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"SILENT NO MORE" — 6TH ANNUAL CHELSEY LAFERNIER MEMORIAL WALK HELD AT KBIC



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

The 6th Annual Chelsey LaFernerier was held on Saturday, October 4, 2014, commencing at the corner of McGillan and Lyons Street, a location near the residence where Chelsey's life was taken by her domestic partner on January 22, 2009. As October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the annual event named for Chelsey has been held every October since her death. The event is held to increase domestic awareness within the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and surrounding neighborhoods.

Ogimaa Donald Shalifoe, Sr. welcomed the public to the event. Ogimaa said, "Let's keep in mind what we can do in our daily lives to end violence or even bullying. We must continue to express a vision for a violent-free world. Loud and clearly we must work to obtain a strong network of services by and for all who have experienced violence. I would like to thank the OVV [Office of Violence against Women] staff

who put forth a great effort to organize this event and the community as well."

Approximately one-hundred-and-fifty participants received purple tee-shirts at registration prior to the 1.7 mile walk from the registration corner to the Big Bucks Bingo Hall. When the group arrived at the hall, Lily Marcotte, Chelsey's eldest sister, cited a poem she chose for the event. Lily, along with Alexxus DeCota, Chelsey's daughter, counted down for a balloon release.

Tim Derwyn, Sault Ste. Marie Tribal Member, spoke on the role of men in ending domestic violence. Amber Weigel, Chelsey's sister, spoke and asked for everyone's help to do what they can to stop domestic violence.

A pot luck feast was held for the participants. A raffle was conducted at the conclusion of the event for prizes with proceeds to benefit the Niimi Gimiwang Transitional Home. Four Thunder Drum hosted songs for the event.



Where is the loving care when I was sick or sad?
Where is the generous soul for which I was glad?
Where is the forgiving and understanding heart?
Where are the bonds that were there from the start?

I miss all the little ways you showed you cared,
for there were so many good moments we shared;
Looking back on my life's assorted scenes,
I realized you taught me what love truly means;
You were my trusted confidante and best friend,
on whose loving support I could always depend.

I look at your smiling face in all my photos;
Memories flood my mind as I touch the mementos
from the happy times you and I have had,
but now these bring tears and make me sad;
For the time together went by in a wink,
Life was not as long as we'd like to think.

Sometimes memories bring comfort and make me smile,
but there are times when grief takes over for a while;
Friends offer gentle words and prayers to console,
and tell me what has happened to your loving soul;
Can it be true what they say of time healing grief?
Is it enough when they say death has given you relief?
Can we believe what others say of a better place,
where our beloved ones rest in God's warm embrace?
I should be happy you're free of pain and sorrow,
and rejoice that you'll always have tomorrow.
How can I then be so heartbroken and selfishly cry,
return to me from that peaceful place where you lie!

Now I look down at your name on a cold hard stone
that says little of the loving light you have shone;



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Shown above, left to right, Lily Marcotte, Chelsey's sister, cites poem while Harry LaFernerier, Chelsey's father, and Alexxus DeCota, Chelsey's daughter, related to the memories described.

Missing My Sister And Best Friend, cited by Lily Marcotte

One day I found you in eternal sleep;
I tried to wake you as I began to weep,
but all my pleas you could not hear;
Oh if I could have only kept you near,
away from the voices of those who went before,
who beckoned you to come to that distant shore.

I find it so very hard to believe
that you have gone and I must grieve;
I call out your name—you answer not;
and I look for you in every familiar spot.
Everything seems so strange and surreal,
I ask everyday is it a dream or real?

Where are the soft eyes of affection?
Where is the laughter and talk of childhood reflection?

Tribal Council Members:

Donald Shalifoe, Sr., Ogimaa

Carole LaPointe, Vice-President

Jean Jokinen, Secretary

Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Asst. Secretary

Eddy Edwards, Treasurer

Warren C. Swartz, Jr.

Susan J. LaFernerier

Jennifer Misegan

Robert D. (RD) Curtis, Jr.

Michael F. LaFernerier, Sr.

Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews

Don Messer, Jr.



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- 6th Annual Chelsey LaFernerier Memorial Walk
- Non-motorized Trail Grant
- Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Awarded Grant for Healthier Tribal Communities
- Lanterns on the Lake—Domestic Violence Awareness
- Family Sprit Program offers Family Activities
- Ojibwa Senior Citizens News
- Deepest Sympathy



Walking for the cause, left to right, Cecelia LaPointe and Charlotte Loonsfoot.

It tells nothing of the wonderful person you were,
and only serves to remind me of the painful loss I endure;
But I know your kind soul wants no tears or pain,
instead you'd want warm memories and love to remain.

Although I cry and stand grief-stricken by your grave,
I promise not to forget the loving memories you gave;
But still I miss you so very much my sister dear,
and your caring words I once again long to hear;
My heart's only solace is one day I will see you
as before,
Beckoning me to come join you on that white
distant shore.

OCTOBER 4, 2014 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Saturday Tribal Council Meeting was held on October 4, 2014, at the Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room in Baraga, Michigan. Ogimaa Donald Shalifoe, Sr. presided over the meeting with Carole LaPointe, Jean Jokinen, Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Eddy Edwards, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Susan J. LaFerner, Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Don Messer, Jr., Jennifer Misegan, and Warren C. Swartz, Jr. present.

Ogimaa Donald Shalifoe, Sr., shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council. Treasurer Eddy Edwards gave the Treasurer's Report (page three). Council approved the Department Head Reports for August 2014.

Under Unfinished Business: Eddy Edwards indicated the tribe has been reviewing a switch from Blue Cross Blue Shield to Consumer's Mutual Insurance in an effort to save over \$800,000 a year and provide the exact same plan to all of our employees who currently receive employee health benefits and that is a change as the Affordable Health Care Act comes into effect on January 1st. Council has a proposal from Consumer's Mutual Insurance that has been reviewed. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to change our health insurance to VAST and the carrier would be Consumer's Mutual Insurance and Delta Dental; supported by Susan J. LaFerner. Eleven supported (Shalifoe, LaPointe, Loonsfoot, Edwards, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Messer, Misegan, Swartz), one opposed (Jokinen), 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Under new business: Diana Chaudier, Election Board Chair, presented the list of eligible Tribal Members who have submitted their names to be placed on the Primary Election Ballot as: Tribal Council in the Baraga District – Doreen Blaker, Thomas Eugene Chosa, Jr., Alden L. Conner, Jr., Robert Curtis Jr., Fred Dakota, Bruce LaPointe, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, Sarah Maki, and Elizabeth D. Mayo. Tribal Council in the L'Anse District – Lyndon Ekdahl, Randall R. Haataja, Jean Jokinen, Gerald P. Jondreau, Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Elizabeth C. Matthews, and Toni J. Minton. Ms. Chaudier said, "A Primary Election is required in both the Baraga and L'Anse Districts for the position of Tribal Council. The Election Board recommends approval of all the Tribal Council Candidates." **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve the candidates as presented in the L'Anse and Baraga Districts for upcoming Primary Election, supported by Michael F. LaFerner. Eight supported (Shalifoe, Loonsfoot, Edwards, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Messer, Misegan, Swartz), 0 opposed, four abstained (LaPointe, Jokinen, Curtis, Matthews), motion carried.**

Treasurer Eddy Edwards brought forward the donations for October 2014. **Motion by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. to approve the October 2014 donations in the amount of \$350.00 for Wounded Warrior Project (Baraga Area 2014 Annual Fund), \$500.00 for March of Dimes (match donation),**

\$500.00 for Upper Peninsula Construction Council (Career Day for U.P. High School students), \$1,000.00 for Baraga Youth Football Program, \$205.00 for Lindsay Loonsfoot's son's hockey registration fee for a total of \$2,555.00, supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. Eleven supported (Shalifoe, LaPointe, Loonsfoot, Edwards, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Messer, Misegan, Swartz), one opposed (Jokinen), 0 abstained, motion carried. Jean Jokinen stated her opposition does not include the one tribal member donation.

