



Little River Currents

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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

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Fall Membership Meeting

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Election Board Open Meeting

5:15P EST Time
Participate online...details on pg. 6

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Government Center Holiday Closure

Thursday, December 24th Offices will be open 8A – noon
Offices will reopen on
Monday, January 4, 2021 at 8A

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-Government
-Executive Branch: Tribal Ogema
-Ogema Larry Romanelli

Fall Membership Meeting
October 10, 2020
10A

Live Streamed @ LRBOI-NSN.GOV
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Aanii,

Here at the Tribal Government offices, we are working hard to keep services going to the membership. I can't say that it hasn't been an unusual time, but we continue to operate. Several departments continue to grow even during this pandemic. Our Clinic, Food Distribution, Family Services, and Public Safety Department all continue to grow while extra pressures have been put on them. I thank the Tribal Courts who have had to work remotely in most instances but keep up with the extra caseloads. Our Accounting Department has had much more work to do with putting out extra checks, while making the necessary financial changes. Our Grants Department (of one employee), Lyle Dorr, with other staff have been finding as much COVID-19 funding as possible. Also the safety measures that have been put in place during this time by a team of people, mostly lead by Brandy Martin, is greatly appreciated. Finally the staff of the Little River Casino Resort and Hotel, the Trading Post C-Store and other enterprises, like the EDC continue to work very hard.

Our government and enterprises continue to work at less than full capacity, although the work does not seem less. Our budget for this year is still on track for being greatly reduced, as a result of the Casino operating at about 50% capacity. As most of you know, we've already had to make some very difficult decisions for reductions in staffing and services. When the annual budget is cut in half, there are little choices. If things improve, we may be able to bring some people and services back.

We've begun working on next year's 2021 budget with smaller numbers than usual, but we are still optimistic that the pandemic will improve and the economy will pick up. It is still anyone's guess as to the outcome at this point. The concerning part is that if we continue on at this rate, things could get tougher; let's pray for a better 2021. I continue to give praises to the hardworking staff at both the Government and the various enterprises for keeping the Tribe going. I thank you for your patience during this time and hope you are doing well.

Miigwetch and take care

Aki Maadiziwin Community Center Notice

Please note that the Tribal Community Center will remain closed through the remainder of 2020 due to the unknown course of the COVID-19 virus. The Elders Meal Program has continued to provide take-out meals for our Elders throughout the Tribal Government's closure and will continue in this manner as the "new norm". Keeping our Elders safe and providing healthy meals as well as keeping our employees healthy are our goals in utilizing the Community Center during these unprecedented times. Should the situation change, a notice will be published at that time. Your understanding and patience is much appreciated.



Fall Membership Meeting

Saturday October 10, 2020 | 10:00A

<https://lrboi-nsn.gov/>

Live stream only, login required

Meeting Agenda

10:00A	Ogema Update
10:45A	COVID -19 Funding and Safety Measures
11:00A	Resort Updates
11:15A	Financial Presentation
11:30A	Economic Development Corporation Presentation (EDC)
11:45A	Environmental Video - Natural Resources
12:00A	Question and Answers

Note-Agenda subject to change at Ogema's discretion.

[FallMembershipMeeting@lrboi-nsn.gov](https://lrboi-nsn.gov/FallMembershipMeeting@lrboi-nsn.gov)

MAST**Midwest Alliance of Sovereign Tribes**

Larry Romanelli Delegate
 Shannon Crampton Alternate
 Sandra Lewis Alternate
 Ron Wittenberg Alternate
 Cindy Champagne Alternate

NIGC**National Indian Gaming Commission**

Ron Pete
 Ron Wittenberg
 Tom Guenthardt

US Chamber of Commerce

Ron Pete Delegate
 Shannon Crampton Delegate
 Gary DiPiazza Alternate

NCAI**National Congress of American Indians**

Larry Romanelli Delegate
 Sandra Lewis Alternate
 Shannon Crampton Alternate
 Cindy Champagne Alternate

NIGA**National Indian Gaming Association**

Larry Romanelli Delegate
 Ron Pete Alternate
 Sandra Lewis Alternate
 Tom Guenthardt Alternate

