

# WIIKWEDONG DAZHI-OJIBWE

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe

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## 40th Annual Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding Held



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

US Navy Seebee BU 2 Richard Alexander who was home on leave assisted the Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society and proudly carried the KBIC Eagle Staff for Friday evening's, July 27, 2018, Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding Grand Entry.

This year Keweenaw Bay Indian Community held its 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Maawanji'iding on July 26-29, 2018. The event was held at the Ojibwa Powwow Campgrounds in Baraga, Michigan, where participants and spectators enjoyed the songs and danced with 16 registered drums. There were 616 registered dancers who participated in exhibitions, intertribals, and an array of specials events.

Events commenced on Thursday morning at 6:00 a.m. with a Sunrise Ceremony and Lighting of the Fire, followed with a traditional teaching by facilitator Karlene Chosa and again Friday morning. A Ground Blessing and Feast was held on Thursday at 12:00. Wiikwedong Ogichidaa (KBIC Honor Guard) presented the colors and led dancers into the arena for all the Grand Entries held Friday at 7 p.m., Saturday at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m., and Sunday at 1 p.m. John Teller, Jr. honored KBIC as their Head Veteran Dancer, Ronnie Preston as Head Male Dancer, Jamie Awonohopay as Head Female Dancer, Devin Connor as Head Male Youth Dancer; and Starr Dunleavy as Head Female Youth Dancer. Bob Blackdeer and George Gauthier served as Arena Directors. Smokeytown was Host Drum, Young Kingbird was Co-host Drum, and the two invited drums were Woodland Singers and Four Thunders. Pete Gahbow and Mike Sullivan did an outstanding job keeping everyone informed about the events.

Friday evening brought a new Miss Keweenaw Bay and Junior Miss Keweenaw Bay to our Community. Alana Schofield was crowned as the 2018 Miss Keweenaw Bay and Dalanna Connor was crowned as the 2018 Miss Junior Keweenaw Bay.

Saturday's events began with fry bread competitions. Alisha Sellers took 1st place in

the adult division, and Alice Curtis took 1st place in the youth division. This year the Powwow Committee honored Barbara Jean Swartz and Eugene "Cowboy" Loonsfoot as their Honored Elders, and an Honored Elders' Song was held after Grand Entry on Saturday afternoon (see separate article). A grand feast was

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Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Head dancers with newly crowned KBIC Royalty, left to right: John Teller, Jr., Head Veteran Dancer; Alana Schofield, Miss Keweenaw Bay; Starr Dunleavy, Head Female Youth Dancer; Devin Connor, Head Male Youth Dancer; Dalanna Connor, Junior Miss Keweenaw Bay; Jamie Awonohopay, Head Female Dancer; and Ronnie Preston, Head Male Dancer.

### Tribal Council Members:

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President

Jennifer Misegan, Vice-President

Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary

Toni J. Minton, Asst. Secretary

Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.

Frederick Dakota

Randall R. Haataja

Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.

Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr.

Rodney Loonsfoot

Elizabeth D. Mayo



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- August 4, 2018 Council Meeting
- 40th Annual Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding Held
- U.S. Dept. of Interior, BIA, Certifies Secretarial Election at KBIC
- KBIC Holds Gov't Employee Picnic and Recognitions
- Ojibwa Elders' Birthdays
- New Employees, Who's Who
- Criminal Report
- Deepest Sympathy

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS CERTIFIES SECRETARIAL (MAIL-OUT) ELECTION

In a letter dated August 10, 2018, to Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., Timothy LaPointe, Regional Director (Midwest), stated, "We received the results of the Secretarial election held on July 17, 2018, by the qualified voters of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (Community). The election was called in accordance with an order issued on April 27, 2018, by my office, authorizing the qualified voters of the Community to vote on the adoption or rejection of one proposed amendment.

By memorandum of July 25, 2018, the Chairman of the Secretarial Election Board transmitted the documents pertaining to the Secretarial election to this office pursuant to 25 C.F.R. § 81.44. Our review of the election material, including the official mailout ballot shows that the official ballot mailed to registered voters did not contain the required text nor the signature of the Chairman of the Secretarial Election Board (25 C.F.R. § 81.34). The regulations at 25 C.F.R. §81.45 only allow me to take action to call for a new Secretarial election if a challenge was filed alleging errors, and I may only disapprove the election results if the proposed language is contrary to Federal law.

According to the record, the election results were posted on July 17, 2018, and no challenges were filed. As evidenced by the Certificate of Results of Election, proposed Amendment 'A' was adopted by a vote of 101 for; 82 against; 0 cast ballots found separated or spoiled in an election in which 274 members entitled to vote, cast their ballots. Therefore, by the authority delegated to me, as Regional Director, by 3 IAM 4, I hereby approve proposed Amendment 'A' which is designated as 'Amendment Number IV' to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community to become effective on this date. This decision is final for the Department."

### AMENDMENT IV TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE KEWEENAW BY INDIAN COMMUNITY

The Constitution shall be amended by adding a new Article IX—Judicial Branch, Article IX—Judicial Branch, shall read as follows:

**ARTICLE IX—JUDICIAL BRANCH** Article IX-Judicial Branch is available at [www.kbic-nsn.gov](http://www.kbic-nsn.gov) (see Departments, Court).

## AUGUST 4, 2018 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Monthly Tribal Council Meeting was held on Saturday, August 4, 2018, at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni Minton, Doreen Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., and Rodney Loonsfoot present. Fred Dakota and Elizabeth D. Mayo were not present.

President Swartz shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council.

Vice President Jennifer Misegan gave the Vice President's Report (page two), and Secretary Susan J. LaFerner gave the Secretary's Report (page three). Council approved the Department Head Reports for May and June 2018.

Under new business: Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney; and Don Messer, Jr., Baraga Casino Manager, presented a Tier III Services Agreement for RC Mechanical, Inc. (Pressbox air conditioning). **Motion by Susan J. LaFerner to approve the RC Mechanical, Inc. Tier III agreement, supported by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. Eight supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFerner, G. Loonsfoot), 0 opposed, one abstained (R. Loonsfoot), two absent (Dakota, Mayo), motion carried.**

Treasurer Doreen Blaker presented the August 2018 donation requests. **Motion by Rodney Loonsfoot to approve August 2018 donations as: \$25.00 to the L'Anse Ladies Golf League, \$250.00 for World War II Veterans Committee; \$250.00 for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society; \$1,000.00 Baraga County Suicide Prevention Awareness Walk Committee; \$380.00 and an overnight casino stay for Baraga County Community Foundation's Annual Tony Selkey Memorial Golf Scramble; \$500.00 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital; and \$2,000.00 to Michigan Technological University 2018 Parade of Nations for a total of \$4,405.00, supported by Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. Eight supported (S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFerner, G. Loonsfoot), one opposed (Misegan), 0 abstained, two absent (Dakota, Mayo), motion carried.** Jennifer Misegan stated her opposition, "I am in favor of those listed in the motion; however, I believe we should be reimbursing those who asked for reimbursement for the police graduation."

