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Elders Meal
Aki Community
Center
Mon-Thur 12pm

Language Class
Every Friday
10:30am

22nd Annual
Jiingtamok
July 1-2, 2017

2017 Membership
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October 7, 2017

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Line 5 Oil Pipeline System Spanning Michigan Has Had 29 Known Spills

Nearly Doubling the Number Previously Believed to Have Occurred

ANN ARBOR, MICH. – The National Wildlife Federation released records of spills, ruptures, and equipment failures from an oil and natural gas liquids pipeline system operated by Enbridge Energy that runs through Wisconsin and Michigan's Upper and Lower Peninsulas, crossing under the Straits of Mackinac. The data reveals that the system, known as Line 5, has experienced at least 29 spills, which have released more than 1 million gallons of oil and natural gas liquids, according to data from the Pipeline Hazardous Materials Safety Administration. This is nearly double the number previously believed to have occurred.

Enbridge Energy is the same company that owns and maintains the pipeline formerly known as Line 6B, which ruptured in 2010, by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's account spilling more than 840,000 gallons of oil into Talmadge Creek and the Kalamazoo River.

"We have a pipeline system with a history of problems running through our county's largest source of surface freshwater, and it happens to be operated by the company responsible for one of the largest inland oil spills in North America," said Mike Shriberg, executive director for the National Wildlife Federation's Great Lakes Regional Center. "This pipeline system places



the Great Lakes and many local communities at an unacceptable risk. The state of Michigan needs to find an alternative to this risky pipeline to protect our drinking water, health, jobs, and way of life."

National wildlife Federation's new interactive map allows the public to better understand where and what has been spilled from Enbridge Energy's pipeline system, the repair methods that have been used, and how leaks and defects are being discovered. The

map can be accessed at: <http://www.arcgis.com/apps/View/index.html?appid=f817f5abad9a4c-b09e942c1941fd0060>.

Of the 29 recorded incidents, only one was listed as detected by a remote pipeline detection system, according to the records. By contrast, 15 releases were detected by local personnel or the public. The records do not reveal how the remainder of the releases were detected.

"This new information causes us grave concern about the integrity

of the inland pipe system, inconsistencies with spill reporting, and the effectiveness of leak detection systems, repair methods, and long-term planning for the integrity of the decades-old pipeline system," said Beth Wallace, the National Wildlife Federation pipeline safety specialist who discovered the newly released data. "A significant number of these releases note manufacturing and construction defects, as well as weld failure, which calls into question overall integrity of the Line 5 system."

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July Birthdays! Happy Birthday!

John Adkins	Anna Medawis	Carmen Soward
Frederick Johnston	Erle Russ	Ernest Hendrix
Helen Price	Geralld Dickman	Celia Osawabine
Maseline Albring	Deborah Miller	Mary Spoerl
Ronald Kunnen	Janet Scherer	Marlene Herzhaft
Sonja Ptaszek	Cynthia Drake	William Ossiginac
Loretta Beccaria-Lindeman	John Modjeski	James Stone
Vickie Londo	John Shano	Nancy Holland
Tommy Pugh	Veronica Edwards	Gregory Patricio
Arlene Bray	Stephen Muma	Janice Taylor
Jeffrey Magnuson	John Sikorski	Linda Hoover
Patricia Ribbich	Verna Elenbaas	Kenneth Pete
Mary Christner	Judith Norwood	Cheryl Utley
Michael Markowski	Roland Sikorski	Barbara John
Edna Rinard	Alice Fink	Carolyn Potter
Randall Cogswell	Betty Olivarez	James Wabsis
Sharon McQueen	Alice Skrzysinski	John Johnson
Eilene Ritchotte	Raymond Furman	Carolyn Prentice
Delores Curtis	Alfred Olson	

May Worksession Attendance

Date	Work Session Title	Jamie Friedel	Ron Wittenberg	Shannon Crampton	Gary DiPiazza	Virgil Johnson	Frankie Medacco	Joe Riley, II	Sandra Lewis	Marty Wabindato	Total
05/01/17	Aki 10 homes	x	x		x	x	x	x			6
05/01/17	Agenda Review	x	x		x	x		x	x		6
05/02/17	Budget Testimony	x	x	x	x	x		x	V		6
05/02/17	Scofes & Associates	x	x	x	x	x		x	V		6
05/02/17	2017 Goals	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	V		7
05/04/17	Elders Complex	x	x	*		V	*	x			3
05/08/17	Gov Financial Review	x	x	x	x	V		x			5
05/08/17	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	V		x	x		6
05/08/17	Elders Complex	x	x	x	x	V		x	x		6
05/08/17	Meet n Greet LRRC GM	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		7
05/11/17	Residential Building Ord	*	x		*	x		x	x		4
05/11/17	Budget & Approp Act	*	x		*	x		x	x		4
05/12/17	Portable Oxygen Tanks		x	x	x	*	*		x		4
05/12/17	Commercial Fish Regs		x	x	x	*	*		x		4
05/15/17	Inland Fishing Regs	x	x	x	x	*	*	x	x		6
05/15/17	Mich Indian Family Oly	x	x	x	x	*	*		x		5
05/15/17	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	*	*		x		5
05/16/17	Ethics Ordinance		x	x	x		*	x	x		5
05/18/17	US Attorney General	x	x		x	x	*	x	x		6
05/19/17	Dennis Gartland		x		x	x	*	*	x		4
05/22/17	Job Equivalency	x	x	x	x	x		x	x		7
05/22/17	Agenda Review	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x		8
		Friedel	Wittenberg	Crampton	DiPiazza	Diane Lonn	Medacco	Riley	Lewis	Ron Pete	
05/30/17	Oversight Task Force		x	V		x		x		x	4
05/30/17	Utility Department		x	V		x		x	x	x	5
05/30/17	Commerce Maintenance		x	V		x		x	x	x	5
Total Work Sessions - 25		16	25	15	19	3	3	20	18	3	

***=Business Related V=Vacation B=Bereavement**

Tribal Veterans Healthcare Enhancement Act introduced in the U.S. Congress

A bill was recently introduced into the U.S. Senate that would permit the Indian Health Service (HIS) to cover copayment costs for American Indian military veterans for medical services performed at U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) medical facilities. The measure calls for participating agencies to establish memorandums of understanding between the HIS, VA, tribal health programs and associated tribes. Copayments would be rendered for services authorized by tribal Purchases/Referred Care programs.

Senators John Thune (R-S.D.) and Mike Rounds

co-sponsored the Tribal Veterans Health Care Enhancement Act (S.304), which amends the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to allow the inter-agency transactions in support of greater access to health care for American Indian veterans.

“This bill amends the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to allow the Indian Health Service to cover copayments for an Indian veteran who has an HIS referral to receive medical care or services from a Department of Veterans Affairs facility,” Thune and Rounds explained in a joint prepared statement. “It

requires the HIS and VA to enter into a MOU to govern how this payment system will be executed.” They also noted a previous version of the bill was introduced in the last session of Congress and was approved by a committee.

The bill further requires the HIS and VA to report statistics to Congress on American Indian veterans served and referred to be served at VA medical facilities.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION'S
Backyard BIRDS
CHECKLIST

See if you can spot these common backyard birds:

- 1 AMERICAN CROW**
 American Crows will gang up on a predator to chase it away. If you see a mob of crows harassing a larger bird, you might get a glimpse of a hawk or an owl.
- 2 AMERICAN GOLDFINCH**
 This little is an important source of food and nesting material for the American Goldfinch. It can cling to narrow stems and delicate seed heads, sometimes upside down.
- 3 AMERICAN ROBIN**
 Cocking its head from side to side, the American Robin seems to be listening for worms. Actually, it spots them by sight and pulls them from the ground.
- 4 BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE**
 The Black-capped Chickadee may become quite tame and can learn to eat from your hand. It's named for its call, which sounds like "schick-a-dee."
- 5 BLUE JAY**
 The Blue Jay can be noisy and aggressive at feeders. It also has a habit of robbing other birds' nests and eating the eggs and young birds.
- 6 COMMON GRACKLE**
 Though the Common Grackle looks black from a distance, its feathers shimmer in glossy blue, purple, bronze, and green.
- 7 DOWNY WOODPECKER**
 The Downy Woodpecker is the smallest woodpecker in North America, similar in size to a Chickadee with which it often flocks.
- 8 EUROPEAN STARLING**
 The most common songbird in North America, the European Starling travels in large groups, often with blackbirds and grackles.
- 9 HOUSE SPARROW**
 The House Sparrow is a noisy and aggressive bird will steal nest sites from native hole-nesting birds.
- 10 MOURNING DOVE**
 The Mourning Dove's wings and tail make a whistling sound during flight, especially when the bird takes off.
- 11 NORTHERN CARDINAL**
 A male Northern Cardinal will fiercely defend his feeding territory. You may see him fighting his reflection in a car mirror or window, trying to scare off the "other" bird.
- 12 RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD**
 The male Red-winged Blackbird can hide his red feathers when he searches for food. It eats mostly insects, as many as a trillion a year.
- 13 TUFTED TITMOUSE**
 The Tufted Titmouse lines its nest with fur, sometimes plucked from living animals.

FROM **National Wildlife Federation's World of Birds**
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 by Kim Kurki, available at bookstores everywhere on June 6, 2014.

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Eagles



Only 2 kinds of Eagles call North America home—Golden Eagles and Bald Eagles. While Northern Michigan has a large and varied population of Bald Eagles, the common knowledge had been that Golden Eagles resided mostly in the western United States. But, in 2015, two separate bird watchers spied a young Golden Eagle. This sighting took place near Otter Creek in Benzie County.

