in Fruitport	• <a href="http://odenohomes.com">odenohomes.com</a>

**Are you looking to make a difference?**

**Do you have ideas or suggestions on how to improve the work the EDC does?**

The EDC is looking for EDC Advisory Board Members, on a voluntary basis (no compensation), to meet monthly to discuss current things going on with the EDC and to voice questions, concerns, and ideas. **This is a great opportunity to get more involved and to be a part of something important to the Tribe's financial future.** To show interest in becoming a member of the EDC Advisory Board, please send a resume and letter of interest to Crystal Newman P: 231.398.6840



*August 22, 2018 Tribal Citizen Input Hearing*

Little River Holdings, LLC, is requesting Tribal Member ideas regarding the possible development of the US-31/M-22 corner. Any and all ideas are welcome as we attempt to design an economically sustainable and ecologically and culturally sensitive asset on this corner. Please contact Tom St. Dennis at 231.398.6815 or email: TomStDennis@lrboi-nsn.gov

**InTerra: Summer Intern (10-week assignment)**

The Summer Intern Program seeks college or university students with a major in one of the following disciplines: Agriculture, Business Administration, Marketing, Retail Management and Professional Sales. Interns selected may work remotely.

AYAA is an Indian preference employer meaning American Indians and Alaska Natives who are enrolled in a federally recognized Tribe shall be given preference. Non-Native candidates should feel free to apply for AYAA internships. For more detailed information, please check out the website:

[interranutra.com/internship/](http://interranutra.com/internship/)

If interested, contact Ashley Avery at [avery@advancedproteins.com](mailto:avery@advancedproteins.com)

**Dirkstone Realty Group**, the realtor for

Odeno (Place of Many Hearts) Housing Project in Fruitport Township, would like to hire a Tribal Member Intern interested in pursuing a career in real estate, marketing, and/or administrative to work and learn in a fast-paced business. Must be enrolled in college. \$10 an hour for at least 240 hours.

Contact: 231.740.9298 or [dirk@dirkstone.com](mailto:dirk@dirkstone.com) for more information.





### **Current Job Postings:**

Comptroller - (Tribal Council)  
 Teacher's Aide - (Family Services Dept. - NGLC)  
 Lead Teacher - (Family Services Dept. - NGLC)  
 Substitute Teacher's Aide Pool - (Family Services Dept. - NGLC)  
 Head Start Lead Teacher - (Family Services Dept. - NGLC)  
 Seasonal Wildlife Technician - (Natural Resources)  
 IT Technician - (IT Department, Full Time)  
 Systems Administrator - (IT Department)  
 Government Center Temp. Pool (Government Center Offices)  
 The HR Department is accepting applications for our Temp. Pool at the Government Center

### **Application Instructions:**

Obtain an application form and a copy of the position description on the Tribe's website: Employment Opportunities or by contacting Human Resources at:

**Mail:**  
 LRBOI  
 Attn: HR Department  
 2608 Government Center Drive  
 Manistee, MI 49660

**Phone:** 231.398.6859  
**Email:** jobs@lrboi-nsn.gov



### **Current Job Postings:**

Players Club Supervisor	Guest Service Agent
Food & Beverage Server	Valet Services Attendant
Hotel Bellman	EVS/ Wardrobe Manager
Table Games Floor Supervisor	

Please submit an application and resume.

Native American preference will apply in accordance with Tribal policies.

Employees must be able to work any shift, holidays and weekends as scheduled.

Current Employees must complete an internal application and obtain management signature.

### **Contact Information:**

**Phone:** 1.888.568.2244 or 231.723.4530  
 Little River Casino Resort - Attn: Recruiting  
 P.O. Box 417  
 Manistee, MI 49660  
 Office hours are Monday through Friday 7am-5pm.



### **Success Story**

#### *Utilizing Workforce Development Components*

Back in September 2015, a LRBOI Tribal Citizen completed academic requirements for a high school diploma. Once confirmation was received from the academic institution, Workforce Development awarded him with a GED/Adult Education Completion Voucher. In May 2016, the same Tribal Citizen participated and completed a corrections training program through a county sponsored sheriff's department academy. Workforce Development helped him pay for some of his required training equipment through the Development and Training component. In June 2016, the Tribal Citizen was hired as a Corrections Deputy with a county sheriff's department qualifying him for a Career Assistance Voucher through Workforce Development. We want more Success Stories. Let us know how we can help!

### **David Hawley**

Workforce Development Specialist  
 Little River Band of Ottawa Indians  
 Commerce Department  
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## **Summer Interns at LRBOI**

This past summer, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians hosted several college student/interns at our Tribal Government center and Tribal Justice Center.