Lauri Denomie, Tribal Member from the audience, requested to speak on the confusion of this year's Powwow Honorarium payouts. Tiny tots were paid-out so late that some had left on Friday evening around 10:00 p.m. and their exhibition had not even taken place as of yet. The next day when requesting their honorarium from Friday evening's grand entry, they were told "No." The Powwow Committee evidently changed their system this year, and the Powwow Director and Powwow Committee members said, "It was advertised." Discussion occurred where others indicated it was not made very clear, and the tiny tots need to be paid out much earlier. (2) Niizh

Further discussion occurred in regards to the Powwow.

Council moved into closed session with Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. on the agenda in regards to youth summer camp chaperones (Camp Nesbit) prior to adjournment.

~ Submitted by Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor

## Vice President's Report For The Month Of July 2018

- I attended a work group formed to develop a grant application from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration or SAMHSA to fund the Tribal Opioid Response. The work group includes several medical providers from our clinic, the new Health Director, the CEO, Grant Writer, Substances Abuse programs, Police Department, Drug Court, and Social Services. The grant is to develop a medically assisted treatment program, and I believe the focus will be pregnant mothers. The Health Director will be leading the group. The application is due August 20.
- I participated in our first construction meeting with Gundlach Champion for our casino projects. Several issues were discussed, including: BIA Roads approvals, SHPO required archeological study, the status of all necessary permits, Chocoley Township, and the water tank. We also discussed the water main break in Baraga, and the settlement that has been reached regarding the lost revenue and the cost of the repairs. A Job Fair will be held on August 8 at the Marquette property. They are looking for laborers, carpenters, plumbers, ironworkers, operators, and electricians. If you know of someone looking for work, please send them there between 10 am – 1 pm and 3 pm – 7 pm.
- The KBIC Tobacco Company held a Board meeting on July 24. Items on the agenda included: Issues related to paperwork processing of cigarette orders, the operating budget and annual plan, a schedule for financial reports, development of additional bonded facilities, a process for damaged products, the hiring of a Warehouse Supervisor, and the gifting of the stamping machine back to the Tribe. We have been receiving a few complaints regarding damaged products and are encouraging everyone to return those products back to the store where they were purchased in the pack and packaging materials in which they came. We can tell where and when they were made from the pack. Their product will be replaced.
- I attended the annual Pauline Knapp-Spruce Memorial Water Walk to raise awareness for our water. It was an absolute beautiful day and a beautiful ceremony, and it was attended by many beautiful people. Chi Miigwech to those who organized it and assisted with it, especially Terri Denomie and Kathleen Smith. Each year I get to spend a little more time than the year before; hopefully, someday I will have the honor of finishing it.
- I had the honor of sharing our Powwow with Congressman Jack Bergman and his Communication Director, James Hogge. They both loved it. The Veterans were kind enough to include the Congressman, and he participated in the grand entry by carrying the American flag. He complimented many on the beauty and craftsmanship of their regalia. Neither Congressman or Director Hogge had ever been to a Powwow before. I had many opportunities to speak to him and James about several issues concerning our Tribe: Line 5, the lack of detox facilities in the UP, jurisdictional issues, the Farm Bill, the drug epidemic, and children in foster care. I specifically spoke to him about the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act and the additional items which have been included in it that we fully support. I told him that as he danced in the arena and looked out at our beautiful women and girls, he should see why we strongly desire to protect them. I said it was his duty to as well and urged him to help us anyway he could to do it. He also met many members and had great conversations with them as well.
- I attended the annual US Attorney meeting on August 1 along with several staff and Council members. This meeting is an opportunity to meet agents from the BIA, FBI, DEA, Homeland Security, IRS, as well as the Interim Assistant US Attorney and his staff. Sean Lewis who has recently been appointed to the position of Tribal Liaison was also there. We spoke at length about the federal government's position on marijuana and how Tribes are treated very unfairly compared to states. We asked for any financial assistance that could be given to assist us in dealing with the drug epidemic on our reservation. Information was given on trainings available to our departments, and we asked for a specific education session for our Community. One is being planned for the week of September 3. It will deal with the signs and symptoms of drug abuse, what to do when you suspect abuse, and what resources are available to help that individual. We also asked for help with the US Highway 41 speed limit issue. I'm not sure that the Tribal Liaison clearly understands the jurisdiction on our reservation and will be providing him with a copy of the Bell Decision.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jennifer Misegan

## Tribal Council Secretary's Report for the Months of July 2018

**ANIN! We honor the greatness in you.  
Remember: "Indian Country Counts"  
"Our People, Our Nations, Our Future"**

We continue to recognize the richness of Native American contributions, accomplishments, and sacrifices to the political, cultural, and economic life of Michigan and the United States.

The results of the Secretarial Election held on July 17, 2018, which was entirely by mail out ballot, is as follows: The proposed Amendment A, to add Article IX, Judicial Branch to the KBIC's Tribal Constitution was duly adopted by a vote of 101 For and 82 Against. Zero cast ballots were found spoiled in which at least 30 percent of the 274 registered voters cast their ballots in accordance with Section 16 of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, as amended.

Have a happy summer!  
*Mino-Bimaadizin "Live Well"*  
Respectfully, Susan J. LaFemier

During July, the Tribal Council held one Regular Council meeting on Saturday, July 14, 2018, three Special Council meetings on July 12, 19, and 25, 2018, which was a Finance meeting. Following are the unapproved minutes. This report will be published in the KBIC "Wiikwedong Dazhi-Ojibwe" newsletter, and the approved minutes may also be found on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Website.

### July 12, 2018 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Results of the June 28, 2018, Tribal Council Poll to authorize the President to sign the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) documents for the casino projects prior to final approval of financing was approved: 6 For/4 Opposed/1 No Response.
- Approved the April 26, April 30, and May 10, 2018 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes.
- Approved the renewal fireworks permit to Pete Morin "Morin Fireworks" and a residential waiver for one year.
- Approved the renewal business license to Angela Kelly "Sweet Grass Spa (Salon)" for one year.
- Approved the renewal business license to Jody and Stacey Davis "Davis Gun Works (Gunsmith)" for one year.
- Approved the renewal business license to Sue Ellen and Brian Elmsblad "Back Road Organic Supply (Indoor/Outdoor Garden Supplies and Retail)" for one year.
- Approved the Memorandum of Understanding with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 5 to implement the Safe Drinking Water Act's public water system supervision program requirements that pertain to the construction and operation of KBIC's new Chocolay Public Water System.
- Approved the Master Agreement with LifeWorks US Inc. for the employee assistance program for one year for \$19,770.00.
- Approved a grant agreement with NEO Philanthropy for \$10,000.00 to complete the Sand Point Lighthouse exterior roofing work and preserving the light tower which was first lit in 1878.
- Approved the I.H.S. Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) Priority List as presented.
- Approved the HUD Indian Housing Plan for 2019.
- Approved the changes to the KBIC Housing Department's "Admission and Occupancy" Policy: "to qualified individuals on a yearly (change back to monthly) lease and added the definition of "essential".
- Approved \$500.00 travel donations to Alden Connor, Jr. and Angela Loonsfoot to attend their son's police academy graduation in Artesia, New Mexico.
- Approved a budget modification to add \$5,000.00 Tribal support for the BIA CTGP Tribal Court budget for additional consultant funds.

