

# WIKWEDONG DAZHI-OJIBWE

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe

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## REORGANIZATION—EXECUTIVE BOARD SELECTED AT SATURDAY COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Monthly Tribal Council Meeting was held on Saturday, January 5, 2019, 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., Fred Dakota, Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Rodney Loonsfoot, and Elizabeth D. Mayo present.

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

Secretary Susan J. LaFerner gave the Secretary's Report (published in the January issue of the *Wiikwedong Dazhi-Ojibwe*), and Interim CEO Sarah Smith gave the CEO Report (page three). Council approved the September 24, 25, 26, and 27, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes and the September and October 2018 Department Head Reports.

Under new business: Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney, brought forth two related items: 1) Tri-Party Funding Agreement for the Elevated Water Tank between KBIC, Gundlach Champion, Inc., and Charter Township of Chocolay. This agreement essentially outlines how the 2% monies given to Chocolay Township are disbursed. 2) Financing and Terms of Use Agreement for Marquette Casino Elevated Water Tower Facility between the KBIC and Chocolay Charter Township. This agreement explains how the 2% disbursements will be made to Chocolay Township regarding the 2% disbursement for ten years. In addition, it will allow them to use the water tower with a limited use for fire protection. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve Tri-Party Funding Agreement for Elevated Water Tank between KBIC, Gundlach Champion, and Chocolay Township and to approve the Financing and Terms Use Agreement for Marquette Casino Elevated Water Tower between KBIC and Chocolay Township, co-supported by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. and Doreen Blaker. Ten supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFerner, G. Loonsfoot, E. Mayo), one opposed (R. Loonsfoot), 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Treasurer Doreen Blaker presented the January 2019 donations requests. **Motion by Rodney Loonsfoot to approve January 2019 donations as: \$500.00 to the Stewards of Bete Grise Preserve; \$150.00 Gold Sponsorship for Baraga Educational Support Team (BEST); \$1,000.00 to Baraga County Shelter Home; \$500.00 to the L'Anse High School Class of 2019 Lock-in Senior Party; \$500.00 to the Baraga High School Class of 2019 Lock-in Senior Party; and \$500.00 to the Marquette High School Class of 2019 Lock-in Senior Party; for a total of \$3,150.00, co-supported by Susan J. Loonsfoot, Randall Haataja, and Toni Minton. Eleven supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFerner, G. Loonsfoot, R.**

**Loonsfoot, E. Mayo), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Diana Chaudier, Election Board Chairperson, presented the December 15, 2018, General Election results for certification. Results for Tribal Council in the Baraga District were: Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. (Inc.) 274 votes; Elizabeth "Beth" Connor 253 votes; Sue Ellen "Suzie" Elmblad 237 votes; and Kim Klopstein 260 votes. In the L'Anse District: Susan J. LaFerner (Inc.) 253 votes; Jennifer Misegan (Inc.) 214 votes; Dale F. Goodreau 309 votes; and Jean (Halverson) Jokinen 251 votes. Chief Judge was: Bradley T. Dakota (Inc.) 229 votes and Bill Jondreau 300 votes. There are 731 registered voters, of whom 534 (73%) actually voted in this election. Of the 815 individuals who are eligible to register to vote, 66% of them voted in this election. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to certify the December 15, 2018, General Election results, supported by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. Ten supported (Misegan, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFerner, G. Loonsfoot, R. Loonsfoot, E. Mayo), 0 opposed, one abstained (S. LaFerner), motion carried.**

President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. recognized Fred Dakota, Jennifer Misegan, and Bradley T. Dakota.

Fred Dakota had been on the Tribal Council for many years as not only a council member but as Tribal Chairman. He was declared the "Father of Indian Casino Gaming. Through Resolution #014 07-27-2011 of The United Tribes of Michigan, honoring him for his contributions to the protections of tribal sovereignty and for his far sightedness in his pioneering work on establishing Indian Casino Gaming. At a Saturday meeting, August 6, 2011, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Council passed Resolution KB-1849-2011 where it also resolved that: The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community hereby proclaims Fred Dakota the "Father of Indian Casino Gaming." Fred Dakota has made tremendous accomplishments for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Father of Indian Casino Gaming,  
Frederick Dakota.

### Tribal Council Members:

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President

Gary F. Loonsfoot, Jr., Vice-President

Susan J. LaFerner, Secretary

Toni J. Minton, Asst. Secretary

Doreen G. Blaker, Treasurer

Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr.

Dale Goodreau

Randall R. Haataja

Kim Klopstein

Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.

Rodney Loonsfoot

Elizabeth D. Mayo



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- January 5, 2019 Council Meeting/Reorganization
- KBIC 15th Winter Traditional Powwow Held
- Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Receives Donation
- Wiidwedong Ogichidaa Society Honors KBIC's First Brave
- Health Department Updates
- New Employees—Who's Who
- Criminal Report
- Deepest Sympathy

Jennifer Misegan had been on the Council for 12 years. She has been an asset to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Because of Jennifer's hard work, the Community now enjoys ownership of the Tribe's Tobacco Company and the benefits of the General Welfare Exclusion Program (formerly known as the Christmas Gift Check).

Bradley Dakota had been the Community's Chief Judge for 29½ years



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Bradley T. Dakota, Chief Judge, (left) with Kevin Carlisle, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney.

January 5, 2019 Council Meeting continued:

and has done so in an honorable fashion. He is highly respected and recognized throughout Michigan.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. (right) conducted the oath of office to elected Chief Judge, William W. Jondreau, Sr. (left)



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Assistant Secretary Toni Minton conducted the oath of office to the elected Council Members: (left to right) Dale F. Goodreau, Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., Kim Klopstein, and Susan J. LaFernier.

Reorganization nominations were made as follows: nomination for President - Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., and Susan J. LaFernier (declined), Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. was named President; nomination for Vice President - Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. was named Vice President; nomination for Secretary - Susan J. LaFernier, Susan J. LaFernier was

named Secretary; nomination for Assistant Secretary - Toni Minton, Toni Minton was named Assistant Secretary; nomination for Treasurer - Doreen Blaker, Doreen Blaker was named Treasurer.

Motion by Elizabeth Mayo to approve the Depository of Funds with Superior National Bank and Flagstar Bank, supported by Michael F. LaFernier, Sr. Ten supported (G. Loonsfoot, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, E. Mayo, Goodreau, Klopstein), 0 opposed, one abstained (S. LaFernier), motion carried.