LRBOI Tribal Member Shelbie Shelder (pictured here with Dr. Julie Dixon) was an intern at the LRBOI Health Clinic under the supervision of Dr. Julie Dixon. Shelbie is currently a student at the University of Minnesota Medical School, Duluth Campus where she anticipates a May 2021 graduation with an MD degree. Shelbie holds a Bachelor of Science in Nutritional Sciences degree from Michigan State University (2017) graduating with an overall 4.0 GPA. She has had numerous research experiences, scholarship awards, publications, presentations and academic service in her young career, including health care issues of the American Indian/Alaska Natives population. Shelbie is from Muskegon, Michigan. Her internship placement at LRBOI was provided through the Commerce/Workforce Development Program.



LRBOI Tribal Member Shannon McKay was an intern at the LRBOI Justice Center under the overall supervision of Prosecutor Shayne Machen. She was also supervised by Public Safety Director Robert Medacco and Deb Miller of Tribal Court. Shannon is a student at Central Michigan University where she will receive a Bachelors Degree in Social and Criminal Justice and a Substance Abuse Education minor. She received an Associates in Criminal Justice Degree from Northwestern Michigan College in 2015. She has received academic honors while a student at NMC and CMU. Shannon is from Central Lake, Michigan. Her internship placement at LRBOI was provided through the Commerce/Workforce Development Program.

Alanna Lahey was born and raised in Traverse City. She is currently attending Syracuse University College of Law, and is entering her third and final year of law school. This year, Alanna is the Vice-President of the Native American Law School Association for Syracuse University. She will be working as a research assistant and as a teacher assistant, teaching an undergraduate pre-law seminar; and, will continue working pro bono for the Cold Case Justice Initiative. Alanna was placed in an internship with LRBOI Unified Legal Department under the supervision of Staff Attorney Rebecca Liebing.



## **Entrepreneurship Support Opportunities**

Margaret McCammon, (PhD, MBA) Portfolio and Innovation Manager of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) in Lansing has provided some information on entrepreneurship support services to share with LRBOI. Specific questions may be directed to her via phone at 517.348.5025 or by email at [mccammonm@michigan.org](mailto:mccammonm@michigan.org).

### **SmartZones**

MEDC supports 20 entrepreneurial SmartZones across the state. A good place to start is the closest SmartZone but entrepreneurs are not limited to any particular one and can work with any (or several) that they feel meet their needs.

<https://www.michiganbusiness.org/49ea34/globalassets/documents/reports/fact-sheets/mismartzonefactsheet.pdf>

## **The Michigan Small Business Development Center**

Business experts helping you succeed. No-cost business training, one-on-one counseling, and market research for Michigan's entrepreneurs. This is another good place to start and offers either no cost or low cost support including mentoring and counseling in addition to grants as described below: <https://sbdcmichigan.org/>

Core businesses - <https://sbdcmichigan.org/start-a-business/>

### **I Want to Start a Business - Michigan Small Business ...**

Register for training. Our no-cost and low-cost training sessions offer the opportunity to learn more about starting and running your business. Locate training and workshops near you. Tech Team - 9 expert consultants with technical backgrounds to enable them to understand the innovation and help the entrepreneur move forward efficiently

Hi tech businesses: <https://sbdcmichigan.org/meet-the-team/>

**Business Accelerator Fund** – grants of up to \$50,000 per company to enable them to access services needed to start and grow a tech company. <https://sbdcmichigan.org/business-accelerator-fund/>.

**Emerging Technologies Fund** – matching grants for federal SBIR awards of up to \$25,000 for a phase I and \$125,000 for a phase II award. <https://sbdcmichigan.org/etf/>

### **BBCetc**

Offers support for individuals preparing a federal SBIR grant application – individuals do NOT have to go through a university or government organization to apply for these. BBC Entrepreneurial Training & Consulting LLC AT BBCetc IT IS OUR PASSION... ..to see technology-based small businesses reach their milestones, and it is our mission to provide high-value information, training, and guidance to help move them along that path. <http://bbcetc.com/>

### **First Capital Fund**

Provides up to \$150,000 to new technology companies at the earliest stages of commercialization. An early-seed investment fund in Michigan. The First Capital Fund will provide capital to new technology companies at the earliest stages of commercialization in the State of Michigan. <https://www.investdetroit.vc/first-capital-fund>

### **Michigan Pre-Seed Fund II**

Provides funding of up to \$1MM for a tech based start up: <https://www.investmichigan.org/>

### **First Customer Program**

Works with startups to identify & address critical gaps in business development, marketing, and sales. <http://www.economicgrowth.umich.edu/fcp/>

**For more information these programs please contact:**

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## Food Distribution Program Delivers!

