

WIKWEDONG DAZHI-OJIBWE

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe

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KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY HOLDS PRIMARY ELECTION

Voters from the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community cast their ballots at the November 3, 2018, Primary Election. Their votes advanced eight Tribal Council candidates and two Chief Judge candidates to the Tribe's General Election. Baraga District Precinct was held at the Ojibwa Senior Center, and L'Anse District Precinct was located at the Zeba Community Hall. Voters cast their ballots for two individuals for Tribal Council in their district and one individual for Chief Judge. Votes allowed the top four vote getters in each district to advance for Tribal Council, and top two candidates for Chief Judge advanced to General Election. The General Election will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018. Results are:



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Baraga District results:

Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. (Inc.) 84 votes;
Elizabeth "Beth" Connor 66 votes;
Marty Curtis, Jr. 48 votes;
James "JD" Denomie 26 votes;
Sue Ellen "Suzie" Elmlblad 62 votes;
Gerald H. Friisvall 7 votes;
Kim Klopstein 105 votes;
Michael P. Lahti 54 votes;
Jerry Magnant "Mayo" 41 votes;
Don Messer, Jr. 28 votes.

L'Anse District results:

Susan J. LaFernier (Inc.) 50 votes;
Jennifer Misegan (Inc.) 57 votes;
Lyndon Ekdahl 25 votes;
Floyd J. Forcia, Jr. 17 votes;
Dale F. Goodreau 48 votes;
David Haataja 31 votes;
Jean (Halverson) Jokinen 40 votes;
Chris C. Voakes 31 votes.

Chief Judge results:

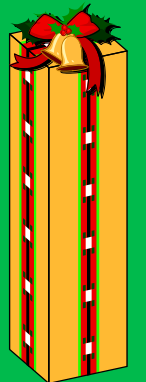
Bradley T. Dakota (Inc.) 171 votes;
Bill Jondreau 206 votes;
Paul D. Smith 53 votes.

**Merry
Christmas**



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

- Primary Election Results
- 2018 Harvest Feast Held
- Veterans Day Celebration
- KBIC Youth Halloween Parties Held
- Health Department Updates
- Criminal Report
- Ojibwa Elders' Birthdays
- Deepest Sympathy
- Abinoojiiyens
- Ojibwemowin

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

Registered Voters

The General Election will be held on Saturday, December 15, 2018.

Voters residing in the Baraga District will vote at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center. Voters residing in the L'Anse District will vote at the Zeba Community Hall. Polls will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Tribal Council—Baraga District

Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. (Inc.)
Elizabeth "Beth" Connor
Sue Ellen "Suzie" Elmlblad
Kim Klopstein

Tribal Council—L'Anse District

Susan J. LaFernier (Inc.)
Jennifer Misegan (Inc.)
Dale F. Goodreau
Jean (Halverson) Jokinen

Chief Judge

Bradley T. Dakota (Inc.)
Bill Jondreau

ONLY REGISTERED VOTERS WILL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE. (Per Election Ordinance).

To be added to the mailing list or to correct your mailing address, contact the enrollment office at (906) 353-6623 ext. 4113.



KBIC MEMBERS COMMUNITY MEETING

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

5:30 P.M.

Big Bucks Bingo Hall—Baraga, MI

TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED

- ✓ Casino projects updates
- ✓ Financing of the projects
- ✓ Open discussion

KBOCC dedicates entrance to KBIC Ogichidaag

The main entrance of Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College's (KBOCC) Wabanung Campus is dedicated to Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) Ogichidaag. To the right, preceded by an eagle staff, are full-size flags leading into the heart of the building. Lining the wall and displayed proudly in 3' x 5' frames representing the United States, Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, Prisoner of War, KBIC, and KBOCC. To the left covering the wall are 8" x 10" photographs of numerous KBIC members who have served or are currently serving in the military. Among these images, the wall showcases an impressive mural that measures approximately 6' x 8' that was *'inspired by those who risked all'*.



Honoring past, present, and future veterans have always been a priority for KBOCC but the idea of dedicating the hallway originated from KBIC Veteran Joe Eckerberg. With his guidance, it was brought to life with illustrations by Casey E. Maki, KBIC member and KBOCC Student.

The collection of images is far from complete. However, individuals are encouraged to submit pictures to the KBOCC Library. This is a living wall that will continuously grow as the community nourishes it by submitting photos and stories.

For more information you can contact Lori Ann Sherman, KBOCC President, through e-mail president@kbocc.edu, or by calling 906-524-8414.

HARVEST FEAST

Indigenous Peoples have traditions of thankfulness (or thanksgiving) for surviving winter and for receiving crops and game for their hard work. Native Americans give thanks first to every animal whose life they take in order to have food and clothing. They give thanks to the Great Spirit for their crops from seeding to harvest. The Native Americans give thanks for enough crops to last through later months and allow for survival of the winter. These Feast Days have occurred for thousands of years and back 12,000 to 48,000 or more years ago in America.

Today KBIC celebrates our harvest with the Community at an Annual Harvest Feast usually held mid-October. This year's Annual Harvest Feast was held Saturday, November 3, 2018, at the former Big Bucks Bingo Hall in Baraga, Michigan. The event was to start at 3:00 p.m., but it ran on "Indian Time" starting closed 4:00 p.m. instead. However, the wait was certainly worth it. Approximately 100 Community members participated, visiting with and enjoying each other's company. They shared a delicious traditional meal. Four Thunder Drum was present to offer an honor song.