Michiganders are much more accustomed to seeing Bald Eagles. During the winter, Bald Eagles inhabit almost every county in the state. These eagles don't really migrate, they just move south enough to stay ahead of the ice and congregate near open water. Immature birds may move further south. Nesting, however, usually takes place throughout the Upper Peninsula and some northern parts of our region here in Northern Michigan.

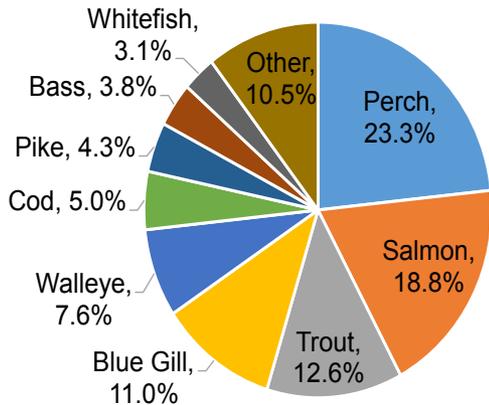
When bald eagles reach maturity (at four to five years of age), they select a mate, with whom they mate for life. In captivity, they have been known to live to 50 years, but in the wild, they probably don't reach more than 20 years of age.

They like to build in the tallest trees, such as white pine. Their nests have reached sizes up to 10 feet in depth and 20 feet across as they add to them each year. From late March to early April, one to four (average two) pure white eggs, approximately twice the size of a chicken egg, are laid. Both males and female bald eagles participate in the incubation, and the feeding of the chicks that hatch around seven weeks late. In about three months, by late summer, the fledglings are ready for flight. When it is time to move for the winter, the young birds are abandoned by their parents.

A favorite food of bald eagles is fish, so they like lakes—especially very big one. Michigan has more than 11,000 inland lakes and approximately 3,000 miles of shoreline along the Great Lakes. Bald eagles also like lakes with surrounding forest. Michigan's hilly and rugged Upper Peninsula and Northern Lower Peninsula provide habitat for making nest. Bald Eagles will also eat a wide variety of foods depending on what's available. They eat birds, reptiles, amphibians, invertebrates such as crabs, and mammals including rabbits and muskrats.

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indian's Water Quality Program surveyed Tribal Members during the Spring 2017 Membership Meeting about fish consumption patterns. Survey results will assist in guiding the Tribe's Fish Contaminant Monitoring Program.

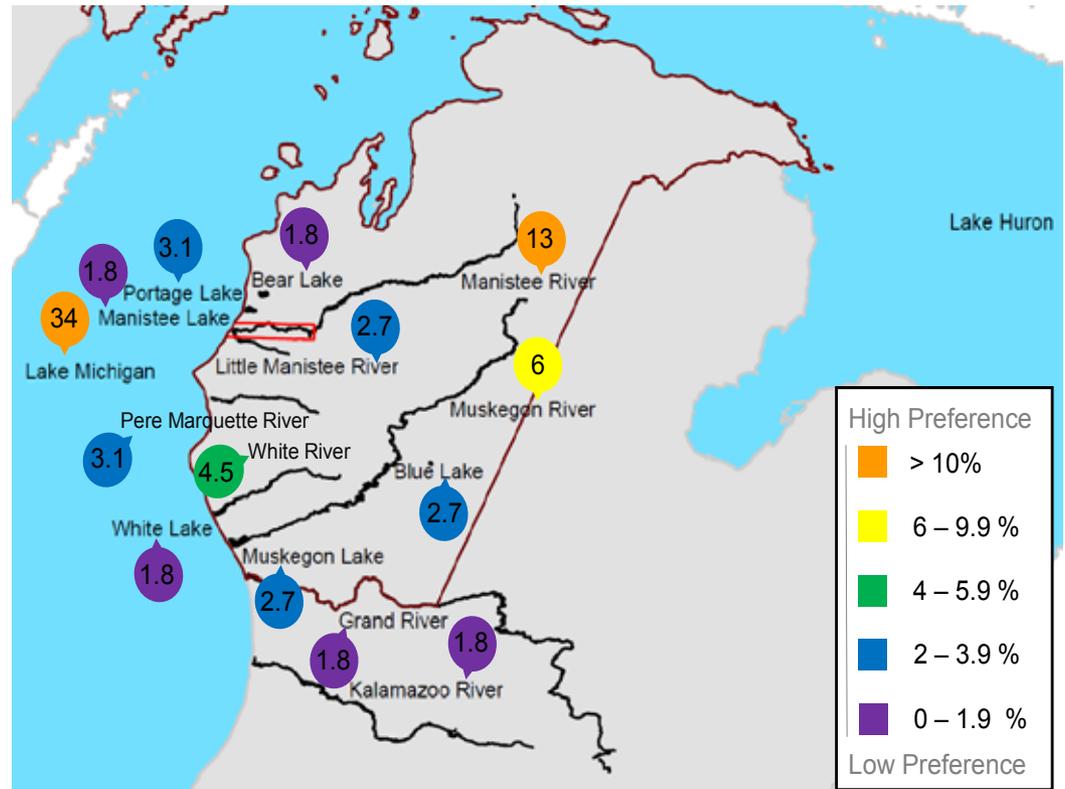
Common Fish Consumed



Frequency of Fish Meals per Week

0 Meals	9%
< 1 Meal	7%
1 Meal	44%
2 Meals	26%
3 Meals	10%
4 Meals	2%
5 Meals	1%
>10 Meals	1%

Common Water Bodies Harvested for Fish



Results are based on 176 completed surveys, 420 responses for types of fish consumed, and 223 responses for water bodies harvested.

Join hands on July 3 for Love of the Great Lakes

All Hands On Deck aims to call attention to need for legislation, regulations and funding to sustain the health of world's largest surface fresh water resource - the Great Lakes

Communities in the U.S. and Canada are working together to make plans for the All Hands On Deck event on July 3, 2017, at 10:00 a.m., that will link hands and boats for one hour along Great Lakes shores to raise awareness of the need to protect the Lakes everyone loves.

More than 25 communities in five states and Ontario have committed to take part within only three weeks after the event was announced and there is room for more "captains" and communities to come aboard, according to event coordinator Kimberly Simon.

"Interest just keeps growing day by day - the momentum is amazing!" Simon said in a recent release. "The

idea resonates with people across a very broad region because they all realize the Great Lakes are precious resources that are essential for our environment, our economies, and our way of life."

More than 1,400 people have joined the All Hands On Deck discussion group on Facebook, with many actively involved in organizing participating events in their local area.

The nonpartisan, all-volunteer event transcends geopolitical boundaries. Coordinated events will take place at public beaches and other public-accessible sites in local communities, with people holding hands or boats lining up along the shore.

"Sites may differ by community but on beaches or boardwalks or any other places, the intention is the same everywhere: to bring people together in an expression of unified concern about something we all can

agree on," Simon said in the release.

"We all want to care for our Great Lakes," she added. "They're facing so many threats - invasive species, pipeline leaks, waste disposal and many other types of pollution, diversion, erosion, possible funding cuts for research and maintenance programs and staff - the list goes on and on. Whether people are residents of the Great Lakes Basin, or business owners, leaders and policymakers, visitors or vacationers, everyone has a stake in sustaining the vitality of our Great Lakes."

Communities and groups that want to host an All Hands On Deck gathering, and individuals willing to serve as captains for local events, are welcome to join this region wide effort to call attention to preserving and protecting the Great Lakes.

For more information or to join in, contact Event Coordinator Kimberly Simon, at (586) 255-3312, allhandsondeckgreatlakes@gmail.com, 222.allhandsondeckgreatlakes.org.

Expanding Gigiigoo’inaan – Our Fish App
A mobile app to promote healthy fish consumption



Great Lakes fish are important to our tribal communities for cultural and nutritional reasons, but information about the safe consumption of fish can be confusing and contradictory. The Gigiigoo’inaan App (Our Fish App) is designed to help community members to make informed and healthy decisions about eating fish. Little River Band of Ottawa Indians is partnering with the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan to test the Gigiigoo’inaan App with community members this summer:

- Native adults (18 and older) are eligible to participate in 1-hour long focus groups to test the Gigiigoo’inaan App
- Participants will be compensated for their time with a \$25 gift card
- Focus groups will be organized by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and led by the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan

Please contact Allison Smart at (231) 398-2196 or asmart@lrboi-nsn.gov for more information and to sign-up.



This project is a collaboration among Inter-tribal Council of Michigan, Inter-tribal Fisheries and Assessment Program, and the Medical College of Wisconsin. The principal investigator of this research study is Dr. Matthew Dellinger (mdellinger@mcw.edu).

Bill would improve VA care for women

Senator Gary Peters (D-MICH.), a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee and a former lieutenant commander in the U.S. Navy Reserve, announced on April 19 he is co-sponsoring bipartisan legislation that would require the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide better access to services to help meet the unique health care needs of women veterans, according to a press release.

The Deborah Sampson Act, named for a woman who disguised herself to serve in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary War, would improve access to specialized services, like maternity and newborn care, said the release. According to the VA, there are approximately 2 million women veterans across the country, including more than 46,000 in Michigan, according to the release.

“As the number of women veterans continues to grow, we must ensure that they are able to access the care and services they have earned by serving our country in uniform,” said Peters.

He went on to add, “I’m proud to cosponsor this bipartisan legislation that improves support services and eliminates barriers to health care so we can ensure that the women who have served this country have equal access to the benefits they earned and can smoothly transition

to civilian life.”

According to the release, the Deborah Sampson Act would improve access to support services, including counseling and legal support for issues such as housing, eviction and child support issues.

The bill also improves health care for women veterans by requiring every VA facility to have at least one women’s health primary care provider on staff, authorizing funding to retrofit VA facilities to enhance privacy and provide a better care environment, and expanding coverage for specialized services including maternity and newborn care.