### July 14, 2018 Regular Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved the Tribal Council President's June 2018 Report (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.).
- Approved the Tribal Council Vice President's June 2018 Report (Jennifer Misegan).
- Approved the Tribal Council Secretary's June 2018 Report (Susan J. LaFemier).
- Approved the CEO'S June 2018 Report (Larry J. Denomie, III).
- Approved the May 17, 2018 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes.
- Approved Cultural Day as a holiday on the Friday of the annual KBIC Powwow.
- Approved Resolution KB 027-2018 Sandra J. Swartz added Robin E. Roe to her residential lease.
- Approved the bid from Arbre Croche for the Phase I Archaeological Survey of the Ojibwa Casino Expansion/Improvements at Chocolay Township for \$18,810.40 to be completed by July 31, 2018.

- Approved the July 2018 Donations: \$500.00 to the Salvation Army for basic school supplies in Ishpeming; \$1,500.00 for the Taco Sale fundraiser/benefit for Toni Minton; and \$1,000.00 for the Congressman Jack Bergman campaign reception.
- Approved \$500.00 to Corey Pietila to attend D. Chaudier's police academy graduation in Artesia, New Mexico.
- Approved the renewal business license to Dale Friisvall "Friisvall Construction" for one year.
- Approved the Employment Agreement Assistant Tribal Attorney Employment Agreement with Paul Mooney beginning August 13, 2018, for three years.

### July 19, 2018 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved Jill Hodges for the KBOCC Board of Regents slate.
- Approved the SCA Entertainment, LP Contingent Prize Contract for the PrizePro42 Football Pick'em (Pigskin Payday) for both casinos.
- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Arbre Croche Cultural Resources to provide a Phase I archaeological survey of the Ojibwa Casino Expansion/Improvements in Chocolay Township.
- Approved the Language Instructor Employment Agreement with George Howard Kimewon as an instructor of the Anishnabemowin Language.
- Approved the bid from RC Mechanical, Inc. for a replacement roof top (conditioning) unit for the Pressbox Sports Bar and Grill.
- Approved the bid from ABC Supply Company, Inc. for new windows for the KBIC Housing Department Projects 65-2 and 65-3.
- Approved \$31,800.00 to DSA Housing and \$1,650.00 for setup of a 2017 manufactured singlewide series home to replace the trailer home for the Marina caretaker and to compensate the caretaker to set the new home up and that the home be certified for the northern climate.
- Approved the back wages request from a reinstated terminated employee from 6-6/6-22-18 and to develop a policy.
- Approved the Settlement Agreement with the Community Development Corporation (CDC).

### July 25, 2018 Finance/Special Council Meeting unapproved):

- Approved a waiver of the Indian Child Protection (ICP) clearance for the Pow-wow temporary golf cart driver job and waive the drug test for the temporary registration workers and parking attendant's jobs.
- Approved an additional \$3,000.00 (northern climate walls) to the DSA Housing estimate for the 2017 manufactured singlewide series home for the Marina caretaker.
- Approved the bid from REDW LLC for on-site training (up to 50 employees) in August on Purchasing, Procurement, Contracting and Implementation of the Federal Uniform Guidance, 2 CRF 200.
- Reviewed and discussed the FY 2019 Budget Timeline for Departments/Council review.
- PowerPoint review with the Chief Financial Officer and CEO the Ojibwa Casinos Financial Statement Summary ending June 30, 2018; the House Profits since 2006; the Slot Revenue 2005-2018; the KBIC Revenue Allocation Plan (RAP); and the loan structures for the proposed Casino Expansion/Improvement projects.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan J. LaFemier

## Happy Birthday To Our Eldest Seniors

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community wishes our Ojibwa Seniors who are 80-years and older in this month a very Happy Birthday!

"Let us respect gray hairs, especially our own."

~J.P. Sears

Helen K. Aho  
Elizabeth J. Dotts  
Duane B. Duschaine  
James J. Kavanaugh  
Jane A. Nelson  
Garet M. Peters  
Barbara M. Richards  
Walter M. Tody



Please let our Enrollment Office know if someone was missed or information is incorrect by call (906) 353-6623, ext. 4111.  
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## EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Keweenaw Bay Education Committee offers the Education Incentive Program to local KBIC tribal students. Monetary incentives are awarded at the end of each of the four marking periods of the academic year. Awards are given for Honor Roll and Perfect Attendance. Students must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be enrolled KBIC members.
2. Must reside in one of the following four counties: Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, or Marquette.
3. Must attend a public or private school.

A student's Honor Roll status is defined according to the regulations of their school district. Students in grades 4 through 12 are eligible to receive this award.

Perfect Attendance follows the school policy also but time for doctor or dental appointments and funerals may be allowed. Please contact the following people for more information:

- L'Anse Area Schools – Shellie Denomie 524-6000 ext. 369, [sdenomie@laschools.us](mailto:sdenomie@laschools.us)
- Baraga Area Schools – Helen Jondreau 353-6661 [hjondreau@up.net](mailto:hjondreau@up.net)
- All others contact Amy St. Arnold 353-4117 [amy@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:amy@kbic-nsn.gov)

Houghton, Ontonagon, and Marquette students must provide a copy of the student report card. If attendance is not noted on the card, please have a school official document by signature. Report cards may be mailed to Keweenaw Bay Tribal Center, Education Office, 16429 Beartown Rd. Baraga, MI 49908.

## EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM AWARDS STUDENTS

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**The following 43 students were placed on the Honor Roll for the fourth marking period of the 2017-18 academic year:**

**Baraga** – Kamerin Awonohopay, Jenna Carlson, Ireland Chosa, Robert Curtis, Alexxus DeCota, Allison Durant, Dhanya Ekdahl, Joseph Francois, Jr., Richard Geroux, Jr., Hunter Hebert, Rylee Holm, Jayla Isaacson, William Jondreau, Jr., Kamrin Kahkonen, Keegin Kahkonen, Nevaeh Loonsfoot, Steven Maki, Jenna Messer, Liliana Messer, Kylie Michaelson, Leeah Owens, Presley Rasanen, Alana Schofield, Tyler Shalifoe, Javon Shelifoe, Katie Strong, and Brent Waranka.

**L'Anse** – Dysean Allen, Daniel Curtis, Deija Dakota, Rion Fountaine, Robert Genschow III, Tianna Pillsbury, Alicia Stein, Mariana Teikari, Rachael Velmer, Robert Webb-Grisham, Cassandra Zasadnyj, and Paige Zasadnyj.

**Marquette** – Neebin Ashbrook-Pietila, Zoe Halamainen, Anna Lindgren, and Brenden Lindgren.

**The following 42 students received awards for achieving Perfect Attendance:**

**Baraga** – Ireland Chosa, Robert Curtis, Sara Dakota, Lealynd Dunleavy, Noah Evans, Destin Gauthier, Rylee Holm, Steele Jondreau, Keegin Kahkonen, Adrianna Kyllonen, Machai Loonsfoot, Nevaeh Loonsfoot, Kevin McIntyre, Jr., Jenna Messer, Kylie Michaelson, Presley Rasanen, Alana Schofield, Logan Shalifoe, Katie Strong, and Deklin Swartz.

**L'Anse** – Neldelya Chosa, Tokala Chosa, Daniel Curtis, Deija Dakota, Keira Dakota, Kydan Dean, Kobe Forcia, Rowen Rexford, Willow Rexford, Mason Spruce, Zoey Spruce, Alicia Stein, Matthew Stein, Prestan Stevens, Robert Webb-Grisham, Rachael Velmer, and Paige Zasadnyj.

