

# WIKWEDONG DAZHI-OJIBWE

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe

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## 14th Annual KBIC Kids Fishing Derby Held

The 14th Annual KBIC Kids Fishing Derby was held on Saturday, June 25, 2016, at the Sand Point Pond near the Lighthouse in Baraga, Michigan. This year's event was in honor of John Henry "JT" Tolonen. JT started fishing as a teenager with his older brother, Donald Jr. He was a Commercial Fisherman with a boat called "Sisckee." Fishing meant life to JT. He knew every day that he was on the lake; he was with the Great Spirit and his elder's spirits. JT believed that Lake Superior was life and the lake gave food for mankind and he was at home on the "lady." He highly respected the water and what it brought to his family.

Derby Coordinator and KBNRD Fisheries and Wildlife Biologist, Gene Mensch, with the help of Keweenaw Bay Natural Resources Department (KBNRD) staff and many community volunteers, worked to make this event a success. Mensch said, "We had 426 Fisher-Kids, ages 0-12, who registered for the event. Ages 0-4 cannot partake in certain aspects of the Derby but are always welcomed to make sure the family theme of the event is maintained. We will be working on having more activities aimed at the youngest of the Fisher-Kids attending future events. There were 150 volunteers who helped to make sure the event ran smoothly and was safe for all involved.

In the main event, the Pond Contest Fishing, 331 fish were caught and officially registered. This smashed all previous catch records at the Derby and was mainly due to the fact that over 200 Bullheads were caught! The smiles on the faces of Fisher-Kids catching Bullheads were every bit as large as the kids catching a variety of other fish including: Bluegill, Pumpkinseeds, Yellow Perch, Rock Bass, a big Smallmouth Bass, and even another Northern Pike!"

Over 220 Fisher-Kids caught and registered fish in the Pond Fishing Contest, and the event ran short on prizes due to this huge



Kobe Forica, 2nd place winner (Reserve Champion—Largest fish caught).



Above, Edward Lopez, 1st place winner (Champion with four fish, total length). Left, Gene Mensch drops down for a visit with a group of Fisher-Kids, handing out prize tickets to the participants. Below, Bentley VanDyke proudly shows his big catch.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

catch rate, but organizers are distributing awards from the top of the list to the bottom, ranking by total length captured.

Mensch said, "Children, adults, volunteers, donors, and everyone who cares about this event, I will state with confidence that literally thousands of people have contributed to this event in one way shape or form through the years, and we very much appreciate those who understand we continue to strive to make this, as always.....FOR THE KIDS!"



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### 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  
Eddy Edwards  
Randall R. Haataja  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.  
Donald Shalifoe, Sr.



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- 14th Annual KBIC Kids' Fishing Derby Held
- 38th Annual KBIC Maawan-ji'idging Held
- Marquette Township (Ojibwa Express) Fee-to-Trust Application Update
- Tribal Council Looking To Change Direction On Casino Projects
- Referendum Election Scheduled

The 2016 Top 30 winners are:

Place	Fisher-Kid	Age
1	Edwin Lopez	10
2	Kobe Forcia	4
3	Robby Isabel	11
4	Zhoamin Edwards	9
5	Laila Dowd	7
6	Logan Cadeau	9
7	Jack Fish	12
8	Jonathan Eikenberry	4
9	Robert Curtis	10
10	Kayla Hoffman	12
11	Peyton Denomie	8
12	Ethen Supanich	6
13	Kyra Cramer	6
14	Autumn Durant	8
15	Austin Hoffman	11
16	O'Dell Loonsfoot	10
17	Alyanna Gauthier	7
18	Eva Gerard	8
19	Kayan Goodbird	10
20	Noah Edwards	8
21	Kyren Klug	4
22	Paisley Schjoth	11
23	Evan St. George	8
24	Devon Connor	6
25	Reese Laitila	6
26	Dez Loonsfoot	4
27	Laci Numinan	7
28	Tori Grima	9
29	Rylan Fish	4
30	Logan LaFernier	11



## July 9, 2016 TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Regular Saturday Tribal Council Meeting was held on July 9, 2016, at the Zeba Community Hall in Zeba, Michigan. President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with Jennifer Misegan, Susan J. LaFerner, Toni Minton, Doreen Blaker, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Randall Haataja, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., and Donald Shalifoe, Sr. present.

President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council.

President Swartz gave the President's Report (page three), Susan J. LaFerner gave the Secretary's Report (page three), and Lawrence Denomie III gave the CEO's Report (page eight). Council passed Department Head Reports for May 2016.

Recognized Scheduled Delegation/Individuals:



Picture by Lauri Denomie

Pictured above, Christy Miron is pictured with President Swartz with a check representing KBIC's donation to the Sacred Heart School for the purchase of twenty towers for the school's computer lab. The motion for the \$4,500 donation was made at the June 2016 Saturday meeting.

Patricia Toczydlowski, Project Specialist, spoke to Council with a request for additional funding from the Keweenaw Bay Trust for the Pt. Abbey Conservation Initiative (1300 acres of an Eco reserve on Pt. Abbey). Council would like the Keweenaw Land Trust Board and the Fish and Wildlife Service to recognize the Tribal Treaty Rights on the land before they consider another donation. **Motion by Eddy Edwards to donate \$5,000 on the request of Patricia Toczydlowski, to the Keweenaw Land Trust contingent upon the covenant as discussed, supported by Susan J. LaFerner.** Further discussion occurred. **Motion by Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. to table the request from the Keweenaw Land Trust until the Council receives the covenant in writing, supported by Jennifer Misegan.** Five supported (Misegan, Minton, Dakota, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot), six opposed (S. LaFerner, Blaker, Curtis, Edwards, Haataja, Shalifoe), 0 abstained, motion defeated. Original Motion was called for the question. **Motion by Eddy Edwards to donate \$5,000 on the request of Patricia Toczydlowski, to the Keweenaw Land Trust contingent upon the covenant as discussed, supported by Susan J. LaFerner.** Seven supported (S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Shalifoe), two opposed (M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot), two abstained (Misegan, Haataja), motion carried.

Under New Business: Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney, and Carol LaPointe, Health Director, brought forth a request to amend the Michael Popp, MJP Health Consulting, LLC and Consulting agreement; a second amendment to the Tier II Services Agreement making it a Tier III and amend the end date to June 30, 2017. **Motion by Donald Shalifoe, Sr. to approve the second amendment to the service agreement of Michael Popp, Health Consulting, LLC, d/b/a MJP Healthcare Consulting from a Tier II to a Tier III and extending the end date, supported by Eddy Edwards.** Eleven supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Danielle Webb, Tribal Attorney, and Bruce LaPointe, Director of Public Works, brought forth an Agreement Addendum of the Homeland Solar/Homeland Builders of Michigan, LLC Solar Construction with the Donald LaPointe Health Center and the New Day Treatment Center to extend the terms and include special provisions. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve the addendum to the Health Center and New Day Construction contract with Homeland Solar/Homeland Builders of Michigan, LLC Solar Construction, supported by Robert RD Curtis, Jr.** Eleven supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), 0 op-

posed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

President Swartz on behalf of Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Cultural Resources Director, who was unable to attend today's meeting, requested to modify the employment requirement of having a minimum of a GED for temporary powwow positions. **Motion by Eddy Edwards to modify the GED requirement for the temporary powwow positions, co-supported by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr. and Robert RD Curtis, Jr.** Eleven supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried. Additionally, a recent employee who is dismissed from employment by the CEO and whose appeal was upheld by Council would like to apply for a temporary powwow job. Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. requests that the 60-day time requirement to apply for KBIC employment be lifted for a temporary powwow position. **Motion by Robert RD Curtis, Jr. to waive the 60-day requirement for employment to allow the employee to work at the powwow, supported by Donald Shalifoe, Sr.** Eleven supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.

Doreen Blaker, Ojibwa Housing Director/Council Treasurer, presented the Indian Housing Plan for 2017 to Council. The plan has been reviewed by herself; Vicki Dompier, Housing Manager; Dawn Richards, Financial Manager; and Carl Rasanen, Operations Manager. The plan is the same as past ones but includes rebuilding a home ownership plan with a possibility of starting a rent to own program, whereas we would require one home to begin this program with. Also included are: the mold remediation and prevent project; the home ownership assistance program/for (emergency housing repairs); ICDBG Grant for Zeba Housing Services; market rate rentals (housing opportunities); tenant based, (chore services, budgeting counseling); modernization; operations; and housing management. **Motion by Jennifer Misegan to approve the Indian Housing Plan for FY 2017, supported by Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.,** Nine supported (Misegan, S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Dakota, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), two opposed (Curtis, Edwards), 0 abstained, motion carried. President Swartz noted Councilmen Edwards' opposition as being opposed to the rent to own program, and Councilmen Curtis' opposition as he would like more time to review the plan.

