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Jiingtamok 2016



Our Annual Jiingtamok was a wonderfully happy occasion uniting family, friends, and newcomers.

We have a photos available for your viewing pleasure on pages 11-13.

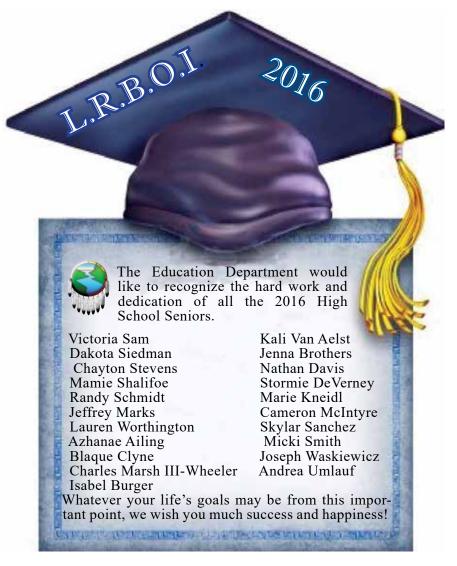


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Ex parks official sentenced for stealing ancient remains of Native Americans

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Law enforcement and National Park Service representatives listen as Assistant US Attorney Forde Fairchild speaks about the sentencing of Thomas Munson during a press conference at the US Attorney's Office in Cedar Rapids on Friday, July 8, 2016. Munson, a former Superintendent at the Effigy Mounds National Monument, pleaded guilty in January to the theft of human remains and funerary objects from the museum collection in 1990. Munson has been sentenced to one year probation, 10 consecutive weekends in jail, 100 hours community service, \$108,905 restitution, and a \$3,000 fine. (Liz Martin/The Gazette)

EDAR RAPIDS, Iowa - A retired National Park Service official was sentenced Friday to one year of home detention and 10 weekends in jail for stealing the ancient remains of Native Americans in 1990 and stashing them in his garage for years.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Jon Scoles scolded Thomas Munson, former superintendent of Effigy Mounds National Monument in northeast Iowa, for removing bones tied to more than 40 individuals from the monument's collection and lying about it for two decades. Scoles said Native American leaders who were denied the ability to rebury their ancestors were "understandably outraged" by the disregard with which Munson handled their bones, which were significantly damaged by the time they were recovered in 2012.

"This is clearly an outrageous criminal act," Scoles told the 76-year-old, frail Munson in a federal courtroom in Cedar Rapids as representatives from several tribes looked on. "There can be no explanation for what he did."

The sentence ends a painful case for the National Park Service, which is tasked with preserving the picturesque monument site along the Mississippi River that many tribes consider sacred. The monument includes hundreds of earthen burial and ceremonial mounds, many in the shape of animals, that were built by Native Americans between 700 and 2,500

years ago.

During excavations from the 1950s to the 1970s, scientists dug up bones and skeleton fragments of dozens of individuals who lived and died there. The remains were kept at the monument and considered historically significant.

Munson ordered a subordinate to pack the bones into two cardboard boxes in July 1990, then drove them to his home across the river in Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. They stayed there for more than two decades but decayed due to inappropriate storage conditions.

Munson told investigators he was concerned about a federal law that took effect in November 1990 requiring museums to transfer remains and any associated burial objects to affiliated tribes. The purpose of the law - the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act - was to allow for reburials consistent with tribal traditions.

But Munson believed the law would allow tribes to make suspect claims that would decimate the monument's collection of burial objects, which he saw as more valuable than the remains. Once the bones disappeared, tribes could not make claims on the burial objects.

The National Park Service learned soon after Munson's retirement in 1994 that the remains had vanished. Questioned over the years, Munson denied responsibility and floated several other possibilities for where they went. The monument opened another investigation in

2011 under new superintendent Jim Nepstad, and Munson returned one of the boxes. The next year, a federal agent recovered the second box in Munson's garage.

"This is absolutely the worst case of racist, bigoted and callous behavior I have ever encountered," said Patt Murphy, of the Iowa tribe of Kansas and Nebraska, whose inquiry seeking an inventory of the monument's remains prompted the investigation. He said he spent years working to get his ancestors' remains from museums and properly reburied, but Munson denied them that opportunity.

Sandra Massey, historic preservation officer for the Sac and Fox Tribe in Oklahoma, said Munson handled the remains like "trash."

"Those are my people," she said. "What kind of sick mind does this kind of thing?"

Munson issued a written apology but showed no remorse in court. In a rambling statement, he said "nobody knew what to do with" remains at the time.

"A lot of it was not intentional," Munson said. His attorney Leon Spies then cut him off, telling Scoles his client has been "experiencing some cognitive difficulties." Spies said Munson's theft was an "uncharacteristic act" for a man who worked with tribes for 30 years.

Scoles ordered Munson to pay \$108,000 in restitution, the cost of repairing the collection. Once restored, the remains are expected to be returned to tribes.



Sandra Massey, representing the Sac and Fox Nation in Oklahoma (left), and Patt Murphy, representing the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska and a former NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) representative, answer questions during a press conference following the sentencing of Thomas Munson at the US Attorney's Office in Cedar Rapids on Friday, July 8, 2016. Munson, a former Superintendent at the Effigy Mounds National Monument, pleaded guilty in January to the the theft of human remains and funerary objects from the museum collection in 1990. Munson has been sentenced to one year probation, 10 consecutive weekends in jail, 100 hours community service, \$108,905 restitution, and a \$3,000 fine. (Liz Martin/The Gazette)

Council News



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6/3	Wind Turbines	X	X			X	X	X	X		6
6/6	Agenda Review	X	V	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	8
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6/7	2016 Goals	V	X	X	X	X		X	х	х	7
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6/9	8a Contracting Funding	X			X	X	X	X	х		6
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6/21	2016 Goals	V	X		X	X	X	X	х	X	7
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6/27	Small Business Loan Act	V	X	X	X	*	X	*	X		5
6/27	Agenda Review	V	X	X	X	*	X	*	х		5
6/27	BOD Act	V	X	X		*		*	х		3
6/28	Dennis Gartland & Niergarth	X	X	X	X	X	X	*			6
6/28	SORNA	X	X	X	X	X	X	*	X		7
6/28	Round Table w/ Ogema	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		8
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LITTLE RIVER BAND OF OTTAWA INDIANS TRIBAL COUNCIL AMENDED 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.