United Tribes of MI

Larry Romanelli Delegate
 Ron Wittenberg Alternate
 Gary DiPiazza Alternate
 Diane Lonn Alternate

State Liaisons

Gary DiPiazza
 Ron Pete

Federal Liaisons • Democrat

Sandra Lewis
 Shannon Crampton

Federal Liaisons • Republican

Gary DiPiazza
 Diane Lonn

Joint Units of Government • Gary DiPiazza & Diane Lonn**ELECTION BOARD**

Valerie McDonnell Chair

Michael Ceplina

**Open Election Board Meetings via Zoom: Next Meeting: Oct 21, 2020 - 5:15P
 Nov 18 & Dec 9, 2020**

Kathy Gibson Secretary

Terri Burmeister

Karen Love

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

COMMISSIONS & ELDERS COMMITTEE **PLEASE CHECK AHEAD TO SEE IF MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD**Binojeeuk Commission**

Vacant •Chair
 Vacant •Commissioner
 Shawna Gonzalez •Commissioner
 Vacant •Commissioner
 Beverly Cole •Commissioner
 Diane Lonn •Liaison
 Cindy Champagne •Liaison
 Tom Guenthardt •Liaison

Enrollment Commission

Charmaine Stone •Chair
 Vacant •Commissioner
 Krystyne Medawis •Secretary
 Chuck Fisher •Commissioner
 Vacant •Commissioner
 Ron Wittenberg •Liaison
 Sandra Lewis •Liaison
 Diane Lonn •Liaison
 Cindy Champagne •Liaison

Gaming Commission

Bill Willis •Chair
 Alyce Giltz •Commissioner
 Mark Jespersen •Commissioner
 Deb Davis •Commissioner
 Steve Parsons •Commissioner
 Ron Pete •Liaison
 Dave Corey •Liaison
 Tom Guenthardt •Liaison

Health Commission

Pamela Johnson •Chair
 Grace Hendler •Commissioner
 Vacant •Commissioner
 Sandra Lewis •Liaison
 Gary DiPiazza •Liaison

Housing Commission

Vacant •Commissioner
 Julia Chapman •Commissioner
 Marcella Leusby •Secretary
 Teresa Callis •Commissioner
 Margaret Kowalkowski •Commissioner
 Sandra Lewis •Liaison
 Shannon Crampton •Liaison
 Ron Wittenberg •Liaison
 Tom Guenthardt •Liaison

Natural Resource Commission

Virgil Johnson •Chair
 Martha Howell •Secretary
 Connie Eno •Commissioner
 Boo Battice •Commissioner
 Richard Koon •Commissioner
 Gary DiPiazza •Liaison
 Tom Guenthardt •Liaison
 Dave Corey •Liaison

Elders Committee

Mary Thomas •Chair
 Detra Kelsey •Co-Chair
 Sally Russo •Secretary

Chuck Fisher •Trustee
 Marcella Leusby •Trustee

Diane Lonn •Liaison
 Shannon Crampton •Liaison

GIIGADOO NINII KWEK & GIIGADOO NINIWOK (TRIBAL COUNCIL)

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TRIBAL COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS | AUGUST

Date	Work Session Title	Cindy Champagne	Ron Wittenberg	Shannon Crampton	Gary DiPiazza	Diane Lonn	Dave Corey	Tom Guenthardt	Sandra Lewis	Ron Pete	Total
08/03/20	Agenda Review	P	P	P	x	x	P	x	P		8
08/06/20	Voter Information	P	P	P	x				P	x	6
08/10/20	Agenda Review	P	P	P	x	x	P		P	x	8
08/11/20	Gross Gaming Revenue	P		P		P			P	x	5
08/11/20	Legislative Strategic Plan	P	P	P			P		P	x	6
08/13/20	Election Ordinance	P	P	P	x	x	P		P	x	8
08/13/20	Enrollment Ordinance	P	P	P	x	x	P		P	x	8
08/13/20	Info Tech & Website	P	P	P	x				P	x	6
08/17/20	Agenda Review	P	P	P	x		P	x	P	x	8
08/17/20	Election Ordinance	P	P	P	x			x	P	x	7
08/24/20	Agenda Review	P	P	P	x	x	P	P	P	x	9
08/25/20	Strategic Plan Update	P	P		x			P	P	x	6
08/27/20	Election Ordinance	P	P	P	x	x			P	x	7
08/27/20	Enrollment Ordinance	P	P	P	x	x			P	x	7
08/27/20	Sale of Big Blue		P	P	x	x	P		P	x	7
08/31/20	Gaming Comm Ordinance	P	P	P	x	x		x	P	x	8
08/31/20	Gaming Comm Regulations	P	P	P	x	x		x	P	x	8
08/31/20	Agenda Review	P	P	P	x	x		P	P	x	8
Total - 18		17	17	17	16	12	8	8	18	17	