Motion by Doreen Blaker to have the check signers be any two Council Members; for the Tribal Court check signers to be any two of Council Members, Chief Judge, Associate Judge, and Chief Court Clerk; and the Child Support Office check signers be any two Council Members, Chief Judge, Associate Judge, Chief Court Clerk, Child Support Director, and Child Support Specialist, supported by Randall Haataja. Eleven supported (S. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, Mayo, Goodreau, Klopstein), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Council moved into closed session. Upon returning to open session, the following motions were made prior to adjournment.

Motion by Rodney Loonsfoot to approve the Chief Judge's wage at \$35.52/hour, supported Robert Curtis, Jr. Six supported (G. Loonsfoot, Blaker, Curtis, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, Klopstein), four opposed (S. LaFernier, Minton, Haataja, Mayo), one abstained (Goodreau), motion carried.

Motion by Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. to establish grades for the Judges with Chief Judge as grade 16 and Associate Judge as grade 15 effective today, supported by Minton. Eight supported (S. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, Goodreau), three opposed (Haataja, Mayo, Klopstein). 0 abstained, motion carried.

Motion by Elizabeth Mayo to remove William W. Jondreau, Sr. as an Appellate Judge and declare a vacancy, supported by Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. Eleven supported (S. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, Mayo, Goodreau, Klopstein), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Motion by Rodney Loonsfoot to offer the CEO position to Sarah Smith and for the President to negotiate a contract to bring to Council, supported by Elizabeth Mayo. Eleven supported (S. LaFernier, G. Loonsfoot, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Haataja, M. LaFernier, R. Loonsfoot, Mayo, Goodreau, Klopstein), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

- Submitted by Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor

## K.B.I.C. Natural Resources Dept. Tribal Water Day

To be held at:  
**Ojibwa Casino Bingo Hall**

**March 15, 2019**



**Time:**  
**9:00a.m.-3:30 pm**

- Raffles
- Lunch Provided

**Great opportunity to learn about our tribal surface water monitoring program, wetlands, safe fish consumption and Ojibwe health study.**



Contact Stephanie Cree for further details 906-524-5757 Ext. 16

## CEO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2018

1. **MISSION STATEMENT:** To provide exceptional services for our membership; a safe, positive work environment for employees; and sustained economic prosperity while protecting our sovereignty and preserving our culture and natural resources for future generations.

**VISION STATEMENT :** A Tribe that preserves the Anishinaabe culture, advances economic diversity, provides opportunities to enhance independence, and promotes the health and well-being of our Community.

**Updates:** During December, there were many routine items to attend to. It was a short month due to taking vacation and enjoying the holiday days given by the tribe. I have started our office moving towards a paperless environment and am currently working with a team to review some workflow and document management solutions. I met individually with several of the departments to give guidance on decisions made by the appeals officer, budgets, procurement, time management, contracts, grants, and staffing.

**Meetings/Conferences:** I attended the Indian Health Service 2021 Budget formulation meeting in Green Bay during the beginning part of December. This meeting was for tribes to provide input on their priorities for funding. A tribal caucus was held with leaders and staff attending from the majority of the Bemidji Area Tribes. A BIA budget formulation request from our Tribe will be brought forth next week for consideration. Each tribe was allowed to give their input as to where priorities should be placed. There were updates given by the National Indian Health Board and Indian Health Service. A tribal consultation is currently out for tribes to provide input on the hiring of a permanent Director. I attended the Community meeting held the second week of December to provide updates on the progress of the Halfway House Project. Normal meetings attended were Health Board, CARE, Community Policing, Halfway House, and Constitution Committee.

**Employee Changes:** There have been no changes with any department heads during the month of December other than moving several out of their probationary status. There remains three department heads to have employee reviews completed for their probationary period. There has been change in management of the following departments this past year: Fire/Emergency, Community Assistance Programs, Social Services, IT, Natural Resources, Health, Personnel, OVW, and Convenience Stores. The Health Department and Natural Resources Department are currently looking at restructuring and reclassifying many of their employees.

**Statistical Data/Case Load Information:** There are 26 department/businesses currently supervised by the CEO's office. As of the last update given by HR and Personnel, there are 600 employees working for the Tribe; approximately 58% employees are Native American.

2. **Financial Update:** The federal government remains in shutdown. We have received notice from a few of the agencies that we can still access funds through their electronic systems. The governmental operating budget relies on approximately 1/2 of its funds from grants and contracts. We have some requests for overpayment from Indian Health Service for past years payment of Contract Support Costs and from the Department of Housing and Urban Development for disallowed costs. Medicaid funds outstanding to our Substance Abuse Programs have been settled from past years of 2009 through 2016. The total amount settled was \$557,588. There remains 2017 and 2018 to settle. Our Substance Abuse Programs are currently working with the State of MI to move forward with direct billing and are paying the way for other tribes. I would like to thank Jeanne Hirzel, Danielle Webb, and their staff on moving this outstanding issue along.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Smith, CEO

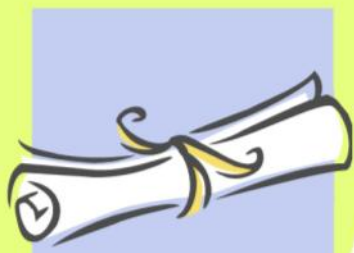
## G.E.D. Tutoring Program

Want to obtain your G.E.D.?  
The KBIC Education Department can help!

We offer one-on-one G.E.D. tutoring and pre-testing by appointment.  
Funds are available to pay for G.E.D. tests.

- Must be an enrolled member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
- Must be a legal resident of Baraga County

Stop by the Education Department to pick up your application today!



For more information, please contact Amy St. Arnold,  
Education Director at 353-4117

## Introduction to Traditional Foods

Wednesday, February 20th, 2019

5:30pm– 7:00pm

KBOCC Arts and Agriculture  
Building

All are welcome

Learn to grow your own fresh herbs.

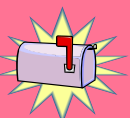
Enjoy tasting fresh herbs.



This event will be held at 15211 Pelkie Rd, Pelkie MI 49958  
If you have any questions please contact  
DeAnna Hadden @ (906)524-8209 or dhadden@kbocc.edu



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### February 2019 Calendar:

- Feb. 1 — Constitution Committee Meeting, 10:00 a.m. Tribal Center;
- Feb. 14 — Healthy Heart Fair, Happy Valentine's Day;
- Feb. 18 — President's Day, Gov't offices closed.

~ submitted by newsletter editor



## UPDATES BY SOUMIT PENDHARKAR, KBIC DHHS HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR

The New Year is off to a brisk start with January being a busy month at the KBIC DHHS. I would like to offer the following notes and updates from the DHHS Health System (DHHS):

- **I would like to remind everyone of our expanded service hours which started January 2019.** I am happy to observe that a number of patients are already enjoying the expanded access. Just in the opening days alone, we had 13 patients scheduled in the medical clinic before 8:00 a.m., and 18 patients scheduled after 4:30 p.m. Additionally, we had 47 scripts picked up in pharmacy after 4:30 p.m.