August 3 September 14 October 5 November 2 December 7 *August 6, Sat – 2:30 p.m September 21 *November 5, Sat – 10:00 a.m. October 12 December 14 August 10 September 28 November 16 October 19 July 27 December 21 August 17 November 30 October 26 August 24

June 1st, August 3rd, September 21st and November 2nd dates were removed from the calendar *Added to the calendar – June 29th, August 6th and November 5th



'Native and Iconic" Fish

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Little River Band of Ottawa Indians working with MDNR to restore historical species to Michigan waters.



Plan will first target 'Native and Iconic" Fish back to Manistee River Watershed Manistee, Mich. — The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (LRBOI) and the Michigan Department of Nature Resources (DNR) are partnering to bring back the Arctic grayling to Michigan waters. The DNR announced the initiative last week during a meeting of the Michigan Natural Resources Commission. According to the DNR, the arctic grayling is a "native and iconic fish species" in Michigan. The grayling is a slate-blue fish with a dorsal fin and virtually the only native stream salmonid in the Lower Peninsula. In the lower 48 states, they are native only to Michigan and Montana and according to the DNR, 'further cementing their legendary status'.

Michigan's native grayling population died off nearly a century ago due to statewide logging efforts of the 1800s, over-fishing and general habitat destruction. Previous efforts to bring the grayling back have failed. The DNR and the Little River Band hope for better results this time.

"The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is pleased that the Michigan DNR reached out

to us to collaborate on an initiative to bring back an extirpated species to the state," said

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Ogema Larry Romanelli. "This effort is more

than repopulating the grayling. It's an important species to the tribe and has spiritual and cultural significance."

The Little River Band has worked with Michigan Technological University for the past few years focusing on a 11-mile section of the Big Manistee between two hydroelectric dams, which are considered cold water inputs and necessary because grayling requires clean, cold water.

"The tribe has been engaged in extensive research to try to bring back the grayling,"

said Frank Beaver, Natural Resources Director for the tribe. "Working with the DNR will -morestrengthen the effort. Science has advanced over the years and we can do things better. We look forward to helping to bring the grayling back." The initial target for reintroduction in the next years will be the Manistee River watershed, once known as a premier grayling river. Steps in the initiative include identifying interest and abilities of the partners, collecting baseline data, initiating the building of broodstock and stocking efforts.

For further information, contact Frank Beaver Little River Band of Ottawa Indians 231.398.2191 E-mail to fbeaver@lrboi-nsn.gov

Sharpshooter Veteran Frees Trapped Bald Eagle With 150 Shots



An Army <u>veteran</u> used his battlefield skills to save the life of America's national bird—a bald eagle—and, just in time for the most patriotic holiday, July 4th.Jason Galvin used a rifle to shoot through a rope, freeing the <u>eagle</u> that had been trapped in a treetop for at least two days. Galvin was on a fishing trip when he came upon a group of people watching the eagle, tangled in a rope and dangling from the top of a tree. They had called the local fire department and the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (DNR), but the eagle — at 75 feet off the ground — was too high to reach.

That's when Galvin, half-joking, suggested he try to shoot through the rope. After explaining his marksmanship skills, and demonstrating them, DNR Officer Phil Mohs decided it was worth a try.



Galvin spent an hour-and-a-half slowly squeezing off shot after shot – each time, waiting for the wind to die down, the branches to stop swaying, and making sure his aim just right to avoid hurting the bird.

He fired off 150 rounds, and clipped through three tree branches, but he finally severed the rope.

The exhausted eagle fell to the ground where Mohs scooped it up and took it to a raptor center for recovery and <u>rehabilitation</u>. A day later, the eagle was eating and on its way to a full recovery.

Galvin named the bird "Freedom" and says he's glad to have been able to help the animal so close to Independence Day.

"It's the Fourth of July. That's our bird. I can't let it sit there," Galvin told KARE News. "When it finally came down, it was breathtaking. It was a beautiful moment."

"Eagle feathers are sacred to Native Americans and are protected by the warriors of the tribe.

In Anishinaabek and many Native American cultures, the Migizi (eagle) is revered as the messenger that carries our prayers to the Creator and provides the link to our Creator with the miigwans (feathers) used in ceremony or to honor someone for their service."

Summer Law Intern





Gaá Čhíng Ziíbi Daáwaa Aníšhinaábek Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Unified Legal Department

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Summer Law Intern*

Temporary part-time hours w/ flexible schedule through tribe's Work Force Development

Position: Summer Law Intern

Reporting to: Unified Legal Department Staff Attorneys

Summary: The intern(s) will work closely with the Unified Legal Department Attorneys in

several clearly defined projects to be completed this summer. Interns will be exposed to the daily operation of the Unified Legal Department in its role as legal counsel to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and its Enterprises; and in its role as a legal resource to the various departments, commissions, and Boards of the

Tribe.

About the Program:

The Internship Educational Grant Program is only open to LRBOI Tribal Members and Preference Students that meet the following requirements:

- 1. Applicant must be an enrolled LRBOI Tribal Member or Tribal Preference Candidate and at least 18 years of age.
- 2. Applicant must have a 2.75 Cumulative Grade Point Average (G.P.A.) or higher.
- 3. Applicant must be in a degreed program at an accredited College or University.
- 4. Length of Internship paid by the Work Force Development Program is 240 paid hours at \$10.00 per hour.