Eddy Edwards brought to Council's attention an appraisal by Forsberg for a beautiful piece of property (40 acres with 660 feet of frontage on Third Lake) located on the end of Indian Cemetery Road. It is located right next to our other properties in that area. Our realty officer has reviewed the appraisal. No action was taken at this time.

Jean Jokinen brought forward the 3rd Reading for Title One Ordinance Amendment. **Motion by Jean Jokinen to approve the Title One Ordinance Amendment to read §1.101 The Tribal Court; Creation and Existence. The Tribal Court of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has been created and exists pursuant to the provisions of the corporate Charter and Constitution of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community; supported by Eddy Edwards. Five supported (Shalifoe, Jokinen, Edwards, Curtis, Messer), seven opposed (LaPointe, Loonsfoot, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Misegan, Swartz), 0 abstained, motion defeated.**

Dan MacNeil, Tribal Attorney/Prosecutor brought forth the M3 Insurance Agreement which he amended and edited section 4.1 to fix the confidentiality agreement, so all information shared with them will be assumed confidential. Section 5.1, I put their standard of care up to level standard of all insurance companies. They were trying to keep it to a lower standard; I put it to a higher standard. For any claims they had a 30-day clause, I edited it to a 90-day clause, so we have more time to figure out if they gave faulty advice. The big one I changed was in 7.2, for the governing law both KBIC Laws and Court of claim will be the KBIC Court. **Motion by Carole LaPointe to accept the M3 Insurance Contract for Consulting; supported by Eddy Edwards. Six supported (Shalifoe, LaPointe, Edwards, Curtis, Matthews, Messer), five opposed (Jokinen, Loonsfoot, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Misegan), one abstained (Swartz), motion carried.**

Motion by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. to enter into closed session but open to tribal members; supported by Warren C. Swartz, Jr. Eleven supported (Shalifoe, Edwards, LaPointe, Jokinen, Loonsfoot, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Misegan, Swartz), 0 opposed, one abstained (Messer), 0 absent, motion carried. Jean Jokinen and Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. were on the agenda with Casino Em-

ployee concerns. After some further discussion the following motion was made. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to enter into closed session yet open to tribal members and Casino employees; supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. Nine supported (LaPointe, Loonsfoot, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Messer, Misegan, Swartz), two opposed (Shalifoe, Jokinen), 0 abstained, one absent (Edwards), motion carried.**

Upon entering into open session, the following motions were made. **Motion by Warren C. Swartz, Jr. to overturn the General Manager's decision and return the two blackjack tables back to the Pit in Baraga Casino; supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr. Eight supported (LaPointe, Loonsfoot, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Misegan, Swartz), three opposed (Shalifoe, Jokinen, Messer), 0 abstained, one absent (Edwards), motion carried.**

Motion by Jean Jokinen to post for one General Manager Position for Baraga/Marquette Casinos like the WICS say; supported by Jennifer Misegan. Six supported (Jokinen, Loonsfoot, Curtis, M. LaFerner, Misegan, Swartz), one opposed (LaPointe), four abstained (Shalifoe, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Messer), one absent (Edwards), motion carried.

Council moved into closed session for Council Members only with two confidential matters on the agenda and made the following motion upon entering into open session prior to adjournment. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to donate \$3,000.00 on behalf of Jesse Jaukkuri to the "Angel On My Shoulder" (AOMS) and to include the sponsorship of \$1,050.00 for six campers and to donate \$400.00 to AOMS every April 10th in honor of Jesse's birthday starting next year and his mother will match the amount; supported by Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews. Ten supported (LaPointe, Jokinen, Loonsfoot, Curtis, M. LaFerner, S. LaFerner, Matthews, Messer, Misegan, Swartz), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, two absent (Shalifoe, Edwards); motion carried.**

~ submitted by Lauri Denomie, Editor

NOTICE: A service agreement has been approved between LaCourt Bottled Gas, 720 US 41, Baraga, MI, and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community effective until May 31, 2015. LaCourt agrees to provide KBIC and members a retail price of \$1.80 per gallon for deliveries between November 1, 2014—May 31, 2015. Accounts must be prepaid for camps and non-permanent residences, and paid in full within ten days for primary residences. More information is available by contacting LaCourt Bottled Gas at (906) 353-6126 or the Ogimaa's Office at (906) 353-6623, ext. 4112.

All Tribal Veterans' Meeting at the Lighthouse, Sand Point, will be held every third Wednesday of the month at 1900 hours.

All Tribal Veterans are Welcome!

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2014

Treasurer, Eddy Edwards, gave a verbal report for the month of September. (This verbal report was transcribed and edited by the Newsletter Editor with Mr. Edwards' final approval).

The other day was the end of the Fiscal Year and that means a couple of things are coming up. New budgets: we have been meeting with staff, and we are about done cleaning up the budgets. One of the big issues is the Affordable Health Care Act and how that affects the budget as we move forward. One of the big issues in the Affordable Health Care Act is any employee working 30 hours or more is considered full-time. If employees are working 30 hours a week, they will incur an employee health benefit, so we are making all those calculations and throwing that into the budget. That is a big deal this year because that law has taken effect. We expect the budgets to be cleaned up and ready to be distributed to Council next week, so the budgets may be reviewed prior to the meetings we will have regarding them. One of the biggest issues is a potential savings of over \$800,000 a year by switching from Blue Cross Blue Shield to Consumer's Mutual Insurance. We have been looking at that for several months now, and it is on the agenda today for a vote, so we'll see what happens from there.

One of the other things coming up is 2% distributions. We have been receiving all those distribution requests from different local units of government which will be reviewed soon in Council meetings after we receive the final numbers from the Chief Financial Officer (CFO).

The CFO last evening sent out the most recent statements from both casinos and the Christmas Gift Check estimate as that is coming up, and we will be looking for final numbers there. The estimate that he sent out includes a payment amount for a Christmas Gift Check to all members residing in Baraga and Marquette Counties over 18-years of age for a little over last year's amount. It looks like we will get more even though we have had two major obstacles involving the state and our distributor.