Last year, President Obama signed into law Peters’ bipartisan Fairness for Veterans amendment that helps military veterans with a bad paper discharge resulting from behavior caused by PTSD to petition for an upgrade in their discharge status. An upgrade to an honorable discharge would help certain veterans access benefits earned through their service like VA home loans and educational benefits provided by the Post-9/11 G.I. Bill.

For more information about VA benefits and program for veterans of the U.S. military services, go online to log onto www.va.gov or visit your nearest VA facility.

Job Postings

AYAA VENTURES
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SUMMARY

Title of the Position – Social Media & Marketing Assistant.

Full Time Position - \$15.00 to \$20.00 per hour.

Benefits: Reviewed at Interview. Career Advancement possibilities.

Working hours: 8am to 5pm Monday through Friday, rare but possible, weekend day(s). Some travel within the United States is possible. Typical travel is three days or less.

Location: 901 S. Garfield Avenue, Traverse City, MI. 49686.

ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS

Complete formal department training program.

Microsoft Office Suite Proficiency.

Demonstrable Social Media Proficiency.

Demonstrable Marketing & Graphic Design Experience

Willingness to cross-train and provide support in other company departments.

OTHER NECESSARY SKILLS AND ABILITIES

Must have excellent customer service and communication skills both verbal and written. Must be a team player with a positive attitude. Must be highly organized and able to handle multiple tasks at one time. Must be able to complete tasks and projects in a timely manner by prioritizing obligations and time. Must possess the ability to work with various personalities while maintaining impartiality. Must respond to supervisory guidance and assignments and accept constructive criticisms in order to learn new and updated information. The need for quickness and ease of adjustment to the work environment and

flexibility to change are essential in this position. Must possess Microsoft Office Suite, Marketing skills and customer service skills along with the ability to stay calm under pressure.

SUPERVISORY RESPONSIBILITIES

May need to assist in the management of outside vendors or resources from time to time...

EQUIPMENT – SYSTEMS – SOFTWARE PROGRAMS TO BE USED

General Office Equipment and Various Software Programs. Demonstrable skills in Social Media Platforms.

TYPICAL PHYSICAL DEMANDS

May be required to lift up to 35 lbs. and be able to stand and/or walk for extended periods of time. May also be required to reach, bend, stretch, kneel, crawl, lift and

carry on occasion.

TYPICAL MENTAL DEMANDS

Must be able to effectively handle stressful situations while remaining focused and professional. Must be able to deal with difficult people without losing perspective.

Must be able to work productively under strict time restraints with variable deadlines.

EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE

Must be at least 18 years of age with a High School Diploma, a GED or equivalent experience. A college degree is preferred but not required, positive attitude, experience and skill sets are the primary factors for employment. Working knowledge of one or more programs such as; Illustrator, In Design, Photo Shop.

Publisher is required and proof of design skills are highly preferred.

WHAT WE PROVIDE OUR TEAM MEMBERS

A positive work environment in a company with great growth

potential for the team members. Enjoy coming to work each and every day with team members who truly care about you and the company. We offer a very diverse experience as there are no companies like us in the greater Traverse area or the United States for that matter. The company works on a national level, with multiple offerings in the Food Service, Sports and Personal Health industries. Help us propel our company to even higher levels of achievement while generating your own personal success.

WORKING CONDITIONS

Must be able and willing to work in an office environment.

Must have the ability to travel from time to time. Must have the ability to work flexible schedules due to business needs. Meet and respect policies, procedures and standards as set by the company.

COMMENTS

Native American and Tribal Preference will apply. Must be able

to pass a background investigation and a drug and alcohol urinalysis as a condition of employment. Must be able to work flexible hours and to take on additional responsibilities when asked. Must adhere to company policies regarding strict confidentiality.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work performed by people assigned to this classification. They are not intended to be construed, as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills required of personnel so classified. Management retains the right to add or to change the duties of the position at any time. Any qualifications to be considered as equivalents in lieu of stated minimums require prior approval of the company in writing.

Submit Resume and Cover Letter to:

David Mathia – Marketing / Social Media Position
dmathia@advancedproteins.com

Ayaa Ventures (owned by Little River Band of Ottawa Indians)

(A unique opportunity for a Tribal Member in the Traverse City area)

Operations / Social Media Specialist

Department: LRBOI Commerce/Workforce Development (Work Experience component)

Supervisor: Commerce Director / Coordinator

Pay: \$10.00/hour for maximum 320 hours (29 hours per week)

Location: Traverse City, MI

Funding Source: Commerce (100% Tribal Funds)

Summary: The position is responsible for the opening and closing of the front office, answering and transferring calls, greeting and directing visitors, and providing visitors with answers to basic service questions. Provides a variety of basic administrative/clerical support functions to the department supervisor and assigned staff members, enabling an efficient operation from intake to completion. Maintains all social media accounts for the company.

Employment Qualifications: A qualified candidate is an individual who is a minimum of 18 years of age with a clear and pleasant speaking voice, some customer service experience, and presents a willingness to be trained. A qualified candidate offers:

- a High School Diploma or GED; and
- a work experience of one (1) or more years as an office assistant or similar; and
- the technical skills of a basic user of MS Office software, computers, and office equipment. The candidate's technical and social media skills will be tested during the interview process.

Duties and Responsibilities

1. Performs clerical and secretarial work, including but not limited to answering phones, receiving and processing department mail, responding to e-mail correspondence, greeting visitors, scheduling appointments, providing basic

answers to departmental services questions, and referring visitors to the appropriate staff members.

2. Operates a broad range of office equipment such as computers, copiers, facsimiles, multi-line telephones, scanners, shredders, and other department specific office peripherals.
3. Types a variety of correspondence, reports, memoranda and other such documents to be reviewed by supervisor.
4. Maintains department hardcopy and electronic files following approved file maintenance system.
5. Facilitate the dissemination of the department's communication resources (postings, brochures, e-mails, social media, etc.); provide the same regarding the services of other departments.
6. Maintains confidentiality in all aspects of work and complies with all applicable tribal, federal, or states laws and procedures.
7. Represents the company, as requested, in meetings with outside agencies, or in seminars and serves as an ambassador of goodwill at all times.
8. All other position related duties as assigned by supervisor.

Other Skills and Abilities

During the course of employment, the employee will consistently utilize and demonstrate good verbal and written communication skills, good organizational skills, good interpersonal and teamwork skills, a heightened attention to detail and accuracy, the ability to work cooperatively with other departments, and a commitment to confidentiality.

Supervisory Responsibilities

None

Physical Demands

Sitting for long periods of time, frequent walking, and occasional reaching, bending, kneeling, or stretching is to be expected. The nature of the work also involves manual dexterity to operate

office equipment and while keyboarding. An employee will need normal, or corrected to normal range of sight and hearing and will carry work related materials up to twenty-five (25) pounds.

Working Environment

Work is performed in a climate controlled office environment. The employee's work schedule may periodically need to be flexible and adjusted according to business need. The employee must be able to effectively handle stressful and compromising situations while remaining focused and professional, as well as be able to deal with difficult people without losing perspective. Occasional overnight or local travel will be necessary to attend meetings or trainings.

Disclaimer and Conditions of Employment

The above statements are intended to describe the nature and level of work being performed by people assigned to this job title. It shall govern this short-term position. They are not intended to be construed as an exhaustive list of all responsibilities, duties and skills.

Conditions of employment with Little River Band of Ottawa Indians includes, passing a pre-employment drug test and background investigation. Candidates for this position will be required to have dependable transportation available to them without notice.

To Apply: Submit completed Commerce Department Workforce Development Program Application for Programs; Employment Application for Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; and Little River Band of Ottawa Employment Background Application to:

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians,

ATTN: Commerce Dept.

2608 Government Center Drive,

Manistee, MI 49660

or email dhawley@lrboi-nsn.gov | Phone 231-398-6842



During 2000 and 2001, GLIFWC staff interviewed tribal elders regarding non-medicinal uses of plants. With approval from the elders, we are sharing this information as a regular feature in Mazi-na'igan in the form of a harvest calendar.

In this issue, the harvest calendar is devoted to those plants that may be gathered for non-medicinal uses during the upcoming ziigwan (spring) months of onaabani-giizis, hard crust on the snow moon (March); iskigamizige-giizis, maple sugar moon (April); and waaigwanii-giizis, flower moon (May).

