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Coming up at LRBOI:

Elders Meal Aki Community Center Mon-Thur 12pm

Language Class Every Friday 10:30am

2016 Membership Meetings April 9, 2016 & October 8, 2016

2017 Membership Meetings April 8, 2017 & October 9, 2017

Call Little River Resort Hotel in US Toll-Free: 1-888-568-2244 Local 231-723-1535

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Muskegon County Gaming Project Moves Forward



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Tribe Help Save Flint, Michigan Residents from Toxic Water



Frank and John deliver check

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Boots for Kids!



When the Tribal Public Safety Department had their 'No Shave' contest a few months ago, the donations went to buy boots for children. There are still some left at Public Safety. Call Lisa at 231.398.2225 for more information.

5th Annual Midwest Peacemaking Conference announced!

June 8th, 9th and 10th are the dates for this important conference. Look for more details as we get closer.



The LRBOI Election Board adopted their new 2016 regulations at their regular meeting.

The entire document is posted on the website at www.lrboi-nsn.gov.



From the Office of Ogema Larry Romanelli

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Aanii,
The weather has been kind to us in Manistee this winter and I am enjoying every bit of it. There seems to be much going on within the Tribe. My understanding is that the Little River Casino Resort renovation project, is coming along and I believe General Manager Ron Pete will be giving an update on

the project in this issue of the Currents.

The Manistee Township sewer project is working toward completion ,which is a big step forward for the north end of Manistee and for the Little River Band of Indians.

Our Muskegon Casino Project, continues to move forward, as we just received the Scoping Report, back from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The report is very favorable and the community continues to provide support for our efforts. The report will also be on our new LRBOI website, which you may want to check out. There have been changes, to make the website easier to navigate.

As the work on the Muskegon Casino project moves forward, we are hoping to have the Environmental Impact Study Hearing in the latter part of 2016. The process is not short, but I can say that we've assembled a great team. The Tribe's team, the BIA's staff as well as the AES staff has done a great job to date.

Much work is being done within the tribe to bring all departments up to speed and getting them all on the same page. I've requested departments of the government, to put a brief update in each edition of the Currents, on what is happening within their respective departments, in a better effort to keep the membership informed.

Our paper, the Currents is now back to eleven issues mailed to your home per year, and we still have the monthly issues on our website. I just received word that Chairman DK Sprague of the Gun Lake Tribe retired, and I want to say that it has been a pleasure working with DK over the years; he deserves to have some time off. His tribe, the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish went through a long process getting their casino, Gun Lake Casino up and running and Chairman Sprague was there through it all, having served 24 years. He is one of the longest running chairs in the United States; we wish him the best on his retirement. Until next time...

Tribe Help Save Flint, Michigan Residents from Toxic Water

Tribe Donates \$10,000 to Help Save Flint, Michigan Residents from Toxic Water Lead in water sparks state of emergency in Michigan - See more at: https://naturalsociety.com/indian-tribe-donates-10000-rescue-flint-michigan-residents-toxic-water/#sthash.FuI0nOhB.dpuf

Flint, Michigan is dealing with a water crisis, pushing the area into a 'state of emergency.' Instead of pointing fingers like the government has been doing in response to the toxic overload, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians from Manistee, Michigan is donating a hefty sum to the Genesee County Sheriff's office to assist in providing clean water to Flint, Michigan residents.



Flint is now under a state of emergency after local, state, and federal officials finally admitted there was lead contamination in the water. The \$10,000 donation made by the Ottawa Indians will go far to help provide clean water to people who are most water-insecure during the crisis.

In November, Flint citizens filed a class-action lawsuit on behalf of victims of high levels of lead against Snyder, the state of Michigan, the city of Flint and other state and city officials.

The investigation by the U.S. attorney's office comes more than a year after the city of more than 100,000 people began getting water from the Flint River instead of from Lake Huron via Detroit's water system. The move was announced as a temporary, cost-cutting measure until Flint could get Great Lakes water on its own, according to the class-action lawsuit.

A few days ago, the Little River Band posted a statement on Facebook, saying: "The Tribal Council yesterday authorized a contribution to the Genesee County Sheriff's Office to assist with efforts to help the people of Flint with their water issues. Currently, the tribe has approximately 30 members who live in the area. Please add them to your prayers."

Michigan's 9and10 News reported the Little River Band "reiterated their commitment to addressing the importance of water quality and how it's is the most critical party to the cycle of life." - See more at: https://naturalsociety.com/indian-tribe-donates-10000-rescue-flint-michigan-residents-toxic-water/#sthash.FuI0nOhB.dpuf



(Taylor Irby | MLive.com)

Anti-Media also reported this week on support for Flint from another organization pledging to donate 30,000 bottles of water. Dr. Aziza Askari, head of the non-profit's chapter, told the Washington Times:

"We saw what needed to be done and we decided to do it. We reached out to schools, neighbours, friends, mosques, anyone and everyone to help us by donating a case of water, or money towards a case."