Interested Applicants should reply with the following documents:

- Completed application [found at: https://lrboi-nsn.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Revised-Application-for-Programs-10 2014.pdf]
- Current Resume
- College Transcripts
- Cover Letter explaining your interest in Tribal/Indian Law

Applicants must pass a drug test and background check.



Programs and Events

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Members Legal Assistance Attorney

FUNERAL DESIGNEE

The law in Michigan has recently changed to allow a person to appoint a Funeral Designee. Previously the law specified who could make decisions about your funeral arrangements and the handling, disposition, or disinterment of your body, including decisions about cremation and the right to possess your cremated remains. You had no right to choose someone different. Here is the list of who now has priority to make these decisions for you.

- 1. A funeral designee
- 2. Your surviving spouse
- 3. Your children
- 4. Your grandchildren
- 5. Your parents
- 6. Your grandparents
- 7. Your siblings.

However, your funeral designee must act within 48 hours of your death in order to keep this right. Please contact me if you would like to discuss appointing a funeral designee.

Mary K. Witkop Members Legal Assistance Attorney 3031 Domres Road Manistee, MI 49660 231-398-2234

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9am-12pm

At the Aki Community Center.

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. Must not currently own a home/residence.
- 4. Residence must be the borrower's permanent primary residence.
- 5. Must not have previously accessed funds under this or any other
 Tribal program that provides down payment and closing cost assistance.
- 6. 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.

Notice of Employment and/or Training Opportunity

PAVILION AND RESIDENTIAL HOME CONSTRUCTION

RCA, LLC hereby announces the opportunity for employment and/or training with the construction of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's new Pavilion and Residential Homes within the Aki Maadiziwin Community.

The project is located on the Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's Property in Manistee County, Michigan and the project is scheduled to start construction during June of 2016 construction season.

For those parties interested in interviewing with RCA, LLC for the employment and/or training opportunity listed above, please see contract below.

Kenneth Ockert, LLA ,RCA, LLC 1202 Veteran Dr. Traverse City, MI 231-941-8505

LROI Government Jobs

LRBOI TRIBAL GOVERNMENT JOBS The Human Resources Department welcomes your application for posted positions that are of interest to you! Did you know that job openings can be found on-line and on bulletin boards at government buildings? Job announcements are updated on a continuous basis. Look no further than these convenient sources for your next opportunity. www.lrboi@nsn.gov Rapid River News Weekly—Tribal Government Buildings By calling the HR Department Check the website at www.lrboi@nsn.gov for the latest postings.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING: An application must be submitted, resumes and cover letters are strongly encouraged. Applications will remain active for a period of 6 months after receipt of your application. Please contact the Human Resource Department if you are unsure if you have an active application. When you see a job that you would like to apply for please contact The Human Resource Department at Phone: (231) 398-6859, Fax: (231) 398-9101 or E-mail: jobs@lrboi-nsn.gov You can download the Employment Application and send it in by postal mail, e-mail, fax or hand deliver it if you choose. Applications are kept active for 6 months. Tribal Preference is applied to all positions. What about Temporary Work? Send in or drop off your application at anytime and be included in our temporary employment pool. Just be certain to check "temporary" or place "temp pool" on the position of interest line. Temporary assignments range from 1 to 180 days in duration. It's a great way to gain experience and sharpen your skills. Indian Preference applies to the hiring of all vacant positions. Please send your application, resume, and cover letters to:

LRBOI Human Resources 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660 Fax: (231) 398-9101

Email: jobs@lrboi-nsn.gov Phone: (231) 398-6859 or (888) 723-8288

Education Department



We are working on the LRBOI Student Services school clothing checks in the Education Department right now, and have found that there are a good number of students for whom we do not have receipts for the purchase of school clothing from the check received in 2015. Unless this is the first year your child has been eligible for the program we need to have two things in place in order to process a check for your child- a completed LRBOI Student Services Registration form, and receipts for purchases made using the \$400 from last year's program. If your child received school clothing assistance in 2015 and we don't have receipts for those purchases, a check for 2016 will not be issued until we have the receipts.

It may be that you mailed the receipts and they were lost in the mail. It is rare, but it happens. It may be that you asked someone else to mail them and they didn't. It may be that your child shopped without you and didn't keep receipts. It may be because you simply forgot to keep them or send them in. It does not matter. If we don't have the receipts from the year prior, we cannot issue a check for the current year. Sometimes the reasons are completely beyond your control or ours, but the simple fact remains that without receipts there is no check. We keep a dedicated file location in Manistee for receipts mailed to or hand-delivered to Manistee. We keep one in Muskegon for those who hand-deliver them to the Muskegon office. If your receipts are not in the file in Manistee and not in the file in Muskegon, it means that we did not receive them.

It doesn't matter if you are positive you mailed them. If they arrived here we have them.

For some students we do not have a registration form. Sometimes this is because the parents choose not to make use of the program so don't complete a form. Sometimes the student didn't receive the form because they moved and their parents did not submit a change of address form with the Tribal Enrollment Department. Sometimes it is because the parent simply forgot to complete and send the forms back. There are two deadlines now, the last of which is August 1st, so there is time to send the registration forms in, or to request them if you did not receive them or if you lost them. There is time to update your child's address as well if that is an issue

Registration forms are mailed, each February or March, to every tribal member between the ages of 3 and 19 years old. Each registration form arrives in a bright yellow envelope with an included preaddressed, pre-stamped return envelope. We try to make the program easy for parents to use, and require only two things- the return of a one page

registration form, in a prepaid envelope provided with the form, and receipts when you are finished shopping for the clothing.