Tree Sap

sugar, syrup, candy

inaaatig wiishkobaaboo-sugar maple sap
zhiishiigimiwanzh waboo-red maple sap
adjagobimak waboo-box elder sap
wiigwaas mitig waboo-paper (white) birch sap
wiinizik waaboo-yellow birch sap
wadoop mitig waboo-alder sap

Sap Processing Utensils

boughs used to stop sap boil over:

wood used for tree taps and sap stirring paddles
zhingob waatigwaan- balsam fir boughs
zhingob waatigwaan-black spruce boughs
gaawaandag waatigwaan-white spruce boughs
giizhik waatigwaan-whne cedar boughs
giizhik misan-white cedar wood
wiigob misan-basswood wood
moozo gawinzh misan-moosewood wood
apaakwaanaatig misan--sumac wood

Greens and Flowers

raw, sauteed, steamed, boiled, deep fried, soup

waagaagan-fems (young shoots)
nessibag aniibiishan-clover leaves
_waabigoniin aniibiishan-cowslips leaves
doodooshaaboojiibik aniibushan-dandelion leaves
bagwaji zhigaagawinzhig aniibiishan- wild leek leaves
_shaaboosigan aniibushan-milkweed leaves
*watercress leaves
*pigweed leaves

*aster leaves
anajiiminan-wild peas
*beach peas
datgaagmin maskoon-thimbleberry stems
apakweshkway inaskoon-cattail stems
*wild asparagus stems
apakweshkway waabigwaniin-catta11 flowers
doodooshaaboojiibik wabigwaniin--dandelion flowers
bibigwemin waabigwaniin-elderberry flowers
wazhaskwedoosag-morel mushrooms
_ *Must be properly prepared, see disclaimer.*

Fruits

raw, jams, jellies, pie fillings

ode-iminan-strawberries

Roots

roasted, sauteed, steamed, boiled

waabiziipin ojiibikan- arrowhead (moose ears) roots
oga'damun ojiibikan- yellow water lily roots
bagwaji zhigaagawinzhig-wild leeks
bagwaji zhigaagananzhiig- wild onions
apakweshkway ojiibikan-cattail roots
anaakanashk ojiibikan -bulrush roots
anaakanashk ojiibikan-rush roots
doodooshaaboojiibikan ojiibikan--dandelion roots
namepin ojiibikan- wild ginger roots

Tea

ode'imin aniibiishan- strawberry leaves
apakwanagemag aniibiishan-red pine leaves (new growth)

wiinisiibag aniibiishan- wintergreen leaves
mashkigobag aniibiishan--swamp (Labrador) tea leaves
kaakaagi11anzh aniibiishan-hemlock leaves
zhingob aniibiishan-balsam fir leaves
giizhik aniibiishan-white cedar leaves
miishkomin mitigosan-raspberry stems
okwemin nagek-black cherry bark
asasawemin wategwaan-choke cherry twigs
wiinzik- yellow birch bud tips
wiigwaas mitig-whne (paper) b1rch bud ups
doodooshaaboojiibik ojiibikan--dandelion roots

Tobacco

nessibag aniibishan-clover leaves
doodooshaaboojiibik aniibishan--dandelion leaves
bagaaniminzh aniibiishan--hazelnut leaves
datgaawanzh aniibiishan- thimbleberry leaves
wiinisiibag aniibiishan-wintergreen leaves
*pigweed leaves
miskwaabimiizh aniibishan-red willow (kinnickinn-ick) bark
wiigob ojiibikan-basswood roots

Insect Repellents

giizhik aniibishan-white cedar leaves
miskwaabiimizh waaboo-red willow sap

Decorations

*trailing arbutus flowers
oziisigobimizh waabigwaniin- pussy willow flowers
wiigwaas-paper (white) birch bark
lodge, baskets, containers, canoes, caskets, scoops, cradle boards, ornaments, firestarter

Council Meeting: May 3, 2017

General Business

1. Acceptance of Tribal Council Minutes for 4/26/17 for Filing
Motion by Di Piazza; Supported by Friedel

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

Grants & Contracts

Speaker Johnson noted they do not have anything under Grants & Contracts.

Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017 in the amount of \$40,000
The Contract Funds are awarded as part of the 2017 Self-Governance Compact.
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Wittenberg

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

2. Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Department of Interior - Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017 in the amount of \$642,012
The Contract Funds are awarded as part of the 2017 Self-Governance Compact
Motion by Crampton; Supported by Riley

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

3. Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Department of Interior-Bureau of Indian Affairs and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017 in the amount of \$1,065
The Contract Funds are awarded as part of the 2017 Self-Governance Compact.
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

Approval of Budgeted Modification

1. Approval for Councilor Di Piazza to attend the United Tribes of Michigan Meeting
The meeting will be hosted by the Sault Saint Marie Tribe at the Kewadin Casino Conference Center on May 10-11, 2017
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Friedel
Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain.
Councilor Di Piazza said he will be.
Speaker Johnson said okay. Johnson said it was open for discussion. Johnson asked Recorder Riley to do a roll call.

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-1-1)

Old Business

Speaker Johnson said that takes them into reports that are due and they have nothing at this point to accept. Johnson asked Recorder Riley if he was correct in that.
Recorder Riley said correct.

Elected Official Compensation - Tribal Judges

Tribal Council held a work session on March 30, 2017 to review the compensation levels of Elected Officials and is required to set those levels by resolution. This item was postponed at the April 26th Tribal Council Meeting.
Speaker Johnson said they will move on. They are holding off on Item H for the Elected Officials Compensation for next week.

Items Moved from Closed to Open Session

2. Motion to move Motion, Resolution, and Roll Call Vote for #17-0503-163 to Open Session
Motion by Riley; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

3. Approval of Resolution #17-0503-163, Adopting a Qualified Roll of Tribal Members whose files were subject to, and confirmed by, audits conducted in 1996, 2004, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2014 and 2016 as submitted by the enrollment department with total number of 4,184 living Tribal Members and 336 Records for deceased
Motion by Medacco; Supported by Riley

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-1-0-1)

General Business

1. Acceptance of Tribal Council Minutes for 5/3/17 for Filing
Motion by Riley; Supported by Medacco

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

Council Meeting: May 10, 2017

Speaker Johnson said before they get into moving onto the second item just a quick update for the people in the audience here is that they approved the 3/30/17 agenda and meeting minutes. Johnson said however they did that knowing that they could not find the recording of this on the computer but Grace Hendler through her diligence and hard work she did finally uncover the recording of it and so she wanted to incorporate those minutes

to this meeting so they are going to revisit this issue. Johnson said he believed at this point they are going to rescind the previous minutes and then incorporate the new ones. Johnson said with that said he will turn it over to Recorder Riley.
2. Rescinding previous approval of Tribal Council Minutes on 4/19/17 and Re-Approve recovered 3/30/17 Tribal Council Minutes
Motion by Riley; Supported by Wittenberg

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

Grants & Contracts

Speaker Johnson noted they do not have anything under Grants & Contracts so they will move into Approval of Budget Modifications.

Budget Modifications

1. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2017-2nd QTR to fund Carpet Replacement and Painting at the Muskegon Office Building in the amount of \$14,018.77

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2017-012 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer. Motion by Lewis; Supported by Riley

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

2. Approval of Supplemental Appropriation 2017-2nd QTR to fund Costs Associated with Self-Renewing Line of Credit for use in the building of the Odeno Community Homes for Sale

Tribal Council has received a Certification of Availability of Funds #2017-013 from the Accounting Department signed by the Chief Financial Officer. Motion by Medacco; Supported by Riley

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

Approval of Budgeted Expenditure

1. Approval for Councilor Riley to Travel to attend Majority Trust Retreat at Martha’s Vineyard on July 14-16, 2017

The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee will meet in Edgarton Massachusetts. Motion by Medacco; Supported by Crampton. Speaker Johnson asked if anybody was going to abstain and that it was open for discussion. Recorder Riley said he will be abstaining.

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (5-0-1-3)

2. Approval for Councilor Lewis to Travel to attend Majority Trust Retreat at Martha’s Vineyard on July 14-16, 2017

Motion by Medacco; Supported by Wittenberg. Speaker Johnson said Councilor Lewis already acknowledged that she was going to abstain so it is open for discussion

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (5-0-1-3)

3. Approval for Councilor Crampton to Travel to attend Majority Trust Retreat at Martha’s Vineyard on July 14-16, 2017

Motion by Medacco; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (4-1-1-3)

Old Business

- Financial Report – January 2017
 - Financial Report – February 2017
 - Elected Official Compensation – Tribal Judges
- Tribal Council held a work session on March 30, 2017 to review the compensation levels of Elected Officials and is required to set those levels by resolution. This item was postponed at the April 26th Tribal Council Meeting

Speaker Johnson asked do they have anything on Old Business. Johnson said yes they have received Financial Reports for January and February. Johnson asked Recorder Riley if there was any action they have to do on that.

Recorder Riley said not at this time. Speaker Johnson said it is so noted that it will be recorded as they have accepted those minutes and they are filed. Johnson said they did postpone Item H so that moves them into New Business.

New Business

1. Authorizing the Operating Transfer of \$100,000 to Increase Required Operating Cash Reserves of Little River Trading Post

The Operating Transfer of Cash will place adequate Cash Reserves for LRTP to maintain required inventory levels and additional operational overhead.

Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis.

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

2. Approval of Right of Way Documents for the M-22 Realignment Road Construction Project. The Bureau of Indian Affairs needs a resolution approved by Tribal Council in order to convey Right of Way and Easement Rights to Michigan Department of Transportation for road construction on the M-22 Realignment Project.

Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

3. Appointing Councilor Friedel as a Binojeeuk Commission Liason

The Binojeeuk Commission has only two Commissioners and a Liason is in dire need and Jamie Friedel has volunteered.

Motion by Lewis; Supported by Medacco

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

Items Moved from Closed to Open Session

4. Motion to Move Closed Session Items C.1. C.2, C.3 and C.4; Motion and Roll Call Vote to Open Session

Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call Voting Key	
 Yes	 Abstain
 No	 Absent

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

5. Ratification of Provider Network Agreement with Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Riley

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

6. Ratification of Provider Network Agreement with Meridian Health Plan of Michigan
Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

7. Ratification of Cummins Bridgeway Contract
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Riley

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

8. Authorize the Ogema to Execute Agreement with Travois
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Wittenberg

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (6-0-0-3)

Council Meeting: May 17, 2017

General Business

1. Acceptance of Tribal Council Minutes for 5/10/17 for Filing
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Crampton

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

Grants & Contracts

1. Approval to Submit Grant Application to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to the FY2017 Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) in an amount not to exceed \$600,000 for the costs of Phase 2 Improvements to the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Gathering Grounds

The proposed project will follow Phase 1 Improvements to the Gathering Grounds site that are currently under way. Phase 2 efforts will pick-up where Phase 1 efforts leave off. Project planning basically follows the Gatehring Grounds Planning Charette that was completed in 2013. However, the originally discussed project plans for Phases 3 and 4 have been removed indefinitely from the project.
Motion by Di Piazza; Supported by Riley

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

Budget Modifications

1. Acceptance of Contract Funds from the Department of Interior - Government to Government (G2G) IRR Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB-2017 in the amount of \$258,669.91
The Tribe has received funding from the Bureau of Indian Affairs for 2017
Motion by Riley; Supported by Friedel

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

Acceptance of Commission Reports

- Binojeeuk Commission – April 2017
 - Gaming Commission – April 2017
 - Natural Resource Commission – April 2017
 - Commerce Commission – April 2017
- Speaker Johnson said under Section V Acceptance of Commission Reports they have received several of them here. Johnson asked Recorder Riley if there was anything they need to act on.
Riley responded no.