Treasurer Doreen Blaker presented the July 2016 donations requests. **Motion by Susan J. LaFerner to approve the July 2016 donations as the following: \$180 to the Baraga Area Schools as an ad in the yearbook; \$500 to the Portage Lake Multi-Education Services, Inc. for the Houghton County Arena (made in the name of the Ojibwa Casino); \$380 to the Baraga County Community Foundation for the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Tony Selkey Memorial Golf Scramble; \$690 to sponsor Taylor Shalifoe for Miss Michigan USA and Miss Michigan Teen USA Pageant; \$250 to sponsor Tucker Hemmila to attend the Junior Gold Championship Bowling Tournament (made in the name of the Pressbox); \$1,000 for Sierra Ayres donation for assistance to study abroad trip to Peru; and \$1,000 to the Baraga County Fair Board (platinum sponsor) to assist in bringing the Sick Air event to the Community for a total of \$3,500, supported by Doreen Blaker.** Nine supported (S. LaFerner, Minton, Blaker, Curtis, Edwards, Haataja, M. LaFerner, Loonsfoot, Shalifoe), 0 opposed, 0 abstained, two absent, (Misegan, Dakota), motion carried.

Council moved into closed session with Attorney Danielle Webb on the agenda for an Employee Workman's Comp Issue and the Attorney update. Upon returning to open session and prior to adjournment the following motion was made. **Motion by Eddy Edwards to sell the truck, trailer, and its contents that is being held for a reasonable fair market value, supported by Donald Shalifoe, Sr.** Six supported (S. LaFerner, Minton, Curtis, Edwards, M. LaFerner, Shalifoe), two opposed (Blaker, Haataja), 0 abstained, three absent (Misegan, Dakota, Loonsfoot), motion carried.

### Attention All Tribal Members:

Please be sure to keep your address updated. If you have moved and have not contacted the Enrollment Office, please do so immediately. The contact information is provided below:

Telephone: (906) 353-6623, ext. 4113 or (906) 353-4114

E-mail: [jennifer@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:jennifer@kbic-nsn.gov), [dianas@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:dianas@kbic-nsn.gov), or [jeanne@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:jeanne@kbic-nsn.gov)

Mail: KBIC Enrollment Office  
16429 Bear Town Rd.  
Baraga MI 49908

Chi Miigwech for your cooperation!!



## President's Report for June 2016

The following briefly summarizes the activities in the Office of the President for the month of June 2016. (The President's Report was given orally and transcribed by the editor with final approval of the President.)

- I signed an agreement between the Community and Michigan Tech University. The agreement is for an evidence based study and research assessment for positive peer groups among the Native American Indian Community in Baraga Michigan.
- I signed a special counsel contract between the Community and Dorsey & Whitney, LLP.
- I signed an engagement agreement between the Community and Odawi Law, PLLC. The purpose of the agreement is to provide special legal services relating to research and analysis of transporting cigarettes/tobacco products between the KBIC territories and trust lands.
- I participated in a conference call with the Michigan Attorney General on the Community's duty to protect the general health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. Apparently, the State of Michigan doesn't approve of the Community reducing the speed limit on US-41. I have filed a number of complaints related to the missing 45 mph signs. Subsequently, I authorized the Director of the Department of Public Works to sign an application with MDOT related to our digital speed signs.
- I signed an engagement letter with Plante & Moran related to services for the audit of the defined benefit plan.
- I signed Amendment #1 of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for Proposal BE-15-59. The project is being expanded to include repairs to the sewer system in order to reduce leaks. It increased by \$178,000.00.
- I signed an agreement with the Detroit Lions Radio Network for the 2016 through 2018 football seasons. This grants certain rights to 98.7 FM WGLI to broadcast live and in their entirety, 16 regular season and post-season games carried by the Network during the National Football League per season, plus four pre-season games played by the Detroit Lions. In addition to the games, an affiliate shall also broadcast a two-hour pregame show each week, a one-hour post-game show, and provide play-by-play descriptions of each game and post-game.
- I accepted a letter of resignation from Lauri Denomie from the ICWA Committee.
- I was provided notification from the Community's Real Estate Officer that a number of property owners, including the KBIC, are "Tribal Exempt" because the properties are located within the exterior boundaries of the L'Anse Indian Reservation and owned by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community or an enrolled member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. The question of whether they are exempt from real and personal property taxes pursuant to the Judgment issued June 26, 2006, was affirmed.
- I attended a Marquette Township Board meeting. The purpose was to educate board members about Native Americans, particularly here on the L'Anse Indian Reservation.
- The Assistant CEO and I attended an MDOT Traffic Safety Stakeholder Meeting at the Copper Country Intermediate School District. We talked about what is included in a traffic safety plan and had

discussions on high-crash locations, issues, and priorities. I brought to their attention a number of concerns from the Community's perspective including: jurisdictional issues and KBIC's obligation under its constitution to protect the general health, welfare, and safety of its citizens. I also informed the group of Council's decision to enact and install traffic safety devices on the L'Anse Indian Reservation.

- It's my pleasure to report on the condition of the Zeba water supply which originates from Gitche Gaumi. KBIC Natural Resources Department has completed a Source Water Assessment and Protection Plan for the Zeba Community Water System. Information in the Water Quality Data Table indicated no violations of the Safe Drinking Water Act. For further information or to obtain a copy of the report, call the Tribal Water Quality Specialist. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Zeba is responsible for providing high quality drinking water but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to two minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.
- One of the deliverables of the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) is to annually report the number of Indian children under the age of 13. For fiscal year 2014, I reported 490 children.
- I signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Ottawa National Forest and Lac Vieux Dessert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians for the Lac Vieux Desert-L'Anse Trail Corridor Plan. The main purpose of the Plan is to provide a framework for the Ottawa National Forest, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, and the Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa to cooperatively manage and protect the Lac Vieux Desert-L'Anse trail resources.
- I signed an assignment confirmation letter for Dr. Max Allen who will be providing locum services for family practice at the KBIC Medical Clinic. He will begin seeing patients on July 22, and Dr. Oh's services will end on July 8.
- Yesterday I met with Rich Rossway, President of Marquette School Board; regarding Indian imagery issues, and the negative impact it has on our children who have to attend these schools with the negative images. I ensured him that we are concerned about the equal opportunity that should be available to our children when they attend the schools which have these negative images. It has a negative impact on their learning environment, and we wish to correct that. Mr. Rossway agreed to meet with his School Board, and I asked if he would allow our Community to give a presentation at one of their meetings to educate them on the negative impact it is having on our children and non-Indian children as well.

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren C. Swartz

## Tribal Council Secretary's Report for the Month of June 2016

***ANINI! 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.

*For all the Earth one prayer in this New Year: That all can live as one, and peace will reign everywhere. Mino-Bimaadizin "Live Well"*

The Tribal Council held their Regular Saturday Meeting on June 4, 2016. Four Special Council meetings were held and following are the approved motions for June 4, 9, 16, and 23, 2016, and unapproved motions for June 30, 2016. This report will be published in the KBIC "Wiikwedong Dazhi-Ojibwe" newsletter, and the approved minutes can be found on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Website. Actions taken were:

### **June 4, 2016 Regular Council Meeting (approved):**

- Approved the April and May 2016 Tribal Council President's Report (Warren C. Swartz, Jr.).
- Approved the April and May 2016 Tribal Council Secretary's Report (Susan J. LaFerner).
- Approved the March and April 2016 Department Head Reports.
- Approved the May 19, and May 26, 2016 Tribal Council Meeting Minutes.
- Approved the bid from Camco Equipment for two (2) ice maker machines in the amount of \$4,729.48 each pending the budget modification (for the marina).
- Tabled Resolution KB 024-2016 HUD ICDBG Halfway House Project Application until the information on operational costs is provided.
- Approved the I.H.S. SDS (Sanitation Deficiency System) Project List and priority points as presented.
- Approved the bid from Haataja Refrigeration LLC for a walk-in cooler freezer purchase in the amount of \$28,863.00 for the New Day Substance Abuse Services facility.

- Approved the Gaming Device Order with Aristocrat for the purchase of five (5) Lightning Link Games (Marquette Casino).
- Approved the Collaborative Agreement with Michigan Technological University for an Evidence Based Study and Assessment for Positive Peer Group among the American Indian Community in Baraga, Michigan.
- Approved the purchase of twenty (20) computer towers (upgrade) for the Sacred Heart School and have the Tribe's IT Department work on the best pricing.
- Approved the following donations for June: \$1,000.00 to the L'Anse High School Varsity Fastpitch Softball Team for the purchase of equipment; \$100.00 and a gift basket for the Spinal Cord Society Fundraiser and Raffle; and a \$100.00 Pines Card to the Baraga County Communities That Care summer dance program for the purchase of pop and chips.
- Approved the Special Counsel Contract with Dorsey and Whitney LLP October 15, 2015-September 30, 2016.
- Approved the Engagement Agreement with Odawi Law, PLLC for the research and analysis of transporting cigarettes/tobacco products.

### **June 9, 2016 Special Council Meeting (approved):**

- Approved the April and May 2016 CEO's Report (Larry Denomie, III).
- Approved Resolution KB 024-2016 HUD ICDBG Halfway House Project Application.
- Approved Morin Fireworks Business License Renewal for a Fireworks Permit with Pete Morin.
- Tabled the Jimaganish Wadokaged Business License Renewal with Richard Geroux until the required 2015 Report has been received.
- Approved the Keweenaw Consulting Business License Renewal with Jeffery Loman.
- Approved the funding request of \$1,250.00 from Angela Badke, Ojibwa Community Librarian, for the Summer Reading Program for arts, crafts, food, and presenters,
- Approved Resolution KB 025-2016 Petawwegezhick Hardwood Timber Stand Improvement Project for 80 acres in Baraga,

## **Secretary's Report continued:**

- Approved Resolution KB 027-2016 ANA Native Youth Initiative Grant Application for (I-LEAD) leadership, empowerment, and development for five years.
- Approved the air conditioner bid from ALK Contracting in the amount of \$17,300.00 for the OCC Youth Center Weight Room.
- Held the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Proposed Ordinance 2016-04 to Amend Sections 4.2 Manual and Specifications for Traffic Control Devices and 4.3 Limit to Authority (Delete language) of the Traffic Code.