**Gwinn** – Kaitlyn Shelafoe, Kimber Shelafoe, Destinee Stanton, and Lacie Stanton.

**Negaunee** – Brayden Velmer.



### 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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## 2018 Ann Misegan Memorial Scholarship Recipient Chosen



Grayson Roe has been selected as the recipient of the Tribe's 2018 Ann Misegan Memorial Scholarship. The Tribal Education Committee, along with a member of the Health Board, selected Roe to receive the scholarship.

Grayson is a graduate of L'Anse High School. He is a sophomore at Michigan Technological University majoring in Biological Sciences – Pre-Med.

Ann Misegan was a long time Tribal Council member whose priority was the health of the Tribal membership. She was adamant that Tribal members be trained for as many positions as possible within the Tribe, and also encouraged members to seek further education, specifically in health fields. She was a member of the Tribe's Health Board and was the Dental Assistant at the Tribal clinic for many years. She held an LPN certificate from Northern Michigan University and worked as a nurse for Baraga County Memorial Hospital before coming to work for the Tribe. This scholarship seeks to reward members who have the same passion for health care that Ann did.

This scholarship amount is \$2,500 twice per year for up to six years and will be awarded to a new student each fall. Applicants must meet the following criteria: be an enrolled Tribal member, attend an accredited college/university as a full-time student; pursue a degree in a Health Care field documented by their college (preference will be given to students either in a nursing or dental program); and be a resident of Baraga or Marquette County. Applications for the 2019-20 academic year will be available in May 2019. For more information about this scholarship, please contact Amy St. Arnold, KBIC Education Director, at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117.

## CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

The Education Department is pleased to announce the following eighteen KBIC college graduates for the 2017-18 academic year:

Rebecca Gauthier, Ojibwa Community College, Early Childhood Education, A.S.

Carisa LaFernier, Ojibwa Community College, Anishinaabe Studies, A.A.

Hope Laramore, The University of Phoenix, Business, A.A.

Betsey Leinonen, Ojibwa Community College, Early Childhood Education, A.S.

Denise Moschetto, Ojibwa Community College, Liberal Studies, A.A.

Sarah Rantanen, Bay de Noc Community College, Nursing, A.S.

Max Rivas, Ojibwa Community College, Environmental Science, A.S.

Logan Roe, Gogebic Community College, Physical Therapy, A.A.

Kathleen Smith, Ojibwa Community College, Environmental Science, A.S.

Serene Smith, Ojibwa Community College, Environmental Science, A.S.

Bryan Welsh, Ojibwa Community College, Anishinaabe Studies, A.A.

Mitchell Bolo, Northern Michigan University, Digital Cinema, B.A.

Shantell Ekdahl, Western Michigan University, Health Education: Community, B.A.

Cheyenne Nutlouis, Michigan State University, Professional Writing, B.A.

Breanna Pearson, Central Michigan University, Biomedical Science, B.S.

Joseph Stolp, Grand Valley State University, History, B.A.

Christine Awonohopay, Central Michigan University, Educational Technology, M.A.

William Smith, Ferris State University, Criminal Justice Administration, M.S.

Congratulations to the graduates. We are very proud of you and your accomplishments!

**KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE RECEIVES \$90,000 GRANT FOR INDOOZIITAAMIN PROJECT**

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College recently received a \$90,000 grant from the First Nations Development Institute of Longmont, Colorado. This award will support the efforts of the KBOCC'S Indooziitaamin Project.

This project is titled Indooziitaamin. This translates to "We are preparing," as this project will prepare the community to revitalize and sustain Ojibwe language for future generations. The goal of this project is to increase use of Ojibwe language throughout the College and within the Community. To prepare the Community, KBOCC will provide classroom teachings, trainings, and engagement events to a variety of age groups. Indooziitaamin will prepare our young learners for continued language teachings provided by the KBIC K-12 language program, prepare Migiziinsag teachers and KBOCC Daycare staff to utilize language more frequently, and support the KBOCC mission to promote life-long learning. Indooziitaamin will support language revitalization efforts within the Community by hosting language and culture events. These events will be family-oriented while promoting language use between Community members and bringing use of the culture home. This will also promote healthy family well-being.

KBOCC President Lori Ann Sherman states, "The mission of KBOCC is to provide post-secondary education rich in Ojibwa culture, tradition, and beliefs that support life-long learning. The Indooziitaamin Project is in direct line with our goals and strategic plan."

There will be a strong focus on increasing Ojibwe language usage amongst our youngest population served, the Migiziinsag pre-school program and KBOCC Daycare. Providing focus to this age group will build a foundation for their lifetime of Ojibwe language use. This will aid in retention of Ojibwe language and increase use within the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

~ submitted by Christine Awonohopay, KBOCC

**TRIBAL COURT CRIMINAL SENTENCES**



The Tribal Court has agreed to comply with the request of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's CEO's office to publish criminal sentencing on a routine basis.

**Christopher Voakes, case #17-027, §3.1210, Fraudulent connection or use of utility or telecommunication services – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**  
**Sentencing on 07/25/2018, #17-027, §3.1210:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. Restitution of \$85.95 for Public Works Department to be paid with the Tribal Court.
3. Ninety days jail, credit for one day served, 89 days jail suspended pending the successful completion of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
4. Three to six months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
5. Defendant shall obtain a gambling assessment for educational purpose. Whatever they recommend should be followed.
6. While on probation, the Defendant shall not gamble in any casino or be physically in any casino.

**Trevor McPherson, case #18-076, §5.6, Leave scene of accident – duty to report – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**  
**Sentencing on 08/06/2018, #18-076, §5.6:**

1. Fine \$100.00.
2. Twenty-six days jail, credit of 26 days. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for all drug and PBT testing.
4. Defendant shall pay the restitution in the amount of \$1,187.96 for vehicle repair and \$235.39 for child car seat replacement to the victim, payable at the Tribal Court Clerk's office.
5. Defendant consents to 25% garnishment of Lac Vieux Desert per capita distribution.

**Trevor McPherson, case #18-077, §3.1308, Disobedience of a lawful court order – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**  
**Sentencing on 08/06/2018, #18-077, §3.1308:**

1. Fine \$100.00.
2. Forty-five days jail, 45 days suspended. Defendant is financially responsible of the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for all drug and PBT testing.
4. Defendant shall be banned from all lands of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, for a minimum of a one-year period or thereafter until such time that he successfully completes a substance abuse screening, restitution is paid in full in case number #18-076, and all Court obligations are paid in full. In the event the Defendant violates the Banishment Order, he shall immediately serve the 45 days jail suspended in #18-077; thereafter he shall be subject to Contempt. The Defendant has two-hours from being released from jail to remove himself from the lands of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

**Charlotte Lee Loonsfoot, case #18-041, §3.608, Obstruction of process – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**  
**Sentencing on 08/06/2018, #18-041, §3.608:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for 130 days jail, serve 20 days jail, 30 days jail suspended pending successful completion of treatment. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses that occur while incarcerated.
3. Twelve to eighteen months of standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing.
4. Defendant shall report to the probation office within 24-hours of release from jail or the next business day and thereafter shall report as directed by the probation office but at a minimum of one time weekly in person to the probation office until deemed otherwise by the probation office.
5. Defendant shall be banned from all lands and properties of the Ojibwa Housing Department until all terms of probation are completed.