We are reviewing our retirement plans with the assistance of M3, both the Emjay Retirement Plan and our 401K to ensure that we are meeting our responsibilities as fiduciaries and a report should be completed within a week or two and that will be brought to Council and the employees for review. The management costs of the Emjay Retirement Plan and the 401K are paid for by the employees not the tribe. It is the best practice to audit our retirement plan every three to five years.

In regards to both of our casinos, the house profit in Marquette for the month of August compared to last year's August, is down 3% and in Baraga the house profit is up 17%. One of the things we continue to deal with is trying to mitigate some of the losses within some of the departments. There is one department in particular that notoriously loses hundreds of thousands of dollars,

and we are trying to address that. Otherwise the Baraga Casino for the month of August showed an increase in house profit of 17%. That is a good movement in the right direction, and we are still seeing the consequences of the recent investments; new slot machines, new Oasis upgrade that allows us to offer free play, the new marketing that we have been doing, etc., and all that takes time, but we are seeing some movements in the right direction. The revenues have been slightly going up, but the expenses are going up even faster. If we don't control these expenses, they are going to eat up the revenues. The biggest expense we have is labor, and with the Affordable Health Care Act, we have to actively manage to minimize the negative impacts that it will have on the bottom line. We came out of a big hole, and we are still trying to get out of that hole, but the coin-in numbers and the net-win numbers compared to last year for the last several months have been trending upwards and that's what we have to look for. With what we had to deal with last October, November, December, and January, and the long cold winter, there were effects on our revenue.

Additionally, the Council had approved a non-binding offer to look at the L'Anse Warden Electric Company for the purposes of acquiring it for economic development. One of the things I have been doing for that is working on proposals, so we can get firms that can provide us with the information that we need to perform the due diligence regarding the financial operation, the actual physical operation, the environmental concerns, the possible vertical immigration of the wood chip supply business, etc. I have been working with Lori Ann Sherman of Natural Resources to include all of their thoughts on making this request for proposal to be comprehensive and not narrowed and focused but wide and focused. Once I have that I will be sending it out, as I have been in contact with numerous companies and experts that are interested in providing the due diligence that we need. If we get those agreements, I will bring them to Council for approval, so we have the due diligence on that deal. What we are actually doing is taking a real hard look.

In regards to the Baraga Lakeside Acquisition there have been a couple of big bumps in the road obviously that have been well publicized and have delayed the acquisition. We are still moving forward with that, and there have been some new wrinkles that will make the deal a lot more beneficial for us. As soon as the lawyer puts it down on paper, I will be bringing that forward to Council for review which may require another vote because of the way we will be doing this as a new opportunity has arisen that makes the deal a lot better for us.

This concludes my report for the month of September.

Respectfully submitted,
Eddy Edwards, Treasurer

NEWS FROM THE OJIBWA SENIOR CITIZENS

November:

- November 12, 12:15 p.m., Senior Meeting.

December:

- December 4-6, Senior trip to Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- December 10, 12:15 p.m., Senior Meeting. Karen Lahti will be giving all cruise participants their final informational packet and briefing. It is suggested that those seniors going on this cruise be present!

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

- There will be no pasty sales in November and December. Thanks to all the seniors who have participated in our fundraisers this past year. Pasty sales will resume in January 2015.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Is your charitable organization planning on holding a raffle or selling raffle tickets on the L'Anse Indian Reservation?

Federal law, through the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, granted Tribes exclusive right to regulate gaming activity on Indian lands. Even if you or the members of your organization are not tribal members, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Gaming Commission has the authority to regulate your raffle. It is unlawful to game without a license.

Please contact the KBIC Gaming Commission Office at (906) 353-4222 or stop by the office located at the Tribal Center for an application and a copy of the rules and regulations.

Application deadline for submission of **ALL Class I Drawings is 30 days** and **Class II Raffles is 60 days** prior to your event. License Fee will be waived when the application is received within this timeline.



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Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Pastors

Father Corey Litzner
Father Nicholas

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Confessions:
Sunday before Mass
Sunday Mass 12:00 p.m.



 **Happy Turkey Day!** 

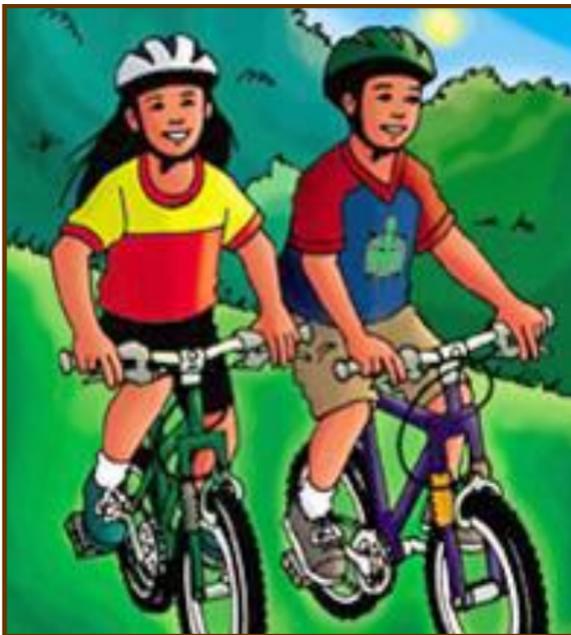
Non-motorized Trail Between Baraga and L'Anse

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community was awarded a \$160,000 grant from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) for the preliminary stages necessary for the construction of a non-motorized trail between the L'Anse and Baraga Districts on the L'Anse Indian Reservation. Multiple groups have been meeting about developing a trail in Baraga County with the hopes of constructing a non-motorized trail between the L'Anse and Baraga Communities. These groups include Baraga County Convention & Visitor's Bureau, Baraga County Trails in Motion, Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), Baraga State Park, Village of Baraga Downtown Development Association, and the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC). Also, a recent study completed in June 2014 by the Baraga County Chamber of Commerce showed that the third highest reason for visiting Baraga County was that it was "Easily accessible and unique outdoor activities (36.5%)". On September 6, 2014, the Tribal Council approved signing the agreement with the MEDC for the \$160,000.

History of the project includes previous public meetings held by MDOT and the Western Upper Peninsula Planning and Development Region (WUPPDR) many years ago in which input was received from the community that trails were needed between L'Anse and Baraga. Baraga County Trails in Motion members have met on the Denise Marth trail, as well as bringing the non-motorized trail connection idea to both Villages of L'Anse and Baraga and KBIC meetings. KBIC has recently been discussing connecting the L'Anse and Baraga communities with MDOT on stewardship projects. The Baraga State Park and Ojibwa Recreation area hold an interest in trail improvements/expansion and a wildlife viewing tower to enhance its parks and attract more visitors.