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

- **We are excited to announce Dr. Sharon Stoll has joined our medical team.** Dr. Stoll has a Bachelor of Science from Northern Michigan University, double majoring in Biology and Political Science. Dr. Stoll completed her Doctor of Medicine at the Michigan State University College of Human Medicine. Additionally, Dr. Stoll completed Masters course work in Exercise Physiology at Northern Michigan University and her Fellowship in Anti-Aging and Regenerative Medicine at the American Academy of Anti-Aging Medicine. Dr. Stoll is Board Certified with the American Board of Family Medicine and most recently provided coverage in the Emergency Department. Dr. Stoll is able to care for people across the lifespan, including infants, children, adults, and the elderly; Women's Health including family planning and IUDs; Integrative and herbal medicine; sports injuries and non-operative orthopedics, including splinting and casting.

We will share more information about Dr. Stoll and her practice at the KBIC DHHS in the next issue. Please join me in welcoming Dr. Stoll. With Dr. Stoll's addition, we continue to strengthen our clinical capabilities at the clinic and expand access to services for our tribal community.

- **We've reserved the best parking closest to the clinic for our patients.** A new parking plan freed up 15+ spaces for patients closest to the building. Please see announcement included for additional details.
- **The New Traditional Medicine Clinic will launch February 8.** This clinic is funded through the Tribal Opioid Response grant. Additional clinic dates will be announced soon with more details forthcoming. If you are interested in scheduling an appointment, please dial (906) 353-4521.
- **Our Telepsychiatry Clinic will launch January 29.** Services include psychiatry, psychology, and psychometric testing. Dr. Darryl Tonemah will begin by seeing an initial set of patients in-person on January 29<sup>th</sup> and January 30. Subsequently, all patients will be scheduled for clinic on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Patients will be scheduled either via a referral from one of the DHHS providers or by calling (906) 353-4521.
- **The Naloxone administration training and distribution program will launch January 28.** Please see announcement included in the newsletter for additional details. Naloxone is a lifesaving medication that can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. To sign-up for the trainings and for questions, please call (906) 353-4530 or (906) 353-4531.
- As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly if you have questions at (906) 353-4553. I enjoy

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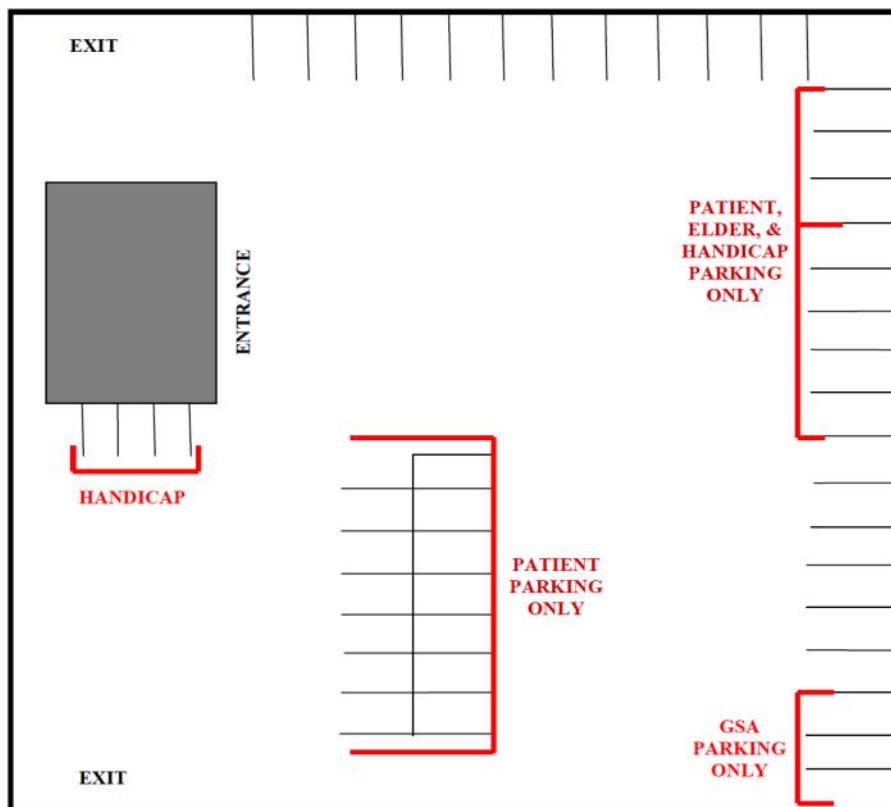
learning from your perspective and particularly value listening to concerns directly.



**EFFECTIVE JANUARY 17, 2019**

To better serve our patients, we now have designed patient parking spaces that are closest to the entrance of the building. Please see the example below.

*\*For illustration purposes only, not an actual representation of parking spaces.*



### WIIKWEDONG OGICHIDAA SOCIETY GRACIOUS FOR WWFS DONATION FOLLOWING BUDGET CUTS

Due to budget cuts, the Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society (KBIC Veterans' Association) 2019 budget was cut approximately 2/3 of the funding they received for 2018. Rodney Loonsfoot, Veterans' Chair, said, "We're going to be able to absorb the hit. We received a \$10,000 donation from the Wounded Warrior Family Support (WWFS) Network."

WWFS in previous years have donated \$5,000 for technology upgrades in their office, which was used for a computer and copier; \$500 to fund their 2017 Christmas Dinner; and a Ford Explorer which is used to bring Veterans to and from appointments, which are sometimes downstate or in Wisconsin. Loonsfoot said, "We Veterans do this all by volunteering, and we do a number of fundraising events to help fill the gap in our budget. I ask for others to consider contributing to our budget. We do this from the heart, are proud Ogichidaa from Wiikwedong; we take care of our Community."

The Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society perform ceremonies at Veterans' funerals, march in parades, place flags on graves for Memorial Day, present colors at a variety of events, and participate in school activities. The Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society is not eligible for state funding and received funding from the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and donors such as WWFS and the Community.

*- submitted by newsletter editor.*



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society members (left to right) Ralph Eckerberg, Danny Garcia, Joe Dowd, Machai Loonsfoot (First Brave), Rodney Loonsfoot, Joseph Eckerberg, and George DeCota. A number of Society members are not present.



### You Can Reduce Your Risk of Heart Disease

If you have diabetes, you are at higher risk for having heart disease. There are several risk factors for heart disease. Many can be prevented or controlled. Here are ways you can reduce your risk for heart disease:

Talk to Your Health Care Provider about Heart Disease. Share your health history. Get your blood pressure and cholesterol checked. Ask if taking an aspirin each day is right for you.