V = Vacation | * = Business Related | P = Called In | B = Bereavement | X = Attended In Person

All Tribal Council Work Sessions and Tribal Council Meetings are now on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting | Meeting ID: 997 0579 6129 | Passcode: 1836

<https://zoom.us/j/99705796129?pwd=OWY5SVVnUis4Y0d1aGdqMXBjRjdxZz09>

Or by phone: One tap mobile

301.715.8592 | Meeting ID: 99808338390 # | 0 # | Passcode: 743234 # US (Germantown)

312.626.6799 | Meeting ID: 99808338390 # | 0# | Passcode: 743234 # US (Chicago)

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/aDFbYuvXn>

Complete Meeting Minutes can be found online at:

lrboi-nsn.gov/government/legislative-branch-tribal-council/open-session-minutes/

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2020

Regular Tribal Council Meetings have been established for every Wednesday at 10A, unless otherwise stated below. Departmental Reports and Minutes of various entities of the Tribe will be accepted during the third meeting of each month. All regular meetings shall be held at the Government Center Lodge unless otherwise specified.

October	November	December
7	7, Saturday	2
14	@ LRCR	9
21	18	16
28	25	23

Election Board | Open Meetings

October 21, 2020 05:15P Eastern Time (US and Canada)

November 18, 2020 & December 9, 2020

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Election Board | Phone# 231.398.6709 | Email electionboard@lrboi-nsn.gov

Government Center :

Mutual aid agreement made official between tribal, city police

By Arielle Breen • Manistee News Advocate

The Manistee City Police Department and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Department of Public Safety now have an official mutual aid agreement that had been in place unofficially for some time. Last week, Manistee City Council unanimously voted to authorize the agreement.

According to a memo in the council agenda from Josh Glass, chief of police for Manistee, both departments occasionally require "additional public safety officers to handle emergency or unusual circumstances or situations."

"The city and Little River Band of Ottawa Indians desire to establish a means and protocol by which the MPD and the LRBOI DPS can request police assistance from each department," reads part of the memo.

At the meeting on Tuesday evening, mayor pro-tem James Grabowski asked if there had been any problems that spurred this request. Thad Taylor, Manistee city manager, said there were no recent issues he was aware of but that the departments mostly wanted to have a more formal agreement.



LRBOI TAX DEPARTMENT

Tax-Exempt Quota Changes

Effective October 1, 2020, the monthly limits per eligible Tribal Member have increased to:

55 packs of cigarettes

225 gallons of fuel

These limits will remain thru the end of the year while supplies last.

Penalties will apply to over-limit purchases.

Little River Health Service Center

September 2020

(Flu Vaccinations)

Hello Little River,

It is Cold and Flu Season Once Again! The Little River Health Service Center currently has two forms of the flu vaccine. Please do not hesitate to call the clinic or stop by the Pharmacy to get your Flu Shot today. Please ask your healthcare providers for more information regarding the two vaccinations:

Fluzone High Dose Quadrivalent

Age 65+

Fluarix Quadrivalent

Age 6 Months and Older

Thank you everyone for your continual support of the Little River Health Service Center. May you all continue to remain safe and healthy!