As an elder, I remember years back to how grand an event the Harvest Feast was. Our people traveled from all over to gather together. They brought their favorite recipes on how to cook fish, pig, buffalo, venison, rice, lug, fry bread, many vegetable dishes, and desserts. The lines 50-years-ago were sometimes a two-hour wait just to enter the dining hall.

This year's event was sponsored by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and hosted by the Powwow Committee. Families assisted by sharing their favorite dishes.

~ Submitted by Lauri Denomie



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

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DECEMBER 2018 Calendar:

- December 7 — Constitution Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m. Tribal Center;
- December 24, 25, 26 — Christmas Holiday, Gov't offices closed;
- December 31, January 1 — New Year's Holiday, Gov't offices closed.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

Tribal Council Secretary's Report for the Month of October 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 fall colors were beautiful, and winter is upon us once again. We give thanks for a wonderful Thanksgiving, and we wish everyone a blessed Happy Christmas!

*Mino-Bimaadizin "Live Well"
Respectfully, Susan J. LaFernier*

I am including the motions that were not in the prior reports (August 21, 24, and 30, 2018). During September, the Tribal Council held one Regular Council meeting on Saturday, September 8, 2018, and five Special/Finance meetings on September 17, 24, 25, 26, and 27, 2018. 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.

I attended the KBIC Halfway House Ground Breaking Ceremony on September 6, 2018. Thanks to everyone for their work on this very much needed facility. It has been a busy September as I have been helping with the re-opening of the Marquette Ojibwa Express Convenience Gas Station. The station closed on August 15th and reopened on September 13th. Many of the applications and licenses needed to be changed with the new Aanikoosing, Inc. Board members. It is beautiful inside, and I encourage everyone to stop, get gas, and visit.

On October 2, 2018, the annual United Methodist Women's meeting was hosted by our historic Zeba United Methodist Church at the Zeba Community Center. Over 100 women from across the Upper Peninsula attended and were impressed with the Hall. As hosts, we received many donations of diapers, infants clothing, and hats and mittens which were donated to our foster families and our Tribal Social Services Department.

Thank you to everyone for the wonderful Flag Raising Ceremony and Veterans Day Luncheon held on Sunday, November 11, 2018, at the Bingo Hall. Over 30 veterans and friends attended, and \$287.00 was raised for the "Toys for Tots" program.

Remember to vote in the upcoming General Election on December 15, 2018. "Your VOTE is an important decision and makes a difference"

August 21, 2018 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- The Council met with the Marquette Ojibwa Express Convenience Store Manager Theresa Freeman regarding the re-opening and a "Plan to Proceed" for the station in closed session for four hours.

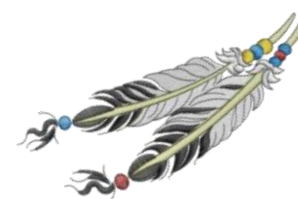
August 23, 2018 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved to offer the Newsletter Editor to Laurie Denomie at the same rate for three years. If she does not accept, bids will be requested.
- Motion to approve the Grand River Community Development bid of \$817,110.00 for the KBIC Halfway House project (they are also the consultants). There were five bids.
- Approved to table the motion for more discussion on the financials.
- Approved the motion for the KBIC Halfway House bid.

August 30, 2018 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):

- Approved a request from the Public Works Department to bid up to \$60,000.00 plus the 13% auction fee for the purchase of a used plow truck at Wayland, MI, by the BIA Roads Maintenance Program.
- Approved the Memorandum of Agreement with I.H.S. for the Zeba Water Storage (Tank) Replacement project.
- Approved a business license renewal with Gerald Jondreau "Traditional Treasures" local and traditional foods.
- Approved the U.S.G.S. Joint Funding Agreement for the continued operation and maintenance of the streamgaging station on the Silver River near L'Anse, Michigan, October 1, 2018-September 30, 2019.
- Approved a donation of \$300.00 to Cecelia Chosa for ceremonial travel (exceeded the allowed amount).
- Approved the Legal Services Agreement with Montana & Associates, LLC to work with the THPO Office and Tribal Attorney's Office on drafting and finalizing a Resolution, Ordinances, and Policies and Procedures by June 21, 2020, relating to the settlement of negotiations of a natural gas pipeline to be located on the Community's ceded areas.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan J. LaFernier



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!

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



**Thomas J. Blackwood, Jr.
Shirley J. Clisch
Carolyn F. Durant
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Elizabeth J. Martin
Julia Marilyn Mayville
Elaine M. Prowdley
Evelyn Shafer
Clara J. Smith
Carol L. Tuimala
Leonard J. Wicketts, Jr.**

"Let us never know what old age is. Let us know the happiness time brings, not count the years."

~ *Ausonius*

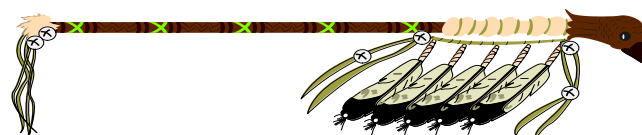
To place an ad, submit an article, or relate information, ideas, or possible articles contact: Lauri Denomie at (906) 201-0263, or e-mail: newsletter@kbicnsn.gov.