On August 16, 2018 the Food Distribution Program made its first deliveries to eligible clients with the newly purchased refrigerated delivery van. Everyone is excited about the new delivery van because it will be beneficial to so many people. Eligible clients have the option of home delivery or they can still come to the department to pick up their orders.

The van was purchased after receiving supplemental funding from the USDA which paid 75% of the purchase price and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians government paid the remaining 25% as a match.

The Food Distribution Program will be delivering to all eligible clients who reside within the 14 county service area. The counties are Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kent, Lake, Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Muskegon, Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Ottawa, and Wexford.

In addition to the deliveries we are also equipped with a laptop and mobile scanner. This will allow us to certify clients right from their homes instead of coming into the office to recertify.



Melanie Ceplina & Ken LaHaye  
Food Distribution Staff



Food Distribution (Casino Warehouse)  
2700 Orchard Highway , Manistee, MI 49660



08.16.18 - First Home Delivery



Ken LaHaye & Margaret Scott



Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) was created by congress in 1977 as an alternative to the Food Stamp Program for Indian Reservations. The program offers nutritious food to income based Tribal households. No household may participate in both the Food Distribution 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 Food Distribution Program.

Office hours are 7:30A – 4:00P  
Lunch: 12:00P – 12:30P

1-888-723-8288  
Food Distribution Program  
Ken LaHaye 231-398-6715  
Melanie Ceplina 231-398-6716

USDA Income  
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations  
Monthly Income Standards  
October 1, 2017 thru September 30, 2018

Household Size      Income Limits

1	\$ 1,165.00
2	\$ 1,514.00
3	\$ 1,862.00
4	\$ 2,220.00
5	\$ 2,598.00
6	\$ 2,975.00
7	\$ 3,323.00
8	\$ 3,672.00

For each additional member add \$ 349.00

The Food Distribution Program serves 14 counties:  
Benzie, Grand Traverse, Kent, Lake,  
Leelanau, Manistee, Mason, Mecosta, Muskegon,  
Newaygo, Oceana, Osceola, Ottawa, Wexford.