These diverse groups are showing how people of all faiths, ethnic backgrounds,

and social status can come together to solve a community problem, no matter who caused it. Even when government officials drag their feet and stand in the way, the people are rising up to save their resources from pollution, and likely corporate greed. See more at: https://naturalsociety.com/indiantribe-donates-10000-rescue-flint-michigan-residents-toxic-water/#sthash.FuI0nOhB.dpuf

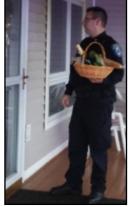
Council News



Date	Work Session Title	Jessica Burger	Ron Wittenberg	Shannon Crampton	Gary DiPiazza	Virgil Johnson	Frankie Medacco	Joe Riley, II	Sandra Lewis	Marty Wabindato	Total
01/04/16	Language Classes	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	8
01/04/16	Agenda Review	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	8
01/05/16	Addiction Treatment Center		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	8
01/05/16	2016 Goals	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		7
01/11/16	Peacemaking & Tribal Youth		X				X	X	V	X	4
01/11/16	Agenda Review	X	X			X	X		V	X	5
01/12/16	Strategic Plan				X	X	X		X	X	5
01/12/16	LLC Ordinance	x	X		X	X	X		X	X	7
01/14/16	Indian Preference Ordinance	*	X		X	*		X	x	X	5
01/14/16	Board of Directors Act	*	X		X	X	X	X	х		6
01/15/16	Utilities Job Description	*	X		X	X	X		х		5
01/15/16	2016 BIA Road Projects	*	X		X	X	X	X	х		6
01/18/16	Donation Request		X		X	*	*	X	х	Х	5
01/18/16	Agenda Review	x	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	8
01/18/16	Trading Post	x	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	8
01/19/16	Constitution Update	*	X		X	*	X	X	х	X	6
01/19/16	2016 Goals	*	X		X	*	X	X	X	X	6
01/25/16	Donations Ordinance		X	X	X	X	X	X	х	X	8
01/25/16	Tribal Tax	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9
01/25/16	Agenda Review	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9
01/25/16	Accounting Discussion	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9
01/26/16	Travel		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	7
01/26/16	US Chamber		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	7
01/26/16	Round Table w/ Ogema		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	7
01/26/16	Lands		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	7
01/28/16	LLC Ordinance		*	*	X	X	*			X	3
01/29/16	Court	X	X		*	X	*	*	X		4
V -Vacation *-Business Related	Total # of Work Sessions - 27	11	25	5	24	22	23	21	24	22	

Tribal Public Safety gives back to our community









Scoping Report

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Bureau of Indian Affairs Issues Scoping Report

Process for Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Muskegon County Gaming Project Moves Forward

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"This is another big step for the Little River Band and the Muskegon community to bring economic development to the region," said Tribal Ogema Larry Romanelli. "The tribe was encouraged by the large turn out and positive feedback at the public scoping hearing last fall. The community feedback was important to the Bureau of Indian Affairs' ability to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of the project."

The Scoping Report describes the EIS process, explains the purpose and need for the Proposed Action, describes the Proposed Project and alternatives, and summarizes the issues identified during the scoping process. All comment letters received by the BIA and the public hearing transcript are included in the appendices to the Scoping Report, which is now available on the project website at http://www.littlerivereis.com/

The BIA issued a Notice of Intent on September 21, 2015, which opened a public scoping period to identify potential issues, concerns, and alternatives to be considered in the EIS. There was standing room only at the October 15 public scoping held at the Fruitport Middle School. Representatives from the Fruitport schools, business community, labor organizations and local public officials spoke out supporting the Little River Band's application.

The EIS will take a hard look at the potential environmental impacts of the project, including land use, geology and soils, water resources, agricultural resources, biological resources, cultural resources, traffic, air qual-

ity, noise, public health/environmental hazards, hazardous material and waste, public services, and socio-economics.

The Draft EIS and a public comment period are anticipated in Fall 2016. The Little River Band filed an application in February 2015 requesting the BIA to place 60 acres in trust for a \$180 million casino and economic development project. The project is expected to create more than 1,200 new jobs in Muskegon County.

Muskegon County is the home to the Little River Band's largest population base. Muskegon is one of the Tribe's service areas and the Tribe maintains governmental offices in Muskegon to serve its members.

"The Tribe has filed an application to place land in trust to develop a casino and economic development project to improve the economic status of our tribal government," said Tribal Council Speaker Virg Johnson. "A Muskegon County casino will enable the Little River Band to better provide housing, health care, education and other services to our elders and youth, particularly those based in Muskegon County."

The Little River Band's proposed gaming and economic development project would include:

- Approximately 69,000 square feet of gaming floor space
- •1,700 slot machines and 35 table games
- •220-room hotel
- •Conference and meeting room space
- Dining and entertainment options

The proposed Muskegon casino will play vital role in bringing new jobs and business opportunities as casinos have in other communities including:

- •Attracting about 1.88 million visitors annually.
- •Create nearly 1,500 jobs, more than 1,000 directly at casino.
- •Generate more than \$60 million annually in total wages.

- •Approximately \$60 million annually in purchasing for goods and services.
- •During construction, generating more than 1,200 local construction jobs.
- •Construction workers' income should top \$70 million.

The proposed casino has received wide support from the community including support from Fruitport Township, Fruitport Public Schools, Muskegon County, West Michigan trade unions, The Muskegon Lakeshore Chamber of Commerce and local businesses. Both Fruitport Township and Muskegon County reaffirmed support for the Tribe's Muskegon casino project with resolutions of support in June 2014.

The Little River Band has signed a Municipal Services Agreement with Muskegon County and Fruitport Township that consists of the Tribe making payments for public safety, sanitary sewer, public water construction and other services.

For updates, please visit http://muskegonjobsnow.org/



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Commerce/Workforce

Your Tribal Commerce Commission and Commerce Department would like to introduce you to the Michigan Small Business Development Center (SBDC). From Business Plan Development to strategy on Raising Capital, Financial Management and Technology Commercialization, they can provide free or low cost help that can get your business off to a successful start. Visit SBDCMichigan.org

Commerce also announced the availability of their first market-rate rental house in Muskegon.