Acceptance of Committee Minutes and Other Entities

- Little River Casino Resort Preference Report – April 2017
- Speaker Johnson said with the Elders committee they just got formed that next month they will have something to supply them with. Johnson said they did receive the Little River Casino Resort

Preference Report but they have not received the Government Preference Report. Johnson asked if there were any updates or anything they need to act on with the Resort's Preference Report.
Recorder Riley said not at this time.
Speaker Johnson said okay then let them move into Old Business.

Old Business

- Enrollment Commission – March 2017
- Natural Resource Commission – February 2017
- Natural Resource Commission – March 2017
- Commerce Commission – May 2016
- Commerce Commission – June 2016
- Commerce Commission – January 2017
- Commerce Commission – February 2017
- Commerce Commission – March 2017

Speaker Johnson said they have reports due still for the March and also for the Housing Commission for March. Johnson said they have recieved the Enrollment Commission and they have received the Natural Resource and Commerce Commission. Johnson asked is there anything they need to act on in those items.
Recorder Riley said no.

New Business

1. Amending Compensation for Tribal Court Judges
Tribal Council finds that the proposed Compensation Structure does not diminish any individual judge's compensation and approves amendment.
Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (4-3-0-2)

- Amending Compensation for the Tribal Ogema Tribal Council finds that the proposed Compensation Structure does not diminish the Ogema's compensation and approves amendment. Motion by Riley; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (5-2-0-2)

- Authorizing the Donation of \$500 to the Sandy Corley Memorial Cancer Run on behalf of Mercy Health and the Fremont Harley Owners Group

The Tribal Leadership has determined that donations to organization which contribute to the well-being of our community are appropriate for the purposes established by the Revenue Allocation Plan and the restrictions imposed by IGRA. Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

- Authorizing Permanent Adoption of Amendments to the Budget & Appropriations

Act of 2013, Ordinance #13-100-04
Tribal Council posted the Amendments for a 30 Day Public Comment Period and held a final Work Session on May 11, 2017; Amendments are ready for permanent adoption.
Motion by Riley; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

- Authorizing the Donation of \$5,000 to the Manistee Area Chamber of Commerce for Downtown Fireworks
The Tribal Leadership has determined that donations to organizations which contribute to the well-being of our community are appropriate for the purposes established by the Revenue Allocation Plan and the restrictions imposed by IGRA
Motion by Di Piazza; Supported by Friedel

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

Items Moved from Closed to Open Session

- Motion to Move the Motion and Roll Call Vote from Closed Session C.1 to Open Session
Motion by Riley; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (7-0-0-2)

- Ratification of Cardinal Health Agreement
Motion by Riley; Supported by Friedel
- Acceptance of Election Board Partial Final Report
Motion by Friedel; Supported by Di Piazza
Speaker Johnson said COuncilors Crampton and Lewis. Johnson said he will ask the proedure on this one is he will start off in the order of abstentions. Johnson asked Councilor Crampton if he wanted to explain why he is going to abstain. Councilor Crampton said he is still unclear on processes of Partial Final Report is the title and they are supposed to accept the Final Report. Crampton asked is this the last report they are going to accept because this is the final one right because Black's Law of Definition is conclusion. Johnson said so moving onto Councilor Lewis's same question. Johnson asked does she have a Conflict of Interest. Johnson said yes means she does and no means she doesn't. Speaker Johnson said just a quick thing nothing is stopping them. Johnson said with that said any other discussion on this item. Johnson asked Recorder Riley to do a roll call please.

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (4-1-2-2)

General Business

- Acceptance of Tribal Council Minutes for 5/17/17 for Filing
Motion by Medacco; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call

J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	M. Wabindato
R. Wittenberg	V. Johnson	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-0-0-1)

Council Meeting: May 24, 2017

Oaths of Office Administered

Tribal Appellate Court Judge

- Berni Carlson
Speaker Johnson said Judge Berni Carlson would normally be sworn in by the Speaker today but she has some health issues so she is not here to be sworn in.

Election Board

- Edward Tyler
I, Edward Tyler, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa

Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and to carry out my responsibilities as a member of the Election Board with the utmost cares and professionalism.
Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

- Terri L. Burmeister
I, Terri L. Burmeister, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of

America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and to carry out my responsibilities as a member of the Election Board with the utmost cares and professionalism.

Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

3. Valerie Robinson-Mc Donnell

I, Valerie Robinson-Mc Donnell, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and to carry out my responsibilities as a member of the Election Board with the utmost cares and professionalism.

Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

Tribal Council

1. Gary Di Piazza

I, Gary Paul Di Piazza, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the United States of America.

I will maintain the respect and honor of the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and place the concerns of the Tribe before personal considerations in matters that come before me. To the best of my ability, I will perform the responsibilities and duties that go with the position I hold, so I affirm by all that I hold dear and sacred. Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

2. Ron Pete

I, Ronald J. Pete, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the Constitution of the United States of America. I swear to uphold all laws and regulations of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and the United States of America.

I will maintain the respect and honor of the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and place the concerns of the Tribe before personal considerations in matters that come before me. To the best of my ability, I will perform the responsibilities and duties that go with the position I hold, so I affirm by all that I hold dear and sacred. Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

3. Diane Lonn

I, Diane A. Lonn, swear to uphold and protect the Constitution of the Little River Band of Ottawa

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

I will maintain the respect and honor of the Tribal Council of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians and place the concerns of the Tribe before personal considerations in matters that come before me. To the best of my ability, I will perform the responsibilities and duties that go with the position I hold, so I affirm by all that I hold dear and sacred. Signed and sworn before me this 24th day of May, 2017

Selection of Officers

1. Speaker

Motion to appoint Joseph Riley as Speaker
Motion by Crampton; Supported by Lewis

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

2. Recorder

Motion to affirm the vote on Councilor Lewis as Recorder
Motion by Crampton; Supported by Pete

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

Grants & Contracts

Speaker Riley said they have nothing under Grants & Contracts

Budget Modifications

- Acceptance of Contract Funds from the US Environmental Protection Agency - Air Quality Program and approving a modification to the Operating Budget MB 2017 in the amount of \$45,655

The Tribe has received a Notice of Award for the Air Quality Program.

Motion by Lewis; Supported by Wittenberg

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

Approval of Budgeted Expenditures

- Appropriating Funds for Expenditures during the 3rd QTR of FY2017 in Accordance with Section 5.07 of the Budget & Appropriations Act of 2013

Section 5.07 requires that Tribal Council appropriates funds for Expenditures for the following fiscal quarter

Motion by Crampton; Supported by Friedel

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

Old Business

- Housing Commission – March 2017
- Housing Commission – April 2017

Speaker Riley said okay moving onto Section four Old Business. Riley said they still have the April 2017 Operations Report due, the March & April Financial Reports, and they have the Enrollment Commission April 2017. Riley said what they do have is the Housing Commission March & April Reports and those were the only submitted. Riley said they will accept those for filing for the record. Riley said moving onto New Business.

New Business

- Approve Posting of Amendments to the Elected Officials Ethics Ordinance, Ordinance #14-100-10 for a 30 Day Public Comment

The Tribal Council has reviewed this Ordinance in work sessions on April 24, 2017 and May 16, 2017 and it is ready to be posted.

Motion by Lewis; Supported by Crampton

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (8-1-0-0)

- Approve Amendments to the Health Commission By-Laws

The Health Commission has reviewed and amended their By-Laws by Health Commission Resolution #17-0515-001 and forwards them to Tribal Council for final adoption.

Motion by Lewis; Supported by Friedel

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

- Acceptance of Tax Department 2016 Annual Report
The Tax and Revenue Administration Ordinance requires that an Annual Report of Tax Revenues be submitted to Tribal Council
Motion by Friedel; Supported by Di Piazza

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

- Items Moved from Closed to Open Session**
- Motion to move Resolution #16-1214-396 and also Resolution #16-1214-395 and Resolution #16-397
Motion by Lewis; Supported by Medacco

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

- Approval of Membership to National Republican Congressional Committee by Tribal Council and Tribal Ogema
Motion by Medacco; Supported by Wabindato

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

- Approval of Membership to Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee by Tribal Council and Tribal Ogema
Motion by Riley; Supported by Medacco

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

- Approval of LRBOI to make contributions to One Michigan from the Strategic Gaming Reserve
Motion by Medacco; Supported by Riley

Roll Call		
J. Riley	J. Friedel	F. Medacco
S. Crampton	G. DiPiazza	R. Pete
R. Wittenberg	D. Lonn	S. Lewis

Motion Carried (9-0-0-0)

Roll Call Voting Key	
 Yes	 Abstain
 No	 Absent

Kid's Cooking Class

Ages 9-12

At Akii Maadiziwin Community Center

**Monday—Friday
2:30pm to 5:00pm**

July 17th through July 28th

**Limited Space
Only 12 Spots!**

Sponsored by the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians' Education Department. There is no cost for the class and all materials will be provided. Space is limited to 12, so contact Yvonne at 231-398-6734 Deb at 231-398-6724 to sign up!