Diabetes and heart disease are highly prevalent within the Native American Community and are linked to lack of physical activity. Walking, hiking, and biking are fantastic ways to get and stay healthy. Health care costs would be reduced with preventative activities. Fuel costs would be reduced, and our area would be lowering their carbon footprint by use of such a trail. A non-motorized trail would also safely connect our communities which are currently divided. People are often seen walking and biking around the Head of the Bay in a non-safe manner due to lack of transportation. Many of the village roads do not have sidewalks, and children and elders are often seen walking directly in the line of traffic. Public transportation is limited to one taxi in this area. In addition, a trail would provide viewing opportunities for Lake Superior, rivers and waterfalls, and our coastal wetlands which are unique habitats for avid bird watchers and nature lovers. It is a natural assumption that tourism would increase with added recreational opportunities. The Upper Peninsula is becoming a destination for mountain biking. There are trails located in Michigamme and Houghton County. Baraga County is surrounded by trail systems but currently has very limited trails for such activities. There are trails constructed in the Ojibwa Park recreation area that connect to historical and recreational sites, along with the Baraga State Park and L'Anse Township Park. It is hopeful that the trail system will create jobs for upkeep, increase business sales in the area, promote tourism and healthy lifestyles, and connect the communities.

The Western Upper Peninsula Planning & Development Region has stated that connecting L'Anse and Baraga through a non-



motorized route has been a topic of discussion many times, but it appears a difficult task due to the land ownership and wetland areas.

In a meeting held on June 25, 2014, UPEA attended and presented past and current work and also submitted a detailed proposal to continue this work and incorporate it into the tribal goal of connecting their two communities. The Village of Baraga Downtown Development Authority has entered into a contract with UPEA and has agreed to use their contract payments as matching funds to the project, as the one mile of non-motorized trail development is within the 10.5 miles the tribe is requesting for funding. The L'Anse Downtown Development Authority has also indicated to UPEA that they will contribute to the project as needed. The funding from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation is for a Feasibility Study, Environmental Assessment, Topographic Survey, and Geotechnical Investigation. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community contributes an annual amount to the MEDC equal to 8% of the net win derived from all Class III electronic games of chance, as those games are defined in the Compact, which are operated at the Marquette County Parcel as part of the consent judgment from November 2000. Future grant funding will be pursued once this initial phase is complete for the construction design and permitting required. Construction funding for the non-motorized trail will be sought after the construction design and permitting are complete. This non-motorized trail system has multiple benefits and is moving our Tribal Community on a path that includes health, safety, the environment, and tourism!

To place an ad, submit an article, or relate information or ideas on possible articles contact: Lauri Denomie at (906) 201-0263, or e-mail: newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov.

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Tribal Member Wins 2014 Ladies' League Championship at L'Anse Golf Course

Tribal member, Elizabeth Veker King, (Boodaikwe) found the most fitting way to honor her mother, the late Loretta Hugo, by winning the 2014 Ladies' League Championship at the L'Anse Golf Course. Loretta, an elder and longtime member of the L'Anse Ladies' Golf League, passed away October 2013. Her daughter, Beth, returned home this summer to work at Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College and immediately joined the ladies' league at the L'Anse Golf Course. Even though she and Loretta golfed together for over 20 years, she never expected to win the ladies' championship. What was even more surprising was the way she won it.

After the championship match on August 28, there was a four-way tie at 36 which resulted in a sudden-death tie breaker. As the sun was setting on the fifth hole, two players, Pat Stark of Baraga, and King, were still tied. As King and her tournament partner and fellow tribal member, Suzy Jondreau, approached the green on hole 5, they could see that King's ball was out by about 20 feet which meant she was up first to putt. King then tapped her partner on the arm and said, "This one is for my mom." Making that putt was how she won the hole and the championship. King explained, "It was an extraordinarily long putt. After it went in, everyone was totally amazed, except for Suzy who continually reassured me that I could win. In the end, sinking that putt reinforced my belief of how a simple act of encouragement from others and a strong will, 'mashkawendamowin,' can make a difference – in golf and as well as in life."

The L'Anse Ladies' Golf League plays on Thursday evenings during the summer and is open to all women.



The late Loretta Hugo. Picture taken in Spring of 2010 by KBOCC student within AR207 Photography assignment, "Elders' Portraits."



Primary Election will be held November 1, 2014, 10 a.m. — 6 p.m.

Voters will choose 2 candidates for their district to represent that district in the General Election in December

KBIC Primary Election 2014 Candidates

<p>Baraga District</p> <p>Robert D. "RD" Curtis (Inc) Carole LaPointe (Inc) Doreen Blaker Thomas Chosa, Jr. Alden "Auddie" Connor, Jr. Fred Dakota Bruce LaPointe, Sr. Sarah Maki Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo</p>	<p>L'Anse District</p> <p>Jean Jokinen (Inc) Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews (Inc) Lyndon Ekdahl Randy Haataja Gerald "Jerry" Jondreau Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. Toni Minton</p>
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Good Luck Everyone!

Reminder: L'Anse District Voters will vote at the New Community Hall in Zeba!

Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council Awarded \$850,000 to Help Create Healthier Tribal Communities in Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin

Lac du Flambeau, WI -- Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council was awarded a grant of \$850,000 for the Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Epidemiology Center (GLITEC) to address chronic disease prevention and health promotion. GLITEC's "Bemidji Area Leaders Acting for Change" (BALAC) Program aims to prepare and equip Tribal leaders and communities to assess, plan, and implement policy, systems, and environmental changes needed in order to prevent chronic diseases and promote health.

GLITEC serves 34 Tribes in the three-state Indian Health Service Bemidji Area of Michigan, Minnesota, and Wisconsin, including four Urban Indian Catchment Areas in Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee, and Minneapolis. Working through established community coalitions, health care providers, and partners, the BALAC Program will encircle the community with tools, training, and technical assistance and resources to increase capacity, collaboration, and communication to address the burden of chronic disease. Tribal elected and traditional leaders will serve as the cornerstone for strategy implementation through increased involvement and visibility in leading and facilitating community change.

In 2015, BALAC will develop and issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) to all Area Tribes and Urban Indian Health Programs. The RFP features a community-based response to: reduce use of commercial tobacco and decrease exposure to secondhand tobacco smoke, increase access to and consumption of healthy food and beverages, increase support for breastfeeding, increase health literacy, increase opportunities for physical activity, and strengthen team-based care and community-clinical linkages to promote health and prevent chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and stroke. Four awardees will customize effective environmental, policy, and systems ap-

proaches to address chronic disease risk and build cross sector partnerships. All tribal communities in the three-state area will be offered an opportunity to select any service described on a menu of services and resources listed on the comprehensive approach model.

Health and Human Services Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced nearly \$212 million for 193 grant awards to all 50 states and the District of Columbia to support programs aimed at preventing chronic diseases which included the GLITC award. Funded in part by the Affordable Care Act, these awards will strengthen state and local programs aimed at fighting these chronic diseases, the leading causes of death and disability in the US, and help lower our nation's health care costs. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will administer these grants.