**Vanessa Beaver, case #18-074, §16.507, Obstruction of process – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**  
**Sentencing on 08/08/2018, #18-074, §16.507:**

1. Fine \$100.00.
2. Ninety days jail, 90 days suspended.
3. This case shall transfer to the Defendant's Healing To Wellness status.

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**September 2018 Calendar:**

- September 3 — Labor Day Holiday, Gov't Offices closed;
- September 7 — Constitution Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m. Tribal Center;
- September 8 — Regular, Saturday Council Meeting, 9 a.m. Big Bucks Bingo Facility, Baraga; New Day Sobriety Powwow, Ojibwa Campgrounds;
- September 21-23 — Gathering of Eagle Staffs, Zeba Community Hall;
- September 28 — Michigan Indian Day Holiday, Gov't Offices closed.

~ submitted by newsletter editor



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**2:00 to 4:00 pm**

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**New Employees - Who's  
 Who and Who's New!**



Pictured above are Honorable Violet M. Friisvall Ayres (center) Officer Mark Smith (left) and Officer Tyler Rasanen (right). Smith and Rasanen recently were hired as Keweenaw Bay Tribal Police Officers. Judge Ayres presented both officers with their oath to serve the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community as law enforcement officers on June 25, 2018. The two new officers will be heading to the police academy in Artesia, New Mexico in the near future.

~ Submitted by Lauri Denomie, Editor



Meet Brandy Chosa. Brandy is the new Administrative Assistant at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Health Systems Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Center.

Brandy said "I am both very excited and thankful for this new opportunity to serve my Tribe."

Brandy is married to Tom Chosa, Jr., and they have two daughters. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her German Shepherd "Thor", or in her craft room, and in the early spring helping her husband with his Maple Syrup business.

**The Harvest Season is Upon Us.  
So take a stroll through the Farmers  
Markets here in L'Anse/Baraga and  
Marquette.**

Enjoying all the produce that you or your neighbors worked so hard to grow is a pleasure for all the senses. So admire the beauty of those bright red tomatoes and beautiful leafies; feel the firm crisp apples, peppers, and cukes; and of course knock gently on the giant squashes and melons. (See below for the tasting and smelling.) Farmers market produce is picked at peak ripeness, so flavors are optimal.

Our harvest season is a short one here in the U.P. It can be a challenge to figure out how to use up all of the bounty. The Health Center supports a canning class to help people learn or advance their food preservation skills, so check the Health Center activity calendar for dates and times. Freezing is also a good way to preserve many vegetables and fruits (especially berries). Washing berries and then laying them out on a baking sheet in the freezer results in IQF (individually quick frozen) berries that can be easily thawed for cereal, fruit salads, etc.

Consider your trip to the Farmers Market as something of an adventure. You will probably see fruits and vegetables that you haven't seen before (Kohlrabi, huh? Purple heirloom tomatoes?). Don't be shy about asking questions of the grower. They will be delighted that you are interested, and they know that you're not always familiar with a food or how to prepare it. Shop in small quantities, especially a food that is new to you. One of the advantages of the new technology is that you can search a food on a smart phone before you even leave the market, and you can find many recipes for almost any food on the internet in a matter of minutes.

Farmers market produce was grown in the area, so your purchases are great for the local economy. Bringing cash in small bills is helpful to vendors, and if possible bring your own shopping bags. This helps vendors keep prices down, and is better for the environment too.

Some of our most abundant produce in September includes tomatoes, cucumbers, and peppers. These are the main ingredients in *gazpacho*, which is a zingy cold vegetable soup originally from Spain. It's a great way to enjoy all these vegetables together. It makes a great light lunch with some bread and cheese, or a wonderful side dish with dinner.

**GAZPACHO**

- 2 pounds ripe tomatoes, peeled and seeded;
- 1 green pepper, cored and seeded;
- 1 cucumber, peeled and seeded;
- ½ white onion, chopped coarsely;
- 1-2 cloves garlic, chopped;
- ½ tsp dried basil or 1 TBSP fresh chopped;
- ½ tsp dried oregano;
- 2 cups tomato juice;
- ¼ c olive or canola oil;
- ¼ c wine vinegar;
- 1 TBSP lemon juice;
- 1 tsp Tabasco sauce (optional, more for a real zing!).

Chop the vegetables coarsely so that they fit into a food processor or blender. Blend until smooth. If your blender is small, do this in batches. Chill for at least four hours or overnight. Serve cold, gazpacho can be garnished with parsley, finely chopped yellow pepper, and/or a basil leaf. A dollop of plain Greek-style yogurt makes a nice addition too. Keeps well in the refrigerator for a week.

Reference: American Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics website, *Farmers Market article* by Emilie Fielder, MS, RDN, LDN, is lead registered dietitian for the Rockford Health System in Rockford, Ill, August 2017.

~ submitted by Dr. Dale Schmeisser.

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**Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan represented with  
Michigan Cancer Consortium Board**

Noel Pingatore to begin serving on MCC board in September.

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan — The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan's Noel Pingatore, Director for Health Education and Chronic Disease Department, has been named to the Michigan Cancer Consortium's Board of Directors. Pingatore will serve a three-year term beginning in September.

"This is a great honor. The Michigan Cancer Consortium is a wealth of knowledge and resources on every issue related to cancer prevention and control in Michigan. They have also been supportive of the unique needs of Michigan's Native American population," said Pingatore.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan was a founding member of the Michigan Cancer Consortium and shares a *Spirit of Collaboration* award in partnership with the Michigan Cancer Registry. Mrs. Pingatore has been active in consortium activities and currently sits on the Evaluation Subcommittee.

According to the MCC, their mission statement is, "The MCC is a statewide, broad-based partnership that strives to include all interested public and private organizations and provides a forum for collaboration (communication, coordination, and the sharing of resources) to reduce the burden of cancer among the residents of Michigan by achieving the Consortium's research-based and results-oriented cancer prevention and control priorities."

For more information on the Michigan Cancer Consortium, visit <http://www.michigancancer.org/>. For more information on the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, visit <http://www.itcmi.org/>.

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**Improving Life for Anishinaabe Cancer Survivors**

To Address Native American Cancer Survivors Needs

Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan – The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan via a grant from the Michigan Cancer Consortium partnered with the George Washington Cancer Institute to adapt Cancer Survivorship Training materials to Anishinaabe culture and the Indian Health Service Tribal Health System.

The focus of this training is to improve the quality of life of Native American cancer survivors and caregivers and reduce death and disability due to cancer by focusing on the importance of helping survivors achieve optimal health and well-being. Physicians, nurses, and public health professionals who complete this training provided professional continuing education credits from George Washington University and the Indian Health Service.

"The purpose of this collaboration is to improve Anishinaabe cancer survival rates across the state of Michigan. The Cancer Survivorship Care Training addresses the physical, psychological, social, and spiritual needs of patients both during and after cancer treatment," said Beth Sieloff, Program Manager with Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan.