Every year we get calls from parents of children for whom we have received no receipts. When this program used bank cards it was possible for us to look at the card transactions. It allowed us to make assessments on whether or not the funds were spent on school clothing, so sometimes exceptions to having receipts might be made. If a person mailed the receipts but they were lost in the mail, we could reconcile their memory of where they shopped with the actual card transactions. There are no longer exceptions possible. We either have the receipts or we don't.

We have received both compliments and complaints about the program using checks instead of cards. It is a significant dollar savings for the tribe to use checks instead of cards, and it is easier for many parents who shop online, or who want to hit early summer sales. The biggest complaint is that it is difficult for parents to cash checks in their child's name.

Below are some suggestions that might help you if any of these situations apply to you or your child. Do these things to be sure that your child receives the school clothing funds each year:

- ALWAYS MAKE COPIES OF THE RECEIPTS BEFORE YOU SEND THEM. Include the child's name with the copies and keep them in a safe place until you have received the school clothing check. Having this back up can help you if it happens that you mailed your receipts but we never received them. Though it is very rare, mail sometimes gets lost. Having a copy of the receipts could be the difference between your child's being able to receive funds or not.
- ALWAYS INCLUDE THE CHILD'S NAME WHEN SENDING RECEIPTS. Write the child's name on the envelope, or save the check stub with the child's name on it. If you are sending receipts for more than one child, separate them and clip their names to their receipts.
- ALWAYS KEEP YOUR CHILD'S ADDRESS UPDATED. If you move, change your address with the tribal Enrollment Department. Do a change of address for each of your children.

- ALWAYS NOTIFY US EARLY IF YOU HAVEN'T RECEIVED A REGISTRATION FORM. Although there are now two deadlines for us to receive the registration form in time for your child to receive the school clothing check, don't wait until the deadline to tell us you did not receive a form. If you haven't received a registration form by the end of April, you should be calling us.
- ALWAYS COMPLETE THE STUDENT SERVICES REGISTRATION AS SOON AS YOU RECEIVE IT. It only takes a few minutes to fill out the form, and a prepaid return envelope is included. If you fill it out the day you get it and put it in the mailbox you won't have to worry about forgetting it later.

If you are having difficulty cashing a check written in your child's name, please consider these two options:

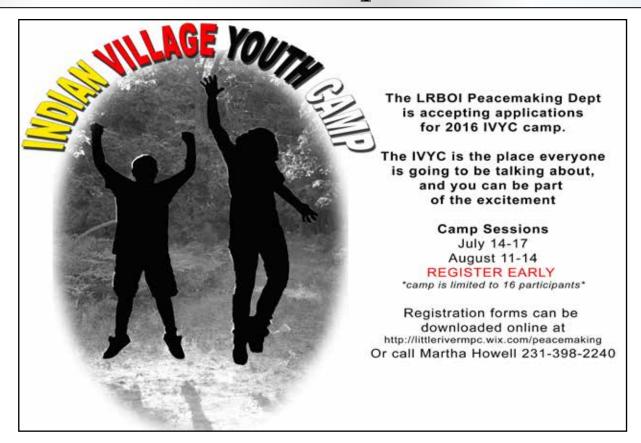
- GO TO A BANK OR CREDIT UNION AND OPEN A SAVINGS ACCOUNT FOR YOUR CHILD. Look for a savings account with no minimum balance. Sometimes banks have special accounts just for children. It is not only a way to make it easier to cash the checks, it is a good financial start for your child
- REQUEST THAT THE CHECK BE ISSUED IN YOUR NAME. You can ask the Education Department to have checks issued in your name if you are the custodial parent of the child. You must let us know in writing. A separate letter for each child will be needed. If you are a tribal member that is all we will need. If you aren't a tribal member then we'll need to have you complete a W9 tax ID form that will allow the Accounting Department here to enter your information into the system so a check can be issued in your name. This won't help if you are having problems cashing this check, but it may help for next year.

We hope that this program is a help to you. As with anything, nothing is perfect, but we try to make the program as convenient as possible. Not everything works the same way for all people, but we have made the process as painless as we can and hope that it works well for you.



Youth Camp

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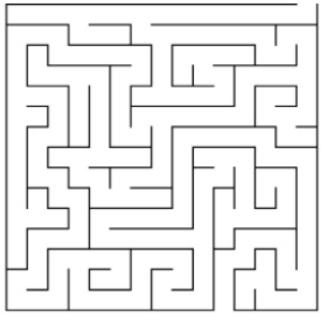


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"We remember those to whom it is dedicated, they who gave their fullest measure of devotion in the service of their people." Jay Sam



"Aho" Brian Gibson

The Warriors Society honors us all with these purposes:

To uphold and defend the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States.

To recognize tribal citizens who have served in the military, and to provide support for them and their families.

To promote peace and goodwill within the tribe and the world.

To preserve the Tribe's culture, language, values and traditions.

To provide enlightenment and traditional teaching to honor the Tribe's warriors.

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Parents as Teachers in Manistee County

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has trained and certified staff for the Parents as Teachers program. The LRBOI Family Services Department is a certified affiliate of the parents as Teachers program. We see prenatal women and families with children up through age 5.