Letter from the Ogema

Aanii,
Happy Summer to everyone. I would like to congratulate all the newly elected members to the various positions within the Tribe.
Congratulations to Bernie Carlson for being re-elected as one of our Tribal Appellate Judges. I also want to congratulate the newest installed Tribal Council members. Gary DiPiazza was re-elected to his position, Diane Lonn and Ron Pete were both elected as our newest members of Tribal Council. Congratulations to all. One tribal council position is still pending. Also three new Election Board members were installed. Ed Tyler, and Valerie Robinson-McDonall were newly elected and Terri Burmeister was re-elected.
Judge Angela Sherigan performed the installation ceremonies.
I also want to congratulate the newest Elder's Committee to serve until the next election to be held later this year. Mary Thomas was chosen as the new Chairperson of the Committee and Marcella Leusby is the new Secretary. Also elected were Darlene Martin, Al Metzger and Terri Tyler. Congratulations to all of you. Many good comments on the June Elder's Meeting. I want to thank the outgoing Tribal Councilors for their service to this Tribe, especially former Speaker, Virgil Johnson as we worked on many projects together.

er. Kchi Miigwetch to all above.
The new changes to the Gathering Grounds are almost complete with a deadline of the third week of June in time for our 2017 Jiintamok starting on July 1st. This is our 22nd annual Pow Wow. The Indian Village Camp is also happening in June and again in August. The 24th Annual Anishinaabe Family Language and Cultural Camp will be held July 28-30th. More information should be included in this paper and on the Rapid River News.
Our Next Generations Learning Center is now open and our tribal pharmacy should be ready to serve within a few weeks.
I want to welcome Andrew Gentile as the Little River Casino Resort's newest General Manger. Our Muskegon Casino Project continues to move forward along with our Odeno Project. Ten new homes are being built at Aki Maadiziwin to provide additional housing for our membership. Until the next issue...



Commerce Department



Moving Earth at Odeno (Place of Many Hearts) in Fruitport Township, Muskegon.

Real Estate Intern Wanted

Dirkstone Real Estate Group, the realtor for Odeno (Place of Many Hearts) Housing Project in Fruitport Township (Muskegon), would like to hire a Tribal Member Intern interested in pursuing a career in real estate, marketing and/or administrative to work and learn in a fast-paced business. Must be enrolled in college. \$10.00 per hour for at least 240 hours.

Contact Dirkstone Real Estate Group, 510 Miller Dr., Grand Haven, MI 49417. Call 231-740-9298. Email dirk@dirkstone.com.

If interested in purchasing a home, contact Dirkstone Real Estate Group.

Take Control of Your Future!

Commerce/Workforce Development Program
Benefits for Tribal Members*:

- Internship 240 hours @ \$10.00 per hour
- Internship Hosting \$150.00 Honorarium
- Development & Training Up to \$300.00 per calendar year
- Career Assistance Voucher \$200.00 per calendar year
- 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
- Youth Work Experience/Employment Program 320 hours @ \$8.15 per hour
- Vocational Assistance Award (need based) Up to \$4,000.00
- Job Seeker & Career Related Activities Work Station Upon Request
- GED Preparation Book Upon Request
- Job Readiness Training By Appointment
- Referral Services to Michigan Works! Free

*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. Ask or see Program for details and eligibility requirements.

ACCEPTING EDC BOARD APPLICATIONS

Little River Holdings, LLC will seek to become the parent economic development entity of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. The economic development company will provide a legal structure built under sovereign tribal laws to house the economic development entities, other than the Manistee Casino, whose purpose is to create monetary profits and tribal community benefits. Each Board of Directors member must meet the following qualifications:

- At least twenty-five (25) years old
- Possess a Bachelor's Degree, high school diploma or GED
- Five (5) years of significant business, financial, legal,

government contracting, or industry experience

- Have no felony convictions
- Have no misdemeanor convictions within the last ten (10) years
- Submit to a background investigation yielding no results showing convictions involving tax evasion, tax fraud, embezzlement or moral turpitude

Little River Holdings, LLC Board of Directors shall be comprised of: two (2) Tribal Council Members approved by Tribal Council; the Ogema (or alternate designated by the Ogema as approved by Tribal Council); one (1) Tribal Member appointed by the Ogema and approved by Tribal Council who is well-experienced in business and

Tribal government matters; and three (3) individuals with substantial experience in business, tribal government, finance or accounting, government contracting or procurement, and/or human resources, appointed by the Ogema and ratified by Tribal Council.

An additional opportunity to become involved in the functioning of the EDC will require the formation of an EDC Citizens Advisory Board. If interested, please send a letter of application and resume to Chief Executive Assistant, Mary Thomas, 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660, attention Ogema, or email at: Mthomas@lrboi-nsn.gov

Entrepreneurship – Owning Your Future

Have you ever dreamed of starting/owning a business but you don't know where to start? The LRBOI Commerce Department is looking for 6 to 12 adult (18+ y.o.) tribal citizens that will dedicate 6 to 8 hours a week for 15 weeks. The course "Entrepreneurship - Owning Your Future" will cover subjects: Characteristics of an Entrepreneur, Types of Business Ownership, Business Planning, Estimating Sales, Cash Flow, and more. Materials will be provided. All you need to provide is the time, drive, and the passion. If this is a program that interests you, please contact David Hawley, Workforce Development Specialist, at dhawley@lrboi-nsn.gov or phone 231.398.6842.

LRBOI Commerce Department is taking proposals to lease agricultural acreage in Fruitport Township (Muskegon).

Property is described as 36.1 acres of Blueberry Fields located near 2051 E. Ellis Road in Fruitport Township, Muskegon. Barn is located on the acreage. Property is bordered on the North by Ellis Road and I-96; on the south by East Sternberg Road; on the East by South Sheridan Road; and on the West by South Quarterline Road.
Property #61-15-122-200-0014-00.

If interested, contact:

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians | Commerce Department,
2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee, MI 49660.
Phone: 231-723-8288 and ask for Tom or Jeanie.
Email: TomStDennis@lrboi-nsn.gov or jjibson@lrboi-nsn.gov.

May 24, 2017 Swearing in of Election Board and 3 Council Members



TOP: (left) Ron Pete - Tribal Council Nine County, (right) Diane Lonn - Tribal Council At-Large
 BOTTOM: (left) Gary Di Piazza - Tribal Council Nine County, (right) Valerie Robinson-McDonnell - Election Board

RIGHT: (Top) Terri Burmeister - Election Board, (bottom) Edward Tyler - Election Board
 FAR RIGHT: Outgoing Councilman, Virgil Johnson

Community Survey

Hello, this letter is to give you information about a survey that is taking place among Michigan Native Americans.

The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribe is in the process of conducting a personalized survey called the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) as part of the 2017 Native American BRFS Project. In the past, Native Americans, have been underrepresented in such surveys; this survey will give the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribe a more accurate and fair representation.

This survey is sponsored by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Health Disparity Reduction and Minority Health and will be conducted by Michigan State University. The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan will coordinate the project and the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council will analyze and return the data to the Tribe. This will be a team effort and we hope that you will also help by agreeing to participate if you are called.

BRFSS stands for Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System and it is a randomized telephone survey that estimates health characteristics among the adults population, 18 years or older. The objective of the BRFSS is to collect information about preventive health practices and risk behaviors that are linked to chronic diseases and injuries in the adult population. For example, one question over the phone may sound like this: "Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have diabetes?"

The Little River Tribe will work with the Inter-Tribal Council of MI to create a list of all adults who may participate in the phone survey. We will destroy all names and phone numbers after the survey is complete and all information from the caller is confidential. The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan staff will also work with and train the MSU Research Agency interviewers to be culturally appropriate and sensitive over the phone.

The benefits of your participation will be valu-

able! The data from the BRFSS will be very useful in applying for grants, requesting funds, starting new health programs, and to determine the effectiveness of existing programs. The BRFSS information will give the Tribe a better idea of the community smoking rates, diabetes rates, exercise, and nutrition habits and many other health risk behaviors. The full BRFSS report will be presented to the Ogema and Tribal Council through the Tribal Health Department. This survey will also be shared with our community upon its completion.

If you have any questions, please contact the Tribal BRFSS Coordinator, Dottie Batchelder, at 1-231-723-8299, ext. 6741. Miigwetch for your contribution to this exciting project!

Dottie Batchelder, Tribal BRFSS Coordinator
 LRBOI Health Services/Be Da Bin



30th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics

Save the Date
Friday, July 21, 2017

Central Michigan University's Bennett Track & Field

For more information, please contact: Jaden Harman at 989.775.4694
*This event is open to all Native Americans and their family members. **This is an alcohol, tobacco and drug-free event.

Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan
"Working Together for Our Future"

1070 E. Broadway
Muskegon, MI 49515
989.775.4600
www.sagchip.org

LRBOI
M I C H I G A N
INDIAN
FAMILY
O L Y M P I C S

JULY 21, 2017 | 9AM-3PM | ALL AGE EVENT | FREE EVENT

WE WANT YOU!
to help compete against other Michigan Tribal Nations in a fun filled track & field day.
Bus pick up will be at Aki Madazwiin Community Center and departs at 6:15am
Early sign up ensures a free t-shirt and a pair of shorts

Please Contact Krystal Davis at 231-398-6739 or krystaldavis@lrboi-nsn.gov

30th Annual Michigan Indian Family Olympics | July 21st, 2017

Name	Birth Date	Gender	T-Shirt Size	Short Size

Phone Number _____ Transportation: CHARTER BUS OR OTHER (circle one)

*This event is open to all Native Americans and their family members who reside in the state of Michigan. **This is an alcohol, tobacco and other drug-free event
By signing up for the Michigan Indian Family Olympics, you hereby state that you have conditioned yourself properly for the activities you will participate in. You waive any right that you have against the Family Olympics staff, Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe, and all participating groups for damages or injuries occurred by your participation in the 2017 Michigan Indian Family Olympics.