VETERAN DAY CEREMONY HELD AT KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY



The KBIC Tribal Veterans Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Honor Guard (pictured above with two of their young helpers) participated in the Flag Raising Ceremony on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2018. The Flag Raising Ceremony is held at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Center grounds. Four Thunder Drum assisted the KBIC Tribal Veterans Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Honor Guard as they displayed the colors with much pride. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community sponsored the event and held a lunch afterward to say thank you to all Veterans. Luncheon was organized by KBIC Tribal Members: Kim Klopstein, Debbie Picciano, and Tina Owens. Photo compliments of Tina Owens.

~ Submitted by Lauri Denomie



KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY YOUTH HALLOWEEN CELEBRATIONS

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Youth Programs held their annual Youth Halloween Parties on Saturday, October 27, 2018, at the Niiwin Akeaa Facility in Baraga, Michigan, and on Sunday, October 28, 2018, at the Marquette Community Center in Harvey, Michigan. Participants took part in a number of games for great prizes, took a horse-drawn wagon ride, and enjoyed Pizza, veggie trays, fruit trays, and desserts. The events were well attended, and all children left the events with a number of prizes and a huge bag of candy. A good time was had by all.

~ By Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Two ninjas definitely feeling special, above are (left) Dayten Wandahsega and (right) Bryten VanDyke.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Baraga, ages 0-4, left to right, 1st place—Austin Shelifoe, 2nd place—Chase Picciano, 3rd place—Lyle Roberts.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Baraga, ages 5-8, left to right, 1st place—Kadynce and Aaliyan Loonsfoot, 2nd place—Nevaeh Lee Fish, 3rd place—Khloe Loonsfoot.



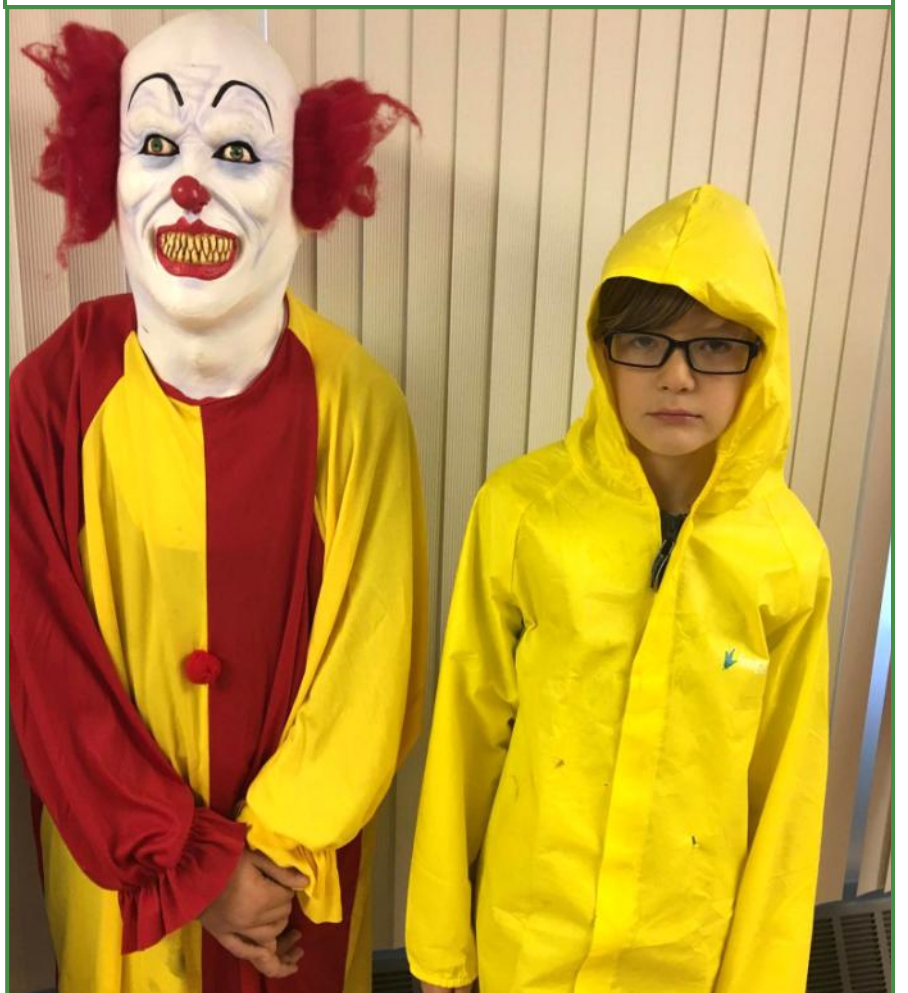
Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Baraga, ages 9-11, left to right, 1st place—Brooklyn Summers, 2nd place—Breanna Jondreau, 3rd place—Leighann Cadeau.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Baraga, ages 12-17, left to right, 1st place—Deija Dakota, 2nd place—Annali Hendrickson, 3rd place—Sara Dakota.



