

# WIKWEDONG DAZHI-OJIBWE

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwe

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## KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY HOLDS 8<sup>TH</sup> WINTER TRADITIONAL POW-WOW

Anishinaabeg from the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and nearby communities gathered at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Cultural Committee's 8th Winter Traditional Powwow held Saturday, January 28, 2012, at the Niiwin Akeaa Community Center in Baraga, Michigan. The day began as Doreen Blaker, Cultural Committee member, welcomed guests to the morning ceremony "Honoring Our Tribal Council." A prayer was offered by Rose Trudeau followed by an Nishnaabemwin Presentation given by Rose and Linda Trudeau. As the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has just celebrated 75 years of Federal Recognition, Cultural Committee Chair, Gerry Mantila, gave a summary of the 75 years of Tribal Council history, (see page ten), and the 2011 and current 2012 Tribal Council members were recognized for their representation and service to our Community. Four Thunders offered the Honor Song.

Head Veteran Dancer, Ted Sheliofoe, led the KBIC Color Guard in the 1:00 and 6:00 p.m. grand entries. Everett Ekdahl, Jr. and Hunter Captain served as Head Male and Female Dancers with Raistlin Awonohopay and Kirsten Nelson as Youth Head Male and Female Dancers. DySean Allen and Pumpkin Lussier served as Junior Head Male and Female Dancers. Four Thunders served as host drum and provided songs along with invited drums Woodland Singers and Young Firekeepers. Stanley Spruce served as Emcee for this year's event and Arena Director, George Gauthier, with the assistance of Assistant Arena Director, Robert Rajacic, kept the arena running very smoothly.

The afternoon session included a Memorial Dance/Giveway in honor of Evelyn Holappa and Barbara Mantila, and a Pink Shawl Honor Dance. The Cultural Committee honored Miss Keweenaw Bay, Savannah Seymour, and Tribal Elders: Isadore "Blue" Misegan and Violet R. Friisvall. Participants enjoyed a wonderful feast between grand entries.

### Honored Elders:

Violet R. Marksman Friisvall, 79, of Zeba, was born on December 10, 1932, the daughter of Charles H. Marksman and Susan (White) Marksman, and the granddaughter of Rebecca Marksman, and Samuel and Hattie (Spruce) White.

Violet married Kenneth H. Friisvall of Elo, in 1952, and together they had eight children: Virginia Anderson, Theodore "Manny" Friisvall, Verna Comfort, Gerald (Angie)



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Fancy shawl dancers, (l) Elli Morin and (r) Shelia Halverson, enjoyed an afternoon of songs at the Midwinter Powwow.



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Devin Connor, a young fancy dancer, enjoys time with the drum.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Pictured above is Miss Keweenaw Bay with head dancers (left to right) Miss Keweenaw Bay, Savannah Seymour, Ted Sheliofoe, Everett Ekdahl, Jr., Hunter Captain, Raistlin Awonohopay, Kirsten Nelson, (front) DySean Allen and Pumpkin Lussier.



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Honored elders: Violet R. Friisvall and Isadore "Blue" Misegan.

### Tribal Council Members:

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President  
Elizabeth D. Mayo, Vice-President  
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary  
Jerry Lee Curtis, Asst. Secretary  
Toni Minton, Treasurer  
Robert D. (RD) Curtis, Jr.  
Frederick Dakota  
Eddy Edwards  
Jean Jokinen  
Michael F. LaFernier, Sr.  
Carole LaPointe  
Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- February 4, 2012 Tribal Council Meeting
- KBIC 8th Winter Traditional Powwow Held
- KBIC Holds Healthy Heart Fair
- Mining Updates
- Whirl-i-gig Hosts Y101 Bowling Tournament
- Pediatrician Hours Available At Medical Center
- Deepest Sympathy

Friisvall, Dale Friisvall, Arlan Friisvall, Daryl Friisvall, and Violet (Jason) Ayres.

Violet has been blessed with 14 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. Violet's grandchildren include: Lee Anderson, Venus Ripley, Ryan Comfort, Rebecca Comfort, Nathan Friisvall, Timothy Friisvall, Yvette Friisvall, Matthew Friisvall, Sheena Friisvall, Sondra Chapman, Dylan Friisvall, Tiia Friisvall, Sierra Ayres, and Theodore Ayres. Violet's great-grandchildren include: Robert Ripley, Victoria Ripley, Pamela Smith, Velicity Smith, Vanessa Friisvall, Blake Friisvall, Kiara Friisvall, Jace Friisvall, Brendon Friisvall, Richard Geroux, Harley Geroux, Octavia Geroux, Jax Geroux, Bryce Friisvall, Iziah Friisvall, Takoda Dunleavy, Leland Dunleavy, and Leonna Pyykkonen.