Control Your Blood Pressure and Cholesterol. High blood pressure is one of the leading causes of heart disease. If your blood pressure or cholesterol is high, take steps to lower it. Take small steps to eat healthier foods. Get more exercise. Take your blood pressure and cholesterol medicines as prescribed.

Eat Healthy Foods. What you eat has a big impact on your heart health. When planning your meals and snacks, try to:

- ◆ Eat lots of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- ◆ Check the labels on your food and choose those with the lowest sodium. Too much sodium can increase your blood pressure.
- ◆ Limit foods with high amounts of saturated fats, trans fat, and cholesterol. You can find this information on Nutrition Facts labels.
- ◆ Cook at home more often. Whenever possible, choose foods that are low in sodium or have no salt added. Limit sauces, mixes, and "instant" products.

Get Moving. Obesity can increase your risk for heart disease and stroke. Being physically active most days of the week will help keep you at a healthy weight, and will help lower high blood pressure and high cholesterol. Try to walk at least 30 minutes on most days of the week. For example, you could take a brisk 10-minute walk, three times a day, five days a week.

Use Tobacco in Traditional Ways Only. Smoking and chewing tobacco greatly increase your risk for heart disease. If you smoke or chew, get help to quit. If you don't smoke or chew, don't start. Try to avoid secondhand smoke.

Remember Your ABCS. An easy way to remember how to reduce your risk for heart disease is to remember "ABCS." Talk to your health care provider about heart health ABCS. The heart health ABCS will help you avoid heart disease and live a longer, healthier life:

- ◆ Appropriate Aspirin Therapy for those who need it
- ◆ Blood Pressure Control
- ◆ Cholesterol Management
- ◆ Smoking/Chewing Cessation

For more information on how to have a healthy heart, contact your health care provider or call the KBIC Diabetes Program at (906) 353-4519.

Submitted by Kathy Mayo, RN-CDE

Adapted from information found at: [www.millionhearts.hhs.gov](http://www.millionhearts.hhs.gov)  
Produced by IHS Division of Diabetes Treatment and Prevention,  
[www.diabetes.ihs.gov](http://www.diabetes.ihs.gov)

### Upcoming Events:

- Healthy Heart Fair, February 8th, 11 am - 1 pm, Niwiin Akeaa
- Car Seat Clinic, by appointment
- Parent Circle, February 11th, 5:30 pm, please register
- Diabetic Foot Clinic, February 7th & 21st, by appointment
- Diabetic Talking Circle, February 20th, 11 am - 1 pm
- Breastfeeding Support Group, February 7th, 4 pm
- Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group, February 5th, 5:30 pm
- Aqua Fit, Tuesdays in February, 10 am, please register
- Traditional Foods Presentation, call for information

For more information our services and programs call at (906) 353-4521, visit us on Facebook, or [kbichealth.org](http://kbichealth.org).

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

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\* **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. \*  
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### Winter Driving Safety

The Holidays have passed, and we find ourselves starting to officially deal with winter driving conditions more now than before the holidays. Please take the time to read the following tips to ensure safe travel during the next few months. We are often in a rush to get somewhere; however, it is better to arrive at your destination safely than to be in an accident or the ditch because you were rushing when you should have been taking it slow. AAA offers the following tips for safer driving during winter weather.

- \* Avoid driving while you're fatigued. Get the proper amount of rest before taking on winter weather to reduce driving risks.
- \* Never warm up a vehicle in an enclosed area, like a garage.
- \* Make certain your tires are properly inflated.
- \* Never mix radial tires with other tire types.
- \* Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze-up.
- \* Avoid using the parking brake in cold, rainy, snowy weather.
- \* Do not use cruise control when driving on any slippery surface.
- \* Always look and steer where you want to go.
- \* Use your seat belt every time you get into your vehicle.

Tips for driving in the snow:

- \* Accelerate and decelerate slowly. Apply the gas slowly to accelerate; it's the best method for regaining traction and avoiding skids. Take time to slow down for a stoplight. Remember: It takes longer to slow down on icy roads.
- \* Drive slowly. Everything takes longer on snow-covered roads. Accelerating, stopping, turning – nothing happens as quickly as on dry pavement. Give yourself time to maneuver.
- \* The dry pavement following distance of three to four seconds should increase to eight to ten seconds. This increased margin of safety will provide the longer distance needed to stop.
- \* Antilock brakes or not, the best way to stop is threshold breaking. Keep the heel of your foot on the floor using the ball of your foot to apply firm, steady pressure on the brake pedal.
- \* Don't stop if you can avoid it. There's a big difference in the amount of inertia it takes to start moving from a full stop versus how much it takes to get moving while still rolling.
- \* Don't power up hills. Applying extra gas on snow-covered roads starts your wheels spinning. Try to get a little inertia before you reach the hill and let that inertia carry you to the top. As you reach the crest of the hill, reduce your speed and proceed downhill as slowly as possible.
- \* Don't stop going up a hill. There's nothing worse than trying to get moving up a hill on an icy road. Get some inertia going on a flat roadway before you take on the hill.
- \* Stay home. If you really don't have to go out, don't. Even if you can drive well in the snow, not everyone else can. Don't tempt fate: if you don't have somewhere you have to be, watch the snow from indoors.

Please use these tips to keep you and your family safe for the winter 2019 driving season.

Submitted by Zena Huhta, BALAC Coordinator

Adapted from information found at [www.aaa.com](http://www.aaa.com)

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\* **Expanded Service Hours** \*  
\* The KBIC Health System has expanded hours of operation. \*  
\* Medical Clinic: Mondays - Fridays 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. \*  
\* Lab Services: Monday - Fridays 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. \*  
\* Pharmacy: Mondays - Fridays 8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. \*  
\* WIC Services: Wednesdays 7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.; \*  
\* Thursdays 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; Fridays 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. \*  
\* The KBIC Health System will be closed February 18. Please \*  
\* plan medication refill pickups accordingly. \*  
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## KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY 15<sup>th</sup> WINTER TRADITIONAL POWWOW HELD