Kristin Hill, GLITEC Director, said, "The human health impacts and financial cost of managing chronic diseases among Tribal communities in the Bemidji Area (MI, MN, and WI) is American Indians in this region have the highest cardiovascular disease rates, the second highest diabetes rates, and second highest cancer rates of any American Indian population nationally. Although chronic diseases are among the most common and costly health problems in the country, they are also among the most preventable."

CDC Director Tom Frieden said, "These grants will enable state and local health departments, national and community organizations, and other partners... to help us prevent heart disease, cancer, stroke, and other leading chronic diseases, and help Americans to live longer, healthier, and more productive lives."

For more about **Great Lakes Inter-Tribal Council** and our prevention and wellness programs, visit glitc.org.



OJIBWA LIBRARY NEWS

The library has MANY new books, especially for children and teens. Here are some titles for the adult gardener's and the wannabe gardener's.

- *Straw Bale Gardens*
- *The Vegetable Gardener's Container Bible*
- *50 Beautiful Deer Resistant Plants: A Gardener's Guide*

These books for fun:

- *Field & Stream The Total Outdoorsman Manual, 408 Skills: Camp, Fish, Hunt and Survive*
- *Basic Spanish*
- *Discovering Michigan County by Country in the Upper Peninsula*

The Library has some new books:

- *Liar Temptress Soldier Spy Four Women Undercover in the Civil War* by Karen Abbott
- *13 Hours: the Inside Account of What Really Happened in Benghazi* by Mitchell Zuckoff
- *Google, How Google Works* by Eric Schmidt and Jonathan Rosenberg
- *Festive in Death* by J.D. Robb
- *Growing Up Duggar* by Jana, Jill, Jessa and Jinger Dugger
- *Elvis and Ginger* by Ginger Alden
- *Love, Lashes, and Lipstick, My Secrets for a Gorgeous, Happy Life* by Mally Roncal

We also have several new movies, just in time for watching during the winter.

~ submitted by **Mary Bergerson, Tribal Library Director**

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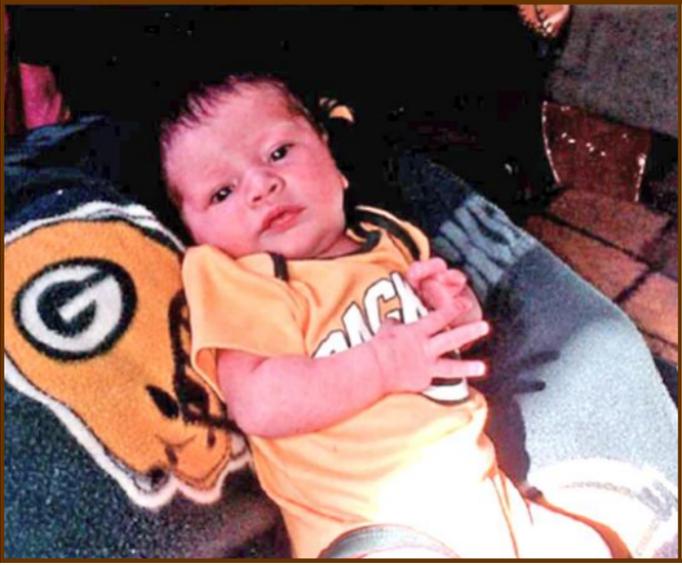
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Welcome Malachi Enapay DeCota, born September 4, 2014, to Sarah Elizabeth and Yancey Alexander DeCota, Sr. Malachi was 8 lbs. 6 ounces and 20 inches in length. He was born at Bell Memorial Hospital. Malachi joins his siblings: Yancey Alexander DeCota, Jr., Izaiah Henry DeCota, and Alexus Tylar DeCota. Proud grandparents are: George DeCota, Cheryl Koski, and Luann Prowdley.

TUSSING SEPARATES EMPLOYMENT WITH TRIBE'S DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



Becky Tussing, Associate Director for the KBIC DHHS, was presented a Pendleton Blanket from the KBIC Health Board at their regular meeting on Wednesday, October 15th. Becky's last day was October 17th. She will be moving on to the Upper Great Lakes Family Health Center as a Practice Manager. Good wishes were extended to Becky by staff and Board members. Becky worked for the Community for sixteen years. Congratulations Becky!

Miigwech!

KBIC Ogimaa, KBIC Tribal Council, and KBIC Tribal Membership



It is with indescribable joy that We, the Family of Jesse Jaukkuri, along with Angel On My Shoulder™ Organization accept your gifts. They are indeed testimony to the beauty that exists in all creation, perhaps nowhere more, than in Jesse's Mother's Heart.

Family of Jesse Jaukkuri

Anishinaabe Makwa Ikwe/AOMS: Lolly Rose, Executive Director, Founder

LANTERNS ON THE LAKE—RECOGNITION OF THOSE AFFECTED BY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Eighteen people joined together on October 15th for Lanterns on the Lake held at the Ojibwa Marina in Baraga. This is the second year a lantern event was sponsored by the KBIC OVW Niimigimiwang (Dancing in the Rain) Program and the Baraga County Shelter Home. Approximately fifty lanterns were released in recognition of those affected by domestic violence, and those who had lost their lives due to domestic violence. As lanterns were lit and released, people from the community stopped and joined the event. Cherie Dakota, Team Lead for Niimigimiwang, noted that both DV programs are here and available 24 hours a day to assist victims over and over again, no matter how many times help is needed. The KBIC OVW 24-hour number is (906) 353-4599 and the Baraga County Shelter Home 24-hour number is (906) 524-7078.



Photos compliments of Chuck Miller.

FAMILY SPIRIT PROGRAM OFFERS MANY FAMILY INVOLVEMENT ACTIVITIES

The Family Spirit Program through the Tribal Home Visiting Grant hosts monthly gatherings for community families. The Parent Circles focus on family involvement and play. These monthly gatherings have themes. We started in July with *Bubbles in the Park*; August, *Edible Play-doh*; September, *Edible Art*; October, *Fort Building*; leading up to our next gathering in November — a Library Night focusing on the child's father figure in their life, *Daddy & Me Library Night*. Everyone is welcome, but the Family Spirit Program wants to shine the light on the fathers while having a make & take book tote activity, a free children's book to take home, and to enjoy some snacks. For more information on these monthly gatherings, contact the Family Spirit office at 906-353-4523.



Family Spirit Parenting Circle

DADDY & ME LIBRARY NIGHT

All parents and caregivers are welcome. Families of children age 0 - 5 years join us for a father's focused night. We encourage Dads, Step-Dads, Uncles, and friends; any strong male role model in the child's life to join us for reading, a library tour, book bag making, and snacks. Our focus is parent involved interaction; caregiver must stay with children.

- ◆ Make & Take Book Tote
- ◆ Free Children's Book
- ◆ Snacks
- ◆ Family Engagement

Monday, November 10th

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Ojibwa Community Library
on S. Superior Ave., Baraga

KBIC Natural Resources Presents:
Summary & Review
KBIC Wildlife Stewardship Plan
Chippewa Room
Casino Hotel
Tuesday,
November 18, 2014,
12:00 p.m.