**vote
for
Me!**

ELDERS COMMITTEE

At the November Elders Meeting there will be a vote to elect all new Committee Members. If you would like to run for this position, please submit your name, a brief bio and why you would like to be on Committee to :

Marcella Leusby
2608 Government Center Drive
Manistee, MI 49660
Or mleusby@lrboi-nsn.gov

All names must be received by August 1, 2017 to be published in the September edition of Currents which will be mailed the middle of August

Government is closed for the following Holidays

New Years Day
 Treaty Recognition Day (3/28)
 Memorial Day
 Independence Day
 Labor Day
 Reaffirmation Day (9/21)
 Veterans Day
 Thanksgiving (Thurs & Fri)
 Christmas Eve (Half Day)
 Christmas Day

Just use the toll-free number 888.723.8288.
 Some areas of the government will 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.



Health
&
Wellness

Be Da Bin Receives Award

Be Da Bin Behavioral Health received notification of award of an Adult Mental Health Block Grant. This grant is awarded in two phases: Phase One April 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017 in the amount of \$143,900.00.

Our project proposal for this grant is to plan, Establish, implement and integrate a new "Tele-Psychiatry" telemedicine addition to our existing healthcare system. This addition will provide clients with psychiatric services by way of conferencing

live on TV with a contracted Psychiatrist. Due to LRBOI being located in a rural area and our clients lacking the ability to travel long distance for appointments, telepsych will fulfill these gaps of service for Tribal members. This additional service will provide clients with additional professional services.

A Tribal "TelePsychiatric" initiative will greatly improve LRBOI's capacity to meet the multiple needs of our Tribal members.

A consumer representative will be part of our focus group team. If you would be interested in being a consumer representative for the focus group, please contact: Sujean Drake, LMSW, CAADC, Be Da Bin Behavioral Health Counselor 2313986734.

This project will develop a multidisciplinary team which will focus on holistic care for our clients. This team will be represented by Tribal and community professionals who are connected to each individual case.

Making psychiatric services available is a fundamental change, and one that will bring other fundamental changes in yet unknown ways. However, one such expected change is improved client outcomes and improved quality of life for our Tribal clients.

26TH ANNUAL ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW

MINODAAPINOGEWIN

Respecting all Walks of Life

AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017 - HARBOR SPRINGS, MI - LTBB POW WOW GROUNDS

FREE! OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!
BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!

GRAND ENTRY TIMES:
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12 - 1 & 7 PM
SUNDAY, AUGUST 13 - 12 PM

**MISS ODAWA WOMEN'S 13+
ALL-AROUND SPECIAL**
SPONSORED BY CICILEE CHIVIS AND FAMILY

DANCE, DRUM AND HAND DRUM CONTESTS

REGISTRATION - FRIDAY, AUGUST 11, 6-8 PM &
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 10 AM - NOON
REGISTRATION FEE \$5 PER DANCER/SINGER.
TRIBAL IDS MAY BE REQUESTED.
TINY TOTS NEED NOT REGISTER.

**DANCE CONTEST
PRIZE MONEY**
**GOLDEN AGE 50+
& ADULT 18-49**
1ST- \$600
2ND- \$500
3RD- \$400

TEEN 13-17
1ST- \$300
2ND- \$200
3RD- \$100

**DRUM CONTEST
PRIZE MONEY**
1ST- \$4,000
2ND- \$3,000
3RD- \$2,000
4TH- \$1,000

JUNIOR 7-12
1ST- \$100
2ND- \$75
3RD- \$50

**GROUP HAND DRUM
CONTEST PRIZE MONEY**
1ST- \$400
2ND- \$300
3RD- \$200

NEW! JUNIOR MISS ODAWA CONTEST!

HOST DRUM - SMOKEYTOWN
HEAD VETERAN - GEORGE MARTIN
ARENA DIRECTOR - R.J. SMITH
MC - JOEY AWONOHOPAY
HEAD MALE DANCE JUDGE - STEWART BOIVIN, JR.
HEAD FEMALE DANCE JUDGE - PAMELA BOIVIN
HEAD DANCERS - TBD PER SESSION

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Annette VanDeCar
231-242-1427
avandecar@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov

VENDOR INFORMATION:
Marcia Sutton
231-373-0867
msutton10@yahoo.com

SPONSORED BY - LITTLE TRAVERSE BAY BANDS OF ODAWA INDIANS
CHECK OUT WWW.ODAWAHOMECOMING.COM AND ON FACEBOOK:
ODAWA HOMECOMING POW WOW FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION.

Rain site: Petoskey High School Gymnasium

ABSOLUTELY NO POLITICS, DRUGS, ALCOHOL OR PETS ALLOWED AT THIS EVENT. NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOSS OF PROPERTY OR ACCIDENTS.

BEGINNING FARMERS WORKSHOP

Farming for All: Programs, resources and partners who can help your farm succeed
Muskegon Farmers Market

242 W. Western Ave., Muskegon, Michigan

Wednesday, July 12, 2017 | 9AM-2PM

This workshop will include a specific focus on Veterans and native american tribal members who are interested in getting into farming as an occupation..

Tentative Agenda

9:00-9:30AM: Introductions - staff and organizations

9:30-10AM: Veterans resources and opportunities in Michigan

Dylan Thomas - MIFFS Vets in Ag Network

10-10:50AM: Getting your farm registered with USDA

Adam Ingrao - MIFFS Vets in Ag Network and MSUE

10:50-11:20AM: Break/networking

11:20-11:50AM: Introduction to MSU Extension AG services

Ben Werling – MSUE

11:50AM-12:30PM: NRCS Programs

Scott Hughey - NRCS Tribal Liaison Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

12:30-1:15PM: Lunch

1:15-2:00PM: Listening session

- Barriers to farming or training? What do farmers in Muskegon need?
- Tribal member needs? How can MIFFS help?

RSVP to Marty Gerencer at marty@morseconnections.com, 231/638-2981

This event is hosted by MIFFS and the MIFFS Vets to Ag Network



**Miss Little River Band of Ottawa
Indians Princess Contest**

We are looking for young ladies interested in becoming Tribal Royalty.
All eligible ladies are encouraged to compete. Application packets can be obtained by calling the number below or downloaded from the Tribe's website: www.lrboi-nsn.gov

The contest will be held in conjunction with the 22nd Annual Jiatingmok on July 1 & 2, 2017 at the Tribal Gathering Grounds in Manistee, MI

For more information, please contact:

Tribal Historic Preservation at (231) 398-6893 or

toll-free at (888) 723-8288

**American Indian Science Scholars Program
July 23-August 2, 2017**



A FREE educational event held at the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee for Native American high-school students

- Hands-on sessions (*Past activities included looking at blood cells of infection, blood typing, DNA necklaces, learn the physics of medical imaging, visiting a field station, and more!*)
- Educational field trips to multiple campuses
- Room and board at UW-Milwaukee dorm provided
 - Cultural activities
- Milwaukee Brewers game

For More Information:

Natalia Graf
GLNARCH Student Development Prog.
ngraf@glitc.org
800-472-7207 ext. 118

Amy Poupart
GLNARCH Program Coordinator
apoupart@glitc.org
800-472-7207 ext. 177

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council, Inc
PO Box 9 | Lac du Flambeau, WI 54538

Apply at: <http://www.glitc.org/programs/narch-studentoptions>



**10
Days!**

POW WOW DATES AND PLACES

June 10-11, 2017

Gathering of the ClansManistique, MI
800-347-7137

June 23 - 25, 2017

Honoring Our Veterans.....Brimley, MI
906-248-8300

June 24 - 25, 2017

Nottawaseppi Annual.....Fulton, MI

June 30 - July 2, 2017

45th Annual Oneida...Green Bay, WI

July 1 - 2, 2017

LRBOI 22nd Annual Jiintamok.....Manistee, MI
231-398-6891

July 7 - 9, 2017

Traditional Pow Wow Sault Ste. Marie, MI
906-635-6050 or 906-203-4977

July 28 - 30, 2017

Saginaw Chippewa.....Mt. Pleasant, MI
989-775-4942 or sagchip.com

August 12, 2017

Youth Empowerment..... Rexton, MI
906-341-3362 or 906-484-2298

August 12 - 13, 2017

Odawa Homecoming.....Harbor Springs, MI
231-242-1427

August 12, 2017

Kitchi Miniss Munising.....Munising, MI
906-387-2368 or 989-751-9682

August 25 - 27, 2017

Rendezvous at the StraightsSt. Ignace, MI
906-643-8717 or 906-984-2083

November 11, 2017

Honoring our Anishnaabe Veterans ...Kinross, MI
906-635-6050 or 906-203-4977

December 31, 2017

Sobriety Pow Wow..... Sault Ste. Marie, MI
906-203-4977



Get Certified:
Q.P.R. - Suicide Prevention Skills

Suicide Prevention is something that anyone can learn. QPR stands for “Question, Persuade, Refer”. When you become a certified gate-keeper in QPR you will have learned the skills to assist someone who is expressing suicidal thoughts. In 1 hour you can learn what you can do to help someone in a mental health crisis. More people die by suicide than breast cancer. It is the second leading cause of death for young people. Please consider taking this class.

June 21, 2017

Manistee ISD Building
772 East Parkdale Avenue

1:00pm join in community discussion/presentation about Manistee County Suicide Awareness and Prevention Coalition.