Commodities

LRBOI Commodity Department is in a new location pass the Little River Casino turn on M22 turn left on Dontz Road first parking lot left side on front of Little Casino Warehouse. The office hours are 8:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M Lunch hour is 12:00 P.M to 1:00 P.M phone #'s are 231-398-6716 an 231-398-6715

Yvonne Theodore and Laurie Jackson

Gaming Commission

Our new digital surveillance system is fully operational and the staff have been utilizing the new system for the past several months. The new system allows the staff to perform their job duties and responsibilities in much the same manner as the old system did, but provides new features that enables them to perform their duties and responsibilities more efficiently.

The Commission's Compliance staff and Surveillance staff have been extraordinarily busy

with the renovation project in full swing at the Little River Casino Resort (LRCR). The Compliance staff have been busy with slot machines moving on and off the floor, slot machine testing, slot machine installs and moves, table game moves, slot machine disposal, etc. are all very time consuming and labor intensive. The Surveillance staff have been busy working hand in hand with LRCR management on camera moves, installations, adjustments, etc. to ensure compliance and adequacy of coverage.

Grants Department

Since the beginning of 2016 (and also back into 2015) the Grants Department has worked with the Family Services Department to develop a funding strategy to support the construction of a Tribal Child and Family Development Center. LRBOI recently submitted a Letter of Interest to the Kellogg Foundation to support these efforts: additional funding requests are in the process of being planned, developed and submitted.

Also over the past few months, the Grants Department has also worked closely with the Historic Preservation Department and other tribal programs to develop a tribal response to the "Cultural Resource Fund" funding opportunity through the MICA Group. If funded, this 2/15/16 submission will establish a "Moon Lodge" (Woman's Lodge), repair the roof of the Fire Lodge, bring language instruction to the Muskegon area; provide language tutoring and instructor assistance services; procure audio/visual equipment to enhance the language website; secure additional language curricula/cultural resources; and also work to leverage benefits of several other construction projects scheduled for 2016.

A grant submission is also scheduled for February 18, 2016. If funded, this effort will assist the Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health Program and several other existing (Indian & non-Indian programs) build coalition and networking strategies to better address (tribal and non-tribal) Suicide Awareness and Suicide Prevention.

Later in the month, February 22-25th, the Tribe's Grant Writer will be attending Administration for Native Americans (ANA) grant-related training to help assure successful tribal grant applications to a number of funding possibilities through this organization. It is not now known which funding opportunities the tribe will pursue; however, the possibilities include:

- •Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance
- •Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance - Ester Martinez Immersion
- •Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS)

- •Sustainable Employment and Economic Development Strategies (SEEDS)
- •Environmental Regulatory Enhancement (ERE)

Housing Department

The Tribally funded Down payment and Closing Cost Assistance program has been funded for this year, 2016. Tribal Citizens can receive up to a combined maximum of \$5,000.00. The combined maximum is based on 2.33% for the down payment assistance up to \$3,500 and 1.00% for closing cost assistance up to \$1,500. The assistance is calculated on the total purchase price and the eligibility criteria highlights are as follows.

- 1 .Must be an enrolled member of LRBOI
- 2. Must be at least 21 years old.
- 3. Residence must be the borrower's permanent primary residence.
- 4. Must not have previously accessed funds under this or any other Tribal program that provides down payment and closing cost assistance.
- 5. Must be a single family residence. If you are interested please contact Chad Gehrke in the Housing Department at 231-398-6878 or cgehrke@lrboi-nsn.gov.

Human Resources

Human Resources is excited to have Kathy Gibson starting as the Benefit Administrator on Feb. 15, 2016.

Tara Chivis started on February 1, 2016, through Work Force Development in HR to assist with projects.

New Hires since January 1st:

Shaughn Barnett

Water Quality Specialist

Theresa Davis

Natural Resources Receptionist

Rebecca Liebing

Staff Attorney

Jesse Bellinger

System Security Administrator

(Job Change)

Heather Maneke

Systems Administrator (Job Change)

Spring Howe

Conservation Officer

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Historic Preservation

THPO –The National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) require that any agencies or entities that undertakes a project that requires an environment review (all federally funded projects) consult with SHPO and THPOs that have an interest in the area of the project and the Tribe is consulted to prevent negative impacts on cultural, historic or religiously significant properties.

NAGPRA - Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act representative (as enacted in a circular manner by Ogema request and Council approval of job description for the Director under duty 13 "Address all Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) issues). These include the representation of the Tribe in the Michigan Anishinaabek Cultural Preservation and Repatriation Alliance (MACPRA). The Tribe is in fact a founding member signatory to the Consensus Letter that began the organization. Both singularly and as a MACPRA member the Tribe has repatriated and re-interred in two locations over 900 "individuals" and their Associated Funerary Objects (AFO).

COLLECTION/ARCHIVES – The Collection Policy formally adopted by the tribe, modified and adopted as a departmental policy provides for the protection and preservation of the Tribe's cultural heritage and history through the development of the Tribe's Collection(s). These include an archive of governmental and other documents that are kept for use by the citizens for research of public records as needed or desired. [See also Cultural Heritage Preservation.]

The Anishinaabemowin program was moved to the Department from education when moved from grant to Tribal funding as a part of this function. This program includes classes offered twice a week, support for use by other programs and the annual Anishinaabe Family Language & Culture Camp (AFL&CC) is a function of this area as well.

CULTURAL HERITAGE PRESERVATION -This function includes the maintenance of the Tribe's collection of cultural items, art and other artifacts of importance and their display in Government buildings. This is the function that the Department's activities in Cultural Preservation (Goonignebig, Jiingtamok, Spring & Fall gatherings, Ghost Supper). Recently the department added a grant program of cultural teachings as determined by an interest survey in the near future. AUDIO-VIDEOGRAPHY - Originally a function tied to both the Archive and Cultural Heritage Preservation function this has become its own activity. Still used to produce online language products, also produces video of the Spring and Fall meetings and online access to Council proceedings. Also records events and activities for other departments through request. Recordings are kept so they can become part of the permanent archives of the Tribe.