Clinic:

Monday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Tuesday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Wednesday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Thursday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Friday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Pharmacy

Monday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Tuesday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Wednesday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Thursday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

Friday: 8:00am til 5:00pm

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EDC | Economic Development Corporation

Our staff is back in the office full time and is working hard to keep everything on track for Little River Holdings. If you need to reach any of us, please contact us via the phone numbers or email addresses posted in the left sidebar.

Due to COVID-19 health restrictions, visitors to the Government Center currently need to make appointments, so it is preferred that our renters and land contract tenants continue to make their payments through the mail to ensure safe practices for all involved. EDC board meetings and Citizen Advisory Board meetings will continue to be held virtually until further notice.

We are once again seeking members for our all-tribal Citizen Advisory Board. The board meets quarterly in the months of March, June, September and December on the Monday preceding a Board of Directors meeting (unless rescheduled for holidays, conflicts in schedule, etc.). The EDC Board has approved a stipend of \$100 per meeting attended for all Citizen Advisory Board Members.

Please see qualifications below:

Each Advisory Board member must meet the following qualifications:

- At least twenty-five (25) years old
- Possess an Associate Degree, high school diploma or GED
- Five (5) years of significant business, financial, legal, government contracting, or industry experience
- Have no felony convictions
- Have no misdemeanor convictions within the last ten (10) years

Submit to a background investigation yielding no results showing convictions involving tax evasion, tax fraud, embezzlement or moral turpitude. If interested in applying, please send a Letter of Interest and a resume to crystalnewman@lrboi-nsn.gov.



Little River Development

Sales continue to grow at Odeno Homes in Fruitport and talks have already begun regarding Phase Two of the development.



Odeno phase 1
All homes in orange have sold.

The EDC Board

Frank Lewis, Jr.	•Chair
Ron Spoerl	•Vice Chair
E. James Nedeau	•Secretary
James LaPorte	•Treasurer
Tom Guenthardt	•Tribal Council
Scott Wahr	•Member

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[Little River Capital Management, LLC](#)

[Little River Development, LLC](#)

[Little River Real Estate Management, LLC](#)

[Little River Government Contracting, LLC](#)

[Native Source Procurement Services, LLC](#)

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TRANSFORMATIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ANNOUNCED FOR MANISTEE:**CL Enterprises and Little River Holdings Leads Creation of Hotel, Community Projects**

Little River Holdings and CL Real Estate Development presented plans on September 8, 2020 to the Manistee City Council that will reshape and reinvent the gateway to River Street. Coined the "Spirit of the Woods Manistee Gateway Project," the development brings together the two experienced development groups in a unique partnership that invests millions of dollars in five parcels and will have tremendous economic impact for the community.

"This development is part of a continued economic development diversification for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians that aims to create new revenue sources for the Tribe and future generations," added Ogema Larry Romanelli. "It's great to see the cooperation and collaboration to get this project going that will be truly transformational to the community."

"This unique partnership provides our community with the opportunity to build a better future with investments, jobs, infrastructure, and improvements to downtown," stated Eugene Magnuson, Chief Executive Officer of Little River Holdings. "We will be creating a destination and spaces that will encourage more visitors to turn onto River Street and invite residents to enjoy and utilize the redeveloped assets."

The area of the project includes the north side of River Street, encompassing the Edward Jones Building and House of Flavors. On the south side of River Street, the project spans from US-31 to Division Street and includes the elements of 289 River Street, the Cadillac Plumbing Building and the Memory Lane gas station location.

"Downtown Manistee and the surrounding area has great potential for community-based economic development," said Nathan Watson, President of CL Real Estate Development. "CL focuses on high-quality development opportunities where our investments can make a lasting impact, and we are excited to work on this transformational and meaningful project."

The project will create a 97,000 square foot upscale boutique hotel with 100 rooms and amenities that will provide views of one of Manistee's most important assets - water. The hotel will feature a rooftop bar with scenic views, meeting rooms and banquet space, indoor/outdoor pool and a fitness room, and public plaza next to the Riverwalk for outdoor events. Parking for the hotel will be included in an underground parking ramp.