### **June 16, 2016 Special Council Meeting (approved):**

- Approved the June 4, and June 9, 2016 Tribal Council meeting minutes.
- Approved the Detroit Lions Radio Network Affiliation Agreement with the Detroit Radio, LLC for the 2016-18 football seasons (Eagle Radio).
- Approved the Consultant Services Agreement with Advertising, Inc. for the Casino's marketing operations for one year.
- Approved the IGT Systems general terms and conditions agreement, sales order, and tournament manager system for eight (8) games and the financing and security agreement at the Baraga Casino.
- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with ALK Contracting, Inc. for the installation of the air conditioning at the KBOCC Youth Center weight room.
- Approved the appointment of Suzanne Jondreau to the Gaming Commission for another three year term.
- Approved a \$100.00 donation and a gift basket for the Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Benefit for the family of Emily Dishaw.
- Defeated a \$600.00 donation to Grayson Roe for travel expenses to Washington, D.C. on July 2-10, 2016.
- Approved a \$200.00 donation to Grayson Roe for travel expenses to attend the 2016 Association of American Indian Physicians National Native American Youth Initiative held in Washington, D.C. on July 2-10, 2016.
- Approved July 5<sup>th</sup> as a paid holiday.
- Held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and 3<sup>rd</sup> Reading approving the proposed ordinance 2016-04 to amend Sections 4.2 Manual and Specifications for Traffic Control Devices and 4.3 Limit to Authority (delete language) of the Traffic Code.

### **June 23, 2016 Special Council Meeting (approved):**

- Approved the June 16, 2016 Tribal Council meeting minutes.
- Approved the M3 Property Insurance renewal effective July 1, 2017.
- Approved the amendment to the Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey on the Middle Branch Escanaba River Water Sampling with the Tribal Cooperative Water Monitoring Program.
- Approved Resolution KB 026-2016 Robert C. Genschow Undivided Fractional Interest Sale.
- Approved Resolution KB 029-2016 Joseph W. DeCota II Recreational Campsite Lease.
- Approved Resolution KB 030-2016 Keith W. Lofquist Recreational Campsite Lease.
- Approved Resolution KB 031-2016 New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC to Diamond Tower IV LLC Lease Assignment.
- Approved the request from James Lahti to cut hay from the field along the Vuk and Brewery Roads in the southeast corner.
- Approved Joseph Robillard to cut hay from the field along the Vuk and Brewery Roads in the northeast corner.

- Approved the appointment of Victoria Dakota to the Education Committee for a three year term effective June 2016.
- Approved the bid from MJO Contracting in the amount of \$1,241,481.35 for the Ford Farm Road Improvements (paving).
- Approved Resolution KB 032-2016 Keepseagle Native American Agriculture Fast Track Fund Application (one time funding distribution from a settlement agreement).
- Tabled Resolution KB 028-2016 Revised Casino Plans Ballot Proposal until there is a full Council.
- Approved \$18,000.00 for the purchase of a 2008 Chevy Express Handicap Accessible Van.
- Approved the Language Instructor Employment Agreement Amendment (additional annual leave).

### **June 30, 2016 Special Council Meeting (unapproved):**

- Approved the June 23, 2016 Tribal Council meeting minutes.
- Approved Resolution KB 028-2016 Revised Casino Plans Ballot Proposal.
- Approved the proposal by Global Market Advisors request for an addendum to the 2015 report for the Marquette Ojibwa Casino Hotel Market assessment and hotel brand recommendations.
- Tabled the IGT Machine Device Order request until further discussion and analysis is completed on the \$5 machines.
- Approved the Tier III Services Agreement with Haataja Refrigeration for the installation of the walk-in freezer/cooler at the New Day Treatment Center.
- Approved the Business License Renewal for Haataja Truck'n, LLC with Rudy Haataja.
- Approved the Business License Renewal for Woodland Firearms and Supply, LLC with Diana and Jason Chaudier.
- Approved to seek alternative bids for the Zeba Water Intake Project.
- Approved the Memorandum of Cooperative Agreement with Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc. for the Healthy Start Initiative.
- Approved to appoint the Department Heads, who may appoint a representative on their behalf, to the Waste Management Advisory Board.
- Tabled the purchase of the Pequaming Property for discussion in closed session.
- Approved the request from Dylan DeCota for a donation of \$900.00 and use of a passenger van to attend a basketball tournament in Waukesha, Wisconsin July 1-3, 2016.
- Approved to uphold the CEO's decision in Case #005-16 Government Employee Appeal of Dismissal.
- Approved Resolution KB 035-2016 calling for a referendum proposal that reads, "Do you support limiting the Secretary of Interior review process within the Constitution including the approval of Tribal ordinances?" Yes or No.
- Approved Resolution KB 036-2016 calling for a referendum proposal that reads, "Do you approve of an offer of \$1.55 million to acquire the Pequaming Property, as is, which includes all of the buildings, the marina, and approximately seven acres of land?" Yes or No.
- Approved to grant an exception to allow David Green (Dorsey and Whitney) the ability to represent the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community in civil proceedings.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Susan J. LaFerner

## **Marquette Township (Ojibwa Express) Fee-to-Trust Application Update**

*By Jason A. Ayres, KBIC Realty Officer*

In February of 2016, the Tribal Council approved and submitted the Fee-to-Trust Application for the Marquette Township Property (Ojibwa Express). Since that time, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has completed several review components of the Application and most recently, solicited comments from the state and local units of government. Pursuant to 25 CFR § 151, the BIA is required to request comments from the state and local governments having regulatory jurisdiction over the land "on the potential impact of the acquisition regarding regulatory jurisdiction, real property taxes, and special assessments". In response to that solicitation, the BIA received 28 comment letters in all and forwarded those to the Tribe on July 8. The comments received were unfavorable, negative, and opposed to the BIA taking the land in Marquette into trust for the Tribe and were received from just not other gas station owners or their professional organizations, but grocery store owners, a t-shirt company, a chamber of commerce, a forest products company, and a State Senator.

Below is the list of the individuals and their business names and addresses, that opposed and provided negative comments regarding our Fee-to-Trust Application. The only comment received that was neutral was from the Marquette Township Board who choose to stick strictly with facts regarding the jurisdictional and taxation concerns related to their local ordinances. The individuals and businesses who provided comment letters are as follows:

- Marquette Charter Township, 1000 Commerce Dr., Marquette, MI 49855
- Michigan Retailers Association, 603 S. Washington Ave, Lansing, MI 48933
- Upper Peninsula Petroleum Association, P.O. Box 314, Ishpeming,

MI 49849

- Michigan Petroleum Association/Michigan Association of Convenience Stores, 7521 Westshire Dr., Suite 200, Lansing, MI 48917
- Greater Ishpeming-Negaunee Chamber of Commerce, 910 West US Hwy 41, Ishpeming, MI 49849
- Lake Superior Community Partnership, 501 S. Front Street, Marquette, MI 49855
- Law Offices of Osstyn, Ferns & Quinnell, L.L.P., 419 West Washington, Marquette, MI 49855
- Michael Valle, Champion Convenience Store, 3308 US Hwy 41, Champion, MI 49814
- Holiday Companies (Multiple Holiday Station Stores in Harvey, Ishpeming, Negaunee and Marquette, MI), 4567 American Blvd. West, Bloomington, MN 55437
- Krist Atanasoff, Krist Oil (Multiple stations in MI and WI), 303 Selden Road, Iron River, MI 49935
- Elaine Racine, Elaine's Place, 208 Vine St., Ishpeming, MI 49849
- Norma Hyndman, Hyndman's General Store, 9229 US-41, Skandia, MI 49885
- National Federation of Independent Business – Michigan, 115 W. Allegan, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Lansing, MI 48933
- Joseph Kassel, Kassel's Midway Store, 235 US-41, Negaunee, MI 49866
- Andrew Ferns, Oasis Fuel, 1240 S. Front Street, Marquette, MI 49855
- Eric Poirier, Bell Forest Products, 200 Hematite Dr., Ishpeming, MI



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- Boone Bell, Bell Forest Products, 200 Hematite Dr., Ishpeming, MI 49849
- Jeremy Symons, Yooper Shirts, 308 Cleveland Ave #104, Ishpeming, MI 49849
- Debbie Kassel, Kassel's Korner, 6400 US Hwy 41, Marquette, MI 49855
- Glen Kassel, Kassel's Korner, 6400 US Hwy 41, Marquette, MI 49855
- Association for Convenience and Fuel Retailing, 1600 Duke St., Alexandria, VA 22314
- Brad Argall, PCBM Management Company, BP, 830 US Hwy 41, Ishpeming, MI 49849
- Tadych's EconoFoods (Multiple locations) Marquette, Iron Mountain and Houghton, MI

## TRIBAL COUNCIL LOOKING TO CHANGE DIRECTION ON CASINO PROJECTS

The Tribal Council began looking closely at our gaming facilities last year. They listened to the membership, customers, and employees and knew it was time to make major changes at both current Casinos. At that time they moved forward to develop projects that would include building a new facility at the Baraga location and to renovate in the Marquette location. They asked, and the voting membership approved casino projects equaling \$28 million for Baraga and \$12 million for Marquette.