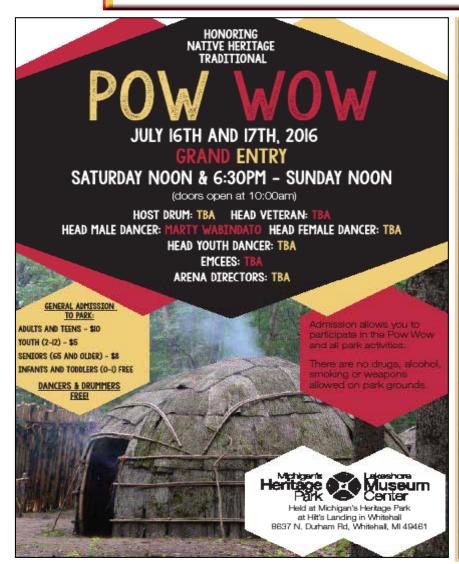
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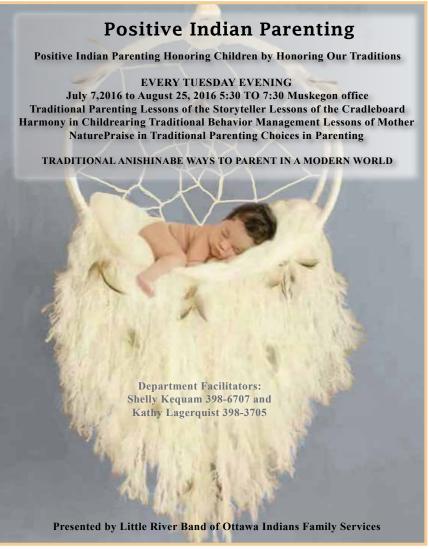
Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Family Services Department 2608 Government Center Dr. Manistee, MI. 49660 231-398-6736

Parents as Teachers









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The Tribal Historic Preservation Department staffs would like to thank everyone for their help in making our 21st Annual Jiingtamok a great success. We had a large turnout, beautiful weather with a steady breeze. We thank:

Tribal Council & the Ogema for sponsoring the Youth Dance & Saturday dinner, the kids had a great time freeze dancing and visiting eachother.\ Joel DeLaPaz for being the DJ, Mack Brushman for his sound system support To all of our head staffs for preserving the knowledge of

To our food and art vendors To everyone who donated supplies or time sewing and making giveaway items Jamie Friedel assistance coordinating and providing food, ice, water, tobacco all with a friendly smile.

The Earth First crew who helped us recycle, clean and paint, you guys are awesome. Our recycle bins were full, we thank all of you who helped keep our earth clean. Check out our facebook page for contest winners. Thanks for supporting your tribal Jiingtamok, we hope to see you all next year.













































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Commission Openings!

Even though most committee positions have been filled, the tribe continues to seek applications from qualified members interested in serving upon the Commerce, Gaming, Housing, 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
- *Treaty Recognition Day
- *Memorial Day
- *Independence Day
- *Labor Day

- *Veteran's Day
- *Thanksgiving Day
- *Friday after Thanksgiving Day
- *Christmas Eve Day (Half 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 www.LRCR.com and click on Careers Call our Human Resources Department at (231) 723-4530 Stop by our Human Resources Department located at 2700 Orchard Hwy Manistee, MI

Monday – Friday 7am-5pm
Send your Application, Resumeand Cover letter to:
Little River Casino Resort
Attn: Recruiting P.O. Box 417

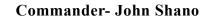
Manistee, MI 49660 Phone: (231) 723-4530 · Fax: (231) 723-1589

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:



Vice Commander -Leonard Rittenhous

Secretary - Virgil Johnson

Treasure - Vacant

Sargent of Arms -Chuck Nelson

Chaplin- Chuck Fisher

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

Community Events



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	Income Limits			
1.	\$ 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



if you and your child (ages 8 and up) are looking for some fun activities this summer, the Education Department will be having a social gathering every TUES & THURS from 2pm - 4pm through the months of June & July, at the Muskegon office. If weather permits, we will do outside activities like tennis, disk golf, fishing, biking, hiking, basketball, etc. Indoor activities include beading, card or board games, art, etc.

June 2nd - July 28th 2016

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 2 to 4 p.m.

LRBOI-Muskegon Office

1101 W. Hackley Ave., Muskegon, MI 49441

Want to register or have questions? Call Santana Aker @ (231) 398-6654

Parents are encouraged to participate (chaperone forms needed).



STAFF AND
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

To interpret Native life during the 1650s in a wigwam village

at

Michigan's Heritage Park in Whitehall

For more information please email wendy@lakeshoremuseum.org or call 231-894-0342





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Consumer Confidence Report Little River Band of Ottawe Indians Utility Department 2016



Ismywatersafe?

The Little River Band Utility Department would like to report that last year, as in years past, your tap water met all U.S Environment al Protection Agency (EPA) and state drinking water health standards. The LRB Utility Department vigilantly safeguards its water supplies and we are proud to report to you that we have not violated a maximum contaminant level. The Source Water Protection Plan has been completed and is available for review the plan will be implemented to protect the areas around our (well house) source water from inadvertent contamination

We are currently EPA certified for testing of Total Coli-form / E-coli of which we sample for three times a month for a total of 10 samples per month. We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards.

Our water system is classified as a "Community System" based on the population served which has been established in accordance with the U.S. EPA guidelines which is 8,189 customers served daily.

Dolneed to take special phecautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immune-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

The Water Distribution is supplied by two source wells located in Aki Madiziwiin with a 250,000 gallon spheroid storage tower, adjacent to the Justice Center, on M-22. These wells can supply over 700,000 gallons of water a day! An estimated average daily use is currently 105,221 gallons per day. The distribution system consists of PVC, HDPE and Ductile Iron piping in various sizes. The level of water in the storage tower, which supplies the needed water pressure to your household or business, is controlled by radio telemetry. The Water Storage Tower is monitored by our staff for needed level changes due to seasonal, fire related emergencies and/or maintenance concerns.

Source water assessment and its availability

A source water assessment was completed by the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan Environmental Services Division, 3601 Mackinaw Trail, Sault Ste. Marie, MI in October of 2002. An updated source water protection plan has been completed by the I.T.C. and the LRB Natural Resources Department as previously mentioned and is available for review.

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The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife. Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming. Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses. Organic Chemical Contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems. Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for the public health

Monitoring and reporting violations

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of plumbing materials used in your homes. You may wish to have your water tested if you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home. You may also flush your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using your tap water. Additional information concerning Lead levels is available from the Safe Drinking Water, Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Utility Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Water Quality Data Table

The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.