The entrance to downtown includes a Manistee Welcome Center with additional office space that will incorporate a historic facade and provide information on the community, its history and recreational offerings. The planned office space will be set in a prime location for the community and have a private entrance and parking off of River Street.

An event center will feature the historic and unique large bow truss ceiling and historic elements from the Cadillac Plumbing Building and provide 8,600 square feet of space that can hold up to 300 people for events. There is potential in this space to draw visitors for year-round events like weddings, conferences, classes, meetings, indoor Farmers' Market and craft fairs. There are opportunities for additional community partnerships with the developers in this expansive space.

Finally, a marketplace will also be created using historic elements from an art-deco period gas station. The vision for this space includes business incubation elements with the intent to lower barriers to new business creation. Spaces for new businesses and food trucks could be featured and draw visitors to this vibrant corner.

"This is an exciting, once-in-a-lifetime partnership between the Little River economic development arm and a principled, visionary investment group," said Stacie Bytwork, President of the Manistee Area Chamber of Commerce. "The vision for the project and the level of commitment to success by these partners will elevate the Manistee area and further our goals of economic development, a strong vibrant business community, and investment in our area and residents."

CL Real Estate and Little River Holdings project that the economic impact from new hotel visitors will be \$7.1 million annually in the Manistee Area. The project will create 145 direct jobs and 300 construction jobs for the building and reutilization of properties. One goal of this development is to create good paying jobs with benefits and advancement opportunities that are accessible to local residents.

The Manistee Gateway will capture the attention of those driving by on US-31 and will increase visitation to our community and encourage longer stays by visitors. The project will spur indirect economic development, as well, by providing opportunities for entrepreneurs and existing businesses. For the community, the development will increase the local tax base and revenues for the County Visitors Bureau and taxing bodies.

After announcing the project to the City Council with the presentation on Tuesday, the partnership will begin to submit plans and applications to Manistee authorities during the remainder of 2020, and work towards construction to begin in 2021.



Spirit of the Woods Manistee Gateway Project: the project spans from US-31 to Division St.



Manistee downtown entrance at US-31 and River St., plans include; a welcome center and boutique hotel.

NATURAL RESOURCES | FISHERIES DIVISION**From the field:**

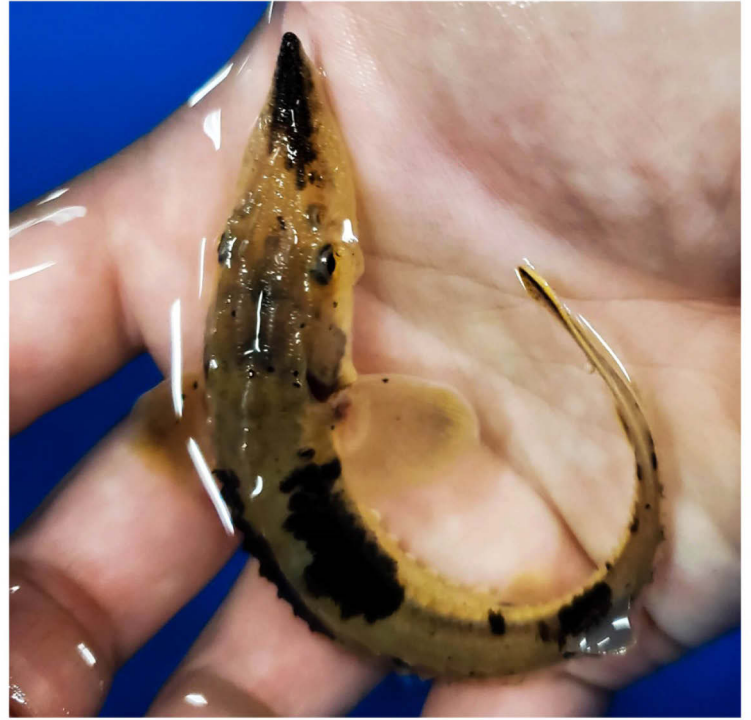
Save our Sturgeon (SOS), the large-scale effort to remove juvenile lake sturgeon from the Manistee River prior to lampricide treatment and bring them into the streamside rearing facility, has wrapped up.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service sea lamprey control monitors the population levels of the invasive sea lamprey out in Lake Michigan and has targeted goals to be below for the health of other fish they prey upon. One way that lamprey are controlled is while they are larvae in the river which must be done on cycles based on larval sea lamprey numbers in the river.