FREE LUNCH

Register with Christine at 353-4523 or
Christine.Beauchamp@kbic-nsn.gov to ensure enough supplies.



Sponsored by KBIC Family Spirit & Healthy Start Programs

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College

College-wide Events, 2014-2015 School Year

Month of November

November 5, 2014, 10:00 a.m.—11:50 a.m. “Career Exploration and Resume Writing.” Facilitator: Michigan Works. *Sponsored by the Business Department.* Room 121 (Computer Lab), Wabanung Campus. For more information contact Megan Haataja at 524-8311.

In conjunction with MI Works, the KBOCC Business Department will offer a free career exploration and resume writing workshop for all community members. Regardless if you are an undecided college student or already in the workplace, this workshop will help you revamp or create a resume, learn interviewing techniques, and access the MI Talent Bank website to search for potential jobs.

November 7, 2014, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Program for the Enhancement of Academic Readiness Activity “Making Birch Bark Baskets.” Facilitator: Karen Colbert. *Sponsored by the PEAR Department.* For more information contact Karen Colbert at 353-4602.

November 19, 2014, 6:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. “Chocolate: The Super Food!” Facilitator: AJ Fischer. *Sponsored by the Early Childhood Education Department.* Cafeteria Room at

the Wabanung Campus. For more information contact Cheryl LaRose at 353-4604.

What is organic? What is natural? Feeling tired? Come and join AJ Fischer from Bohemian “Veggie Club” as she discusses whole foods in the American diet. This workshop will take place in the cafeteria at the Wabanung Campus and is ideal for students, parents and the community. Enjoy samples of Raw Chocolates and other “super foods.”

November 20, 2014, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. “Health Disparities – Great American Smokeout Day.” Facilitator: KBIC Health Department. *Sponsored by the Business Department.* Entrance of Wabanung Campus. For more information contact Megan Haataja at 524-8311.

Smoking remains the single largest preventable cause of disease and premature death in the US, yet about 43.8 million Americans still smoke cigarettes – nearly 1 in every 5 adults. As of 2010, there were also 13.2 million cigar smokers in the US. The Great American Smokeout, hosted in conjunction with the KBIC Health Department, will encourage smokers to use the date to make a plan to quit or to plan in advance and quit smoking that day. By quitting – even for one day – smokers

will be taking an important step towards a healthier life – one that can lead to reducing cancer risk.

November 21, 2014, 4:00 p.m. “Ecofeminism.” Facilitator: Jesse Koenig. *Sponsored by the Liberal Studies Department.* Baraga Campus. For more information contact Jesse Koenig at 353-4609.

Learn about the historical and cultural connections between woman and nature and the consequences of these real and perceived relationships.

Month of December

December 5, 2014, 5:00 p.m. “Opening Reception for the Michigan Authors Collection.” Facilitator: Jesse Koenig. *Sponsored by the Liberal Studies Department.* Library Room, Wabanung Campus. For more information contact Jesse Koenig at 353-4609.

Come celebrate the first special collection in the brand new library on KBOCC’s brand new campus.



NOVEMBER 2014 KBIC YOUTH



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 MTU Hockey Game Call Office To sign up!
2	3	4	5 Youth Programs Activity 5pm-8pm	6 Mentoring Program 5pm-7pm Open Soccer 6pm-8pm	7 NO SCHOOL ACTIVITY DAY! Call Office to sign up!	8
9	10	11 VETERAN'S DAY! Center Closed 	12 Youth Programs Activity 5pm-8pm	13 Mentoring Program 5pm-7pm Open Soccer 6pm-8pm	14	15 Safe Hunting!
16	17	18	19 Youth Programs Activity 5pm-8pm	20 Mentoring Program 5pm-7pm Open Soccer 6pm-8pm	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 THANKS-GIVING Center Closed 	28 NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY! Center Closed	29
30						

Ride & Learn



Saturday, December 6th
This is a Diabetes Education Event.

Learn how to prevent it, detect it, treat it, and control it.

Agenda
8:30 a.m. — Depart KBIC Health Dept.
10:00 a.m. — TV6 Winter Craft Show You are responsible for the craft show fee.
12:00 noon — Lunch provided.
1:30 p.m. — Westwood Mall
3:30 p.m. — Depart Marquette

Registration is Required
as seating is limited!

To register contact Heather
at 906-353-4546.

Sponsored by KBIC Diabetes Program

Native American Heritage Month

Events on the NMU Campus and in the Marquette area.

A Week of Indigenous Eating: Honoring the Food of our Ancestors
November 1 - November 7

Relatives or Resources? Mining, Native Activism and the Northwoods
Presentation by Aimee Cree Dunn hosted by Save the Wild U.P.
Monday, November 3 at 7 p.m.
Peter White Library - S. Front St.

Native American Trail Markers Tree Book
Talk by Dennis Downes presented by the Marquette Regional History Center
Wednesday, November 5 at 7 p.m.
Marquette Regional History Center - Spring St.

14th annual First Nations Food Taster
A fundraiser by the Native American Student Association
Friday, November 7 at 5 p.m.
D.J. Jacobetti Complex on the NMU Campus

Dibaajimowinan: Anishinaabe Stories of Culture and Respect
Saturday, November 8 at 6 p.m.
Zero Degrees Art Gallery - Third St.

Gaa-bi-aasibwi-taage-jig / Those Who Stood With Us
Thursday, November 13 at 7:30 p.m.
University Center on the NMU Campus



For more information about Native American Heritage Month or courses in Native American Studies visit www.nmu.edu/nativeamericans.

New Zeba Community Hall Near Completion



Construction is progressing in a timely manner, which will allow KBIC Voters to cast their ballots for the Primary Election at the new Zeba Community Hall on November 1, 2014. A Grand Opening will be scheduled for a later date.

Marquette Gas Station/Convenience Store Progress



The gas station and convenience store project in Marquette is progressing in a timely manner. The first stage of the project was the installation of the underground petroleum equipment which began in November of 2013 and was completed in July of 2014.

The second phase, the construction of the convenience store, is working toward completion. Gas and fuel dispensers have been installed, and gravel for the asphalt has been graded. In early November, the store is to be dried in, the canopy erected, and the paving will be laid.

In store equipment including security systems, coolers, electronics, internet, telephone, shelving, food and beverage storage, and dispensing equipment will be purchased, delivered, and installed in December.

The project is working toward a grant timeline of completion by December 19, 2014, with a soft opening date targeted for the end of 2014, and a grand opening scheduled for early January 2015. This will allow the employees and facility to become efficient at providing exceptional customer assistance and prepare for expanded operations as advertising and marketing promotes the business.

The Board of Aanikoosing Inc. would like to express appreciation to the Tribal Council for establishing and supporting the development of this project.

IMPORTANT MEDICAL BILLING INFORMATION

When you've been approved for payment from Purchased Referred Care (PRC), formerly known as Contract Health Services (CHS), you should not be billed for medical services. Should you happen to receive any invoice, it is imperative that you drop it off at PRC Office to ensure timely payments can be made and to prevent credit or collection issues. Call PRC Clerk Elvera Lantz with any questions at 906-353-4537.