Participating partners include: Amanda Leonard, Raeanne Madison, Beth Sieloff, Program Managers at Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan; McKenna Roberts, Intern at Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan from Harvard University; and Mandi Chapman, Associate Center Director of George Washington University Cancer Center.

The Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan is currently scheduled to visit five Tribal Health Centers through the summer of 2018. Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan is available to bring this training to any Tribal Health Center in Michigan upon request.

For more information or to coordinate a training, please contact Beth Sieloff at 906-632-6896 or email [bsieloff@itcmi.org](mailto:bsieloff@itcmi.org). Visit <http://www.itcmi.org/> to learn more.

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Noel Pingatore, Department Director at Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan has been named to Michigan Cancer Consortium's Board of Directors.



Left to right: McKenna Roberts, Intern at Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan from Harvard University; Mandi Chapman, Associate Center Director of George Washington University Cancer Center; Beth Sieloff, Raeanne Madison, and Amanda Leonard, Program Managers at Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan met in late June to collaborate on Native American cancer survivorship. Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan will be offering Native American survivorship trainings through 2018.

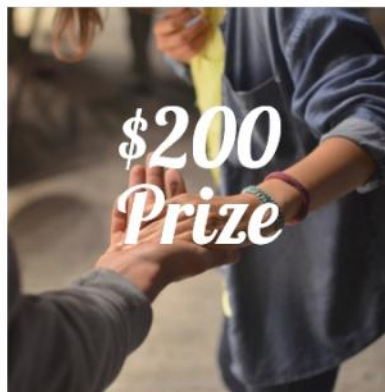
**Chi Miigwech!**

Thank you so much for your support of my benefit taco sale. It was a successful event, thanks in large part to the generous donations of money, supplies, and the many volunteers. They were very busy as we sold double the amount we expected to sell! Again, thank you to all of the local businesses, co-workers, and community members who placed orders. I appreciate you all! I am blessed to be part of this community!

~ Toni Minton



# KBIC NAMING & SLOGAN CONTEST



**DETAILS: CULTURALLY RELEVANT NAME (ANSHINAABEMOWIN PREFERRED) & SLOGAN THAT IS APPROPRIATE FOR A TREATMENT CENTER STEP DOWN PROGRAM WHOSE FOCUS IS ON REINTEGRATION.**

## K.B.I.C. Maawanji'iding continued:

held between grand entries as well on Saturday.

The weekend special events included: a Hand Drum contest (1<sup>st</sup> place – Myron Pyawasit III, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Mark Kingbird, Sr., and 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Garritte C); a Jingle Dress competition (1st place – Nell Pyawasit, 2nd place – Roseanne Otradovec, and 3rd place – Demery Jackson); a Woodland Special competition (1st place – Mark Kingbird, Sr., 2nd Place – Noodwin Shadande, 3rd place – Bernard Lemieux); adult two-step competition (1st place – Ronnie Preston and Jamie Awonohopay, 2nd place – Angela Trudu and Richard Awonohopay, and 3rd place — Garrett Christensen, Jr. and Jasmine Pawlicki); and the youth two-step competition where the crowd chose Starr Dunleavy and Preston Oja as 1<sup>st</sup> place youth two step champions (winning two-years in a row).

## Honored Elders

### Barbara Jean Swartz

Barbara was born September 27, 1942, the daughter of Ellsworth Darcy and Eleanor "Rabideaux" Darcy. She attended school in Baraga and graduated from the Community Schools in 1976 alongside her mother and brother Tom. Barb did attend college but did not finish due to family and work. In 1960, she married Clyde Swartz and had five children, nine grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren. The love of her life, Clyde, passed away in December of 2008.

Barbara and Beatrice Hugo started the New Day Halfway House in 1973, which was located on the third floor of the old Tribal Center. Throughout the years, it has changed significantly and is now the New Day Treatment Center. She also worked for 12 years at Big Bucks Bingo. Barbara was also the first housekeeper/laundry supervisor for the Bear's Den Motel and assisted with getting all the rooms set up when they first opened in 1991. She worked as a bus driver and office worker for the Tribal Head Start Program for 26 years, where she retired from in September of 2017.

Barbara said, "I have traveled a lot in my life. I love tours and go at least two or three times a year. I am very grateful for this honor today. If it wasn't for the Tribe I

couldn't make a go of things."

### Eugene "Cowboy" Loonsfoot

Eugene is a KBIC elder and a member of the KBIC Tribal Veterans, Wiikwedong Ogchidaa Society. He is a U.S.M.C Combat Veteran who served from October 1966 to 1970 and was honorably discharged. He has been a member of the American Legion continuously for 30 plus years. Cowboy has worked for the Tribe for 33 years, 19 of those as a Security Supervisor before retiring.

Cowboy said, "I raised 13 children and have 28 grandchildren and 19 great grandchildren. In my spare time I like to hang out with family, watch sports, and go for long drives to enjoy scenery."



Honored Elders, Barbara Jean Swartz and Eugene "Cowboy" Loonsfoot.

## Deepest Sympathy

### Wendy Mae Brown

(October 30, 1966—August 16, 2018)

Wendy Mae Brown, age 51, of Acorn Trail, Chocolay Township, left Mother Earth and walked on, Thursday, August 16, 2018, at ThedaCare Regional Medical Center in Appleton, Wisconsin. She was born to Patricia (Madosh) Brown and Richard Lucas. Ernie Brown adopted her and that is how she became known as Wendy Brown for the remainder of her life.

Wendy attended the Marquette Area Schools and graduated from Bi-County High School in 1984. An adventurous journey took her in her twenty's to Massachusetts where she resided in the Boston area and owned an arcade gaming business. She returned to the U.P. in the 90's. Through

## FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2018 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS\* (Effective Oct. 1, 2017 to Sept. 30, 2018)

\*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	\$1,005 +	\$160 =		\$1,165
2	\$1,354 +	\$160 =		\$1,514
3	\$1,702 +	\$160 =		\$1,862
4	\$2,050 +	\$170 =		\$2,220
5	\$2,399 +	\$199 =		\$2,598
6	\$2,747 +	\$228 =		\$2,975
7	\$3,095 +	\$228 =		\$3,323
8	\$3,444 +	\$228 =		\$3,672
Each additional member				+ \$349
Alaska:				Use this amount
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard	SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,255 +	\$273 =		\$1,528
2	\$1,691 +	\$273 =		\$1,964
3	\$2,127 +	\$273 =		\$2,400
4	\$2,563 +	\$273 =		\$2,836
5	\$2,999 +	\$273 =		\$3,272
6	\$3,435 +	\$285 =		\$3,720
7	\$3,870 +	\$285 =		\$4,155
8	\$4,306 +	\$285 =		\$4,591
Each additional member				+ \$436

Wendy's years, she worked at many local businesses, waitressing and bartending, as a CNA at Mather Nursing Center and the Marquette County Medical Care Facility, and at the Sara Lee (Bunny Bread) Bakery. Wendy was known for her vibrant personality and her love for her two nieces and family. She loved life, talking with everybody. If you wanted to know about makeup or fashion, she was your girl! She was always on the phone talking with somebody and loved roller skating in her younger years.

She loved her two nieces, Autumn and Neebin, spending time with them at the cottage, sleepovers, late night Walmart runs, watching the Golden Girls, and so much more. They will miss having conversations with her about everything. Wendy was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and proud of her Native American heritage.