Before finalizing the contract for the approved projects, the Tribal Council decided to reach out to Michigan's Governor Snyder one last time knowing that the former airport property in Negaunee Township would be the most profitable location. In a letter to the Governor, the Tribe sought his approval to move to that location as required by federal law. The Governor was not interested and would not give the necessary approval. Discussion then ensued regarding whether or not investing in a major casino project at Marquette's current location made better sense. After careful consideration, a majority of Council felt that investing the greater part of the work and money there was in the best interest of the Tribe and provided the greatest opportunity for return on that investment and most importantly, the greatest opportunity to capture much needed additional revenue.

There are many reasons why the change to focus on Marquette has been made:

- The Marquette area is the largest population center of the Upper Peninsula.
- The Marquette area has become the regional hub for retail, restaurants, education, health care, and outdoor recreation.
- The refusal by Governor Snyder to cooperate has held up the Tribe's dreams of developing a tourism/entertainment complex long enough.
- Business experts and financial lenders advised to develop where the greatest potential exists.

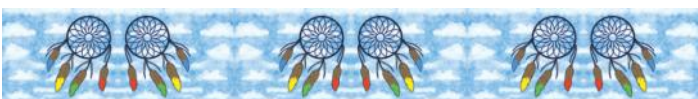
The project planned for Marquette would create a resort, an "Entertainment Mecca", that will include a 100 room branded hotel, 1200 seat entertainment venue, a full service restaurant as well as a grill, a 400 seat conference center, and gaming space to accommodate up to 600 slot machines. The project cost of \$33.5 million would include new construction costs along with renovation costs of the existing facility.

The Baraga property would still receive some much needed improvements. The project would include the construction of a new gaming facility added onto the existing facility. Renovations of current spaces would provide additional gaming areas for slots and table games and non-public space for staff and public access to the existing hotel, restaurant, and Pressbox Lanes and Lounge. The face of the facility will be redone to provide a cohesive appearance as well. This project cost will be \$6.5 million.

The question that will be posed to the voters at the Referendum Election on August 13, is **"Do you support new casino development projects in Baraga and Marquette, at their current locations, with a total cost not to exceed \$40 million whereas the estimated cost of the Baraga project is \$6.5 million and the estimated cost of the Marquette project is \$33.5 million?"**

In the event that the referendum question in August is not approved, plans will continue to move forward with the projects that were decided by the 2015 vote. The Tribal Council is bound to carry out the 2015 decision based on language in the Election Ordinance.

Community meetings are planned for Monday, August 1, in Baraga, and Tuesday, August 2, in Marquette, to provide information and answer questions related to this question and the other two questions on the ballot. The Baraga meeting will be held at the Zeba Hall in L'Anse at 5:30 p.m. and the Marquette meeting will be held at the Harvey Community Center also beginning at 5:30 p.m. Soup and sandwiches will be provided at each session.



## Keweenaw Bay Voters Will Decide Direction At Referendum Election

A referendum vote will be held August 13, 2016, with the three questions on the ballot. Polls will be open from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm to registered voters, at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Building and the Zeba Community Hall.

The first question is related to the Council looking to change direction on the Casino Projects and is outlined in the previous article. The other two questions before the Keweenaw Bay voters are:

The Council passed Resolution KB-035-2016 which will provide Tribal Council with direction about whether or not a formal process should take place to amend the Community's Constitution and By-laws. The question being asked is:

**"Do you support limiting the Secretary of Interior review process within the constitution including the approval of tribal ordinances?"**

The Tribe's Medical Marijuana Ordinance was denied by the Secretary of the Interior (BIA). The Council would like to pass laws that will not depend on approval of the federal government. This process would not allow the Council to amend the Constitution. Limiting the Secretary of Interior review would rectify our ability to pass our own laws.

The Council passed Resolution KB-036-2016 to ask the voters if they would approve spending for 1.5 million dollars to purchase seven acres of land in Pequaming including 32+ acres on Indian Cemetery Road. The question before the voters is:

**"Do you approve an offer of \$1.55 million to acquire the Pequaming property, as is, which would include all of the buildings, the marina, and approximately seven acres of land?"**

Any monies over \$500,000 require a referendum vote of the people according to the newly amended amount in the constitution.

## 38th Annual Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding Held



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Elders, Debbie Parrish and Roger F. Duschene were honored at the 38th Annual Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding.

### Honored Elders:

**Roger F. Duschene** is married to Gloria Duschene. He is the son of George Duschene and Sarah Froberg. Roger has two daughters: Judy Stark and Jennifer Sasser, three stepchildren, and six step-grandchildren. Roger's siblings are: George Duschene, Helen Hudson, Mike Duschene, Ross Froberg, and Mary Froberg. Roger worked as a millwright for Johns-Manville in Waukegan, IL, for 40 years. Roger enjoys woodworking and has been a fan of the Detroit Lions and Tigers for years. Roger is a member of the American Legion and has been a member of both the KBIC Hiring Committee and the Agricultural Committee, and he is a very active member of the Ojibwa Senior Citizens. Roger said, "I lived in Bear



The new name and phrase you will hear when you call the center will be: Hello, you have reached the "KBIC Health System."

"KBIC Health System integrates all clinical and non-clinical health services that our system offers," said Carole LaPointe, RN, current Health Administrator for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community.

The name change comes on tail feathers of the 45th Anniversary of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Tribal Health Services. Since July 16, 1971, the KBIC has offered free health services to its members. The original health center was the first in the nation to have health services, dental services, mental health services, and community (Public) health services under one roof.

The KBIC Health System logo was revealed and



Pictured above are (left to right), Carl Rasanen, Health Board President; Carole LaPointe, Health Administrator; Janice Shalfoe, Elder; and Kathy Mayo, Assistant Health Administrator. Pictured below are the dedicated staff of the "KBIC Health System".



presented with an ice cream social at the Donald A La-Pointe Health & Human Services Center this past Friday July 15, 2016, from 2-4 p.m. The Health Board invited the community to attend!

"The strength of a nation is the health of its people."

### Mayo Achieves Bachelor of Science From Yale University

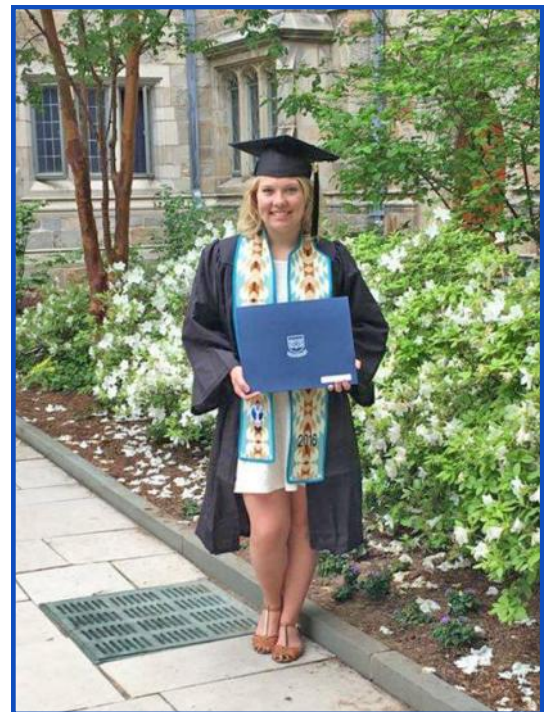
Alexandria Mayo graduated from Yale University with a Bachelor of Science in psychology on May 23, 2016. While at Yale, Alex worked as a research assistant at Yale's Infant Cognition Center and the Yale Child Study Center. She was also involved with the Native American Cultural Center on campus, participating as a member of the Indian Health Initiative Group, the American Indian Science and Engineering Society. She played on Yale Women's Rugby Team where she also served as president. Alex has accepted a year-long internship at the Native American Women's Health Education Resource Center in Lake Andes, South Dakota. After completion of her internship, Alex plans to attend graduate school for either social work or clinical psychology. Alex (pictured below) is the daughter of Diane and Tim Mayo, the sister of Dr. Leah Mayo, and the granddaughter of Dorothy Mayo.

**Second Monday!**  
**August 8th, 2016**  
**4:30-6:00PM**

**Parent Circle**

# Family Paint Night

- Ages 0-5 and siblings of all ages welcome
- Make & Take projects
- Sensory play
- Books for each family!
- Snacks will be available
- Family Engagement—Children must be supervised
- Wear clothes that can get messy!



Niiwin Akeaa Youth Center, outside the back. 111 Beartown Rd. Baraga

Supplies are limited. Please register with Dawn! 353-4521

Sponsored by KBIC Family Spirit and Healthy Start Programs

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**38th Annual Maawanji'iding continues:**

Town during my school years. I started playing basketball when I was in 8th grade, and I had to run almost three miles from home to school. We then moved to Baraga and I graduated in 1953. After graduation I joined the Air Force for four years. After 40 years at Johns-Manville, I retired and moved back to Baraga where I was born.