The department assists or provides services to: All citizens of the Tribe, in person, by mail, phone or online can access the functions. Non-tribal citizens can enjoy the events (Jiingtamok and AFL&C Camp for example).

The Federal Government, through several of its agencies including but not limited to: FCC, USFS, BLM, FHwy, ACHP, NPS and BIA.

The State of Michigan through interaction with MDOT, MSP, SHPO and local Governments as Manistee (City and County), Mason County, Pentwater Village, Muskegon and several others.

{The Director is also the Sovereign Services Lead and Self-Governance Coordinator.}

Education

The Education Department will be sending out registration forms for the Student Services program in February. Please watch for the bright yellow envelope and make sure you return the form by the deadlines. If you haven't received the registration form by the middle of March, please call us so we can make sure you receive one.

We have been processing book stipends and scholarships for students but still have some applications which are incomplete- missing grades for the previous semester or current class schedules with total number of credits. We also have applications which cannot be processed because the address on file with the tribe is not the address on the application. It is EXTREMELY important that you keep your address updated with the tribe.

Even when you change your address with the Post Office, you need to do a change of address here as well. Remember, you need to do a change of address for each tribal member in your household. When a parent changes his or her address, their children's addresses are not automatically changed- each person needs to have a change of address submitted.

Tribal Health Clinic

We welcome Heather Harrison, MD (Internal Medicine Pediatrics). She will be working for us as a Locum Tenens (temporary doctor) until early March.

- Through the diligent efforts of CHS/EHAP staff working with a program that allows adjustments on previous claims the Health Clinic was able to recover over \$50,000.
- Be-Da-Bin BH is co-sponsoring the "Winter Love" Round Dance on February 13 at Aki Madazawiin Community Center
- Kathy Gibson will be leaving our department on February 12, to join HR. We wish her well in her new position. She will be missed.
- The Clinic Pharmacy start-up is progressing nicely with build out construction to begin soon. More information as the project progresses

Tax department

The goals of the Tax Office are

- 1) Administer the collection of tribal taxes on all business activity occurring within Tribal and trust lands;
- 2) Assist Tribal members in obtaining exemption from state taxes as negotiated in the Tax Agreement between the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the State of Michigan;
- 3) Protect the Tribe from liability for noncompliance with state and federal tax laws while maximizing tax benefits available for the Tribe and its members.

The Tax Office processes Resident Tribal Member tax exemptions, issues tribal tax licenses, processes Proof of Residency forms, and monitors the tax exempt motor fuel and cigarette purchases at the Little River Trading Post. Additionally, the Tax Office processes venue reports from the Little River Casino Resort, prepares and submits Tax Revenue Sharing returns, and also works with the State of Michigan Treasury to update Resident Tribal Member statuses.

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Office of Public Affairs

The Office of Public Affairs has been very busy the first part of 2016 finishing the rollout of the new tribal website at www.lrboi-nsn. gov. The project has been well over six months work between staff and the outside agency, Revel, Inc. in Muskegon. Public Affairs, operating as the tribal internal webmasters, have been working with every department to populate their portion of the website with the right names, contact information and where applicable forms. One interesting part of this has been the creation of interactive forms for the members to use so that they do not have to print, sign and mail a form. They can complete it on their computer and just email the completed form right from there. In addition to the website, the normal work of the Currents, the weekly Rapid River News and interaction with other agencies coordinating the response to Flint have taken our time. Glenn C. Zaring-Director

Utility Department



Just short of ten years of selfless service in the Utility Department Sally Bell has retired! Thank You to Sally for all her dedicated work! They are

big footsteps to follow! We have posted the job with a title change, in accordance with the Valiant study, to Operations Coordinator. We are in the final stages of the expansion of the sewer extension, RJM-7614 project. Mid to late March, dependent on the weather, the

contractor will tie-in the service lines to West Shore Medical Center, Manistee County Sherriff Department (county jail), Manistee County Medical Care Facility, and the NW MI Health Center. There are other businesses along the corridor that have inquired as to when they would be able to hook up to our system as well. There is 396 Ft. of Gravity sewer main yet to be installed on the south end of the corridor. Meijer has a contract with the City of Manistee and are hooked into the City Sewer system. I am pleased to announce, that the utility staff, currently has a combined 22 licenses and over 23 years of experience! Based on previous sample results, the U.S. EPA has us on a monitoring schedule every 3 years, for lead and copper. This year we will be sampling for those contaminants in the Tribes water system, as well as Gross Alpha, Radium 226/228, Nitrate, Synthetic Organic Chemicals (SOC's), Total Trihalomethanes and Haloacetic Acids. We currently sample 9 sample sites per month for Total Coli-form / Escherichia Coli (Bac-t's). We chlorinate our water system and test for chlorine residuals in the water system an average of 40 times per month at various locations in the system. We are looking forward to future endeavors for revenue creation on behalf of the membership. Megwetch!