Sampling Results for Past 12 Months

Contaminants (units)	Mg/L MCLG	mg/L MCL	Our Water	Sample Date	Violation	Typical Source / Health Effect
DBPR Disinfection b TTHM; (Total Trihalomethanes) Results are in mg/L Bromodichloromethane Bromoform Chlorodibromomethane Chloroform	0.0005 0.0005 0.0005 0.0005 0.0005	0.080 0.080 0.080 0.080	0.0029mg/L 0.0012mg/L No Detect 0.0011mg/L	8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015	No	By-product of drinking water disinfection using chlorination some disinfectants and disinfection by-products (DBPs) have been shown to cause cancer and reproductive effects in lab animals and suggested bladder cancer and reproductive effects in humans.
Dalapon and Haloacetic Acid Bromoacteic Acid Bromochloroacetic Acid Chloroacetic Acid Dalapon Dibromoacetic Acid Dichloracteic Acid Total Haloacetic Acid(five)		AL RL 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	1 0.002 2 No Detect 1 No Detect 1 0.001 1 0.003 0.006	8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015 8-3-2015		By-product of drinking water disinfection using chlorination some disinfectants and disinfection by-products (DBP's) have been shown to cause cancer and reproductive effects in lab animals and suggested bladder cancer and reproductive effects in humans.
Contaminant(s) (units)	MCLG	AL	Our Water	Sample Date	Exceeds AL	Typical Source
Nitrate (well #1)		10 ppm	1.2 ppm	4-11-2016	No	Run off from fertilizer use; Leaching from Septic tanks, sewage; Erosion from natural
Nitrate (well # 2)		10 ppm	1.5 ppm	4-11-2016	No	deposits. Infants below the age of six months who drink water containing nitrate in excess of the MCL could become seriously ill and, if untreated may die. Symptoms include shortness of breath and blue baby syndrome.

Units Description:

NA: Not applicable ND: Not detected NR: Not reported-p

MNR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.

ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)

Ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)

pCi.L. Picocuries per liter (pCi.L) is a unit for measuring radioactive concentrations. The curie (Ci) unit is the activity of 1 gram of pure radium 226. Pico is a scientific notation term which means 1×10⁻¹²

Important Drinking Water Definitions:

MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water

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system must follow.

MRDLG: Maximum Residual Disinfection Level Goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

For more information

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Phone: 231-398-2299
Attn: Utility Supervisor Fax: 231-723-2321

2608 Government Center Drive

Manistee, MI 49660

Household Hazardous Waste

Clean Sweep (Pesticides) & Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics and Unwanted Medications Collection Day 2016 Collection Information: Manistee County Road Commission - 8946 Chippewa Hwy, Bear Lake MI 49614

Saturday, August 20, 2016 - 9:00 am - 2:00 pm ONE DAY ONLY - NO EARLY OR LATE DROP OFFS

Household Hazardous Waste, also referred to as HHW, are materials that, if disposed of incorrectly, can cause environmental damage by contaminating ground and surface waters, threatening human health and wildlife.

Many common products used in the home, yard and for hobbies are considered HHW.

Read the label and look for these signal words:

Biohazard
Caution
Corrosive Danger
Flammable
Reactive
Poison
Toxic
Warning

Never pour HHW down the kitchen sink, toilets, storm drains or directly on the ground. Many types of household hazardous wastes have the potential to cause injury to children, pets and sanitation workers, contaminate septic tanks or waste water treatment systems and impact the quality of streams, rivers and lakes.

It is always best to avoid the use of toxic products however, when it is necessary, follow these tips:'

Only buy the amount necessary for the task

•Use the product completely or give the remainder to family or friends to use up

- •If you have products you no longer want, take it to the HHW Collection Day
- •Empty containers can be disposed of with normal household trash

DROP OFF DAY ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS (Subject to change)

All fluids must be in a closed container.

Do not mix products together.

Before transporting, place products in vehicle away from passengers, place any leaking containers in a clear plastic bag or leak proof container, secure all containers so they cannot slide or spill.

Automotive Batteries, Products and Fuels Motor oil accepted in 5 gallon containers or smaller. Motor oil accepted in 5 gallon containers or smaller. Containers will not be returned.

Cleaners

Paint Products - no latex paint

Latex paint is safe to dispose of with regular trash however, it cannot be in a liquid form and must be completely dried up. Dry paint by removing lid and adding cat litter, sawdust or shredded paper to paint.

Yard, Garden & Pool Chemicals

Unwanted Medications

Bring in the original container. Mark out or remove personal information.

Electronics

Computers, printers, microwaves, game systems, cell phones, etc.

Miscellaneous

- •Fluorescent light bulbs
- •Household batteries
- •Inkjet cartridges
- •Lighter fluid
- •Mercury (elemental)
- •Mercury thermometers & thermostats
- •Moth balls
- •Nail polish remover

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Ammunition or Explosives - Call the Sheriff Department for disposal, 231-723-8393

Fire Extinguishers - Call the Conservation District for information, 231-889-4761

Tires - Call the Conservation District for information, 231-889-4761



Tax Office

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TAX LICENSE REQUIRED FOR SALES HELD ON TRIBAL LAND

The Tax and Revenue Administration Ordinance (#05-100-08) at 8.03 states that a tax license is required for any sales on Tribal and Trust lands. Individuals or groups that use Tribal facilities, such as the Aki Maadiziwin Community Center, must obtain the appropriate Tribal Tax License before the event. This also applies to Tribal members selling merchandise at the Little River Casino Resort (such as at the Membership meetings). The current penalty for failure to obtain a license is \$50 per unlicensed seller.

There are two types of tax licenses available. The traditional Tribal Tax License is issued annually and is for businesses operating on a permanent basis throughout the year. The Little River Trading Post is an example of a business that operates under a regular Tribal Tax License.