This year we were able to save over 180 juvenile sturgeon from the sea lamprey control treatment, which is the largest number of juveniles we have ever captured for this effort. Collection of lake sturgeon was aided by MI DNR and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Efforts to collect sturgeon were targeted to parts of the river that are shallow, allowing for the sturgeon to be collected.

Collection efforts were completed during the two and a half weeks leading up to the August 24th treatment. Staff monitored and fed the fish during their stay in the streamside rearing facility. Once the treatment was completed, the fish were tagged, measured for length, and then released back into the Manistee River into sections of the river where they were collected from.

Due to the COVID office closure this past spring, this collection effort allowed for an assessment to be completed on this year's young sturgeon within the river.



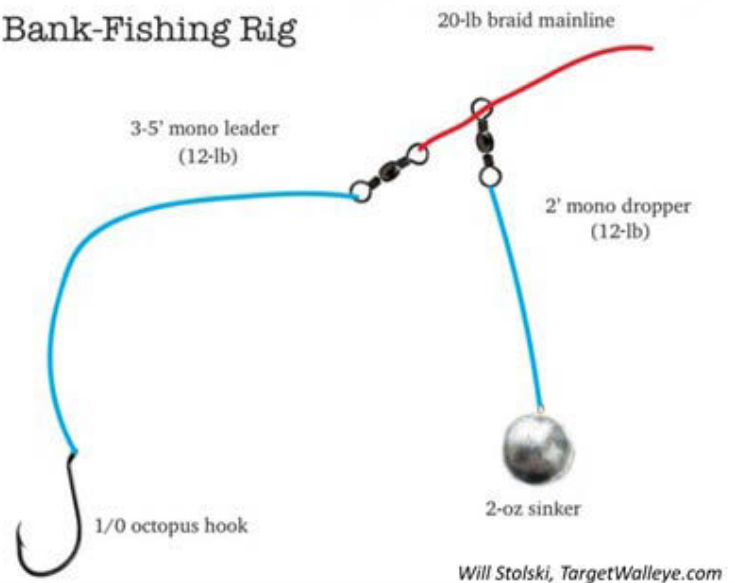


LRBOI Inland fish biologist, Dana Castle, holds a Walleye she caught with a tube near Lake Huron in the fall.

Fishing tip of the month - Nearshore Walleye:

Prevailing Northwest winds in the fall can be a great way for cold water to move into nearshore areas. The cold water, paired with the strong winds, can push bait fish against shorelines in the area. **Walleye** tend to chase these fish trying to get easy meals of Alewife and/or shiners. You can fish for these nearshore Walleye in several ways. If you enjoy casting, you can use crankbaits (thundersticks, hot n' tots), soft plastics (tubes, sinko) or spoons on piers or in channels (Portage Lake, Arcadia). You can also use a more passive method of putting a minnow on a hook and wait for a hungry fish to come by (see diagram for a way to create a great presentation). Tribal Citizens are also able to spear, use hand/dip nets, and bows to harvest Walleye in some seasons and some lakes/streams. Please refer to tribal regulations for more information.

Bank-Fishing Rig



Please check your tribal regulations before heading out and make sure your technique is allowed for your specific species, season, and stretch of water.

Please call NRD to make an appointment to pick up any fishing permits you need for Walleye Lake Systems.

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If you or a loved one would like to submit fish photos to the Fisheries Division's segments in Currents, please send photos to danacastle@lrboi-nsn.gov with a short description.

State puts \$10 million into surveillance network for COVID-19 in wastewater

By Sarah Cwiek • Credit: Michigan State University

The state of Michigan is launching a pilot effort to establish a wastewater surveillance system for COVID-19.

Yes, the novel coronavirus can be detected in human poop—even when people are asymptomatic, or have yet to show symptoms. And there are a number of [pre-existing wastewater testing programs](#) already [running in Michigan](#).