Commodities

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

USDA Income
Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations
Monthly Income Standards
September 30, 2014 & October 1, 2015

Household Size 1.	Income Limits \$ 1,136.00
2.	\$ 1,483.00
3.	\$ 1,830.00
4.	\$ 2,189.00
5.	\$ 2,565.00
6.	\$ 2,941.00
7.	\$ 3,287.00
8.	\$ 3,634.00

For each additional member add \$ 347.00

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

Office hours are 8:00 A.M – 5:00 P.M Lunch hour is 12:00 - 1:00 Yvonne Theodore, Laurie Jackson 1-888-723-8288 ask for Commodity Program Office 231-398-6716 or 231-398-6715

D.K. Sprague Retires





D.K. Sprague Retires after Twenty-Four Years as Chairman of the Gun Lake Tribe

Sprague Led Tribe from Pre-Recognition to Successful Modern Tribal Government

(Bradley, Mich.) – Today, the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians (Gun Lake Tribe) (Tribe) announced the retirement of David K. (D.K.) Sprague as chairman. Sprague served as chairman since his initial election by the Bradley Settlement Elder's Council in 1992. He is distinguished as one the longest serving tribal chairman, in consecutive terms, throughout Indian Country in the Unites States.

"It has been an honor and privilege to serve my community as chairman for the last twenty-four years," said D.K. Sprague, former chairman. "I thank my family and the Tribe for supporting me, and God for allowing me to serve at a time when our dreams came to reality. I give recognition to our tribal leaders who came before me, as I merely finished what they started when the Bradley Indian Mission was established in the 1830s."

The Tribe achieved federal re-acknowledgment in 1999 after many years of working through the federal acknowledgment process. The Tribe's goal of reaching self-sufficiency through its pursuit of economic development under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act would take over a decade. During the last twenty-four years the Tribe went from having nothing to becoming a modern tribal government that can now provide for the needs of its people.

"I am proud to have served the Tribe under the leadership of D.K. Sprague," said Vice Chairman Ed Pigeon. "I witnessed steady and consistent leadership in extremely difficult situations over a long period of time. It was amazing to see him put to the test so many times, but never waver.

The Tribe is truly blessed that a person with such rare leadership qualities was in place at a time when it was most needed."

Many friends, family and staff members have expressed their gratitude to the former chairman for his dedication to the needs of tribal government staff and the team members who work in the gaming enterprise. He was always approachable and jovial with everyone around him.

"No one ever wanted this day to come," said Leah Sprague-Fodor, Tribal Council member. "However, asking him to continue serving would be selfish of us. We know he served with everything he had for so many years. He has earned his retirement and now he should enjoy golf, traveling, baseball games and spending time with his family and friends."

Sprague grew up in the Bradley area where he remained most of his life. He joined the U.S. Army and served in the Vietnam War. He served in 14 natural disasters worldwide as a Red Cross volunteer, which included an extended time of service in Louisiana for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. He is a lifelong member of the Methodist Church at the Bradley Indian Mission.

In the next 90-120 days the Tribe will hold a special election to fill the seat on the Tribal Council vacated by Sprague's retirement. Afterwards, the Tribal Council will select the next chairman. In the interim, Vice Chairman Ed Pigeon will serve as acting Chairman.

LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE YEAR 2016

Regular Tribal Council Meetings have been established for every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. 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

	May 04 May 11 May 18 May 25	September 07 September 14 September 21 September 28
February 17 February 24	June 01 June 08 June 15 June 22	October 05 October 12 October 19 October 26
March 02 March 09 March 16 March 23	July 06 July 13 July 20 July 27	November 02 November 09 November 16 November 30
April 06 April 13 April 20 April 27	August 03 August 10 August 17 August 24	December 07 December 14 December 21



Tax Office

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Tax-Exempt Quotas

Tax-exempt motor fuel monthly limit is 175 gallons per Tribal member. Tax-exempt cigarette monthly limit is 25 packs per Tribal member.

Reminder – Check Your Resident Tribal Member Status

Tribal members are responsible for tracking their own purchases. Do not rely on the Trading Post to track your purchases for you.

Proof of Residency is required for any address change to "Resident Tribal Member" status. This means that if you move, you will need to provide written proof of residency in order to have Resident Tribal Member status. This applies, even if you are moving to a different address in the Tax Agreement Area.

Don't be surprised at tax time. Contact the Enrollment Office and/or Tax Office to provide your Proof of Residency information. Only Tribal members who have Resident Tribal Member status are exempt from Michigan nonbusiness income taxes and are eligible for the Resident Tribal Member Annual Sales Tax Credit and the sales tax exemptions on utilities, vehicle purchases, construction materials and other enumerated items per the Tax Agreement.

If you live within the Tax Agreement area and have not filed a completed Proof of Residency form with the Tax Office, your eligibility to claim and received exemption from the state taxes covered by the Tax Agreement may be denied. Resident Tribal Member status is established on the 1st day of the following month from which the Tribe has received the Tribal Member's Residency Form with the required documentation. If you have any questions about Resident Tribal Member status or the Proof of Residency form and requirements, please call the Tax Office at 231-398-6874 or 1-888-723-8288 ext. 6874. You can also access information on becoming a Resident Tribal Member, and the Proof of Residency form, on the Tax Office page of the Tribe's website at www.lrboi-nsn.gov.

Per Capita Payments are Taxable

The Tribe is obligated to notify you that Per capita payments are subject to federal taxation. Per capita is taxable income and the taxes assessed depend on your income bracket and location. The Tribe will only deduct applicable taxes from the per capita payments if they meet the Internal Revenue Service's threshold that would require the withholding. The payments may also be subject to state tax if you do not live in the Tribal Tax Agreement area. All Per capita payments are reported on the appropriate tax form (1099) and mailed by January 31st. We encourage you to

contact a professional tax preparer for further tax questions. Please note that the Tribe does not offer tax preparation services and cannot provide tax advice.

Why Pay When You Can Get Your Taxes Done for Free?

More than half of all taxpayers pay a tax preparer to file their tax return. Before using a commercial tax preparer, find out if there is a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) site nearby that can help you prepare your taxes for free.