1:30pm QPR Training-FREE TO ATTEND

Register with Dottie-231-398-6741 or Krystal-231-398-6739

Become certified in QPR for free.
Learn the skills. Save a life.

22nd Annual Jiingtamok

LRBOI

July 1-2, 2017

Grand Entry

Saturday 12 & 7pm, Sunday 12

2608 Government Center Dr.

Manistee, MI

*Native American Drumming, Singing & Dancing - Food Vendors - Craft Vendors
Fun for all - All Public Welcome - No Charge - No Dogs Allowed*

Drum Contest
Dance Contest
Princess Contest

Head Dancers
Al Metzger – DeAnna Lewis
Ron Wittenburg – Janine Sam
Paul Syrette – Renee Diehlman



Judges David Shananaquet, Lorraine Shananaquet, Walker Stonefish, MC: Phillip Memberto
Arena Director: Gabriel Caluya-Memberto
Head Veterans: George Martin & Frank Lewis

Drum Competition

1st: \$2000

2nd: \$1000

3rd: \$500

Host Drum:

Eagle Flight Singers

Co-Host Drum:

Urban Nation Singers

Invited: Red Cedar, War Party, Swirling Wind, Painted Rock, Wild Bear

First 5 Show-Up Drums to register ONSITE
Will receive \$300 honorarium.

All Drums must have 6 registered singers,
NO Drum Hopping.

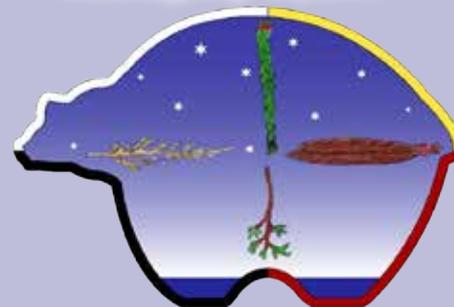
No admission fee, Native Vendors only, No Alcohol, Drugs, or Pets | On-site camping, some electric hook-ups, bathrooms with Showers. Call ahead to reserve a room or spot at RV Park at the Little River Casino Resort - Toll Free at 1-888-568-2244 located across the street from the Pow Wow Grounds. (Sorry, no Pow Wow rate available) For Drum information contact Phillip at 1-315-925-9545

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians
Be-Da-Bin Behavioral Health

Join us in promoting Sobriety and Wellness within our Community

16th Annual Wellness Walk

Saturday, July 1st, 2017



New Location: Three Fires Ballroom at Little River Casino and Resort

2700 Orchard Hwy, Manistee, MI 49660

Registration: 8:00am

Breakfast: 8:30am

Speaker: Bob S.

Walk: To the Gathering Grounds

Contact Dottie at 231-398-6741 or 231-723-8299

TIP OF THE MONTH

Healthy choices go a long way! Reduce salt intake, drink more water, drink milk, forgo fried foods and increase fruits and vegetables. These choices can lead to improved health and mental wellness.

**Meals Served at Noon
Monday-Thursday**

No Charge for Elders, Spouse and Handicapped/Disabled Individuals who reside with Elder
Guest meals are \$6.00

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

Regularly Scheduled Activities

Mondays - Language Class
Wednesdays - Wii Bowling

Other Activities

Birthday of the Month, Prize Bingo, & Game Day!

Menu Subject to Change, without notice.

Meals meet 1/3 of the RDI based on a 1600-2000 Calorie Diet

Coffee, Milk & Water Available at Every Meal

Aki Community Center Elder Meals Menu 2017

July

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	1/8
	OFFICE CLOSED Independence Day	OFFICE CLOSED Independence Day	Smothered Chicken Rice Pilaf Mixed Veggies & Dessert Wii Bowling	Fish Fillet Baked Fries Cole Slaw & Dessert		No Elder Committee Meeting for July
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Spaghetti & Meatballs Mixed Veggie Garlic Bread & Dessert Language Class	Taco Bar Spanish Rice Peach Cobbler & Dessert	Tomato Basil Soup Club Wrap Mixed Veggies & Dessert Wii Bowling	Hot Dogs Sweet Potato Fries Baked Beans Corn & Dessert		
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Tuna Melt Macaroni Salad Tropical Fruit & Dessert Language Class	Roasted Turkey Roasted Red Potato Green Beans & Dessert	Mushroom Swiss Burger Sweet Potato Fries Mixed Veggies & Dessert Wii Bowling	Chicken Salad Sandwich Chips, Broccoli & Dessert PRIZE BINGO	Muskegon Meal Please RSVP with Noelle 231.398.6886 Lunch served at noon	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	French Dip Potato Salad Peas & Dessert Language Class	BBQ Chicken Pasta Salad Baked Beans & Dessert	Cream Chipped Beef Potatoes Vegetables & Dessert Wii Bowling	Chef's Choice		
30	31					
	Salisbury Steak Red Potatoes Green Beans & Dessert Language Class					

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.

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 25% discount in the Gift Shop. Cigarettes, alcohol, consignment items, sundries and gift certificates are excluded from discounts.
4. 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.
5. In anticipation of the opening of the spa the Resort will not offer discounts for spa services.
6. River Credits will be given to all LRBOI Tribal Members only (no spouses).
7. 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
8. No Tribal Member private banquet functions will be discounted.
9. 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.

Department	Location	Phone Number
Accounting	Government center -main entrance	231.398.6868
Be-Da-Bin	Government center- clinic entrance	231.398.6741
Commerce	Government center -main entrance	231.398.6815
Commodities	Little River Casino Warehouse	231.398.6716
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 -community center	231.398.6879
Human Resources	Government center- main entrance	231.398.6871
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	231.723.1594
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
Utilities/Waste Water	Dontz Road (near Aki Maadiziwin)	231.398.2285
Work Force Development	Government center-main entrance	231.398.6842
Tribal Court	Justice center on M22	231.398.3406

Upcoming Events			
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| AA: Adoption of Adult | EB: Election Board Appeal | JV: Juvenile |
| AM: Adoption of Minor | EM: Emancipation of Minor | LT: Landlord Tenant |
| CD: Charge of Discrimination | FJ: Foreign Judgment | NA: Neglect Abuse |
| CO: Cora Offense/Conservation | FSJ: Foreign Support Judgment | NC: Name Change |
| CS: Child Support | GA: Gaming Appeal | PF: Probate |
| CT: Civil Ticket | GC: General Civil | PPO: Personal Protection Order |
| DM: Divorce with children | GM: Guardianship of Minor | TA: Trust Access |
| DO: Divorce w/o children | GR: Employment Matter | TM: Tribal Misdemeanor |
| EA: Enrollment Appeal | JC: Judicial Complaint | WC: Workmen's Compensation |

Monday, June 5, 2017 Judge Bailey

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| 10:00 a.m. | LRB v. Conner | 17092LT | Landlord/Tenant |
| 10:00 a.m. | LRB v. Shaw | 17075TM | Final Pretrial-Pros. |
| 01:15 p.m. | Meadows v. Pete | 17120TPO | Hrg. |

Monday, June 12, 2017 Judge Bailey

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| 10:00 a.m. | Housing v. Shaw | 17004LT | Motion Hrg. |
| 11:00 a.m. | LRB v. A. Metzger | 16071TM | Show Cause |
| 02:00 p.m. | LRB v. McAlpine | 17087TM | Sentencing Hrg. |

Friday, June 16, 2017 Judge Sherigan

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| 09:30 a.m. | Monto v. LRB | 17099GC | Pretrial |
| 10:00 a.m. | Hamilton v. Chouinard | 17087CM | Evidentiary Hrg. |
| 11:00 a.m. | Neglect/Abuse | 16029NA | Show Cause/Fam. Serv. |
| 01:30 p.m. | Nelson/Corey v. EB | 17113GC | Hrg. On Petition |

Monday, June 19, 2017 Judge Bailey

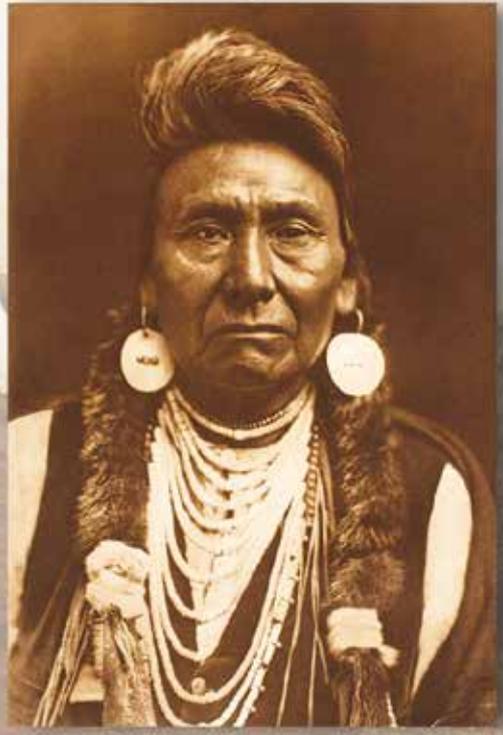
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| 09:30 a.m. | Sam v. Sam | 08172DM | Show Cause Hrg. |
| 10:00 a.m. | Neglect/Abuse | 11223NA | Closed Hrg. |
| 11:30 a.m. | Burmeister | 15055PF | Show Cause |
| 01:15 p.m. | LRB v. Shaw | 17075TM | Bench Trial |

Thursday, June 29, 2017 Judge Sherigan

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| 11:00 a.m. | Neglect/Abuse | 16029NA | Continuation Hrg. |
| 02:00 a.m. | LRB v. Hamilton | 17088TM | Pretrial |
| 03:00 a.m. | Neglect/Abuse | 16040NA | Continuation Hrg. |

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