**Debbie Parrish** worked for KBIC for 44 years, with the past 16 years as President of the Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College. She earned an Associate's Degree in Business and a Bachelor's Degree in Fine Arts from Northern Michigan University. She has served on the Tribal Council and is currently Vice-President of the Ojibwa Senior Citizens. Debbie also serves on the American Indian Higher Education Consortium and was recently nominated to the American Indian College Fund Board. On behalf of KBOCC, she was nominated to receive the Governor's Award for Energy Efficiency. She has two children, seven grandchildren, and seven foster children.

Late Saturday evening, the youth two-step competition was held where the crowd chose Kiona Poupart and Nathan Smith as 1<sup>st</sup> place youth two step champions. The "Big E" singing special was held throughout the day with Myran Pyawavit winning 1st place. A Jingle Dress competition was held with the following results: 1st place – Delina White (Leech Lake), 2nd place – Lavender Hunt (Leech Lake), and 3rd place – Leah Monroe (Leech Lake). A Woodland Special competition was held with the following results: 1st place – Peter Powless, 2nd Place – Shane Machell, and 3rd place – Gerald White. Saturday's events ended with the adult two-step competition with the following results: 1st place – Connie Killspotted and Braaswi Bi-aaswaak, 2nd place – Bob and Elizabeth Williams, and 3rd place – Cozy White and Robert Shalifoe.



President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. welcomes all to the 38th Annual Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding.

The KBIC 38th Annual Maawanji'iding was held the weekend of July 22-24, 2016, at the Ojibwa Powwow Campgrounds in Baraga, Michigan. The weather was awesome for the participants and spectators to enjoy the songs from the 24 registered drums. Records indicate there were 609 dancers registered. KBIC Honor Guard presented the colors. John Teller, Jr., a Menominee member, honored KBIC as the Head Veteran Dancer; Mike Fish, Jr., Menominee member, as Head Male Dancer; and Demery Jackson, Fort Totten, Dakota, as Head Female Dancer. Mark Kingbird, Sr., Red Lake, Ojibwe, served as Arena Director; Black Stone as Host Drum; and there were three invited home drums: Four Thunders, Summercloud, and Woodland Singers. Emcees Pete Gahbow and Jody Awonohopay kept everyone informed about the activities.

Following Friday evening's grand entry, Jailyn Renee Shelifoe was crowned as the 2016 Miss Keweenaw Bay, and Hanna Hervola was crowned as the 2016 Miss Junior Keweenaw Bay. Saturday's events began with fry bread competitions. Tom Marshall (Rose's) took 1st place in the adult division, and Sam Chosa (Chosa's) took 1st place in the youth division.



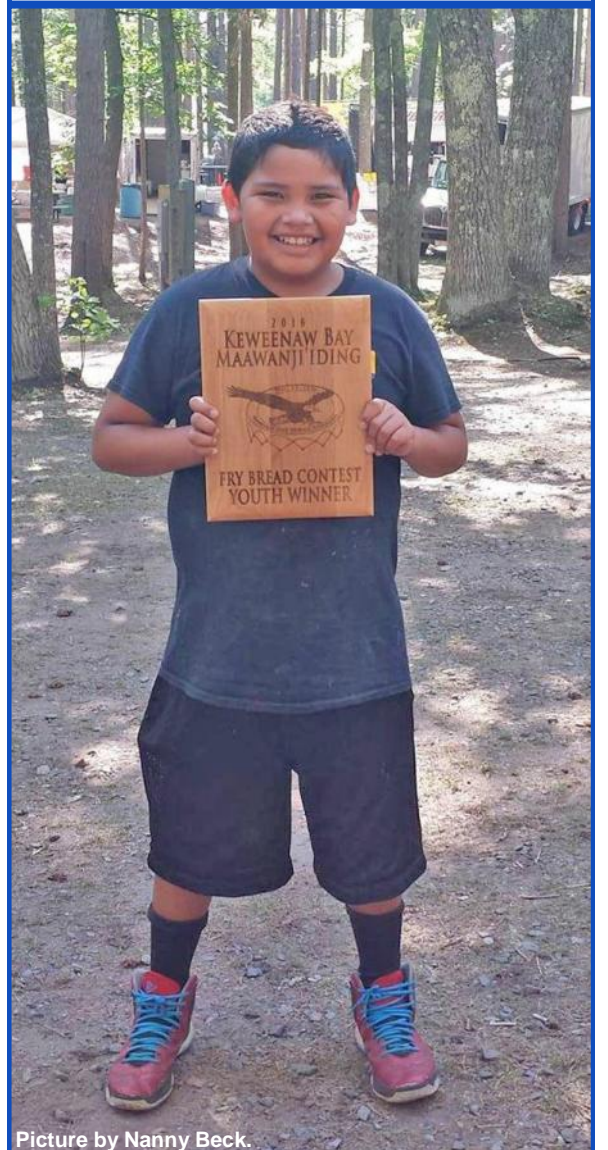
Left to right, John Teller, Jr., Head Veteran Dancer; Demery Jackson, Head Female Dancer; and Mike Fish, Jr., Head Male Dancer.



2016 Miss Junior Keweenaw Bay, Hanna Hervola.



2016 Miss Keweenaw Bay, Jailyn Renee Shelifoe.



Youth Frybread Winner, Sam Chosa.





**The KBIC Natural Resources Department invites you to Join us!**

Date: August 10<sup>th</sup> 2016

Time: 5:30 pm-8:00pm

Where: Ojibwa Casino Conference Room

We are looking for community members to join us for dinner and a presentation on climate change and the KBIC Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP).

After dinner there will be an open discussion of priorities, and your input would be appreciated in the updating of our IRMP. Please join us in shaping the future direction of our Natural Resources Programs.

Please RSVP: Shannon DesRochers 524-5757 ext.19  
sdesrochers@kbic-nsn.gov



**FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR)  
FY 2016 NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS\*  
(Effective Oct. 1, 2015 to Sept. 30, 2016)**

\*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	\$ 981 +	\$155 =		\$1,136
2	\$1,328 +	\$155 =		\$1,483
3	\$1,675 +	\$155 =		\$1,830
4	\$2,021 +	\$168 =		\$2,189
5	\$2,368 +	\$197 =		\$2,565
6	\$2,715 +	\$226 =		\$2,941
7	\$3,061 +	\$226 =		\$3,287
8	\$3,408 +	\$226 =		\$3,634
Each additional member				+ \$347

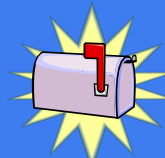
Alaska:				Use this amount
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard	SNAP Standard Deduction		FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard
1	\$1,227 +	\$265 =		\$1,492
2	\$1,660 +	\$265 =		\$1,925
3	\$2,094 +	\$265 =		\$2,359
4	\$2,527 +	\$265 =		\$2,792
5	\$2,960 +	\$265 =		\$3,225
6	\$3,394 +	\$282 =		\$3,676
7	\$3,827 +	\$282 =		\$4,109
8	\$4,260 +	\$282 =		\$4,542
Each additional member				+ \$434

**KEWEENAW BAY HOLDS 3RD ANNUAL PAULINE SPRUCE WATER WALK**



The Keweenaw Bay 3rd Annual Pauline Spruce Memorial Water Walk initiated the 38th Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding on Thursday, July 21, 2016. The 1st Annual Water Walk was organized by Jessica Koski, KBIC member who was employed at the Keweenaw Bay Natural Resource Department at the time, to raise awareness of the state of our water. The "late" Pauline Spruce and Terri Denomie, both KBIC members, jumped in and assisted her. Terri Denomie said, "Jessica had moved, and Pauline and I both knew that once we had started something we should keep it going for at least seven years, so we said, 'Let's do it!'" Sadly, Pauline Spruce walked on to be with the creator on May 6, 2016. Terri fully took over the reins this year and dedicated the Annual Water Walk to Pauline's memory. Opening Water Ceremonies began at 5:30 a.m. where ten participants walked the 17 mile course from First Sand Beach at Pequaming Point to the Sand Point Lighthouse. Opening prayer was by Abbi Dowd and Donny Dowd assisted with teachings. A feast followed in the Powwow pavilion.