The VITA program offers help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, and the elderly. Both programs can provide fast electronic tax filing. Community volunteers receive IRS-approved training to assist individuals with tax returns. Call the Tax Office at 1-888-723-8288, ext. 6874 or (231) 398-6874 for assistance in locating a site near volu

Beware of Tax Scams!

Every year there are many scammers who take advantage of others during tax season, especially targeting the elderly. Be aware of possible scams, such as:

IRS Impersonation Telephone Scam

An aggressive and sophisticated phone scam targeting taxpayers involves callers claiming to be an employee of the IRS, but are not. These con artists sound convincing when they call and can use fake names and fake IRS badge numbers. They usually alter the caller ID to make it look like the IRS is calling. Victims are told they owe money to the IRS and it must be paid promptly through a pre-loaded debit card or wire transfer. If the victim refuses to cooperate, the scammer usually then becomes hostile and threatens with arrest or suspension of some benefit. Victims may also be told they have a refund due and are tricked into sharing private information. If the phone isn't answered, the scammers often leave an "urgent" callback request. Please note that the IRS will never: 1) call to demand immediate payment, nor will the agency call about taxes owed without first having mailed you a bill; 2) demand that you pay taxes without giving you the opportunity to question or appeal the amount they say you owe; 3) require you to use a specific payment method for your taxes, such as a prepaid debit card or wire transfer; 4) ask for credit or debit card numbers over the phone; 5) threaten to bring in local law enforcement or other law enforcement groups to have you arrested.

Phishing Scams

Phishing scams involve receiving a bogus email asking victims to update their information by clicking on a link in the email that is mirrored to look like it's from the IRS. If you receive an email like this, you should not respond to the email or click on any links; forward the scam email to the IRS at phishing@irs.gov. The IRS does not initiate contact with taxpayers by email to request personal or financial information. Clicking on a link may download a malicious computer virus onto your computer.

Be aware and protect yourself from scammers and identity theft!

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL(S)

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Manistee, Michigan

PURPOSE: Contractual agreement with individuals to provide workshops and instruction for the following: Regalia making

Regalia mak Quillwork Basketry Beadwork

PROPOSAL DUE DATE:

March 7th, 2016

CONTACT: Requests for bid packets shall be directed to Michelle Lucas, Purchasing Supervisor at (231)398-6804 or mlucas@lrboi.com.



From the Desk of the GM and AGM

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Greetings!

We would like to share a little bit about why our tribal traditions are still so important to us. There are so many good teachings in our Odawa Anishinaabe culture that still help us today. Lessons that our ancestors gave to us still provide us with direction, even in today's modern world. Here is a teaching that reminds us of how to keep a nice home, or a successful business, in a good way.

Our traditional Native lodges are supposed to be inviting places. They are filled with the joy of families, with the wisdom of stories and songs, and most of all, with the laughter and smiles of the people. Our lodges are warm, with a welcoming fire, providing a safe place to warm your bones. You will find here in the traditional wigwam the smell of good food being prepared, by loving hands, and a comfortable place to enjoy the company of others. There are lessons here that carry over into today's world, and what it means for us provide good customer services here at our Little River Casino Resort.

Our resort is like a lodge in many ways. We also want our resort to be inviting, just the same way our people kept their lodges. We want our guests to be treated like they are family who are being welcomed home. We want them to feel safe. We

want them to be warm and taken care of. We want to engage them with personal recognition and good conversation to make them feel like they belong. We want them to smell the good food cooking and have a comfortable experience which brings a smile to their faces. Do you see how many similarities there are in keeping a traditional lodge that also overlap with the way we want our resort to be? Many of our ancestral traditions are the exact level of service standards that we strive to provide for our guests each and every time they come to visit us here at LRCR.

I am always amazed at the way our tribal traditions can still work for us today, in our modern world, and how they still have the same value as they once did for our ancestors. The values of the Seven Grandfather's are alive and well! We still use Humility, Respect, Bravery, Love, Truth, Honesty and Wisdom to help us provide for our people. We do all of this with as much kindness as possible, because kindness is a core value for all people of the world, wherever they are from. We are truly grateful to know that when we treat people in a good way, that our business thrives, that our hearts are happy, and we make a ripple of good feelings that radiate throughout our community, like a ripple in a pond.

There is a time when we must take a look at our lodge and make the necessary repairs. After all, our lodge needs to be safe and sound. It has to have integrity. Sometimes we need to replace some of the structure so that it always looks pleasing to the eye and stays strong. If the lodge needs to be

worked on, we have to be ready to make the improvements when these changes need to be made. Our elders will be coming through that door, and we need to make sure that our lodge is welcoming and sturdy.

This philosophy holds true for our Little River Casino Resort property as well. We are in the process of making the necessary improvements so that our business always looks nice, invites people in, and makes them want to stay for a long, long time. If we can do this, then they will want to return to our resort again and again. Our guests and our team members are doing a great job keeping up their spirits as we move toward our goals of upgrading and revitalizing our facility. Many positive changes have already happened and there are many more to come. At the end of this renovation we will really get to see the difference these upgrades have made to make our beautiful resort the number one choice for our guests. This is a very exciting transformation that will keep us thriving and providing great service to all of our people.

Thanks for being a part of this experience with us!

Your GM and AGM.

Ron Pete, LRCR General Manager Connie Waitner, LRCR Asst. General Manager

Take Control of Your Future!