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Lead Dancers and KBIC Royalty: (left to right) Jerry Buch, Head Veteran Dancer; Starr Dunleavy, Youth Head Lady Dancer; Preston Oja, Youth Head Male Dancer; Destiny Gauthier, Junior Head Girl Dancer; Avery Miller, Junior Head Boy Dancer; Alana Schofield, Miss Keweenaw Bay; Machai Loonsfoot, KBIC Brave; Karlene Chosa, Head Lady Dancer; and Donald Chosa, Jr., Head Male Dancer. Dalanna Connor, Junior Miss Keweenaw Bay, is missing from photo.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community held their 15th Winter Traditional Powwow on Saturday, January 26, 2019, at the Niiwin Akeaa Community Center in Baraga, MI. The event was organized by the KBIC Cultural Committee. Grand Entries were held at 1 pm and 6 pm with Jerry Buch, Head Veteran Dancer, leading the KBIC Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society (KBIC Veteran Honor Guard) into the arena. Joe Awonohopay served as Master of Ceremonies, George Gauthier as Arena Director, Glenn Tolonen as Assistant Arena Director, and Todd Smith as Traditional Advisor. Four Thunders were this year's Host Drum. Invited drums were: Woodland Singers, and Loon Travelers. Also honored were Alana Schofield, Miss Keweenaw Bay; Dalanna Connor, Miss Junior Keweenaw Bay; and Tribal Elders: Veronica M. Adams and Ralph C. Eckerberg. A Pink Shawl Honor Dance was held honoring Jacqueline Beauchamp. Participants honored the memory of the late Harlan Downwind, who was KBIC's Traditional Advisor, with a memorial dance. A grand feast was held between grand entries.

### Honored Elders:

**Veronica Marie Adams**, whose maiden name was White, was born to William and Mary White, in Baraga, MI. Her Indian name is Shashko Benishil "Blue Bird." She married Wallace Adams on August 16, 1997. She is the mother of five children: Deborah Ann Arens, Mary Jane Camponi, Theresa Marie Pitts, Jackie Beauchamp, and Richard Emmett Johnson. She has nine grandchildren: Sara, Nikki, Daniel, Jacob, Jackie, Samuel, Mya, Anna, and Kate. She has five great grandchildren: Maverick, Olli, Emmett, Avery, and Niko..

Veronica is retired after working 29 years as a Nursing Assistant in nursing homes, hospitals, and a Veterans' Hospital in Madison, WI. She also did home health care for 15 years. She currently volunteers at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens where they make pasties, and she also attends the Michigan Indian Elder's Association meetings in the summer.

Her hobbies include: reading, cooking and trying out new recipes, walking on the treadmill to maintain health, and attending powwows.

Veronica attended school until the 6th grade and later in life she received her GED. She continued her education and at the age of 77 she was a 2017 graduate of the Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College!

**Ralph Eckerberg** was born in Iron County, Michigan. He graduated from Stambaugh High School in 1955. Ralph joined the Coast Guard when he was 18 and served for 23 years from 1955 through 1978. He retired as an E9 Master Chief. He then enrolled at Michigan Technological University and graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Electrical Engineering in 1981. After receiving his degree he went to work at Honeywell Defense Systems in Minnesota and retired from there in 1991. Ralph then moved to Crystal Falls, MI, in 1992, and has now lived in Baraga for the last six years. Ralph said, "I married my wife, Jean, in 1956, and we have two living children. I am a member of the Ogichidaa Society (KBIC Veterans) and the Ojibwa Senior Citizens. I own one worthless share in the Packers Franchise, and I am a Packer Backer."

### Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society Selects KBIC's First Brave.

Machai Loonsfoot, age 12, was selected as the first Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Brave and was selected unanimously by the Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society. Chair for the group, Rodney Loonsfoot, said, "He is a role model that we want in our Community. The Brave position travels with the Veterans and assists with tasks of loading and unloading the vehicle, setting up displays, and will act as a role model for other potential braves. Consensus of the group was Machai was already doing all those functions, so he deserved to be the first ever Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Brave."

A ceremony of recognition was held at the opening of today's events.

~ submitted by Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Honored elders: Ralph Eckerberg and Veronica Adams.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society members as they honor Machai Loonsfoot as KBIC's First Brave.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Jacqueline Beauchamp, was honored with a Pink Shawl Honor Dance. Jackie is the daughter of William Beauchamp and Veronica Adams, and was born in Hancock, MI. She is retired and had worked at J.C. Pennrys in Houghton, MI. She is a 20 year Cancer Survivor!

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



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Sarah Smith has been appointed CEO for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community on January 5, 2019, at the Tribal Council Reorganization meeting. She has served as Assistant CEO for over 14 years. Sarah has earned a Master of Tribal Administration and Governance Degree from the University of Minnesota Duluth. Sarah also has a Bachelor of Science Degree with a major in Mathematics and a minor in Physics from Michigan Technological University.

She has extensive skills and knowledge in budgeting, policy development, and revision. Sarah has experience in supervision and oversight of departments, grants, and contract administration, along with project management in building renovations, infrastructure, and renewable energy projects.

Sarah is currently the President of the Constitution Committee, Treasurer of the Baraga School Board, and a member of the Committee for Alternative & Renewable Energy. She previously has been a member of the Youth Committee, Economic Development Committee, and the Office of Violence Against Women Advisory Board.

Besides the previous Assistant CEO position, Sarah's work experience includes: Grant Writer for KBIC, DayCare Director, High School Math Teacher, and Junior High School Math Teacher.

Sarah was born and raised on the L'Anse Reservation of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, where she has lived the majority of her life. She resides in Baraga, Michigan, has five children, and two grandchildren: Cece and Daxton. In her spare time, she enjoys kayaking, reading, genealogy, and painting.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Larry J Denomie III began serving as the Ojibwa Casinos General Manager on January 7, 2019. New to the position is the management of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's business enterprises; the Pines Convenience Center, the Ojibwa BP/C a r w a s h / Laundromat, the Rez Stop, the Ojibwa Campground and Marina, Eagle Radio, the KBIC Transfer Station,

and Asemaa Wholesale & Distribution Co. Larry served as the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Chief Executive Officer from January of 2007 through December of 2013 and January 2015 through October of 2018. In October he decided it was time to take a break and take some time to decide what his next career path would be. Once the General Manager position became an option, he applied and was hired by Tribal Council.

His career has involved working for and serving the Community all of his adult life; he says he's now 52 years young. After graduating from Baraga High School in 1985, he began attending Michigan Technological University's School of Business. He also took classes at the Ojibwa Community College and Gogebic Community College. In the fall of 2014, he received his Associates Degree in business from Gogebic. In November of the year he graduated from high school (1985), he was hired as one of the original casino dealers at the Ojibwa Casino in Baraga. After working there for just over 16 years, moving through the ranks and leaving as Slot Manager over both the Baraga and Marquette Casinos, he decided it was time to give the casino career a break. In 2001, he purchased what is now the Ojibwa BP in Baraga. He later purchased and renovated the carwash and Laundromat in Baraga. He owned and operated those businesses through December of 2008.

He also served two terms on Tribal Council: January 2003 through December of 2008. During his time on Tribal Council, he served five years as the Secretary and developed methods to enhance transparency and communication to the membership. As a member of Council, he also gained valuable gaming regulatory experience because the Tribal Council served the role of the Gaming Commission.