Purchased Referred Care, Donald A. LaPointe Medical Center, 102 Superior Ave., Baraga, MI 49908

KBIC Community Safety Forum

Wednesday,
November 12, 2014
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Ojibwa Casino Hotel
Conference Room
16449 Beartown Rd.
Baraga, MI 49908

Tribal Social Services - OVW - VOCA - Tribal Police/SORNA

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's human service programs promoting community and family safety present a roundtable discussion focusing on increasing public awareness of the options available when someone is faced with an abusive situation.

Protecting the people of our community from domestic violence and sexual abuse is a primary concern of law enforcement and our human service providers.

Open to the public - All are welcome - Refreshments will be served

If you have any questions or for more information, please contact:
Chuck Miller - SORNA Coordinator, KBIC Tribal Police at 353-6626 or cmiller@kbic-nsn.gov

Deepest Sympathy

Gerald Charles Mayo
(December 1, 1933 - October 1, 2014)

Gerald Charles Mayo, age 80, of Baraga, MI, passed away on Wednesday, October 1, 2014, at Bayside Village in L'Anse, MI.

He was born December 1, 1933, in Baraga, MI, to Richard and Elma (Koskinen) Mayo. Gerald graduated from Baraga High School and then attended college for one year prior to going into the US Army in 1953.

He resided in Michigan Center, MI, where he married Dolores Inez Carlson in 1975. Gerald worked as a permit agent for MDOT in Jackson, MI, for 32 years. In 2012, he moved back to Baraga. He was an avid sports fan and participant. Gerald was a member of the KBIC and Ojibwa Seniors.

Surviving are his son, Thomas Mayo of Iron River, MI; daughter, Susan (Rick) Vieira of Connecticut; brothers: Richard Mayo of Texas, James (Beverly) Mayo of Baraga, John (Judy) Mayo of Greenland, Pat (Judy) Mayo of Baraga, and Paul (Karen) Mayo of Baraga; sister, Dianne Sirard of Baraga; grandchildren: Taylor, Trevor, Tanner, and Emma.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Dolores, and sister, Marie Mayo.

A memorial service was held on Friday, October 17, 2014, at the Jacobson Funeral Home. A luncheon and fellowship followed in the Sharing Room at Jacobson Funeral Home. Interment was held at the Baraga Cemetery. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

Patrick A. "Hummer" LaFerner
(February 8, 1955 - October 5, 2014)

Patrick A. "Hummer" LaFerner, age 59, of Zeba, MI, passed away unexpectedly at his home on Sunday, October 5, 2014. He was born in L'Anse on February 8, 1955, to Wilbur and Lois (Stodderd) LaFerner. Hummer graduated from L'Anse High School. He worked for Tribal Construction and was also a commercial fisherman. Hummer provided fresh fish for many people and businesses in the U.P. Hummer enjoyed hunting, fishing, spending time with his grandchildren and family, going to rummage sales, and just bumming around. He was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Mr. LaFerner is survived by his loving son Anthony "Tony" (Cindy) LaFerner of L'Anse; grandchildren: Camiel, Anthony, Jayde, and Logan; two great grandchildren: Rylan and Bentley; brothers and sisters: Sybil LaFerner, Mike LaFerner, Georgie LaFerner, Marsha Wantaed, Margaret Vanover, Harry LaFerner, Cosie LaFerner, Rebecca Decker, Angela Friisvall, Rose Landraux, and Earl LaFerner.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his sister, Arlene Wessman and his brother, John LaFerner.

Funeral services for Mr. LaFerner were held on Saturday, October 11, 2014, at the Reid Funeral Service and Chapel, L'Anse. Following the funeral service, the family invited friend to join them for fellowship and luncheon at the Ojibwa Senior Center, Baraga. The Reid Funeral Home assisted the family.

HEALING STORIES PROJECT SLATED FOR KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

Cecelia LaPointe, is a Author/Poet/Writer, and owner of Red Circle Consulting, and will be offering a healing stories project for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Cecelia LaPointe said, "Briefly I am working with the [Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion](#) to organize community engagement in the Statewide Racial Equity Coalition for the purpose of creating a Healing Stories storytelling session in KBIC. The goal is to create

a space for authentic story sharing and listening in the community. Additionally, this event would allow participants to share their stories about inequities, racism, healing, racial justice, social justice, environmental justice, land, water, community, culture, identity, wellbriety/sobriety/recovery and more.

Currently I am in the beginning stages of organizing the main event or events which will take place in March 2015. Right now I am connecting with local leaders, community members, and others who are interested in working with me to plan and define this session. This meeting will be a great way to spread the word, collaborate, and maybe add a few participants to the core planning group."

Healing Stories Project in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community



ABOUT THE PROJECT – The Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion is organizing community engagement in the Statewide Racial Equity Coalition for the purpose of creating a Healing Stories session in KBIC. The goal is to create a space for authentic story sharing and listening in the community on racial equity.

HOW TO GET INVOLVED

- ✓ Join the core group in planning and defining this session.
- ✓ Collaborate with us as a local community organization.

Interested in sharing YOUR story?

For more information please contact:

Cecelia LaPointe – Red Circle Consulting
Phone: (248) 802-8630
Email: cecelia.lapointe@gmail.com
Websites: www.miroundtable.org – www.anishinaabekwe.com



FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPPIR) NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS* (Effective October 1, 2013)

*The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income standard and the applicable SNAP standard deduction.

48 Contiguous United States:				Use this amount
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard	SNAP Standard Deduction	FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard	
1	\$ 958	+	\$152	= \$1,110
2	\$1,293	+	\$152	= \$1,445
3	\$1,628	+	\$152	= \$1,780
4	\$1,963	+	\$163	= \$2,126
5	\$2,298	+	\$191	= \$2,489
6	\$2,633	+	\$219	= \$2,852
7	\$2,968	+	\$219	= \$3,187
8	\$3,303	+	\$219	= \$3,522
Each additional member				+ \$335
Alaska:				Use this amount
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard	SNAP Standard Deduction	FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard	
1	\$1,196	+	\$260	= \$1,456
2	\$1,615	+	\$260	= \$1,875
3	\$2,035	+	\$260	= \$2,295
4	\$2,454	+	\$260	= \$2,714
5	\$2,873	+	\$260	= \$3,133
6	\$3,292	+	\$274	= \$3,566
7	\$3,711	+	\$274	= \$3,985
8	\$4,130	+	\$274	= \$4,404
Each additional member				+ \$420

FDPIR Income Deductions—see 7 CFR 253.6(e)

Earned Income Deduction — Households with earned income are allowed a deduction of 20 percent of their earned income.

Dependant Care Deduction — Households that qualify for the dependant care deduction are allowed a deduction of actual dependant care costs paid monthly to a non-household member.

Child Support Deduction — Households that incur the cost of legally required child support to or for a non-household member are allowed a deduction for the amount of monthly child support paid.