Commerce/Workforce Development Program Benefits for Tribal Members*:

Internship 240 hours @ \$10.00 per hour

Vocational Assistance Award (need based) Up to \$4,000.00

Youth Work Experience/Employment Program 320 hours @ \$8.15 per hour

Employment Daycare Assistance Voucher \$250.00 per calendar year

GED/Adult Education Completion Voucher \$250.00 one time

Adult Work Experience/Employment Program 320 hours @ \$10.00 per hour

Summer College Book Stipend Program \$200.00, \$300.00, or \$500.00

GED Preparation Book Upon Request

Job Seeker & Career Related Activities Work Station Upon Request

Career Assistance Voucher \$200.00 per calendar year

Job Readiness Training By Appointment

Referral Services to Michigan Works! Free

Development & Training Up to \$300.00 per calendar year

Internship Hosting \$150.00 Honorarium

*Tribal Member/Workforce Development Program Applicant must meet eligibility requirements and component requirements.

All programs subject to availability of funds. Applicants are served on a first come first served basis.

See Program for details and eligibility requirements.

https://lrboi-nsn.gov/membership-services/commerce/

Peacemaking Training



Peacemaking Training at Little River

February 24, 2016

8AM START

Reception time - coffee and donuts 8:30AM WELCOME

Peacemaking Story - The Great Peacemaker 9AM RESTORATIVE JÚSTICE AND PEACEMAKING **10AM BREAK**

Fifteen minute break

10:15AM PEACEMAKING TEACHINGS, VALUES, AND TERMINOLOGY Seven Grandfather Teachings, Values of being a good human being, Terms used in Peacemaking.

NOON LUNCH

Lunch on your own or bring a sack lunch. 1PM PROCESS OF FACILITATING A CIRCLE AND TOOLS Mediation and negotiating talking circles, sentencing circles, offender mediation with different groups e.i families, children, and adults. Tools used during talking circles.

> 3PM BREAK Fifteen Minute Break 3:15PM TALKING CIRCLE

> > 4:15PM CLOSING

February 25, 2016

8am Start

Reception time - coffee and donuts 8:30am Welcome Questions, concerns, comments 9am Teambuilding activity T.B.D.

10am Break

Fifteen minute break 10:15am Talking Circle Roleplay Participants will be given roles and will act out a talking circle.

Noon Lunch

Potluck - Please bring a passing dish. 1pm Talking Circle Roleplay Participants will be given roles and will act out a talking circle. 3pm Break

Fifteen Minute Break 3:15pm Talking Circle 4:15pm Closing Ceremony

House for rent



Kitchen & Dining Area

We have this beautiful spacious

3 bedroom 2 bath 2120sqft, 576sqft attached garage farm house available for \$1300.00 a month plus utilities.

For more information please contact: **Teanie Gibson** Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660 Phone: 231.398.6866, Fax: 231.398.6870



Master Bedroom

Master Beathroom



This beautiful Muskegon property is being offered for rent by the Tribal Commerce Department as part of the market-based rental program originally conceived by former LRBOI Commerce Director Robert Memberto."



Downstair Living Room

A call for Artists



Our native people have the highest rate of suicide of any people here in the United States, Canada and Alaska. Sometimes we don't have a clear understanding why that is. We know it is true. We are looking for artists that would like to help us bring an awareness to our communities about this terrible problem.

We are researching on creating a calendar that would have a message of this

Please give me a call at 231-398-6892 if you are interested or have any questions, I will be glad to talk to you.

Miigwech Kenny Pheasant

Board Openings!

At this time there are two openings on the Casino Board of Directors, any tribal member is free to apply. A thorough background check must be completed. For more details, please contact Mary Thomas at 1-231-398-6824

Constitutional Meeting



The February Elders Meeting Council, Ogema and many tribal member had an open discussion upon the proposed changes.







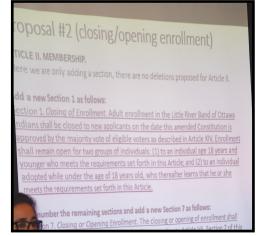












ATTENTION TRIBAL MEMBERS

Please let your voice be HEARD!!

If you have not registered to Vote, call the Enrollment or Election Board Offices

to have a Voter Registration Form sent to you. Fill it out attach a copy of your Tribal I.D. and return it.

Don't procrastinate, you want your vote to make a difference. Don't let others speak for you!! If you have questions about how to fill out the Voter Registration Form, call us at 231-398-6712.

Elders





Stella Gibson Theres

Michael James Alberts Stella Gibson Larry John Burmeister Mary Elizabeth Hammond Sandra Jean Cantin Dennis Gary Johnson Antoinette K. Carey Celia Kohls Douglas Arthur Crawford Patsy Ann Christine McPherson Kenneth Erwin Dean Henery Medawus Robert Lee Petts Larry Fox Caroline Jean Gardner David Albert Schultz

Therese Ann Shinkle Louise Marie Stone June Marie Strobel Loretta Agnes Thomas Marva Kathryn Tyrrell Sherron Lee VanSlyke



Aki Community Center Elder Meals Menu 2016



February

Depression is more common in the winter months. Socialization is proven to help with depression. Make an effort to spend time with friends, attend the Elders Meal Lunch and visit with other Elders. Pick up the phone and Chit chat with someone you haven't talked to in a while.