During a recent conversation with Larry, I asked him how the job was going, and he had this to say: "I'm honored to have been chosen to serve such an important role within our Tribe. The historical investment that is being made in our casinos is an enormous responsibility of which I don't take lightly. The future of our Tribe depends heavily on the success of these projects, and it is going to take the involvement and expertise of every one of our employees to make it happen. I have come full circle within our Tribe, and it's time that I give back what they have invested in me. The first three weeks that I've been on the job just feel right – I feel like this is where I'm supposed to be in my life right now. The Creator has guided me this far, and I'm looking to him to help take us through the construction process and create much success, for not only our members but our surrounding communities as well. We will have casinos and other businesses to be very proud of."

Join us Monday, February 11th for

# Happiness Lars

*A Make & Take  
Valentine Craft*

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

ages 0-5 & siblings | snacks | photo booth  
book for each family | family engagement

Ojibwa Senior Citizen's Center, Baraga  
5-6:30PM

Register with Dawn: 353-4521

Sponsored by Family Spirit & Healthy Start Programs

**HAPPY  
Valentine's  
Day!**

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**27<sup>th</sup> Annual**

# **KBIC Healthy Heart Fair**

**February 8<sup>th</sup>  
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Niiwin Akeaa Center  
111 Beartown Road  
Baraga, MI**

**If Baraga Area Schools are closed due to weather,  
this program will be rescheduled.**

## **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.

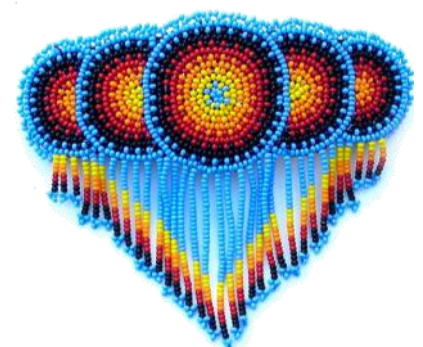


16429 Bear Town, Rd.  
Baraga, MI 49908  
(906) 353-4222

## **ATTENTION: ALL TRIBAL COMMERCIAL FISHERMEN**

Applications for **Small Boat and Large Boat Commercial Fishing Licenses** for the **Year 2019-2020** Commercial Fishing Season are available at the Motor Vehicle/Licensing Department located in the Tribal Center. The new license year will begin: May 1, 2019. Applications must be returned to the **Motor Vehicle/Licensing Office** by: **Friday, February 1, 2019**. All applications for licenses will be reviewed and selected by the Tribal Council. All Tribal members who apply must have completed the required **U.S. Food and Drug Administration Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) training** and present a copy of the certificate with the application. A **Boat Safety Fishing Vessel Examination** with a certified official must be completed and that documentation must be provided with the application. The application also requests fishing vessel information including the vessel name, number, and length.

For: Boat Safety Inspections contact the Tribal Police/Conservation Department at (906) 353-6626 to make an appointment or contact U.S. Coast Guard/Hancock at (906) 482-1520.



**NEW**

## **Traditional Medicine Clinic**

**Todd Smith,  
Traditional Medicine  
Consultant**

**February 8, 2019  
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**To schedule an appointment  
please call Dawn at:  
353-4521. Please  
arrive 15 minutes  
early, or register  
in advance.**



**KBIC  
Health System**  
DONALD A. LAPOINTE  
HEALTH & EDUCATION CENTER



## Second Annual Fishing for a Cure Tournament—Calling All Ice Fisherman

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. – Lake Superior State University's chapter of social fraternity Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) calls all area ice fishermen to the second-annual Fishing for a Cure tournament, to be held 6:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16, on Munuscong Bay. The LSSU local effort is part of a nationwide TKE fundraising drive that benefits St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

In 2016, TKE international pledged to raise \$2.6 million for St. Jude's in six years. It raised \$2.1 million by 2018 and is on track to surpass the original goal by 2020. LSSU's TKE chapter raised \$800 last year and hopes to surpass \$2,000 this year.

St. Jude's Children's Hospital was founded by 1960's entertainer and TKE alum Danny Thomas as a pediatric treatment and research facility focused on child catastrophic diseases, particularly leukemia and other cancers. The main hospital is in Memphis, TN., with eight satellite clinics around the country.

This year's Fishing for a Cure is hosted by Dan's Resort, 23477 S Bay Road, Pickford, MI., located on the south shore of Munuscong Bay. The entry fee is \$10 for adults, with children 12 and under free. Prizes will be awarded for the longest fish caught, with first place receiving \$150 in prizes and cash. Walk-in registration is welcome. Net proceeds benefiting St. Jude's Children's Hospital will be accepted before and during the tournament.

Go to [Issutke.org](http://Issutke.org) and scroll towards the bottom to request registration information, or just show up at Dan's Resort on the day of the tournament. Area businesses can contact Noah Pearson, 906-424-0456, [npearson@lssu.edu](mailto:npearson@lssu.edu), for sponsorship opportunities.

## 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!



Julia L. Brown  
Fanchon A. Boyette  
Robert K. Denomie  
Catherine M. Dudro  
Joyce M. Hebert  
Val M. Kohlman  
Donna E. Long  
Jean M. Magnant  
Elizabeth C. Matthews  
Donna M. Rossi

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

"By the time you're eighty years old you've learned everything. You only have to remember it." ~ George Burns

### Happy Birthday



Gilbert J. Blaker  
Betty L. Burton  
Vernon C. Burton  
John E. Devoto  
Jean C. Eckerberg  
Alberta Kupinski



**BROTHERS IN A CAUSE** -- Lake Superior State University's Rho Theta chapter of the social fraternity Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) mans the tent during last year's Fishing for a Cure ice-fishing tournament to benefit St. Jude's Children Hospital. This year's event runs all day Feb. 16 on the south shore of Munuscong Bay at Dan's Resort, 23477 S Bay Road, Pickford, MI. The entry fee is \$10 for adults, with children 12 and under free. Walk-in registration is welcome. (LSSU Photo)

## K.B.I.C NATURAL RESOURCES DEPT. ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL FAIR



**To be held at:**  
**Niiwin Akeaa Center**  
**111 Beartown Rd. Baraga**  
**April 3, 2019**

**Times:**  
**9:00a.m. - 12:00p.m**  
**1:00p.m. - 2:30p.m**

The goal of the Environmental Fair is to focus on educating elementary school children on the importance of being good stewards for the environment. If you wish to participate, we encourage you to provide a age appropriate hands on activity for attendees.