Marquette, 1st place winners, Draven and Kade Hooper





Marquette, 2nd place winners, Graci Swartz and Ever Emery.



Marquette, 3rd place winner, Jeffrey McClurg (Madosh)



Fun was had by all participating in activities and games.



KBIC Youth Programs 2018

Christmas Party!

Santa! Gifts, Food and Fun!

DECEMBER 15TH

6PM-8PM

Upper Peninsula Children's Museum
123 W Baraga Ave
Marquette, MI 49855

For Any Info Call 906-353-4643

KBIC YOUTH PROGRAMS

CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY DECEMBER 16TH
NIIWIN AKEAA CENTER 2p-4p

SANTA! AND SLAY RIDES!
GIFTS! FOOD AND FUN!

FOR MORE INFO CALL: 906-353-4643

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY OFFICE OF VETERAN AFFAIRS
Rodney Loonsfoot, Tribal Council/Veteran Service Representative
 Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
 16347 Ojibwa Industrial Park Rd,
 Baraga, Michigan 49908
 veteranaffairs@kbic-nsn.gov
 (906) 353-VETS, Office (906) 201-4448 Cell
 OFFICE HRS; Mon, Tues, Wed, 9 am—12 pm
 PLEASE CALL TO SCHEDULE INDIVIDUAL APPOINTMENT

Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Monthly upcoming meetings, held at 6:00 pm — December 19, 2018, and January 16, 2019. Meetings are subject to change. Special meetings for Powwows/funerals will be announced.

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 sup-

port our Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society. COST: \$150.00.
 Please call Rodney Loonsfoot @ 353 VETS or 201-4448 to place your order or e-mail rcrodney@kbic-nsn.gov. Please indicate cross or eagle staff. All proceeds will go towards veteran programming and activities.
 Miigwech for your future kindness.





WE'RE GIVING AWAY \$25,000 IN HOLIDAY CHEER.

Saturdays in December
7PM - 11PM

Receive one entry for every 100 points earned on your Players Club card starting November 25th. Hourly drawing winners will get the chance to select a snowflake from the prize board. Snowflakes will reveal a prize of anywhere from **\$50 Free Play** up to **\$1,000 CASH!**

Marquette 906.249.4200 Baraga 906.353.6333

OjibwaCasino.com

Must be present to win, at least 18 years old, and a Players Club member to be eligible for all deals and promotions. Management reserves the right to change or cancel any promotion at any time.



Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
Office of Child Support Services
P.O. Box 490, Baraga, MI 49908
Phone: 906-353-4566
Fax: 906-353-8132



"YOUR Children ... OUR Priority"

We provide the following services:

- **Paternity Establishment**
- **Establishment of Child Support**
- **Outreach Services**
- **Mediation**

Abinoojiiyens



There's a new member in the Community! Meet Keira Jo-lynn Sherman. Keira was born November 6, 2018, weighing in at 8 lbs 3 oz at birth. Proud parents are: Nathan Sherman and Jacquilin Marie Seymour.



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KBIC Tribal Social Services Holiday Gift Collection

To sponsor a child please choose a child from the list and purchase a gift, such as clothing or an age appropriate toy!

Lists are available to view at: Tribal Social Services Receptionist, Tribal Center Switchboard, Medical Clinic Receptionist, and Tribal Court Clerk's Office.



You can also call (906) 353-4201, to sponsor a child in need.

Please drop off gifts by:
Wednesday, December 12, 2018, at Tribal Social Services, 13765 M-38, Baraga, MI, or contact (906) 353-4201 to arrange for pick-up. Mailing address: Tribal Social Services, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908

Tribal Social Services Staff wishes everyone a Happy Holiday Season!



CHRISTMAS PARENT CIRCLE

DECEMBER 11TH 5PM

Stocking & Ornament Decorating!

Niiwin Akeaa Center

Free Community Event for families with children age 0-5 and siblings.
Please call Dawn to register at : 353-4521

Sponsored by KBIC Healthy Start- Family Spirit Program



World AIDS Day

In recognition of World AIDS Day on December 1, KBIC Health System encourages everyone to get tested for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. In the United States, about one in seven people who have HIV don't know it.

The only way to know for sure whether or not you have HIV is to get tested. You could have HIV and still feel healthy. Everyone ages 15 to 65 needs to get tested at least once. Some people may need to get tested more often.

To find an HIV testing location near you, text your ZIP code to KNOWIT (566948).

HIV is passed from one person to another by:



- ◆ Having unprotected sex with a person who has HIV
- ◆ Sharing needles with someone who has HIV
- ◆ Breastfeeding, pregnancy, or childbirth if the mother has HIV
- ◆ Getting a transfusion of blood that's infected with HIV (very rare in the United States)

Around the world, about 37 million people are living with HIV. In the United States, about 38,500 people get infected with HIV every year. World AIDS Day is a global initiative to raise awareness, fight prejudice, and improve education about HIV and AIDS.

Upcoming Events:

- Walk-in Flu Shot Clinic, Tuesdays in Dec. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Car Seat Clinic, by appointment
- Parent Circle, December 11th, 5:30 pm, please register
- Diabetic Foot Clinic, Dec. 5th and 6th, by appointment
- Diabetic Talking Circle, December 19th, 11 am - 1 pm
- Diabetes Ride & Learn, December 8th, registration required
- Breastfeeding Support Group, December 5th, 1 - 3 p.m.
- Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group, Dec. 4th, 5:30 p.m.