She will be missed by her surviving family members: her mother, Patricia Brown (Roy Peterson); her siblings, Clifford "Sonny" (Diane Truscott) Brown, Carrie (Keith) Ashbrook; nieces, Autumn (Matt) and Neebin Ashbrook-Pietila, her fiancée, Johno Manchester; and special cousin, Nora Logan. She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Peter and Helen Madosh; her adopted father, Ernie Brown; several aunts and uncles; and her fur babies, Scrappy and Tigger.

A celebration of Wendy's life was held at the Swanson-Lundquist Funeral Home, on Tuesday, August 21, 2018. In her memory, play one of your favorite Shania Twain songs and "belt it out!"

The Swanson-Ludquist Funeral Home of Marquette, Michigan, assisted the family.



## KBIC Recognizes Government Employees at Annual Picnic



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Corn Bag Toss (double elimination) — left to right, 1st place—Tony Loonsfoot and Steven Denomie; 2nd place—Lynelle Bolo and Rachel Clisch; 3rd place—Joel Mayo and Corey Pietila.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Fishing Tournament — left to right, 1st place—Team Pittsley, Shane Pittsley, two members not present; 2nd place—Team Three Amigos, Bruce Geroux, Dean Butula, Jodi Pittsley; 3rd place—Team Rez Hogs, Duane Misegan, Dale Dakota, Mark Misegan, and Bradley Dakota.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Employees honored for 10 years of service — left to right, Brandy Chosa, Jennifer Westman, Jodene Rasanen, Shane Pittsley, and Michael "Buck" LaFernier, Jr. Missing from photo: Brandon Dakota, Beth Dix, Beth Fish, Mark Misegan, Todd Pittsley, and Cynthia Thierry.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Employees honored for 15 years of service — left to right, Bruce Geroux, David Kauppila, Theresa Nygord, Emily Evans, Wayne Kostamo, Gary Haataja, Jason Dunn, and Kristy Teikari. Missing from photo: Mitchell Bolo, Angela Dickson, Robin Gauthier, Chris Lamson, Mary Messer, and Heather Wood-Paquet.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Employees honored for 20 years of service — left to right, Don Larson, Natalie Mleko, Julie Rasanen, Angela Loonsfoot, and Martin Curtis, Jr. Missing from photo: Timmy Tilson, Gerald Cadeau, Jr., Robert Curtis, Jr., Tracy Emery, Jeffery Mayo, Richard Shalifoe III, and Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community held their Annual Government Picnic for their employees on Friday, August 24, 2018. The event was held at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall due to the forecast of rain.

Employees participated in a number of activities — bingo, cribbage, corn hole toss, and a fishing tournament. Lucky 7's prepared a Taco Bar for lunch. Following the games and lunch, employees were honored for years of dedicated service to the Community, prizes were distributed for the competitions, and everyone received a special prize ranging from \$50 to \$500 and one lucky employee won two NFL Game Tickets to a Packer Game in Green Bay, Wisconsin in October.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Employees honored for 25 years of service — left to right, Jesse Forcia and Mary Dee Shanahan.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Employees honored for 30 years of service — left to right, Lisa Denomie, Nancy Pawlowski, Debra Picciano.

## 2018 GATHERING OF EAGLE STAFFS Zeba Community Center, September 21, 22, and 23, 2018

For more information, please contact:  
Rodney Loonsfoot at 906-201-4448 or [tr Rodney@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:tr Rodney@kbic-nsn.gov)

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The Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society will be hosting the 2018 GATHERING OF EAGLE STAFFS at the Zeba Community Center on SEPTEMBER 21, 22, and 23, 2018.

The Eagle Staff gathering is an opportunity to learn about the First flag of our Indian people.

Eagle Staff carriers will be coming from all over the Great Lakes Area and Canada.

The three day event will be filled with stories; teachings that are free and open to the public.

The Saturday evening feast will be potluck, and we ask the KBIC Community to please bring a dish to pass.

All the Eagle Staffs will be feasted following the teachings of paying respects to our staffs.

George Martin who is a Korea and Vietnam Veteran will serve as Head Veteran. George has served as Head Veteran and Lead Ogichidaa for the Eagle Staff Gathering for many years.

All Eagle Staffs will be brought into as a pow-wow grand entry then posted in a circle and all Eagle Staff carriers

will share about their Eagle Staff teaching and stories.

Sunrise ceremonies will be held both days (Saturday and Sunday). The Eagle Staff Gathering shall be completed on Sunday with closing remarks and a giveaway to show our appreciation and to honor our Eagle Staff carriers who have come to our Community.

Donations and volunteers are greatly appreciated. For more information please contact Rodney Loonsfoot at (906) 201-4448.

### KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY OFFICE OF VETERAN AFFAIRS

#### Rodney Loonsfoot, Tribal Council/Tribal Veteran Service Officer

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APPOINTMENT

The Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society (KBIC Honor Guard) now has two new Veteran Memorial Silhouettes for sale. Memorials are four feet high and five feet wide. This Memorial Silhouette is perfect for your yard to remember the sacrifices of all our veterans. Perfect for all holidays as gifts.

Memorial silhouettes are custom made to order by our KBIC veterans. Please help support our Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society. COST: \$150.00.

Please call Rodney Loonsfoot @ 353 VETS or 201-4448 to place your order or e-mail [tr Rodney@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:tr Rodney@kbic-nsn.gov). Please indicate cross or eagle staff. All proceeds will go towards veteran programming and activities.

Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Monthly upcoming meetings, held at 6:00 pm — September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 19. Meetings are subject to change. Special meetings for Powwows/funerals will be announced.





## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Walk for Domestic Violence Awareness

Saturday  
October 13<sup>th</sup>  
Noon

Niiwin Akeaa Facility

**Beatrice Menaseqwe Jackson,**  
Guest speaker



Sponsored by KBIC OVW Programs & Services, USDJOVW Project # 2017-TW-AX-0059

### Update for August 2018 from DHHS Health System

By Soumit Pendharkar, Health Director

We worked very hard to finish our grant application for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Tribal Opioid Grant (TOR). A multi-disciplinary, cross-department team worked together against a tight deadline, collaborating with the Michigan Public Health Institute and the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. to put together a unique application that will benefit the community in a number of tangible ways. The grant is a two year opportunity funded for at least \$210,848. As a primary goal, the grant will seek to implement comprehensive, national guidelines for the optimal management of pregnant women with diagnosed Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) based on the recommendations presented in the SAMHSA publication "Clinical Guidance for Treating Pregnant and Parenting Women with Opioid Use Disorder and their Infants". The treatment approach will emphasize behavioral counseling, a patient advocate role, peer support groups, community education, and traditional approaches, in addition to Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in an integrated model. The traditional component will be provided by contracting with a medicine man for a clinic one day per week. Additionally, a comprehensive Naloxone distribution program will be offered to the community as an approach to reduce the risk of overdose deaths. The patient load will initially be limited in the 1<sup>st</sup> year to gain the necessary experience and then expand to a wider population within the Tribe in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year. With the implementation of an evidence based MAT program that integrates patient advocacy, behavioral, and traditional components, we hope to increase the number of pregnant women receiving essential care close at home in the community, reduce the community risk of overdose deaths, and lessen the stigma and misinformation that results in barriers to obtaining care. Ultimately, as our treatment model expands to a wider population within the Tribe, we hope to eliminate the barriers that keep individuals away from receiving care for diagnosed OUD close to home, seeking care, or continuing to engage in care, thereby avoiding worse outcomes. I believe our integrated MAT program is a major leap forward for the DHHS, implementing a new competency to address a critical community need and opening up access to significant future grant dollars downstream. I am very proud of the team who worked on the project and look forward to the work ahead after receiving notification of the grant award.