## HH1 FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM DELIVERY LIST

ORDERS MUST BE CALLED IN BY THE FIRST OF EVERY MONTH PH. 231-398-6715 PH. 231-398-6716

VEGETABLES UP TO 11 lbs.		FRUITS UP TO 10 LBS.		CAN/DRIED BEANS UP TO 4 lbs.		HOT CEREALS UP TO 1			
<b>CANNED VEGETABLES</b> <b>1 CAN = # 1 POUND</b> HOMINY _____ MIXED VEGETABLES _____ GREEN BEANS _____ CARROTS _____ KERNEL CORN _____ CREAM CORN _____ PEAS _____ PUMPKIN _____ SPINACH _____ CANNED POTATOES _____ INSTANT POTATOES _____ DICED TOMATOES _____ SPAGHETTI SAUCE _____ TOMATO SAUCE _____		<b>FRESH VEGETABLES</b> <b>WHEN IN SEASON</b> #1 ASPARAGUS _____ #1 BABY CARROTS _____ #1 BROCCOLI _____ #1 BRUSSEL SPROUTS _____ #1 GREEN CABBAGE _____ #1 CAULIFLOWER _____ #1 CELERY _____ #1 CORN ON THE COB _____ #1 CUCUMBER _____ #1 ROMAINE LETTUCE _____ #2 ONIONS _____ #1 GREEN PEPPERS _____ #5 RUSSET POTATOES _____ #3 RUSSET POTATOES _____ #5 RED POTATOES _____ #3 REDPOTATOES _____ #1 SWEET POTATOES _____ #1 RADISHES _____ #1 SOUP MIX _____ #2 SOUP MIX WHL VEG _____ #1 FRESH TOMATOES _____ #1 GAPE TOMATOES _____ #1 CHERRY TOMATOES _____ #1 ACORN SQUASH _____ #1 ZUCCHINI _____		<b>CANNED FRUIT</b> <b>1 CAN = # 1 POUND</b> APPLESAUCE CUPS _____ APRICOTS _____ MIXED FRUIT _____ PEACHES _____ PEARS _____ RAISINS _____ PRUNES _____ <b>FRESH FRUIT</b> <b>WHEN IN SEASON</b> #1 AVOCADOS _____ #5 RED APPLES _____ #3 RED APPLES _____ #1 CHERRIES _____ #3 CLEMENTINES _____ #3 GRAPEFRUIT _____ #2 HONEYDEW MELON _____ #1 KIWI _____ #1 LEMONS _____ #5 MIXED FRUIT _____ #1 NECTARINE _____ #5 ORANGES _____ #3 ORANGES _____ #2 PEARS _____ #1 PEACHES _____ #1 PLUMS _____ #2 RED GRAPES _____ #2 GREEN GRAPES _____		<b>EGG MIX UP TO 1</b> EGG MIX (2) _____ <b>MEATS UP TO 3</b> WHOLE CHICKEN _____ BURGER (2) _____ ROAST BEEF _____ CANNED BEEF _____ CHICKEN BREAST _____ PORK CHOPS (2) _____ CANNED TUNA (2) _____ CANNED CHICKEN (2) _____ BISON (2) _____ SALMON _____ <b>PEANUT PRODUCTS UP TO 1</b> PEANUT BUTTER _____ PEANUTS _____ DRIED FRUIT MIX _____ <b>OILS UP TO 1</b> BUTTERY SPREAD (2) _____ REAL BUTTER _____ VEGETABLE OIL _____ <b>MILK PRODUCTS UP TO 8</b> EVAP. CANNED MILK _____ NON FAT DRY MILK (8) _____ 1% REAL MILK _____		<b>CHEESE UP TO 1 EVERY 2 MONTHS</b> SLICED _____ LOAF _____ <b>PASTA UP TO 5 lbs.</b> #1 WHOLE GRAIN ROTINI _____ #1 EGG NOODLES _____ #1 MAC & CHEESE (3) _____ #2 WHITE RICE _____ WILD RICE (1 per 3 Mos.) _____ #1 SPAGHETTI _____ #1 MACARONI _____ <b>FLOUR UP TO 2</b> AP FLOUR _____ WH. WHOLE WHEAT FLOUR _____ YELLOW CORNMEAL _____ BLUE CORNMEAL _____ <b>CEREAL UP TO 1</b> WHEAT BRAN _____ OATS (CHEERIOS) _____ CRISP RICE _____ CORN SQUARES _____ CORN FLAKES _____ SHREDDED WHEAT _____ <b>BAKERY MIX UP TO 1</b> <b>SOUPS UP TO 3</b> VEGETABLE SOUP _____ TOMATO SOUP _____ BEEF STEW _____ CR. OF CHICKEN _____ CR. OF MUSHROOM _____ <b>CRACKERS UP TO 1</b> CRACKERS _____ TORTILLAS _____	

## Fall Salmon Harvest in Streams and Rivers

Many opportunities exist for the harvest of salmon in the streams and rivers of the 1836 Ceded Territory, including hook and line, spears, bows and hand nets. These opportunities are similar to past years and your Tribal ID card serves as your fishing license.

***All Streams and Rivers except the Little Manistee River:*** Hook and line, spearing, bowfishing and handnet techniques may be used.

**For hook and line fishing:** No permit or harvest reporting card is needed.  
5 fish per salmon species per day, all must be at least 12 inches long.

**For spears, bowfishing and handnets:** Permits are not required *but a harvest reporting card must be acquired from the LRBOI Natural Resources Department and must be returned within 7 days of harvest.*

5 fish per salmon species per day, all fish must be at least 12 inches long.

Spears are not allowed in 4 Upper Peninsula streams - Chocoday, Mosquito, Big Two Hearted and Little Two Hearted. All other methods are allowed.

Atlantic salmon shall not be speared in the Torch Lake watershed.

### ***Chinook Harvest on the Little Manistee River:***

The Little Manistee River is an egg-take and salmon harvest facility operated by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. The weir is used to block Chinook salmon so eggs can be collected. The eggs collected at the weir are sent to State Fish Hatcheries where they are raised and stocked all over Michigan. Eggs are also supplied to other states. In the 2007 Inland Consent Decree the State and the Tribes agreed to protect the Chinook salmon in the Little Manistee River during egg collection while maintaining opportunities for Tribal harvest. Regulations and opportunities for the Little Manistee River Chinook salmon harvest are presented below:

- From September 1<sup>st</sup> to November 14<sup>th</sup>, spears and bows may be used to harvest salmon from 300 feet below the weir to the south end of Manistee Lake (See fishing regulations Table 6, Note 3 for specific locations). Hook and line may not be used in the Little Manistee River below the weir to harvest salmon *during this period*.
- Permits **and** harvest report cards are required and can be acquired at the LRBOI Natural Resource Department. Permits must be requested at least 8 hours prior to the time of harvest. Harvest report cards must be returned within 7 days of harvest. You must carry your permit with you when bowfishing, spearing, or netting.
- There are weekly quotas established and permits will be allocated until the quota is met for the week. Total allocation for the 2018 season is 78 fish for all five 1836 Treaty Tribes. Permits will be distributed on a first come, first served basis.
- If/when the Michigan Department of Natural Resources meets its Chinook salmon egg take goals for the year there will be no quotas.