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



**CEO's Report for the month of June 2016**

During the month of June 2016, the CEO's office reported the following:

- The search for replacing outgoing Ojibwa Casinos' General Manager (GM), Michael Schrader, continues. Four applicants were interviewed on June 23, of whom Council has narrowed to two applicants. Human Resources are completing initial backgrounds and will be available for Council review at the July 14 meeting. During the search, current Casino Managers, Don Messer and Sharon Misegan of Baraga and Marquette respectively, are handling GM responsibilities.
- The Tribal Forester position has been posted, and while the hiring process moves forward, outside services are being sought to perform work. Sarah Maki, Asst. CEO, is developing project scopes and will solicit bids starting next week. The position is expected to be hired within the next 30 days.
- The Tribe's Social Services Department has three vacancies; the director position and two case worker positions are posted and will be filled as quickly as possible. Based on the need to continue providing services to the Community, the Tribe has requested and is receiving assistance for up to 90 days from the State of Michigan's Department of Health and Human Services. During this period of time all complaints will have to be initiated through the state's Central Intake system. Remaining staff at the Tribe's department are directing complainants to the system directly or calling on their behalf.
- The Tribe now has a handicapped accessible van with a wheelchair lift that will soon be available for use by members. The used van has a few issues that are being addressed and use guidelines are being developed. The van will be available to members who are not able to get to doctor's appointments or other places because of their inability to use normal modes of transport.
- If you haven't already heard, long term employee Stan Spruce has decided it's time to retire. A luncheon was held yesterday to say farewell to Stan and to recognize him for his 20 years of service to the Tribe. He served about 15 in HR and five the attorney's office.
- On June 30, four ballot proposal questions were approved, and an election will be held on August 13. Two of the questions relate to a change in direction for the new casino projects. Registered voters will be asked whether or not they approve moving forward with a \$6.5 million project in Baraga at its' current location and a \$33.5 million project in Marquette at its current location. Along with approving the Resolution calling for the election, Council approved a proposal with Global

Market Advisors to update their study performed in 2015, prepare a Marquette Hotel Market Assessment, and provide a hotel brand recommendation. The cost of the proposal is \$19,700 and is expected to be available the week of July 24. We are also awaiting new project renderings for both properties from the Cunningham Group, and it is also expected to be available the same week. A mailing to registered voters will be developed providing information on the projects, and a Community meeting will be scheduled in early August to present the information, provide a financial report, and answer questions.

The other two ballot proposal questions relate to approving the purchase of the Pequaming property from Pete VanStraten and whether or not the Tribe should move forward with removing from the Constitution, the approval of Department of the Interior concerning Ordinances. Information regarding these two questions will also be available at the August Community meeting.

- On June 1, I was provided a tour of several market rate rental units the Housing Department handles. Two of the three homes will need some minor to moderate updating before being rented and the third, located on M-38, is in very rough shape. A decision on how to best deal with that property will need Council review and consideration.
- Acting Assistant Secretary Roberts announced on June 30 that updates to the BIA Handbook have been approved. The changes come after hearing from Tribal leaders and are intended to reduce the lengthy and burdensome process that has hindered tribes in fully utilizing their lands. Tribes will now have greater flexibility in submitting land-into-trust requests while reducing the processing time. KBIC has a number of properties owned in fee that need to be placed into trust, and it's hoped that these changes will streamline the processing and time it takes, ultimately saving the Tribe money.
- The Tribe's annual governmental employee picnic is scheduled for August 5, and this year will be held at Sand Point. A number of activities are planned for the event including: a fisherperson's tournament, scavenger hunt, yard games, and bingo. Food will be provided by Marquette area food trucks. Prizes and an employee recognition program are also planned. Employees will be recognized for their loyal service to the Tribe. There will also be pontoon rides, jet skis, kayaks, and canoes available for employees to enjoy for the day.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry Denomie III, CEO



# MINO-BIMAADIZI

“Live Well”

DONALD A. LAPOINTE HEALTH & EDUCATION CENTER

Welcome to Mino-bimaadizi, a health and wellness information page sponsored by the Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center. Each month you will find information about important health issues, upcoming center events, recipes, data collection reports, healthy living tips, and much more. We, at the LaPointe Health Center, strive to provide the best care and education we can. Whether it's in our medical clinic, dental clinic, pharmacy, one of our many community health programs, behavioral health, or business offices, our staff are continually improving and learning.



## MIINIKE-GIIZIS IN KEWEENAW COUNTRY—LUCKY US!

(Blueberry Gathering Moon)

Here at Keweenaw Bay we are blessed with plenty of wild and cultivated varieties of blueberries. Though the season is winding down, we hope you got to pick some wild berries and are enjoying the harvest. If you “helped yourself” to nature’s bounty, you also helped your health. Getting out in nature is good for body and mind (sunshine helps bodies make vitamin D) and being out lifts the spirit. Berry-picking is great physical activity. Just remember to bend and lift from the legs, not the back (and maybe wear kneepads!). But the ultimate benefit is all the pleasure and great nutrition that comes from eating blueberries.

Blueberries are the 2nd most popular berry in America, after strawberries. Besides being delicious, they are nutrition-packed. This is especially true for the low-bush, or wild-type. Blueberries are rich in vitamins C and K, as well as the mineral manganese. Even more interesting, this fruit contains a very high content of antioxidant compounds called anthocyanins. The anthocyanins are what give blueberries their blue-purple color. These compounds prevent or repair the damage that radiation or chemicals do to the body cells. In this way the anthocyanins help prevent certain cancers as well as heart disease. A lot of research is showing the benefits of blueberries on eye health, memory, and immunity.

Blueberries were an important part of the traditional Ojibwa diet. During the miinike-giizis (blueberry gathering) season they were eaten fresh. But some were dried for use through the other seasons. Fresh or dried blueberries make a wonderful addition to cooked wild rice—add a drizzle of maple syrup for a very tasty breakfast or side dish at any meal (recipe in GLIFWC cookbook *Mino Wiisinidaa!*).

A cup of fresh blueberries has about 80 calories, 20 g of carbohydrate and 4 g of fiber. You’ll get some good nutrition from blueberries when incorporated into *Miin-aan baash kimini-sij-i-gan bitooyin sij-i-gan-i bukwayszhiigan\**, but at a cost. One-eighth of a 9” blueberry pie has 360 calories and 50 g of carbohydrate. Ouch!

\*--blueberry pie in Ojibwa. At 55 letters, it’s considered the longest word in the Ojibwa language.

**Our Mission** is to be a leader in Tribal Health and Human Services by using traditional, evidence based, and innovative strategies that contribute to building a strong, healthy community.

## August is National Breastfeeding Month

**Breastfeeding Matters:** I would like to encourage all women who are pregnant to breastfeed their baby. Why breastfeed your baby? Why feed your baby human milk?

Breast milk is designed for human babies. It provides ideal nutrition for growth and health, it’s easy to digest, it changes over time to meet baby’s growing needs, and it protects from illness by providing immunity.

The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends infants be breastfed exclusively for the first six months of life. At age six months, infants can start eating solid foods like vegetables, fruit, and cereal (baby foods) which will supplement breast milk. It also advises infants have breast milk for the first year of life or longer.

It’s important for Moms to remember that any amount of breast milk is beneficial for your baby—so GET STARTED, give breastfeeding a try, see how it goes, one day at a time! You and your baby can decide how long.

The WIC Program and LaPointe Health Center Maternal Child Health Programs offer breastfeeding education, support, and encouragement. Please feel free to contact me at 353-4527 for any information about breastfeeding. I am an RN and International Board Certified Lactation Consultant. And be sure to stop by the 2nd floor of the Health Center this month to check out our Breastfeeding Awareness and Support display.



Submitted by Laura Cladas, RN, IBCLC  
WIC Coordinator and MCH Educator  
This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

**KBIC Breastfeeding Support Circle:** The KBIC Healthy Start-Family Spirit Program now sponsors a local support group for our breastfeeding families! The Breastfeeding Support Circle is open to the public and held the first Wednesday of the month with alternating times to accommodate many schedules. This casual group provides opportunity to share experiences and get support while meeting new moms or spend time with the ones you already know. Expecting mothers encouraged to attend.

We provide a meal, evidenced-based information, and support for a very important time in a mother and child’s life. Our goal is to make it easier to nurse in the home, at work, and in today’s modern daily lifestyle.

Bring your children and relax! Transportation is available for those who need it. We hope to see you! We are on Facebook; KBIC Breastfeeding Support Circle.

Submitted by Kristine Maki  
MCH Family Health Educator

*Scientific studies have shown that breast milk helps boost a child’s immune system, protect against obesity in babies, and reduces the risk of seizures, pneumonia, diarrhea, ear infections, and asthma. It is also correlated with a lowered risk of ovarian and breast cancer in mothers.*

## Upcoming Events:

- National Health Center Week, August 8-12th
  - Special programs every day
- Car Seat Clinic, August 11th by appointment
- Parent Circle, August 8th 4:30 p.m.
- Diabetic Talking Circle, August 31st 11a.m.
- Diabetic Foot Clinic, August 19th & September 2nd by appointment
- Breastfeeding Support Group, September 7th 1 p.m.
- Childbirth Education, September 15th 1-3 p.m.

For more information on these or other services and programs call Dawn at 353-4521.



**Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College**  
**Fall 2016 Schedule of Courses**  
**August 29-December 9**

**Admissions:**  
 524-8301  
 patrick.racette@kbocc.edu

**College Website**  
 For more information,  
 see [www.kbocc.edu](http://www.kbocc.edu)



**KBOCC**  
**2016**  
**Open House**

**Public Welcome**

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa  
 Community College  
 cordially invites the  
 community to visit the  
 L'Anse Wabanung Campus  
 located at  
 770 N. Main Street,  
 L'Anse, Michigan

Come and meet staff  
 and tour our building!

Date: Thursday,  
 August 11, 2016

Time: 12:00 noon —  
 2:00pm

Refreshments will be  
 provided.