The Concessionaire's Tribal Tax License is issued to sellers that will be selling merchandise at a specific event for a limited time. The form for remitting Tribal tax is included on the tax license and the tax is due within three (3) business days after the event. This eliminates the need to file regular quarterly Tribal tax returns. An example of someone that operates under a Concessionaire's Tribal Tax license is an artist or crafter that sells merchandise at the Little River Casino during membership meetings.

If you plan to sell merchandise on Tribal land, or if you are planning an event on Tribal property that involves selling merchandise, contact the Tax Office to obtain a Tribal Tax License.

NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS MUST BE LICENSED TO SELL MERCHANDISE

Nonprofit entities engaged in a retail sales activity of any kind on Tribal and Trust lands are required to have a Tribal Tax License. The fact that the receipts or profits from such sales may be used for otherwise exempt purposes is not material. The Tribal Tax Ordinance follows Michigan law for Retail Sales Tax. Please refer to MAC Rule 205.140 (5).

If a Tribal entity was selling something to your nonprofit organization, to be used for carrying out the organization's purpose, you may be able to make a valid claim for exemption. However, sales by a tax-exempt organization are not exempt simply because of the nonprofit status of the organization. For example, when food is provided by a nonprofit organization at an event where an admission fee is required or a donation is made, the food is subject to Tribal Tax.

When you register for your Tribal Tax License, it is important to fill out the registration form completely and legibly so you can be contacted if questions arise. The Concessionaire's Registration Form (for one-time events) can be found online at www.lrboi-nsn.gov under the Tax Office page. Please call the Tax Office if you have questions about your fundraising event at (231) 398-6874.



(July 1, 2016) Manistee, MI

MANISTEE, MI - Little River Casino Resort an enterprise of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, proudly announced the grand opening of the Nectar Spa & Salon on Saturday, May 28.

The Nectar Spa & Salon has 14,076 total square footage including the new indoor and outdoor pools & whirl pools. Nectar Spa & Salon has four treatment rooms that include a couple's room, a Vichy shower room and two single treatment rooms. Nectar Spa & Salon offers a full line of spa and salon services including massages, body treatments, facials, manicures, pedicures, hair styling, waxing, and make-up application.

The Nectar Spa & Salon hours of operation are 9am to 7pm Monday through Thursday, 8am to 8pm on Friday & Saturday, and 8am to 4pm on Sunday.

Little River Casino Resort is one of Michigan's premier gaming destinations. Little River offers the finest in casino action with over 1,300 slot machines and table games. Guests can stay in one of 292 rooms, catch a show in the 1,600 seat entertainment hall, or experience a wonderful dining experience in any one of the new restaurants. This year, Little River Casino Resort celebrates its 17th Anniversary!

For more information about Little River Casino Resort, their monthly promotions, or upcoming entertainment, contact them at 1-888-568-2244 or visit their website at LRCR.com.

Elder Meals







John Staley Bailey
Constance Christina Cecilia Terrell
Renetta Elizabeth Barnhette
Sylvester Joseph Battice
Gertrude Anne Behling
June Ellen Bryant
Karol ann Chabot
Pauline Loraine Cooper
Priscilla Dale Diapiazza
Arlene Genevieve Dixon

Benjamine Jonathan Edwards Jr.
Leo Carl Ennis
Yvonne Eloyse Foster
Ruth Jane Garretson
Joyce Corrine Genia
Sharon Lee Gray
Gail Ann Guerrero
Theresa Delores Hilger
Bruce Smth Hinmon
Ronald Deane Lilleberg
Edward Richard Mitchell

Kay Frances Oleniczak Dorothy May Patnode Elaine Joyce Porter William Anton Sikorski Rosemarry Ann Smith Roberta Tate Anna Marie Taylor Joanne Tillie Treml Shirley Mildred Witkop



Aki Community Center Elder Meals Menu 2016

Did you know???? A woman over 50 who: Are not physically active need about 1600 calories a day. Somewhat physically active need about 1800 a day. Very active needs about 2000 a day.

A man over 50 who: Are not physically active need about 2000 calories a day. Somewhat physically active need about 2200-2400 calories a day. Very active need about 2400-2800 calories a day.



ACTIVITIES:
Mondays—Language Class
Wednesdays—Wii Bowling
Other Activities: Birthday of the Month & BINGO
Meals Served at Noon —Monday thru Thursday
No Charge to Elders, their Spouse and
Handicap/Disabled individuals who reside with
Elder. Guests Meals are \$6.00
Donations are appreciated and will be used for
program activities and food.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Ruben Sandwich Potato Veggies Dessert	2 Mexican Pizza Broccoli Blend Dessert	3 Quiche Dessert	4 Roast Beef Potato & Carrots Apple Sauce	5	6. Elder Committee POTLUCK at the Gathering Grounds!
107	Language Class		Wii Bowling	Activity: B-I-N-G-O		Noon
7	8 BBQ Chicken Baked Beans Green Beans Tapioca	9 Meatloaf Mashed Potato Green Beans Fresh Fruit	10 Goulash Cauliflower Fruit Crumble	11 Turkey Sandwich Soup Jell—O	12	13
	Language Class		No Wii Bowling			
14	15 Ham Au Gratin Potatoes Asparagus Dessert	16 Fish Rice Carrots Fruit Cobbler	17 Burgers Spaghetti Salad Corn on the cob Fruit	18 Breakfast !!!!!!	19 Muskegon Meal Please RSVP With Noelle 231-398-6886 Lunch served at Noon	20
	Language Class		Wii Bowling			
21	22 Chipped Beef Mixed Veggie Fruit Salad	23 Chicken Wild Rice Peas Sherbet	24 Tuna Melt Cole Slaw Asparagus Strawberry shortcake	25 Chefs Choice	26	
	Language Class		Wii Bowling			2-66
28	29 Chili Combread Vegetables	30 Steak Fajita Rice Beans Fried Ice Cream	31 Bratwurst Potato Salad Veggie s	HEALTHY EATING	Menu subject to change with out notice. Meals meet 1/3 of the RDI based on a 1600 to 2000 calorie diet.	