Hook-and-Line fishing, bowfishing, spearing, and hand netting are allowed above the weir (no permit needed, you do need to fill out a harvest report within 7 days).

**Please contact the Natural Resources Department for more information: (231) 723-1594.**



# Happy September Birthdays!! 65 and over Tribal Members!!



September borns are very good with their words. They are convincing and straightforward. They are quite the tricksters too! They are charming in their own way, and that is what makes them so endearing and fun to be around. If you have a September born friend, you know what we're talking about.

Wanita Ancel	Julia Chapman	Ada Mills
Linda Andre	David Cram	Walter Pamame
Howard Baillargeon	Emogene Crampton	Jennifer Rabuck
Fred Bean	Bernadene Crampton	Martin Shalifoe
Carol Bingham	Michael Duarte	David Somerville
Denise Birnbaum	Robert Hewitt	Charles Stone
Sharon Boucher	Geraldine Howen	Dawn Stutz
Judith Bridges	Linda Johnson	Susan Thull
Ronald Bush	Klemp Ræ	Charles Warren
Alfred Chabot Jr.	William Langner	Marie Wellman
	Melvin Lewis	

## Powerlifting Records:

Over the course of the past year, I, along a small group of friends and family from Manistee have competed in Michigan Chapter of the American Powerlifting Federation. Powerlifting consists of the three major lifts, bench, deadlift, and squat. This all started with a desire to improve my health while doing something I love, pushing heavy weights.

I competed in my first competition in August of 2017 which was a single lift, bench/deadlift-only competition. In my first competition, I broke the state record for bench press with a lift of 457.45lbs. My division that I compete in is the Amateur APF raw, which is a drug-free/no equipment competition. After my first competition, I have competed in several others with family and friends joining me along the way. I currently hold two national records for bench press and four state records for bench press and squat. During a future meet, my goal will be breaking the world record for bench press in the masters division. My son, Robert, has already beat me in this pursuit as he currently holds two world records at 19 years old. He beat the records at the 2018 National AAPF meet in Grand Rapids, MI.

The next competition is October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 in Grand Rapids.

Director of Public Safety  
Robert R Medacco

## ELDERS 2018 CALENDAR

### October 13 Membership Meeting

Little River Casino Resort - Schedule/Agenda TBA

### November 3 & 4 Elders Conference

Little River Casino Resort - Schedule/Agenda TBA

### December 1 Elders Christmas Party

Little River Casino Resort - Schedule/Agenda TBA

### December 24 - January 1

Government Center / Clinic/ Pharmacy Closure

Monday Dec 24 - Offices open 8A - 12P

Offices will reopen Wednesday January 2, 2019 at 8A

If you would like to submit a special announcement, picture, birth, or obituary announcement please submit to:

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians  
Attn: The Public Affairs Office  
2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI 49660  
Currentscomments@lrboi-nsn.gov or call 231.398.6841



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***Turkey Bustles with matching Fan &***

***Dance Stick!***

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***Please contact Marty Wabindato***

***231-510-1106***



## **TRADING POST DELI**

### **Memo**

**To: Everyone LRBOI and Little River Casino (Everyone)**

**From: Israel Stone**

**RE: Notice of Closure of the Little Bear Deli on September 10, 2018**

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude and appreciation for all your support of the Little Bear Deli.

After deliberating over what is in the best interest of the business, the Resort has determined to discontinue operation of the Little Bear Deli. On the horizon is a new idea to maximize profitability in place of the deli. We will share this idea as it gets closer. We are currently running lunch specials, while supplies last, and the Trading Post will continue to offer soup and chili, along with grab-and-go sandwiches. The final day of deli operation will be September 10th, 2018.

Again, we appreciate your support over the years and hope to continue to have your patronage.

### **Notice from the Office of Public Affairs**

Rapid River Online News and copies of Little River Currents can be found online:  
LRBOI-nsn.gov using the links on the front page.

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**P: 231.398.6841**

**E: [currentscomments@lrboi-nsn.gov](mailto:currentscomments@lrboi-nsn.gov)**

**M: Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Attn. Public Affairs, 2608 Government Center Dr, Manistee, MI 49660**