**KEWEENAW BAY OJIBWA  
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**KEWEENAW BAY  
 OJIBWA COMMUNITY  
 COLLEGE  
 FALL 2016  
 ORIENTATION**

**Thursday, August 25,  
 2016  
 4:30pm — 7:00pm  
 Wabanung Campus,  
 Room 308**

**REGISTRATION FOR  
 CLASSES IS NOW OPEN**

Fall Semester courses  
 start August 29, 2016  
 For more information  
 Call Admissions  
 906-524-8301 or  
 Advising 906-524-8313

**New & Readmitted Students'  
 Orientation Topics Include:**

- **Welcome Session Presentations**
- **Student Services Presentation**
- **Individual Breakout Sessions with Academic Advisors**
- **Ready, Set, Go Technology, and KBOCC Web Portal**
- **Building Tour**
- **Social Gather with Refreshments Provided**

*"Catch Your Dream through a  
 Superior Education"*



Course Number and Name	Instructor	Day	Time	Place
<b>Anishinaabe Studies</b>				
AS101 Introduction to Anishinaabe Studies (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective; Anishinaabe Awareness elective</i>	D. Cadeau	Mon, Wed	10:00am-11:50pm	WAB 113E
AS200 History of Michigan Tribes (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective; Anishinaabe Awareness elective</i>	D. Cadeau	Tues, Thurs	5:00pm-6:50pm	WAB 113E
AS215 Contemporary Anishinaabe Issues (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective; Anishinaabe Awareness elective</i>	D. Cadeau	Tues, Thurs	10:00am-11:50pm	WAB 113E
AS232 Tribal Government (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective; Anishinaabe Awareness elective</i>	V. Friisvall Ayres	Tues, Thurs	1:00pm-2:50pm	WAB 113E
OS110 Ojibwa Language and Culture I (4 credits) <i>Institutional Requirement</i>	J. Racette	Mon, Wed	5:30pm-7:20pm	WAB 112E
<b>Art</b>				
AR207 Two-Dimensional Multimedia (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: AR101 or instructor's permission; Course fee \$60</i>	D. Mues	Wed	5:30pm-8:20pm	WAB 15LL
AR106 Ojibwa Basket-making (3 credits) <i>Anishinaabe Awareness elective; Course fee \$60; Limit 10</i>	J. Racette/ Staff	Tues	5:40pm-8:30pm	WAB 15LL
AR117 Introduction to Photography (3 credits) <i>Course fee \$TBD</i>	M. Hronkin	Mon	5:00pm-8:50pm	WAB 15LL
<b>Business</b>				
BS110 Introduction to Business (3 credits)	M. Haataja	Thurs	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 211E
BS145 Business Communication (3 credits)	M. Haataja	Mon	10:00am-12:50pm	WAB 211E
BS201 Accounting I (4 credits)	M. Haataja	Tues, Thurs	12:00pm-1:50pm	WAB 211E
BS211 Business Law (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: BS110</i>	M. Haataja/ Staff	Tues, Thurs	2:00pm-3:20pm	WAB 211E
BS297 Capstone Seminar (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Sophomore status, pre- or co-requisites: BS145 and EN202 Course fee \$20</i>	M. Haataja & Team	Wed	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 120E
<b>Early Childhood Education</b>				
CE101 Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3 credits) - SECTION A <i>Course fee \$45</i>	C. LaRose	Mon	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 120E
CE101 Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3 credits) - SECTION B <i>Course fee \$45</i>	C. LaRose	Mon, Tues	8:00am-10:00am	WAB 120E
CE110 Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum and Practice (3 credits) - SECTION A <i>Prerequisite: CE101 or instructor's permission; Course fee \$45</i>	C. LaRose	Mon, Wed	12:30pm-1:50pm	WAB 120E
CE110 Developmentally Appropriate Curriculum and Practice (3 credits) - SECTION B <i>Prerequisite: CE101 or instructor's permission; Course fee \$45</i>	C. LaRose	Thurs, Fri	8:00am-10:00am	WAB 120E
CE115 Child Guidance (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: CE101 or instructor's permission</i>	C. LaRose/ staff	Thurs	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 120E
CE275 Early Childhood Practicum (2 credits) <i>Requires at least 16 hours per week field placement</i>	C. LaRose	TBD	As Arranged	Placement Site
CE297 Early Childhood Professional (2 credits) <i>Prerequisites: Sophomore standing, EN202</i>	C. LaRose & team	Wed	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 120E
<b>English and Composition</b>				
EN095 Basic Composition (3 credits) Section A <i>Does NOT satisfy composition requirement</i>	R. Frost	Tues, Thurs	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 117E
EN095 Basic Composition (3 credits) Section B <i>Does NOT satisfy composition requirement</i>	R. Frost	Mon, Wed	5:00pm-6:50pm	WAB 117E
EN101 College Reading Strategies (1 credit)	R. Frost	Tues, Thurs	12:00pm-12:50pm	WAB 117E
EN102 College Composition I (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Placement or EN095 with C or better; Composition requirement</i>	J. Koenig	Tues, Thurs	3:00pm-4:50pm	WAB 113E
EN202 College Composition II (3 credits) <i>Prerequisite: EN102 with C or better Course fee \$20</i>	J. Koenig	Mon, Wed	1:00pm-2:50pm	WAB 113E
<b>Humanities</b>				
EN150 Introduction to Literature (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: EN102 or instructor's permission; Humanities elective</i>	J. Koenig	Tues, Thurs	11:00am-12:50pm	WAB 211N
HU110 World Cultures (4 credits) <i>Humanities elective; Course fee \$30</i>	R. Frost	Mon, Wed	3:00pm-4:50pm	WAB 117E
<b>Information Systems</b>				
IS105 Computer Concepts (2 credits)	T. Makela	Tues	5:00pm-6:50pm	WAB 119E
<b>Liberal Studies</b>				
LS103 College Success Seminar (2 credits; 1 hr lecture, 3 hrs lab)	C. Collins	Mon, Wed	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 117E
LS297 Capstone Seminar for Liberal Studies Majors (3 credits) <i>Prerequisites: sophomore status, pre or co-requisite EN202; Course fee \$20</i>	J. Koenig & team	Wed	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 120E
<b>Mathematics</b>				
MA096 Basic Math (2 credits) Section A <i>Does not count toward graduation credits</i>	G. Maclean	Mon, Wed	6:00pm-7:20pm	WAB 114E
MA096 Basic Math (2 credits) Section B <i>Does not count toward graduation credits</i>	To be announced	Tues, Thurs	12:30pm-1:50pm	WAB 114E
MA101 Fundamentals of Algebra (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Placement or MA096 with C or better</i>	G. Maclean	Mon, Wed	12:00pm-2:20pm	WAB 114E
MA102 Quantitative Literacy (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Placement or MA096 with C or better</i>	G. Maclean	Mon, Wed	3:00pm-5:20pm	WAB 114E
MA104 Intermediate Algebra (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Placement or MA101 with C or better</i>	To be announced	Tues, Thurs	2:30pm-4:50pm	WAB 114E
MA105 College Algebra (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: Placement or MA104 with C or better</i>	G. Maclean	Mon, Wed	9:00am-11:20am	WAB 114E
<b>Science</b>				
ES110 Introduction to Environmental Science (4 credits) <i>Lab Science elective; Second science elective; Course fee \$60</i>	A. Kozich	Mon, Wed	12:00pm-2:50pm	WAB 210E
BI130 Introduction to Conservation (4 credits) <i>Lab Science elective; Second science elective; Course fee \$60</i>	A. Kozich	Tues, Thurs	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 210E
BI205 Fisheries Biology and Management (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: BI101, BI130, ES110, or Instructor permission; Lab Science elective; Course fee \$120</i>	G. Mensch	Mon, Wed	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 210E
ES230 Soil Science (4 credits) <i>Prerequisite: ES 110 or GS105; Lab Science elective; Course fee \$80</i>	B. Colbert	Tues, Thurs	12:00pm-2:50pm	Rm 1/Lab Lib/Sci
ES297 Capstone Seminar for Environmental Science Majors (3 credits) <i>Prerequisites: Sophomore status, EN205, MA105; Pre or co-requisite: ES298 Course Fee \$20</i>	A. Kozich & team	Wed	10:00am-11:50am	WAB 120E
<b>Social Science</b>				
CJ101 Introduction to Corrections (3 credits) <i>Field Trip required</i>	J. Bouchard	Thurs	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 115E
CJ103 Client Development /Criminology (3 credits) <i>Field Trip required</i>	R. Sackett	Wed	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 115E
CJ110 Introduction to Criminal Justice (3 credits) <i>Field Trip required</i>	W. Jondreau	Tues	5:00pm-7:50pm	WAB 115E
EC201 Microeconomics (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective</i>	M. Haataja/ Staff	Wed	5:00pm-8:50pm	WAB 211N
PY101 Psychology (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective</i>	F. Taddeucci	Tues	5:00pm-8:50pm	WAB 114E
SO202 Minority Groups in America (4 credits) <i>Social Science elective</i>	F. Taddeucci	Tues	9:00am-12:50pm	WAB 115E
<b>Vocational</b>				
FN101 Basic Cooking Methods (2 credits; 1 lecture, 2 lab) <i>Course fee \$150</i>	J. Schutte	Mon	5:30pm-8:20pm	WAB 113E
FN201 Local and Native Cuisine (2 credits; 1 lecture, 2 lab) <i>Course fee \$150</i>	J. Schutte	Thurs	5:30pm-8:20pm	WAB 112E

indicates that course is available at-distance to Baraga or Harvey. Additional courses may be made available on request.