For more information our services and programs call (906) 353-4521, visit us on facebook, or kbichealth.org.

Stop by our second floor waiting area and check out the our education table; new topic every month.

WIC Connect Mobile App

Michigan WIC is excited to announce the launch of Michigan WIC Connect; a mobile application for potential and current WIC Clients. Michigan WIC Connect is available for free in the App Store™ and Google Play™ today. Michigan WIC Connect offers existing WIC clients exciting new features, including:

- ◆ Accessing your WIC shopping list
- ◆ Tracking your WIC benefits on your smart phone
- ◆ Finding WIC foods using the UPC scan feature
- ◆ Getting map and directions to WIC-approved stores and WIC clinics using your location
- ◆ Updating your contact information with WIC
- ◆ Getting appointment reminders with your phone

Michigan WIC Connect can also be used by people interested in the WIC program to check if they are potentially eligible, schedule an appointment, or contact their local WIC agency to learn more about the program.



December Holiday Hours

KBIC Health System will be closed Monday - Wednesday, December 24, 25, and 26, and Monday and Tuesday, December 31, 2018, January 1, 2019. This includes our pharmacy. Please plan accordingly for medication refills and pickups. There will be no medication pickups or refills after hours or during days we are closed.

For more information about care options after hours or during closed days please call (906) 353.4537.

How Drug Abuse Effects Families

"People who use drugs don't see the damage and hurt they're causing others." The drugs cause a fog to the abuser, and they are either unaware or are aware and don't care about the effects that their abuse has on the people around them.

When you use drugs:

- Others can no longer count on you to do what you say you're going to do
- You may become rebellious and defiant with parents, guardians, and siblings
- You may have mood swings, paranoia, and irrational anger
- You may verbally and physically assault others
- You may start stealing things: money, credit cards, and other valuable items
- You no longer spend time with family members and do the things you used to do together
- You put stress on your parents or guardians: they fear a child on drugs will hurt themselves, someone else, or even die.

One drug in particular is becoming an epidemic on reservations. According to congressional testimony of William P. Ragsdale, Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, methamphetamine use "is destroying lives in Indian Country." The drug found its way onto Indian reservations, where today, more Native Americans, proportionately, are addicted to meth than the rest of the U.S. population. This issue is definitely prevalent on our reservation, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. This drug is affecting families, especially children. "They don't get the things they need because their parents or whoever they live with use the little money they have to get the drug." We have let it take a hold of our loved ones, our families long enough. We need to come together, address the issue and find a solution before it continues to spread.

Submitted by Ginger Shelifoe
Family Health Educator

sources: <https://www.rcfp.org/reporters-guide-american-indian-law/challenges-facing-american-indians>
<https://www.justthinktwice.gov/how-drugs-hurt-your-family>

Inclement Weather Closure

Please remember when the Baraga Schools are closed due to inclement weather, so is the KBIC Health System, including our pharmacy.

For more information about care options during closure days please call Joslyn Haataja, PRC Clerk, at (906) 353-4537.





Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
15th Winter Traditional Pow-Wow
Saturday, January 26, 2019
 Niiwin Akeaa Community Center ♦ Baraga, MI



Public Welcome

Host Drum
 Four Thunders

Invited Drums
 Woodland Singers
 Loon Travelers

Master of Ceremonies
 Joey Awonohopay

Arena Director
 George Gauthier

Assistant Arena Director
 Glenn Tolonen

Veteran Honor Guard
 KBIC Wiikwedong
 Ogichidaa Society

Traditional Advisor
 Todd Smith

Pow-Wow
Grand Entries: 1 PM & 6 PM

Honoring Tribal Elders: 2 PM
 Veronica M. Adams
 Ralph C. Eckerberg

Pink Shawl Honor Dance: 4 PM
 Jacqueline Beauchamp

Potluck Feast: 5 PM

Memorial Dance: 7 PM
 Harlan Downwind

Miss Keweenaw Bay
 Alana Schofield

Head Man Dancer
 Donald Chosa Jr.

Head Lady Dancer
 Karlene Chosa

Head Veteran Dancer
 Jerry Buch

Youth Head Man Dancer
 Preston Oja

Youth Head Lady Dancer
 Starr Dunleavy

Junior Head Boy Dancer
 Avery Miller

Junior Head Girl Dancer
 Destiny Gauthier

For information contact KBIC Cultural Committee

Cultural Center: 906-353-7020
 Gerry: 906-201-2407 ♦ Diane: 906-353-6060
 Rodney: 906-201-0064

Not Responsible for Theft or Accidents
Security Provided

Absolutely NO Alcohol—NO Drugs—Violence will NOT Be Tolerated
Drum Space is Limited: Contact Cultural Committee

For information contact KBIC Cultural Committee
 Cultural Center: 906-353-7020



Well Water Testing

If you are concerned with your well water
K.B.I.C. Natural Resources Department
 offers well water testing for Tribal Members



Please contact Water Quality Department
906-524-5757 Ext. 15 or 16
By Appointment only

Let's Eat! Dinners III

This is YOUR Community meal!