Please contact Noelle Cross with any questions Phone: 231-398-6886 E-mail: ncross@lrboi-nsn.gov 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

~~~~~~ FEBRUARY ~~~~~~~~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Hot Turkey Mashed Potato Winter Mix Veggie	2 Chicken/ Beef Stir Fry Rice Mixed Veggie	3 Pork Roast Whipped Sweet Potato Peas	4 Hamburger Sweet Tator Tots Corn Applesauce	5	6. Elder Committee Meeting. Lunch served at
	Language Class 12:30	<b>Movie Day</b>	Activity: Wii Bowling	February Birthday		Noon.
7	8 Fish Filet Potato Wedge Cole slaw Applesauce	9 Beef Stroganoff Green Beans Pears	10 Ham and Bean Soup Grilled Cheese Fruit cup Activity: Wii Bowling	11 Pot Roast Red Potato Carrots	12	13
John Congression of Habels in Second	15 Spaghetti Meat Sauce Spaghetti Squash Broccoli Garlic breadsticks	16 Egg Salad Sandwich Tomato Soup Mixed Veggies Apple	17 Beef Hotdogs Baked Beans Peas and Carrots  Activity: Wii Bowling	18 Salisbury Steak Mashed Potato Corn	19 Muskegon Meal Please RSVP with Noelle @ 231-398-6886	20
21	22 Chicken Tenders Mac n Cheese Peas	23 Vegetable Soup Ground Bologna Sandwich Fresh Fruit Cup	24 Sirloin Steak Mashed Potato Spinach	25 Chefs Choice	26	27
			Coffee, milk and water are available at every meal.		Menu subject to change with out notice. Meals meet 1/3 of the RDI based on a 1600 to 2000	

# Government



## **Commission Openings!**

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

Ogema Romanelli is building a pool of tribal members who are interested in sitting on a Commission. Members are invited to submit letters of interest along with why they would like to be on the Commissions and what skills or knowledge they bring to the group. Applicants will need to submit a commission application along with your letter of interest. You will need to contact our office to get an application and will need to submit both in order to be considered.

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

Tribal Members from Outside the 9 county area are also invited to apply.

## Government Closes for the following Holidays

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

- *Reaffirmation Day (Sept. 21st)

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

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 <u>www.LRCR</u>. com and click on Careers Call our Human Resources Department at (231) 723-4530 Stop by our Human Resources Department located at

2700 Orchard Hwy Manistee, MI Monday – Friday 7am-5pm

Send your Application, Resumeand 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- Bill Willis** 

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

# **Events and Directory**



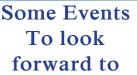
#### **Tribal Member Discount Rules**

Tribal member must be present and show their Tribal ID to receive any of the following discounts. Discounts may not be combined with other discounts or comps.

- 20% Daily Discount in food outlets
- *Available to all Tribal Members and one guest; additional guests will be charged full price.
- *Cigarettes and alcohol are excluded from discounts.
- Thursday 2 for 1 meal discount (50% off if Tribal Member is alone).
- * Charge will be for meal of the highest price.
- *Cigarettes and alcohol are excluded from discounts.
- 25% discount in the Gift Shop. Cigarettes, alcohol, consignment items, sundries and gift certificates are excluded from discounts.
- Hotel room rate \$79 plus tax and fees. Suite rate \$129 plus tax and fees.
- *Tribal Member must identify themselves as a Tribal Member and \ provide Tribal Member number when booking the room.
- *Tribal Member must present Tribal ID when Checking in and occupy the room.
- *No hotel discounts will be provided on the Fourth of July weekend or on New Year's Eve.
- In anticipation of the opening of the spa the Resort will not offer discounts for spa services.
- River Credits will be given to all LR-BOI Tribal Members only (no spouses). Member must present their Tribal ID and provide a signature upon receipt of the voucher when registering at the meeting or event.
  - *Spring and Fall membership meeting
  - *LRBOI Elders Conference
  - *Elders Christmas Party
  - *Tribal Members only
- No Tribal Member private banquet functions will be discounted.\
- Tribal Member discounts will not be provided on December 31st (New Year's Eve).

Any Tribal Member found trying to circumvent these rules may have their benefits suspended by Resort management.

	Departments Accounting	Location Director or government center -main entrance	main phone numbers 231.398.6868
	Be-Da-Bin	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6741
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	Commodities	aki maadiziwin -community center	231.398. 6715
	Education	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6735
	Enrollment	government center-main entrance	231.398.6712
	Fitness Center	government center-lower level	231.398.6636
	Family Services	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6734
	Gaming Commission	interim casino	231-723-7755
	Grants Department	government center- main entrance	231.398.6843
	Health Clinic	government center -north end	231.723.8299
	Historic Preservation	government center-lower level	231.398.6891
	Housing	aki maadiziwin -gommunity center	231.398.6879
	Human Resources	government center- main entrance	231.398.6871
I COURT	Members Legal Asst.	justice center on M22	231.398.2234
	Members Assistance	government center-main entrance	231.398.6718
	Natural Resources	9th street offices manistee	231.398.2191
	Peacemaking/Probation	justice center on M22	231.398.2239
	Planning Department	government center -main entrance	231.398.6810
	Prosecutor	justice center on M22	231.398.2242
	Public Affairs	government center- main entrance	231.398.6872
	Public Safety	justice center on M22	231.398.2225
	Tax Office	government center -main entrance	231.398.6874
tengo ^r	Utilities/Waste Water	dontz road (near aki maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
3	Work Force Development	government center-main entrance	231.398.6842
00000	Tribal Court	justice center on M22	231-398-3406





Elders Meal Aki Community Center Mon-Thur 12pm

Language Class Every Friday 10:30am 2016 Membership Meetings April 9, 2016 & October 8, 2016 2017 Membership Meetings April 8, 2017 & October 9, 2017 Call Little River Resort Hotel in US Toll-Free: 1-888-568-2244 or Local 231-723-1535



# LRBOI Egg Hunt

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### LRCR Board of Directors



2016 First Quarter Board Schedule

Open Sessions 6:00pm Grand River Room Tribal Members invited. Closed Sessions Tentative start time is 8:30am.

January 28, 2016 February 25, 2016 March 24, 2016

Members can reach them via email or by attending the open sessions that are scheduled each month.

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Or Current Resident