## Get Involved



**THE GOAL:** Make your community stronger by getting trained and getting involved.

*It takes more than police, fire and EMS to respond to a disaster. It takes people who are committed to neighborhood, churches, schools and volunteer organizations. When people are willing to work together for the good of others, communities are stronger.*

*People who are involved are the key to a disaster resilient community. They are willing and able to look out for themselves and others. A resilient community is one that can withstand a disaster and get back to normal quickly (even if normal isn't the same as it was before).*

►► CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING THINGS TO DO THIS MONTH TO BECOME BETTER PREPARED:

### Connect with an isolated individual in your neighborhood or start a neighborhood organization.

Isolated individuals are more vulnerable during and after a disaster. They are less likely to ask for help or follow emergency instructions. The elderly or those with disabilities may have trouble getting out of the house, and may not have much contact with the outside world. Someone who doesn't speak English well may have trouble understanding emergency instructions. People may also be isolated just because they are new to the area, or because their work hours keep them from meeting their neighbors.

Who are the isolated individuals in your neighborhood? Take time to meet them. Help them make a plan for emergencies, and include checking on them in your plan.

Neighborhood watches and other groups can be a great way for you to become better connected to your neighbors. If your neighborhood doesn't have a group, consider starting one. There are resources available online at [www.usaonwatch.org](http://www.usaonwatch.org) or by calling your local police or sheriff's department.

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### Promote emergency preparedness in your community.

Scout troops, service clubs, residential associations, communities of faith—almost any organization you belong to can become a partner in emergency preparedness. Organizations that promote emergency preparedness make their community more able to withstand and recover from disaster. Here are some suggestions for involving your organization:

- Include a Do 1 Thing preparedness topic in newsletters or on bulletin boards each month.
- Talk to your scout troop leader about how Do 1 Thing activities can be used toward a preparedness badge.
- Get a group together to make emergency kits for seniors or kids who stay home alone.
- Visit the [www.do1thing.com](http://www.do1thing.com) website to see how other organizations are promoting preparedness in their communities.

The Red Cross, Ready.gov, and many other organizations also promote preparedness. Find the materials that will work best for your organization and become a partner in preparing your community!

### Become a volunteer in your community (CERT, Red Cross, Neighborhood Watch, etc.).

There are many places to volunteer in your community. Many police and fire departments use volunteers to help with special projects, events, or program. The American Red Cross, Salvation Army, and other organizations train volunteers to work in disasters.

If you are interested in helping in your community or other communities during a disaster, become a volunteer for your local Red Cross or Salvation Army chapter. But don't wait for disaster to strike—volunteer now. These organizations won't send untrained volunteers into disaster areas.

Many communities also have a volunteer center or a Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). These programs can find ways for you to help in your community that will fit your schedule and abilities.

If you are already a member of a volunteer organization, consider getting your volunteer group involved in VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster). VOAD is a national program that helps volunteer groups work in their community during a disaster.

*Community preparedness starts at home. If you know that your family is prepared at home, you will be better able to help others in your community.*

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## PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

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

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

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

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



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# Deepest Sympathy

## Arthur Edward Gerard

(October 2, 1928—June 23, 2016)

Arthur Edward Gerard, age 87, of Baraga, MI, passed away on Thursday, June 23, 2016, at Bayside Village in L'Anse, where he had been a resident for the past 10 years. He was born October 2, 1928, in Baraga, MI, the son of Frank and Stella (Magnant) Gerard. Arthur graduated from Baraga High School in 1946. He married the former Lola Drolson on April 12, 1958, in Hancock, MI. Arthur drove logging truck for Consolidated for 10 years and then worked for Pettibone for 30 years; 10 of which were driving truck cross country delivering Pettibone machinery covering all 48 continental states, retiring in 1985. He was a member of St. Ann Church, Baraga Fire Department for 30 years, and on the Baraga Lumber Jack Days Committee for many years. He was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Art enjoyed gardening and spending time with his family.

Art is survived by his wife, Lola of Baraga; children: Patricia (Scott) Koski of Baraga, Michael (Jenny) Gerard of Iron Mountain, Dennis (Debbie) Gerard of L'Anse, Timothy (Helen) Gerard of Chassell, and Tracy (Oscar) Larson of Baraga; 15 grandchildren; and 15 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings: Elizabeth Treado, Frances Gerard, Nicholas Gerard, and John Gerard.

Beginning with the Baraga Fire Department Services, funeral services were held on Monday, June 27, 2016, at the Jacobson Funeral Home, with Fr. John Martignon officiating. Internment was in the Baraga Cemetery. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

## Doreen N. Smith

(August 1, 1952—July 14, 2016)

Doreen N. Smith, age 63, of Baraga, MI, passed away on July 14, 2016, at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Pontiac, MI, on August 1, 1952, the daughter of the (late) Richard and Elizabeth (Miller) Galer. Doreen was raised in Madison Heights and attended local schools. On September 13, 1969, she married Irvin J. Smith, and they moved to Baraga in the early 1990's. He preceded her in death on April 24, 2015. Doreen was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. She had held various jobs in the area and had enjoyed working at the Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center as a cook. Doreen liked to sew, including making the regalia for her grandchildren for the Powwow. She was a Tigers fan, enjoyed attending the Powwow, going to bingo, baking, cooking, and fishing.

Doreen is survived by her loving children: Edith (Dennis) Hansinger of Clawson, MI, Christy (Kevin) Krawczyk of Livonia, MI, Dwayne (Pamela) Smith of Baraga, Richard (Connie) Smith of Iron River, MI, Irvin (Gina) Smith of Baraga, Serene Smith of Baraga, and Jacob Smith of Baraga; 14 grandchildren; brothers; Foster Galer of Baraga, and Robert Galer of L'Anse; sisters: Gloria Galer of Ontonagon, Margaret (Pete) MacDonald of Sun City West, AZ, and Diane (James) Czech of Harper Woods, MI. Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; sister, Rosemary Lamberger; and nephews Darren Morgan and Ronny Drinkard.

A memorial service was held on Monday, July 18, 2016, at the KBIC Zeba Hall with Deacon John Cadeau officiating. The family greeted friends at the hall prior to the services and immediately following the memorial service interment took place in the L'Anse Evergreen Cemetery with a luncheon following at the KBIC Zeba Hall.

Doreen's favorite quote, "Love you to the moon and back."

## August 2016 Calendar Events

- **Aug. 6:** Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Casino Conference Room;
- **Aug. 13:** Referendum Election, 10 am—6 pm, Ojibwa Senior Citizens Bldg. and the Zeba Community Hall;
- **Aug. 17:** Wiikwedong Ogichidaa Society (KBIC Veterans) meeting, 7 pm, Zeba Community Hall.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

## OVW Accepts LaFond Donation

Deborah LaFond from Albany, NY made a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the OVW Transitional House on Friday, July 15, 2016. LaFond made the donation in honor of her mother Gertrude Ann LaFond's memory, who was born and raised in Baraga, MI. Pictured left to right are: Chalsea Smith, OVW Board Member; Deborah LaFond; and Cherie Dakota, OVW Director. Photo compliments of Jean Jokinen.







## Wintergreen Farm - CSA SHARE PROGRAM

A CSA Share is you helping the farm and the farm sharing its produce. The Corpolongo Smith family (which consists of Scott, Andrea, and daughter Seda) has been growing over 50 different types of vegetables at their farm in Ontonagon, MI, since 2007. They began offering CSA shares in 2009, and their CSA program has been growing ever since. Currently they have CSA pick-up locations in Houghton and Ontonagon. In the fall of 2014, they introduced a Winter share program stretching distribution of storage vegetables and dehydrated products into February. You can also find their produce at the Keweenaw Coop, Marquette Food Coop, and the Northwinds Coop in Ironwood.

The Corpolongo Smith family representative said, "Everything we produce is grown without the use of synthetic pesticides, herbicides, or fertilizers. We are Certified Naturally Grown and are very careful to choose sustainable pest control methods and soil inputs that don't introduce toxins into our soil."

The BALAC grant with support of the KBIC Health System administers the shares to the Tribal Pre-primary, Head start, Seniors, Youth Center, and the KBOCC Daycare to provide access to traditional and healthy nutrition to our children, youth, community, and elders. Each share is dropped off with recipes and education!

The Share Program started June 22nd and runs weekly for 16 weeks. They also sell personal single shares and half shares to locals, if interested, find and follow them on facebook: Wintergreenfarm.

### Attention KBIC Veterans

The Wiikwedong Ogitchidaa Society (formerly the KBIC Veterans) in conjunction with KBIC's Department of Health and Human Services and the KBIC Community Assistance Program, extends you an invitation to join them at Zeba Community Hall on August 17, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. for an evening of fellowship and recognition for our veterans.

In addition to snacks, door prize drawings, and the Summer Cloud Singers, there will be an information session by staff from the Escanaba Office of the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

We look forward to seeing you at the Zeba Community Hall on the 17th of August!

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@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov).

Donald A. LaPointe Health & Education Center

## National Health Center Week 2016

### Schedule of Events

Monday  
Opening Ceremony  
Senior Day

Tuesday  
Exercise  
Day

Wednesday  
Kid's Day

Friday  
Staff Appreciation  
Day

Thursday  
Cooking Demo  
Day



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