Bring the whole family, bring friends, bring neighbors to this relaxed environment for a delicious and good for you meal at no charge. Volunteers are also welcomed and greatly appreciated!



When: Every second Sunday, 4-6 pm

Schedule: December 9th

Where: St. Ann's Church, Baraga, MI.

For more information call: Bill at 481-3220

This month is generously sponsored by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Sample Menu: Spaghetti, White Bean Chicken Chili, Green salad or Fruit, Bread, Beverage, and Dessert.



Brought to you by: Wanda Seppanen, VOCA, (906) 201-0200



STRANGULATION

IN INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

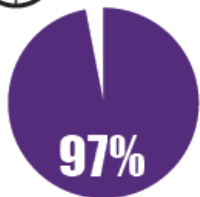
FACT SHEET

STRANGULATION: the obstruction of blood vessels and/or airflow in the neck resulting in asphyxia.

1 in 4 women will experience intimate partner violence (IPV) in their lifetime.¹

Of women at high risk, up to... 68% will experience near-fatal strangulation by their partner.²

Loss of consciousness can occur within 5 - 10 seconds. Death within minutes.²



are strangled manually (with hands).³



report losing consciousness.⁴



are strangled along with sexual assault/abuse.⁵ 9% are also pregnant.⁴

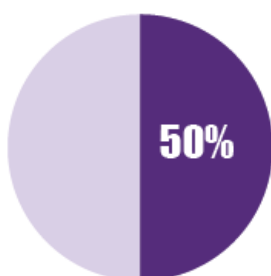


of strangled women believed they were going to die.⁶

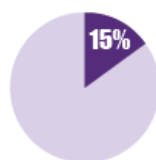
And odds for homicide increase **750%**

for victims who have been previously strangled, compared to victims who have never been strangled.⁷

HOWEVER...
 Oftentimes, even in fatal cases, there are **NO EXTERNAL SIGNS** of injury.³



Only half of victims have visible injuries



Of these, only 15% could be photographed



Snowmobile Safety

There will be a snowmobile safety class offered for individuals 12 years of age and older. Children under 18 years of age will need a parental signature to participate in class. This class will be two days, with attendance required BOTH days. Space is limited, so reserve your seat. Registration ends December 10, 2018.



Class Dates, Times, and Location

December 15th and 16th, 2018
 9 a.m. — 1:00 p.m.
 Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College — Baraga Campus
 111 Bear Town Road
 Baraga, MI 49908

Contact Information

Contact GLIFWC Warden Steven Amsler at (715) 562-0034 or e-mail samsler@glifwc.org to register.

UPDATES ~ By Soumit Pendharkar, Health Administrator

I would like to offer the following notes and updates from the DHHS Health System:

- We are excited to offer **expanded service hours** starting January 2019 as follows:

SERVICE	HOURS/NOTES
Medical Clinic	7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday
Pharmacy	8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday with last prescription preferably at 6:00 p.m.
Lab Service	Starts at 7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, and available until 6:00 p.m.
WIC	Adding hours to Wednesdays, 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; closing on Fridays at 2:30 p.m.; other days as normal.

- To support the service expansion, we've proudly **created the following positions** available to the Community. As we continue to expand services in the future, more jobs for the community will follow.
 - Posted currently:
 - Two full-time Medical Receptionist positions
 - One full-time Medical Office Supervisor position
 - One full-time Telepsychiatry Nurse position
- To support expansion, we are implementing the following changes:
 - The amount time to fill a script at the pharmacy will take slightly longer.** We are slowing the amount of processing time, at least 10 to 15 minutes, in order to prioritize patient safety and assure that each patient receives their medication without errors.

When a prescription is provided to the pharmacy, there are several steps that must be completed before the medication can be dispensed safely. For example, the prescription must be verified for completeness of information before dispensing. Sometimes the missing information must be tracked down from the medical provider involved, and this can take time. Additionally, the pharmacist applies their knowledge to analyze the medication for drug-drug interactions, appropriateness of dose, frequency, directions, to prevent medication errors.

Please know that we will always do our best to get your medication filled in a timely fashion and our wait times are typically far shorter than what you would experience at other pharmacies. Although we do not want you to wait longer than necessary, we feel time should be taken to assure your medication is safe and that nothing is missed.

- When scheduling appointments, our staff will be asking you a reason for the visit.** This is so we can schedule an appropriate amount of time to address your health concerns. Your provider relies on the stated reason for visit to structure the visit, prioritize concerns to address immediately, and schedule more time to properly address other concerns with additional appointments.
- We are excited to build on our relationship with UP Health System at Portage.** An overwhelming number of our patients have shared positive stories regarding the quality of care with their UP Health System at Portage experience and have reported high satisfaction. Additionally, the UP Health System at Portage grants the Tribe Medicare-Like-Rates as full payment for services rendered. This adds up to a significant amount of savings for the PRC program, which helps us to cover more medical care for Tribal Members and conserve PRC funds so they do not run out.