For additional info contact Stephanie Cree 906-524-5757 Ext. 16

## 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.



**Brandon Hamm, case #18-155, §3.1706, Controlled substances – 2<sup>nd</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/09/2019, #18-155, §3.1706:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, credit for 77 days served, 103 days jail suspended pending successful completion of all terms of probation. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. 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.
4. Six to twelve months of standard alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10.00 monthly fee. Defendant shall report at least once a month in person to the Probation Department and as directed by the Probation Department. Defendant is financially responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
5. Defendant shall report daily, Monday through Friday, at the Tribal Court and report Saturday and Sunday at the Tribal Police Department until intake date of treatment. After released from the treatment facility, reporting shall be at the discretion of the Probation Department with a minimum of once per month in person.

**Tyler Tolonen, case #18-178, §3.206, Resisting arrest – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/14/2019, #18-178, §3.206:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. Three-hundred-sixty-five days jail, credit for 52 days served, serve 313 days jail. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24-hours after being released from jail to sign payment probation papers.

**Tyler Tolonen, case #18-179, §3.208, Offer of force or violence to a police officer – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/14/2019, #18-179, §3.208:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. Three-hundred-sixty-five days jail, serve 365 days jail. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24-hours after being released from jail to sign payment probation papers.
5. Defendant shall write letters of apology to Sgt. Tim Tilson, Officer Miranda Forcia, and DNR Officer Cody Smith.

**Tyler Tolonen, case #18-185, §3.402, Malignant destruction of personal property – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/14/2019, #18-185, §3.402:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. Ninety days jail, serve 90 days jail. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24-hours after being released from jail to sign payment probation papers.
5. Defendant shall pay \$755.00 restitution to the Tribal Court for processing to the victim, Ojibwa Housing Authority.

**Tyler Tolonen, case #18-186, §3.1101, Larceny – 1<sup>st</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/14/2019, #18-186, §3.1101:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, serve 180 days jail. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.

3. Defendant shall be responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24-hours after being released from jail to sign payment probation papers.
5. Defendant shall pay restitution to be determined to the Tribal Court for processing to the victim.

**Tyler Tolonen, case #18-188, §3.1706, Controlled substances – 2<sup>nd</sup> offense**

**Sentencing on 01/14/2019, #18-188, §3.1706:**

1. Fine \$500.00.
2. One-hundred-eighty days jail, serve 180 days jail. Defendant is financially responsible for the cost of lodging, and any expenses incurred while incarcerated.
3. Defendant shall be responsible for the costs of drug and PBT testing, if any.
4. Defendant shall report to the Probation Department within 24-hours after being released from jail to sign payment probation papers.
5. If the Defendant is accepted into the Healing To Wellness Court, the Tribal Court will transfer #18-178, #18-179, #18-185, #18-186, and #18-188. If the Defendant is not accepted into the Healing To Wellness Court or found ineligible at any time, the cases will be transferred back to the Tribal Court for imposition of sentence.

**Rebecca Frost, Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College, Wins 2019 CCCC Tribal College Faculty Fellowship**

**Urbana, IL, 01/02/2019** — Rebecca Frost, Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College, Baraga, Michigan, has won a 2019 CCCC Tribal College Faculty Fellowship. The Conference on College Composition and Communication (CCCC) is a constituent organization within the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE).

This fellowship offers financial aid to selected faculty members currently working at tribally controlled colleges to attend the CCCC Annual Convention. Each winner receives \$1,250.

Featuring over 500 sessions focusing on teaching practices, writing and literacy programs, language research, history, theory, information technologies, and professional and technical communication, the CCCC Annual Convention provides a forum on the teaching and learning of writing.

With this fellowship, CCCC hopes to create new opportunities for Tribal College Faculty members to become involved in CCCC and for CCCC to carry out its mission of serving as a representative national advocate for language and literacy education.

Frost will be announced as a recipient of the CCCC Tribal College Faculty Fellowship on Friday, March 15, during the 2019 CCCC Annual Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

For more information about the CCCC Tribal College Faculty Fellowship, including past winners, see <http://cccc.ncte.org/cccc/awards/tribalcollegefellow>.



**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

## KBIC SENIORS - TAX PREPARATION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

**Eligible Seniors:** Enrolled KBIC Members 55 years of age and older residing in Baraga County or on the Marquette Trust property.

**How the Program Works:** Eligible seniors will receive reimbursement up to \$100 for their 2018 tax return preparation. This year's program also provides reimbursement up to \$26 for completion of your 2018 Home Heating Credit return.

To qualify for reimbursement, eligible seniors must use a tax preparer who has been issued a Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) by the Internal Revenue Service.

**The Lake Superior Community Development Corporation is excluded from the program.**

To receive your reimbursement, please turn in your original receipt to Sheila Royal, Administrative Asst., in the CEO's Office. Please allow up to 10 business days for payment processing. (Reimbursement for personal returns only, business returns are not covered.)



# Deepest Sympathy

**Donald Charles "Don" Carlson**  
(May 9, 1947—December 29, 2018)



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Donald Charles "Don" Carlson passed away peacefully at the age of 71, at home in L'Anse, MI, on Saturday, December 29, 2018. He was born in Rhineland, WI, on May 9, 1947, to the late Vera Pennock-Carlson and Arthur Carl-

son, and was raised in Marenisco, MI, by his uncle Ellery and aunt Shirley Pennock. Don graduated from Marenisco High School on June 6, 1966.

Don worked as a laborer in the building and trade industry for most of his life. He was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community as well as a member of the Keweenaw Bay Veterans. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, building, and nature. Don loved going to the Baraga Ojibwa Casino where he enjoyed socializing with his friends and the staff. He owned several small businesses and was an active environmentalist. Don was a proud veteran.

Don is survived by his wife Carole Ann (Knudsen) Carlson. They were married in Duluth, MN, on May 15, 1976, and that is where they raised a daughter, Jessica Ruth Carlson, now of Baraga, MI, and a son, Adam Brian Carlson, now of Oakdale, MN. Don is also survived by two grandchildren: Joshua Roland Waisanen and Thomas William Waisanen; and a brother: Kenny (Patti) Carlson of Lake Geneva, WI.

He is preceded in death by his brothers: Larry Carlson, and an infant brother Leroy Carlson.

A memorial celebration of Don's life was held on on Friday, January 11, 2019, at Don and Carole's home at 19009 Herman Road, L'Anse, MI. Coffee and sweets were served. The Reid Funeral Service and Chapel of L'Anse, MI, assisted the family.

**John Thomas Mayo (Zeb)**  
(November 12, 1942—January 9, 2019)

John Thomas Mayo (Zeb), age 76, of Greenland, MI, passed away unexpectedly at Aspirus Ontonagon Hospital on Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

He was born on November 12, 1942, at the L'Anse Hospital to Richard and Elma (Koskinen) Mayo. John married Patrice Tahtinen in 1975, and they had two children. He later married the former Judith (Immonen) Kin of Greenland on April 10, 1995, in Las Vegas.