The Working World

Why Should You Send a Thank-You Note?

Sending a thank-you note after any interview just seems like common courtesy, but studies suggest that less than 10 percent of job seekers actually bother to send them. This is true despite the fact that the vast majority of employers say a thank-you note can help an individual's chances of getting a job. There aren't many other opportunities where 10 minutes of your time can put you ahead of 90 percent of your competition, so be sure to take advantage of it.

Farr, Michael, Getting the Job You Really Want, (Sixth Edition)



Need help? Contact LRBOI Workforce Development. 231-398-6842

Chi Ishobak Can Help

Looking To Refinance a High Interest Rate Auto Loan, Chi Ishobak Can Help Are you currently paying sky high interest rates for your new car? Do you owe more than your car is worth? Are high car payments putting you and your family in a financial bind? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, Chi Ishobak may be able to provide an affordable alternative.

It is easy to fall in love with a new car that has all the latest features and luxury you need, but that all comes at a cost. Sometimes in the heat of the moment, we think we can afford something new and we forget to look at the interest rate and terms that accompany all new cars.

When you borrow money for an automobile at a high interest rate, it is very easy to become "upside down" or your loan balance is higher than your new car is worth. This offers little to zero options for selling or trading-in your vehicle. Take a moment to review your financing statement and verify the current interest rate and terms of your automobile loan.

Chi Ishobak may be able to assist tribal citizens with re-financing opportunities who are committed to high-interest rate auto loans. "We try to find as many options as possible for our citizens." Eric Stovern, Financial Services Manager stated, "Our goal is create capacity for tribal families and lower car payments definitely helps."

Chi Ishobak has helped dozens of tribal citizens re-finance their automobiles and save much needed time and money in the process. Building capacity begins with proper financial planning and re-financing your current auto loan is a huge step in the right direction.

If you have any questions or would like additional information on the programs offered by Chi Ishobak you use the contact information listed below:

Chi Ishobak, Inc. P.O. Box 766 27043 Potawatomi Trail Dowagiac, MI 49047 (269) 783-4157



Loan Facts you should know:

- •You must be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe to qualify
- •Your home can be on or off the reservation (within approved areas)
- •Downpayments are as low as 1.25% 2.25%
- •Gifts and tribal assistance are permitted
- •Regular 30 yr fixed interest rates available
- •No hidden terms or fees
- •Common sense approval process
- •Low Monthly Mortgage insurance
- •Only a 1.5% guarantee fee to the government
- •Doublewide and modular homes allowed
- •Cash out refinance to 85% loan to value
- •New construction and renovation allowed
- •In-house loan approvals and funding

1st Tribal Lending. Here at 1st Tribal Lending we are dedicated to providing you with Section 184 Home Loans.

1st Tribal Lending 2401 – D San Pablo Dr. Pinole, CA 94564

Toll Free: (866) 235-4033

Main phone number: (510) 856-2184 General questions or concerns:

webmaster@1tribal.com

Closing or funding issues: (510) 856-2190

Post Closing: (510) 856-2182

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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.

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3	Departments Accounting	Location D government center -main entrance	irector or main phone numbers 231.398.6868
	Be-Da-Bin	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6741
			231.398.6815
	Commerce Commodities	government center -main entrance little river casino warehouse	231.398.6716
	Education	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6735
١	Enrollment	government center-main entrance	231.398.6712
	Fitness Center	government center-lower level	231.398.6636
١	Family Services	government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6734
Š	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
100	Historic Preservation	government center-lower level	231.398.6891
	Housing	aki maadiziwin -community center	231.398.6879
	Human Resources	government center- main entrance	231.398.6871
۲	Members Legal Asst.	justice center on M22	231.398.2234
3	Members Assistance	government center-main entrance	231.398.6718
	Natural Resources	9th street offices manistee	231.723.1594
7	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
7	Public Affairs	government center- main entrance	231.398.6840
9	Public Safety	justice center on M22	231.398.2225
	Tax Office	government center -main entrance	231.398.6874
į	Utilities/Waste Water	dontz road (near aki maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
7	Work Force Development	government center-main entrance	231.398.6842
	Tribal Court	justice center on M22	231.398.3406
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Some Events
To look
forward to



Elders Meal Aki Community Center Mon-Thur 12pm

Language Class Every Friday 10:30am 2016 Membership Meetings 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



Membership Meeting

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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.

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Or Current Resident

Warriors Society



The LRBOI Warriors Society would like to invite all Tribal Members and/or Descendants of LRBOI Members serving (active duty) in the service to submit information on where they are deployed, Rank, and Branch of Service. With this information we would like to extend our appreciation by Honoring them in the Currents, River News and if they are present at LRBOI 2016 Pow Wow.





Fall Membership Meeting October 8, 2016

Friday October 7, 2016	Ogema	Little River Casino Resort
7 pm – 9 pm	Meet & Greet	Three Fires Conference Center

Saturday October 8, 2016 Membership Meeting Little River Casino Resort Event 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Center

Meeting Agenda

8 a.m. – Regist	As_	Located in the Event Center
9 a.m. to 12 pm Inform	tional Booths	Hallway – Three Fires Conference

10:00 a.m. Flag Ceremony Honoring the Nations Event Cente
Opening of meeting

12 p.m. Lunch Served Event Cent Information booths close

1 p.m. - Official meeting begins - Quorum Call

Question and Answer Period will follow

Thank – you for attending and Safe Travel Home

Note-Agenda a spiect whange at Ogema's discretion and if quorum in membarship is reached~