The table below shows a few examples of the significant differences in pricing between UP Health System at Portage and BCMH. The dollars shown are actual average costs for the PRC program observed in October 2018:

SERVICE	UP HEALTH SYSTEM PORTAGE (Average Cost for PRC)	BCMh (Average Cost for PRC)
ER Services	\$142.41	\$530.06
Lab Services	\$ 56.10	\$ 92.60
Walk-in Clinic	\$ 55.00	\$126.85
Diagnostic X-ray	\$ 16.94	\$ 57.21

As you can see from the table above, the costs from the UP Health System at Portage are significantly lower than BCMH; for example, with ER services they are 73% lower than BCMH. By utilizing UP Health System at Portage, not only can Tribal Members help to conserve a significant amount of dollars to fund more care for other Tribal Members, we will be doing it with higher quality and better patient experience. By spending more than necessary at BCMH, we actually reduce the buying power of our PRC dollars and risk running out of funds to serve Tribal Members.

It is more urgent than ever that we conserve our PRC dollars so that we can better serve the Tribal membership and do not run out of funds. We will try to realize the cost savings for the Tribe by directing care to UP Health System at Portage as much as possible. However, please note that we will still continue to utilize BCMH on a case-by-case basis for emergent care and where extenuating circumstances (e.g. patient cannot travel due to medical condition) are clear and present.

By working together, and making wise spending decisions, we can assure that we make best use of available PRC dollars to fund care for our Tribal membership.

- Please take notice of your BCMH bills.** We have learned of examples where patients have been billed first without billing insurance or BCMH has billed BCBS and the amount due is much higher than what the BCBS Explanation of Benefits indicates as member responsibility. **If you notice these types of discrepancies, I would appreciate it if you can share these examples with me.**
- Please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly if you have questions at (906) 353-4553. I enjoy learning from your perspective and particularly value listening to concerns directly.



RIDE & LEARN!

FUN DIABETIC
EDUCATION EVENT!



Saturday's Schedule

* This is a tobacco free event. Thank you for not smoking!

*Please note that you are responsible for lunch and craft show entry fee of \$3.

*Please be back on the bus 10 min. before the scheduled departure.

8:30 a.m.- Depart KBIC Health Dept. to Winter Craft Show in Marquette

12:00 noon - Bus leaves for lunch stops

1:30 p.m.- Westwood Mall

3:30 p.m.-Bus leaves for return trip

To Register for this event-call:
Dawn at 353-4521



Lunch drop-off/pick up at these areas
Applebee's 226-2043 Culver's 228-3110
Hong Kong Buffet 226-9989 Taco Bell 228-8082
Red Lobster 228-2211

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.



Logan Bowman, case #18-079, §3.403, Malicious injury to a structure – 1st offense

Sentencing on 10/24/2018, #18-079, §3.403:

1. Fine \$100.00.
2. Forty-five days jail, credit for 35 days jail served, 10 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all aspects of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall write a letter of apology, submit it to the Probation Department for approval, then hand deliver it to the victim.
4. Defendant shall pay restitution in the amount of \$945.94 to the Court for processing to the victim.
5. Six to twelve months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly oversight fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.

Charlotte A. Loonsfoot, case #18-066, §3.610, Assault upon a police officer – 1st offense

Sentencing on 10/29/2018, #18-066, §3.610:

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for two days jail served, 178 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all aspects of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Six to twelve months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly oversight fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall obtain a substance abuse screening and follow the recommendations of the screening until successfully discharged. Defendant shall sign a release of information to allow the Court to monitor compliance.
5. Defendant shall write letters of apology to the four officers involved in this incident (Officer Anthony Loonsfoot, Officer Matthew Shalifoe, Jr., Deputy Chad Soli, and Security Officer Alan DesRochers) within thirty days from today's sentencing.
6. Defendant shall pay restitution in the amount of \$753.90 to the Court for processing to the victim.

Shiloh Lussier, case #18-058, §3.608, Obstruction of process – 1st offense

Sentencing on 10/31/2018, #18-058, §3.608:

1. Fine \$100.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail shall be served. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall be allowed the opportunity to complete an inpatient treatment program and enter into the Healing To Wellness Court if he chooses.

Shiloh Lussier, case #18-083, §8.901, Contempt of court – 1st offense

Sentencing on 10/31/2018, 18-058, §8.901:

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail shall be served. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.

3. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall be allowed the opportunity to complete an inpatient treatment program and enter into the Healing To Wellness Court if he chooses.

Nora DeCota, case #18-128, §3.1706, Controlled substances (methamphetamine, use) – 1st offense

Sentencing on 11/06/2018 18-128, §3.1706:

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for 20 days jail served, 160 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all aspects of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Twelve to eighteen months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly oversight fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall obtain a substance abuse screening and follow the recommendations of the screening until successfully discharged. Defendant shall sign a release of information to allow the Court to monitor compliance.

Nora DeCota, case #18-129, §3.1706, Controlled substances (methamphetamine, use) – 2nd offense

Sentencing on 11/06/2018 18-129, §3.1706:

1. Fine \$625.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for seven days jail served, serve 23 days jail, 150 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all aspects of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Twelve to eighteen months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly oversight fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall obtain a substance abuse screening and follow the recommendations of the screening until successfully discharged. Defendant shall sign a release of information to allow the Court to monitor compliance.