Medical Expense Deduction — Households that incur monthly medical expenses by any household member who is elderly or disabled are allowed a deduction in the amount of out-of-pocket medical expenses paid in excess of \$35 per month. Allowable medical expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3).

Home Care Meal-Related Deduction — Households who furnish the majority of meals for a home care attendant are allowed an income deduction equal to the maximum SNAP benefit for a one-person household. In Fiscal Year 2014, the amounts are as follows:

- 48 Contiguous U.S. States
 - October 1, 2013—October 31, 2013 = \$200
 - November 1, 2013—September 30, 2014—\$189
- For Alaska, please select appropriate link below.
- [October 1, 2013—October 31, 2013 = \\$200](#)
 - [November 1, 2013—September 30, 2014—\\$189](#)

See 7 CFR 272.7(b) for area designations in Alaska.

Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deduction — Households that incur at least one monthly shelter or utility expense are allowed a standard income deduction (see chart below). Allowable shelter/utility expenses are provided at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(ii).

FY2014 FDPPIR Standard Shelter/Utility Expense Deductions - Based on Region*

Region	States Currently with FDPPIR Programs	Shelter/Utility Deduction
Northeast/Midwest	Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Wisconsin	\$400
Southeast/Southwest	Mississippi, New Mexico, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Texas	\$300
Mountain Plains	Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Wyoming	\$400
West	Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington	\$350

*If the geographic boundaries of an Indian reservation extend to more than one region per the identified regional groupings above, then a qualifying household has the option to receive the appropriate shelter/utility expense deduction amount for the State in which the household resides or the State in which the State agency's central administrative office is located.



Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities

<http://www.kbic-nsn.gov/html/personnel.htm>

- **On-call positions:** Pharmacy Technician, Facility Attendant, Registered Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Internal Sales Specialist, OVW Unit Manager, Pharmacist, Receptionist/Clerical Worker, Receptionist, Board Operator, Cashier, Account Executive/Sales, Pre-Primary Teaching Assistant, Community Service Supervisor, Unit Manager, Family Aide, Van Driver.

For current job listings, complete job announcements, applications, and closing dates contact: KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908-9210 or 906-353-6623, ext 4176 or visit: www.ojibwa.com.

NOVEMBER 2014 Calendar Events

- **Nov 1:** Primary Election, 10 am;
- **Nov 3:** Constitutional Committee Meeting, 10 am; Council Chambers;
- **Nov 7:** Blood Drive, KBIC Health Dept., 10 am;
- **Nov 8:** Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 10 am, Harvey Community Bldg;
- **Nov 10:** Daddy and Me Library Night, Ojibwa Community Library, 5 pm;
- **Nov 11:** Veteran's Day, Gov't Offices closed;
- **Nov 12:** Community Safety Forum, 4 pm;
- **Nov 19:** Veteran's Meeting, 7 pm;
- **Nov 24:** Sovereignty Checks Distributed, Baraga, 9 am—5pm;
- **Nov 25:** Sovereignty Checks Distributed, Harvey, 12pm—6 pm;
- **Nov 27:** Happy Thanksgiving, Gov't Offices closed.
- **Nov 28:** Native American Heritage Day, Gov't Offices closed.
- **Nov 29:** Native American Craft Sale, Harvey, 10 am.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov to list your events. Some events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-date event listings, visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @ www.ojibwa.com, click on youth club, or contact 353-4643/Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.

~ NOTICE ~

TO ALL KBIC SENIORS 55 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER, AND PERMANENTLY PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED-DISABLED PERSON:

SNOW PLOWING REQUIREMENTS

Head of Household Name: _____

KBIC Tribal Member's Enrollment #: _____

Reside on the Reservation (Baraga County): _____ Yes
_____ No

Physical Address: _____

L'Anse _____ Baraga _____

Telephone Number: (906) _____

Proof of Age — Birth Date: _____

Sign up at the front desk at the Tribal Center with proof (Enrollment Card, Driver's License, and/or proof of disability) or mail the information to:

KBIC Tribal Center
ATTN: Front Desk Receptionist
16429 Bear Town Road
Baraga, MI 49908

The Tribal Council will consider plowing privileges for those with permanent, physical disabilities within a "five" mile radius off the Reservation. Please submit a request and the above information.

* approved 01-14-2011
Tribal Council Meeting

Would You Like FREE Money?

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing and Community Development Corporation (KBOHCDC) is currently offering an Individual Development Account (IDA) Program!

An IDA program is a matched savings program in which we provide a 4 to 1 match up to \$4000.00 on funds you deposit!!!

Funds may be used toward home purchase (down payment or closing costs), education (books, laptop, and other supplies that are required of your courses and are not covered), and small business start-up or expansion.

All IDA funds are now open to Tribal Members and First Generation Descendants of KBIC. Home Purchase and Small Business Start-Up or Expansion may be utilized in the service areas of Baraga, Marquette and Ontonagon Counties. Education IDA's may be used throughout the entire Upper Peninsula.

If you are interested in this program and would like more information on income eligibility please contact:

Angela Shelifoe

KBOHCDC Program Administrator

906-353-7117 X106

Angie@kboha.com

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing & Community Development Corporation is now offering a Home Purchase Revolving Loan Program.

This program is currently being offered to KBIC Tribal Members looking to purchase or construct a modular or stick-built home within the boundaries of the Keweenaw Bay Indian reservation in Baraga County.

Loans are currently available for up to \$100,000.00!

For more information or an application package please visit our website KBOHA.com or contact:

**Angela Shelifoe
Program Administrator
KBOHCDC
906-353-7117 X 106
angie@kboha.com**

Give Blood Friday, November 7th

LaPointe Health Center
M-38, Baraga
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



Help us fill our blood donation barometer at the 4th Annual KBIC Blood Drive and receive an appreciation gift.



Call Heather Wood-Paquet at 353-4546 for an appointment.



Sponsored by the KBIC Health Dept. & UP Regional Blood Center

KBIC ANNUAL HARVEST FEAST

The KBIC Harvest Feast was held on Saturday, October 18, 2014, at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall. This year's feast was organized by KBIC's Director of Cultural Resources, Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. Families and friends gathered for a feast of traditional foods and enjoyed songs by the Four Thunder Drum. Blessing was offered by Tribal Elder, Shirley McKasy. A raffle was held to benefit the KBIC Niimi Gimiwang OVW Transitional House.

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- Community Education

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(12) Ashi Niizh

KBIC SOLID WASTE FACILITY

16278 Ojibwa Industrial Park Road
Baraga, MI 49908
(906) 353-8024

Hours of Operation:
Wednesday—Friday, 9 a.m. — 3 p.m.
Saturday, 10 a.m. — 2 p.m.

Rates:
\$2.00 per 33 gallon bag
\$85.00 per ton
\$6.00 mattress
\$8.00 couch
\$4.00 chair
\$10.00 white goods (stove, fridge, washer, etc.)

We DO NOT ACCEPT any tires at this time.



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Rendezvous Tattoo & Body Piercing

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