New Tribal Website Debut!

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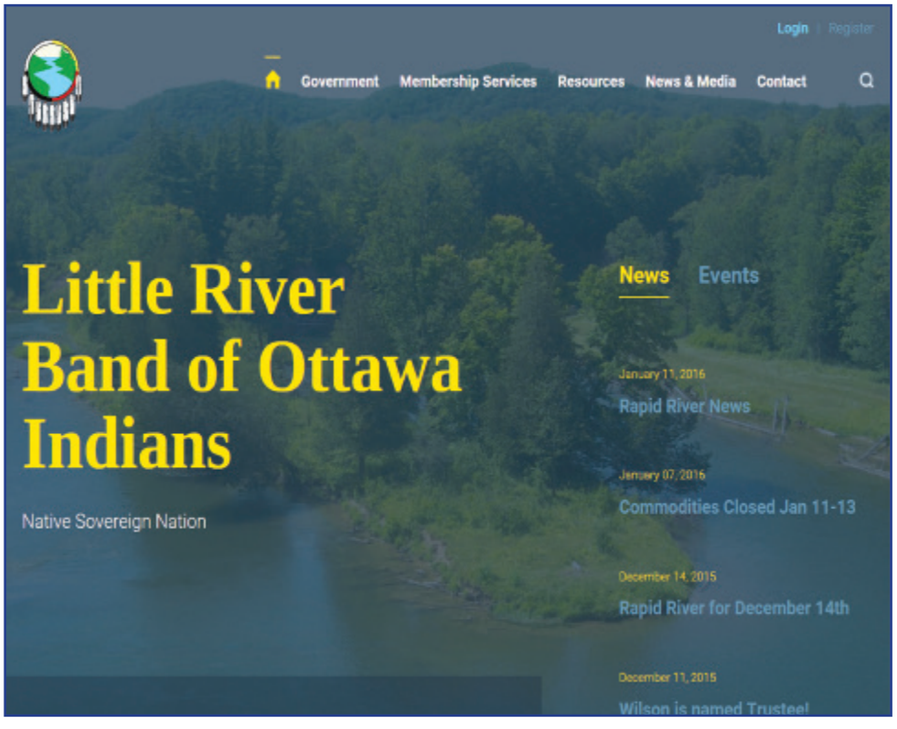

At the beginning of 2016, the new tribal website was released. You may find it at www.lrboi-nsn.gov. In the summer of 2015, Tribal Members, Elected Officials and staff were surveyed to see what they would like to have on the website. Among the response was:

- The Currents and the Rapid River News should be more easily found on the site
- The website had to be more timely with information
- The calendar had to be regularly updated
- Members wanted to easily find proposals which were up for comment
- The whole site had to be easier to navigate and use.

The challenge, after proposals were requested and reviewed, was taken to Revel, Inc., a Muskegon Web Development firm that has done work for the tribe in the past. A development team made up of Tribal Council Recorder Joseph Riley II; Director George LeVasseur and Jess Bellinger from Information Technology; Kathleen Bowers and Grace Hendler from Tribal Council; Mack Brushman from Tribal Historical Preservation and Angela Eagle and Director Glenn Zaring from the Office of Public Affairs worked with Revel to point them in the direction that we wanted.

What you will see now when you visit the site is the result of a lot of hard work on behalf of the above-named team and the outstanding work of Revel Co-owner Don Kalisz; Web designer and LRBOI Tribal Member Joe Preston and John Scianna, Revel Art Director.
As with any new website that you visit, just scroll around and explore the options and offerings….you're not going to hurt anything!

Here are a few tips that will help you get started:

- The Currents and the Rapid River News can be reached on the front page. Just click on the title! You can go to them from a number of places as you cruise through the site too!
- News briefs will appear under the 'News' tab on the right side... Just click on them for details
- Events information will be accessible on the right side as well! Just click on 'Events' and you'll see the list
- Contact information is now located on one easy-to-find tab at the upper right.
- Top Banner...the top banner leads to: Government, Membership Services, Resources,

News & Media and Contacts….just click on one of them to see departments, reports, forms and contact information. There will be some tabs here that will be shaded 'gray'. Those will be viewable to Tribal Members once they have logged into the site.
There is even a photo gallery on the front page of the website. The latest photos of events will be posted there!
Another thing that members said they wanted was for the site to be viewable on any device, from a smartphone to a tablet and on to a regular computer screen. They also wanted it to be viewable on either an Android (Microsoft) device or on an Apple (iPad, iPhone). This new site will adjust to your device and make the same information available to everyone.
There is members-only log in section where you will have to reset your password. Just follow the prompts and it should be easy. If you need to setup an account, there is information on the site on how to do that as well.

eCurrents and Website Photos!
With the new tribal website at www.lrboi-nsn.gov, you can see the digital version of the Currents as well as other photo galleries at the bottom of the website home page. You can save a photo from the newspaper or the gallery by right-clicking on it and copying the photo. That way you can post it into your own computer!

Enjoy your new LRBOI website and let us know what you think of it!