Nora DeCota, case #18-130, §3.1706, Controlled substances (methamphetamine, use) – 3rd offense

Sentencing on 11/06/2018 18-130, §3.1706:

1. Fine \$750.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, serve 60 days jail, 120 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all aspects of probation. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of lodging and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Twelve to eighteen months standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly oversight fee. Defendant shall be financially responsible for the costs of random drug and alcohol testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall obtain a substance abuse screening and follow the recommendations of the screening until successfully discharged. Defendant shall sign a release of information to allow the Court to monitor compliance.

FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) FY 2018 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS* (Effective Oct. 1, 2018 to Sept. 30, 2019)

*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

December 2018 Tribal Council meeting dates:

- Thursday, December 6, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Bingo Hall;
- Thursday, December 13, 2018, 9:00 a.m., Bingo Hall.

ATTENTION KBIC MEMBERS

Council approved the formation of a Cannabis Committee, to look toward the economic development aspect of Cannabis.

A five-member board. MUST HAVE BUSINESS EXPERIENCE.

Please, submit an application to Sheila Royal or Peggy Loonsfoot at the Tribal Center by 4:00 p.m. on December 5, 2018, to:

Warren C. Swartz – President
16429 Beartown Road
Baraga, MI 49908

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.



16429 Bear Town, Rd.
Baraga, MI 49908
(906) 353-4222

Deepest Sympathy

Vicky Lynn Forcia

(February 18, 1954—November 4, 2018)

Vicky Lynn Forcia, age 64, of Flint, Michigan, passed away on Sunday, November 4, 2018, at her residence.

Vicky was born in Marquette, Michigan, on February 18, 1954, the daughter of Floyd Joseph Forcia and Ruth Jean Noble.

Vicky was employed with the Flint School System and Genesys Convalescent Center. She was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Survivors include: son, John (Pamela) Forcia; granddaughters, Ella Forcia and Kara Everett; great grandchildren, Aubree Everett and Kaydence Donald; mother, Ruth Jean Forcia; sisters, Faye (Rusty) Hallett, Sherry (Jack) Martin; brother, Floyd Forcia, Sr.; and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father, Floyd Joseph Forcia.

A funeral service was held Wednesday, November 7, 2018, at the Swartz Funeral Home of Flint, Michigan, with Chaplain Adam Doyle officiating. Cremation followed the service. Contributions may be made to Genesys-Hurley Cancer Institute. The Swartz Funeral Home of Flint, Michigan, assisted the family.



Word list:

- giizizekwe
- zoogipin
- zhooshkwaadae
- agoojigan
- gisinaa
- mamaangipin
- aagim
- wiikondiwig
- odaabaan
- niibaaanamaegiizhigad



Across:

1. There are big snowflakes
2. It is cold weather
3. She skates

Down:

1. Christmas present
2. It is Christmas!
3. A snowshoe
4. She cooks
5. It snows
6. They feast with each other.
7. Sleigh

The language page was designed from reference of "The Ojibwe People's Dictionary" at <https://ojibwe.lib.umn.edu/>
~ submitted by Newsletter Editor

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS NOV 14

American Indian Health & Family Services 4880 Lawndale, Detroit, MI 48210



Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College's 2018 Tribal Council General Election

Candidate Forum

Hosted By:
The Anishinaabe Studies Department, Student Government, and Tribal Government Class

Free and Open to the public
Hear the KBIC'S Tribal Candidates speak and answer questions posed by the KBOCC's student body.

When: Thursday, December 6, 2018 promptly at 6:00 pm.

Where: Wabanung Campus, 770 N Main Street L'Anse

Room: Cultural Room (400W)

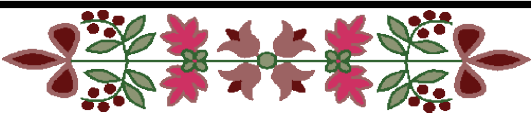
There will be food and beverages provided by Joe Schutte's Cooking Class

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE TO HEAR THE CANDIDATES!

Fill-in-the-blanks:

- z _ _ _ _ p _ n (It snows)
- _ _ m a a _ _ _ p _ n (There are big snowflakes)
- z _ _ _ s h k w _ _ _ _ e (She skates)
- n _ _ b a a _ _ _ m _ _ _ i i z _ _ _ _ d (It is Christmas!)
- _ _ _ _ b _ _ n (Sleigh)
- _ g o o j _ _ _ _ (Christmas present)
- _ i _ i n _ _ (It is cold weather)
- _ a g _ _ (A snowshoe)
- w i _ _ _ _ d i w _ g (They feast with each other)
- _ _ _ z _ z _ k _ e (She cooks)





"Your VOTE is an important decision and makes a difference"

Susan J. LaFernier

L'Anse District, Tribal Council

**Saturday, December 15, 2018
10:00 a.m. — 6:00 p.m.**

- Member of the Tribal Council since 1998 serving as President, Vice President, and Secretary
- Remembering our past, caring for our Community, our generation, and the next seven generations as my ancestors and leaders who signed our Treaty did
- Lifelong resident of the Reservation where I was born
- Employed by our Tribe for 40 years (CEO and Accounting Dept.)
- Organist, Treasurer, Secretary for the historic Zeba Indian United Methodist Church
- Miigwech for your continued wisdom and support



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Re-Elect

Jennifer Misegan

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