This [pilot program](#) will harness that research, and put it all together into a wider surveillance network that could help detect COVID-19 outbreaks—before anyone has even tested positive for the virus.

Scott Dean, a spokesman for the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE), said the program can hopefully be a sort of early warning system for potential COVID-19 outbreaks.

"It really gives us a tool that will allow us to inform local public health actions to prevent further spread, before we even have reached the point where we've got people with positive cases," Dean said.

"And by getting this early warning system in place, it really has the potential to be a game changer in our mission to slow the spread of this virus."

Dean said wastewater detection can be particularly useful in congregate settings, like universities and nursing homes. Local public health officials can take steps to test, trace, and isolate positive cases before the virus further spreads through the community.

Dean said the state will its network of labs equipped to test for the E.coli bacterium in water to do COVID-19 wastewater sampling. He said if the data collection effort goes well in the pilot, the plan is to make it public in a dashboard format so that it can "help not only local health departments, but communities really understand COVID-19 incidence within their community."

The state is putting \$10 million into the pilot. It starts October 1, and will run through the end of the year.

The ongoing, independent wastewater testing efforts the pilot will tap into are:

- Bay County (Saginaw Valley State University)
- Tawas City (Saginaw Valley State University)
- City of Frankenmuth (Saginaw Valley State University)
- Clinton Township, Macomb County (Oakland County Health Department)
- City of Warren, Macomb County (BioBot initially, now Michigan State University)
- Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Utility Department (Michigan State University)
- Michigan State University and City of East Lansing (Michigan State University)
- Oakland Wastewater Treatment Plant (Michigan State University)
- Genesee Wastewater Treatment Plant (Michigan State University)
- Marquette Wastewater Treatment Plant (Michigan State University)
- Great Lakes Water Authority (Michigan State University)

LRBOI | Language Instructor Kenny Pheasant

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Zoom Classes
Dgwaagi 2020
Fridays at 10:30A



Bnaakwii giizis	Baashkaakodin giizis	Manidoo giizis
9	6	4
16	20	11
23		
30		

Language games:

- Concentration games – variety of topics-tenses- Singular/plural- negative forms
- Bingo – Food/weather- tenses-Singular/plural- negative forms
- Bingo – Household items- Singular/plural-Colors-negative forms
- Bingo – Numbers
- Shut the box - Numbers

Lessons we are working on:

- Professions – buildings – topography
- Cooking food – future tense
- Eating food – past tense
- Household items – colors – animate/inanimate-singular/plural
- Sledge hammer words(article words)
- Prepositions
- Personal pronouns (inclusive and exclusive)
- Aambe dabaamdakwedaa – Let's check the weather
- Command words – for him them I us using aasanaa and taagaa
- Command words – for him them I us using kegwa
- Windimoshinaang gdodemaa- Tell us about your family

We will update each one of these lessons as we go each week. I will try to let students know by Wednesday which one we will be using that Friday. Students, it is very important that you check your emails regularly in case of emergencies.

Note from the instructor: This is new experience for me and I am always up for new challenges. I want to do the best that I can to teach our language, culture and history. I would prefer to teach the way that I was teaching, but whether that will happen again we do not know right now. At the same time, we are developing a new version of a web/app from everything that we have produced online and CD-ROM technology; like I said, I am up for the challenge. The project reminds me of 20 years ago when I was creating lessons; it is a great project and the Little River Band will benefit for years to come.

FALLING LEAVES MOON – BNAAKWII GIIZIS

SEPTEMBER ANSWERSNORTH KIIEWEDINONGEAST WAABINONGWEST EPANGISHMOKSOUTH ZHAAWANONG

FALL

SPRING

SUMMER

WINTER

NIIBINPEBOONDWAAGIMNOOKMI

Online Readers please
 note an addition has
 been made to the
 Anishinaabe words
 provided by Kenny
 Pheasant.

You can now click the
 words in blue and hear
 Kenny say them.