John graduated from Baraga High School in 1960. During his high school years, he enjoyed playing basketball and was very good at it. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. He retired from Pettibone in Baraga after working 43 years. John was an avid Miami Dolphins fan. John was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

Surviving are his wife: Judy of Greenland; daughter: Jennifer (John) Westman of Baraga; son: Josh (Raeanne) Mayo of Sault Ste Marie, MI; stepsons: Jason (Wendy) Kin and Brian (Shannon) Kin both of Greenland; grandkids: Victor, Isabella, Maddi, Guillermo, Timothy, Hailee, and Chance; brothers: James (Beverly) Mayo, Paul (Karen) Mayo, Patrick (Judy) Mayo; sister: Dianne Sirard all of Baraga; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents: Richard and Elma; brothers: Richard and Jerry Mayo; sister: Marie Mayo; and grandson: Thomas Westman.

On Monday, January 14, 2019, at Jacobson Funeral Home, L'Anse, MI, the Baraga County Area Veterans conducted military rites under the direction of American Legion Post 444, followed by a memorial service with Rev. John Ansell officiating. A luncheon immediately followed in the Sharing Room at Jacobson Funeral Home. Burial will be in the spring in the Baraga Cemetery. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

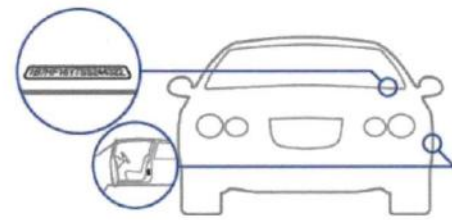
## URGENT AIRBAG SAFETY RECALL

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has determined that roughly 37 million vehicles are included in various airbag safety recalls across many vehicle manufactures. If an affected airbag inflates during a crash, the airbag may explode sending sharp metal fragments toward drivers and passengers, causing injury or death.

The airbag recall repairs are FREE and alternative transportation may be available for FREE.

**There are a few simple steps that each vehicle owner can take to protect themselves and others from this very serious danger.**

1. Locate your 17-digit Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the bottom driver's side corner of your windshield or on the driver's door or vehicle frame inside the driver's door; as show below.



2. Check to see if you have an airbag recall at [NHTSA.gov/recalls](http://NHTSA.gov/recalls) or [AirbagRecall.com](http://AirbagRecall.com).
3. To confirm if your vehicle is affected, please contact the appropriate manufacture listed in the table below. They can help you locate the nearest local dealership and schedule a FREE repair. FREE Alternative transportation may be available.

VEHICLE MANUFACTURER	TELEPHONE NUMBER	WEBSITE AND/OR EMAIL ADDRESS
Audi	1-800-253-2834	<a href="http://audiusa.com/recall">audiusa.com/recall</a>
BMW	1-888-719-6052	<a href="http://bmwusa.com/recall">bmwusa.com/recall</a>
CHEVROLET	1-866-467-9700	<a href="http://my.gm.com/recalls">my.gm.com/recalls</a>
CHRYSLER DODGE Jeep RAM	1-833-585-0144	<a href="http://recalls.mopar.com">recalls.mopar.com</a> <a href="mailto:ccrecall@fcagroup.com">ccrecall@fcagroup.com</a>
Ford	1-866-436-7332	<a href="http://owner.ford.com/service/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-takata-airbag-recall.html">owner.ford.com/service/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-takata-airbag-recall.html</a>
GMC	1-866-467-9700	<a href="http://my.gm.com/recalls">my.gm.com/recalls</a>
INFINITI	1-888-772-3715	<a href="http://infinitiusa.com/recalls-vin/###/Home">infinitiusa.com/recalls-vin/###/Home</a>
JAGUAR	1-800-452-4827	<a href="http://jaguarusa.com/airbagrecall">jaguarusa.com/airbagrecall</a> <a href="mailto:jagweb1@jaguarlandrover.com">jagweb1@jaguarlandrover.com</a>
LAND ROVER	1-800-637-6837	<a href="http://landroverusa.com/airbagrecall">landroverusa.com/airbagrecall</a> <a href="mailto:lrweb2@jaguarlandrover.com">lrweb2@jaguarlandrover.com</a>
LEXUS	1-800-255-3987	<a href="http://lexus.com/recall">lexus.com/recall</a>
LINCOLN	1-800-521-4140	<a href="http://owner.lincoln.com/">owner.lincoln.com/</a>
MAZDA	1-888-639-7114	<a href="http://mazda.recallinfo.com">mazda.recallinfo.com</a>
MERCEDES	1-866-436-7332	<a href="http://owner.ford.com/service/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-takata-airbag-recall.html">owner.ford.com/service/what-you-need-to-know-about-the-takata-airbag-recall.html</a>
MITSUBISHI MOTORS	1-855-691-6147	<a href="http://mitsubishicars.com/recall">mitsubishicars.com/recall</a>
NISSAN	1-888-727-7091	<a href="http://nissanusa.com/recalls-vin/###/Home">nissanusa.com/recalls-vin/###/Home</a>
PONTIAC	1-866-467-9700	<a href="http://my.gm.com/recalls">my.gm.com/recalls</a>
SAAB <small>move your mind</small>	1-800-955-9007	<a href="http://my.gm.com/recalls">my.gm.com/recalls</a>
SATURN	1-866-467-9700	<a href="http://my.gm.com/recalls">my.gm.com/recalls</a>
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**Saturdays in February | 7PM - 11PM**

If you're sweet on cash (and chocolates), make sure you're earning those entries all month long because we're holding sweet giveaways each Saturday this month. From 7PM - 11PM, guests will be chosen every half hour to pick from nine boxes of chocolates, each containing an envelope of cash or Free Play! You could win up to **\$1,000 Cash!**

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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.



Happy 13th Birthday  
 Aydin Eagle! Love Auntie Chelsea

Attendees at the KBIC 15th Winter Traditional Powwow observed a Special Event.

Preston Oja, Youth Head Male Dancer, is a talented young Hoop Dancer, and he gave a surprise performance.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

# Opioid Overdose and Naloxone Administration Training

Available through the  
**KBIC Health System**  
 starting January 28, 2019

*After training, receive a Naloxone Kit which includes; signs & symptoms of possible overdose, multiple doses of Naloxone, instructions how to administer, gloves, mouth barrier, and contact information.*

**If you have a loved one, friend or if you are a caretaker of someone taking Opioids, call 353-4530 or 353-4531 if you have questions or to set up a private training session.**

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