The DHHS celebrated August 13<sup>th</sup> through August 17<sup>th</sup> as National Health Center Week. It is an annual celebration that raises awareness about the services, mission, and accomplishments of the DHHS. I would like to recognize a number of DHHS staff, although not an exhaustive listing, that helped with the various tasks and planning necessary to make the week a resounding success: Heather Wood, Health Promotion Coordinator; Dawn Kempainen, Community Health Receptionist; Tashina Emery, Former BALAC Coordinator; Mary Dee Shanahan, Community Health Representative; Kristine Maki, Family Health Educator; Brandy Chosa, Administrative Assistant; Kristy Clisch, Community Health Worker; Ginger Sheliofe, Family Health Educator; Micah Petoskey, IT Site Manager; Kim LeClaire, Medical Transporter; and Mindy Lantz, Public Health Nurse. Additionally, I would like to thank all of the departments involved within the DHHS and programs for their contributions: Diabetes, Health Start-Family Spirit, REACH, Tribal Breast Health, BALAC, Food Access Collaborative, ACS Community Initiatives Change, Methamphetamine & Suicide Prevention Initiative, WIC, Tribal PREP, Dental, Medical, QI, Pharmacy, PRC/Benefits, and Maternal Child Health. Finally, I would like to thank Gladys Anderson from UP Oils; Doreen Blaker from the KBIC Culture Committee; and Evelyn Ravindran, Kathleen Smith, Karena Schmidt from the KBIC Natural Resources Department. From the sheer number of people mentioned above, it is clear that National Health Center Week was a large undertaking requiring many hands to make it a success. To all involved, and anyone I missed who contributed, thank you sincerely for all your contributions!

## SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF STRANGULATION

**NEUROLOGICAL**

- Loss of memory
- Loss of consciousness
- Behavioral changes
- Loss of sensation
- Extremity weakness
- Difficulty speaking
- Fainting
- Urination
- Defecation
- Vomiting
- Dizziness
- Headaches

**SCALP**

- Petechiae
- Bald spots (from hair being pulled)
- Bump to the head (from blunt force trauma or falling to the ground)

**EYES & EYELIDS**

- Petechiae to eyeball
- Petechiae to eyelid
- Bloody red eyeball(s)
- Vision changes
- Droopy eyelid

**EARS**

- ringing in ears
- Petechiae on earlobe(s)
- Bruising behind the ear
- Bleeding in the ear

**FACE**

- Petechiae (tiny red spots, slightly red or flork)
- Scratch marks
- Facial drooping
- Swelling

**MOUTH**

- Bruising
- Swollen tongue
- Swollen lips
- Cuts/abrasions
- Internal Petechiae

**CHEST**

- Chest pain
- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Bruising
- Abrasions

**NECK**

- Redness
- Scratch marks
- Fingernail impressions
- Bruising (thumb or fingers)
- Swelling
- Ligature Marks

**VOICE & THROAT CHANGES**

- Raspy or hoarse voice
- Unable to speak
- Trouble swallowing
- Painful to swallow
- Clearing the throat
- Coughing
- Nausea
- Drooling
- Sore throat
- Stridor

**BREATHING CHANGES**

- Difficulty breathing
- Respiratory distress
- Unable to breathe

Source: *Strangulation in Intimate Partner Violence, Chapter 16, Intimate Partner Violence. Oxford University Press, Inc. 2009.*

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### Summer Programs Wrap-up and Fall programs begin!

By Angela Badke—Librarian

Even though the Ojibwa Community Library's Summer Reading Program has ended for the year, the Library still has a lot of programming coming up!

September is Library Card Sign-up month, and getting your card with us is free and easy. You need to live in Baraga County, and have an ID with a current address. Drop in during business hours, fill out our form, and we'll get you a card! With a card, everything in the Library is free to use or checkout. In addition to having access to thousands of books (both in print and audio—from our very own library and from libraries across the UP!), cardholders are also able to check out DVDs, and access online e-books and e-magazines at no cost. Stop in and sign up today!

B.A.S.I.C. (Building Adult Skills in Computing) is back this month! During these sessions, participants may ask tutors from Michigan Tech University to help them with smartphones, tablets/iPads, or laptop computers. The tutors will work closely with participants to solve their most pressing questions about their devices. The first session will take place on September 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Library's front classroom. Attendees are encouraged to come early to ensure that the tutors will be able to work with you. Please note that we cannot guarantee that we will have enough tutors to work one-on-one, and there may be a waiting period. Additional sessions will occur on October 18<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup>, both starting at 6:00 PM. If you have any questions about this program, please call us at 353-8163, and ask for either Angela or Dawn.

Also, did you know that Baraga County is full of Reading Rock Stars? This summer, our Summer Reading Program participants read a total of 54,000 minutes, which is 900 hours! Library patrons embarked on a reading challenge to read 20 minutes at a time to reach a 1200 minute per person goal. Participants also had the option to join in the summer events happening at the library. The events put a fun spin on the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math (STEAM) theme with sessions about music and dance, beading, and rocket building. We ended the summer with a game day party that included a Library Scavenger Hunt, Plinko, and Giant Jenga.

Finally, we'd like to thank everybody for their support of the Summer Reading Program. We'd like to extend a huge thank you to our participants, and a special thank you to Lisa Denomie and Tashina Emery for hosting events at the library, to Greg Loonsfoot for building the best Plinko game board, to the KBIC Youth Programs for their assistance this summer, and to the KBIC Education Department and the KBIC Tribal Council for their continued support of the Summer Reading Program. Also, I'd like to thank my library assistant, Dawn Browning, and my summer youth worker, Riley Koski, for all of their amazing work this summer! Miigwech!

For more information about our upcoming events, hours and closure notifications, book sale deals, and new books please like and follow the Ojibwa Community Library on Facebook.



## KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY 2018 TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community will be offering Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) units to be cut this fall to registered Tribal members. Cutting areas are 8-9 acres in size. All cutting must be completed by October 31, 2018.

Those who sign up must be registered Tribal members of Keweenaw Bay Indian Community living within Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw, Ontonagon, or Marquette Counties. The sign-up sheet is located at the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Center. Last day to sign-up will be September 28, 2018. Cutters will be selected by the KBIC Tribal Council. Those selected will be notified by phone and/or mail. **Selected Tribal members must be willing and able to do the cutting they are hired for. No subcontracting of cutting will be allowed.** All cutters are required to provide their own boots and chainsaws. Eye, head, ear, leg, and hand protection will also be required, but can be provided upon request. Preference will be given to those who are unemployed.



Please contact Rachel McDonald, KBIC Forester, at 353-4591 or [rmcdonald@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:rmcdonald@kbic-nsn.gov) for additional information.

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