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NATIONAL DAYS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

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| 1 Homemade Cookies Day | 16 Boss's Day |
| 2 Fried Scallops Day | 17 Pasta Day |
| 3 Techies Day | 18 Chocolate Cupcake Day |
| 4 Taco Day | 19 Clean Your Virtual Desktop Day |
| 5 Do Something Nice Day | 20 Pharmacy Technician Day |
| 6 Eat Fruit At Work Day | 21 Medical Assistants Recognition Day |
| 7 Coffee with a Cop Day | 22 Make a Dog's Day |
| 8 Pierogi Day | 23 Boston Cream Pie Day |
| 9 Moldy Cheese Day | 24 Make a Difference Day |
| 10 Cake Decorating Day | 25 Mother-in-Law Day |
| 11 Sausage Pizza Day | 26 National Pumpkin Day |
| 12 National Farmer's Day | 27 National Black Cat Day |
| 13 Train Your Brain Day | 28 National Chocolate Day |
| 14 Emergency Nurse's Day | 29 National Cat Day |
| 15 Cheese Curd Day | 30 National Speak Up For Service Day |

Happy Birthday Tribal Elders 65+

Sandra Alford	Eleanore Flowers	Diane Lonn	Kathy Sam
Gary Andres	Carol Gibner	Tonja Martin	Wanda Sather
Rick Andres	Georgette Greet	Mary Mc Cowin	Edward Shalifoe
William Bean	Albert Hardenburgh	Suzanne Moby	Maurice Shalifoe
Jerry Bellmore	Joyce Harrington	Darla Morgan	Michael Snyder
Emil Boucher	Howard Hayworth	Donna Ostergaard	Jacquelline Somerville
LaVonne Brooks	Delores Jenkins	Joann Pannill	Barbara Spedowski
Veronica Burrows	Teresa Johnson	Paul Pego	Yvonne Theodore
Mary Bush	Nancy Kiogima	Russell Peters	Linda Thiel
Jere Charlow	Madeleine Kunnen	Sally Peters	Gary Tyler
Steven Comeau	Ethelynne Kunnen	Bonny Prentice	Lawrence VanCamp
Marsha Comeau	Robert Lamorandier	Sharon Reed	Jacob Wabindato
Susan Davis	Rosalynn LeClair	Sandra Renner	Jeffery Wabindato
Amos Day	Sandra Lempke-Mezeske	Johnny Riihimaki	Neal Wellman
Sharron Detz	Francis Lewis	Lance Russ	Lawrence Wesaw
Peggy Douglas	Marie Leyton	James Russ	Roger Wilson
Mary Drake	Robert Lones	Mark Rutherford	Sandra Witkop

Personalities of those born in October

Romantic

People born in October are born romantics, they can easily win anyone over with their sweet talk. If they love something or someone, they will go to the ends of the earth to show their love and how much you mean to them.

Peace Loving

These people love peace and they prefer a calmer and quieter surrounding. They are motivated by justice and to create harmony in their surroundings. People born in October rarely raise their voice and lose their temper, and they can find common ground with almost any person.

Charismatic

This is a rare quality, but people born in October abound in it. Really, their charisma, as well as their charming and magnetic personality, makes them gain many followers and you need to think twice before you contradict them. People born in October are very confident and you can just envy their personality.

Intelligent

Those who celebrate their birthdays in October are at the zenith in terms of emotional intelligence. People born in October have a firm hold on their emotions. They are aware of their surroundings and will try their best not to make a scene. What makes them even better people is their empathetic nature – they will not judge you! Instead, they will give you their shoulder to lean on.





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Monday	6:00am-9:00pm
Tuesday	6:00am-9:00pm
Wednesday	6:00am-9:00pm
Thursday	6:00am-9:00pm
Friday	6:00am-12:00am
Saturday	6:00am-12:00am

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October

10 | Fall Membership Meeting
(online live stream)

November

Elders Conference - **Canceled**

11 | Veterans Day

26 - 27 | Thanksgiving Closure

December

Elders Christmas Party - **Canceled**

Kids Christmas Party - **Canceled**

24 | Government Center open 8A - Noon

25 - Jan 1 | Government Center Closed