Violet spent the early years raising her family and caring for her parents. After her children were grown, Violet entered the work force working as a Site Manager for the Community Action Agency. Later she was an accountant for the Keweenaw Bay Transit Authority and then the Director for the Ojibwa Transit Authority. Before retiring, Violet worked as a Nurse's Aide in the Home Health Care field for 13 years.

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The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on February 4, 2012, at the Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren C. Swartz, Jr. presided over the meeting with Susan J. LaFernier, Jerry Lee Curtis, Toni J. Minton, Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., Fred Dakota, Eddy Edwards, Jean Jokinen, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Carole L. LaPointe, and Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews. Elizabeth D. Mayo was absent. President Warren C. Swartz, Jr. shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council.

President Warren C. Swartz, Jr. gave the President's Report (page four), Secretary Susan J. LaFernier gave the Secretary's Report (page five); and Larry Denomie III gave the CEO Report (page three). Council passed the Department Head Reports for December 2011.

Howard Mattson and Floyd Crawford presented the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, on behalf of the 1016th Keweenaw Detachment of the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, the *Commander's Award*. This is the highest award possible from the Marine Corps League. It was a thank you as the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is one of the largest donors to the Marine Corp League's, *Toys for Tots* drive, an annual Christmas season fundraiser for families in need.

George DeCota and Tom Chosa, on behalf of the Beartown Firefighter Committee, requested the use of the Tribal Construction building for their endeavors. Currently the Beartown Firefighters have been using the former tower building in the L'Anse Industrial Park for the Prevention Technician office and to store equipment. Equipment has also been stored at the Baraga Village Fire Hall. The program has grown, and the need to have a central headquarters, to store equipment and vehicles, has become a necessity. **Eddy Edwards motioned to approve the Beartown Firefighting Committee's request for use of the Tribal Construction Complex, supported by Jean Jokinen, ten supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent (Mayo), motion carried.**

Debra Parrish, Ojibwa Senior Citizens Board Treasurer, presented Loretta Hugo with a recognition award and gift. Loretta, who is 75-years-young, has been an outstanding senior citizen in our community, and she has done so much to benefit our Tribal elders. In 1998, Loretta retired from her work career. She had held several positions throughout these years with the BIA, Baraga County Memorial Hospital, MI-Inter-Tribal Program, and KBIC. As her Indian name, Snow Squirrel, indicates, Loretta has been involved in a flurry of activities throughout her life such as: golfing, bowling, horseshoes, softball (Bearwalkers) and bingo. She has served on the Board of Regents for KBOCC, KBIC Election Board, KBIC Enrollment Board, and the Elderly Advisory Board for the language program. For the past three years, she has been an Ojibwa Language Apprentice and has enjoyed storytelling for children in the Pre-Primary program.

In the past 13 years since her retirement, Loretta has volunteered her time and services to the Ojibwa Senior Citizens in all facets of their program operations. She has served on the Ojibwa Senior Citizens' Executive Board for a number of years as their President, Treasurer, and is currently the Secretary. Loretta set up their entire office procedures including a financial system, a filing system, and the maintenance of records including bylaws and meeting minutes. She composes and sends out the



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Shown above, (l) Floyd Crawford, active Marine Corp League Detachment member, presents (r) President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., with the *Commander's Award*.



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Shown above, (l) Loretta Hugo, (c) Darlene Genschow, and (r) Debra Parrish, as Loretta is presented with an Ojibwa Senior Citizen's Recognition award.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

Shown above, (l) Jon Magnuson, Cedar Tree Institute, with (r) President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. as he accepts the Zaagkii Project Award for KBIC.

Ojibwa Senior newsletter and prepares flyers for events. Loretta also coordinates all travel arrangements, business parties, and other senior outings. She organizes fundraising events such as: pasty sales, bake sales, taco sales, etc. Loretta also is involved with the Michigan Indian Elder Association, formed in 1997, to address the needs of our Tribal elders in Michigan. The purpose of MIEA is to improve the economic, social, health, and spiritual well-being of elders through a forum where elders can speak, learn, grow, and exercise control over their environment. Loretta was presented with an award plaque and gift in appreciation for her years of service and dedication to the community.

Jon Magnuson, of the Cedar Tree Institute, presented President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr., with the Zaagkii Project Award from the U.S. Forest Service Eastern Division for KBIC's efforts in raising and planting species native to the community. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has the first Native American plants greenhouse east of the Mississippi. KBIC has worked with the Cedar Tree Institute since 2004. Mr. Magnuson, on behalf of the Cedar Tree Institute, requested the tribe's support and participation to continue in 2012 and plans to plant 10,000 Northern White Cedars this summer. Magnuson presented a Resolution for the tribe's consideration. **Susan J. LaFernier motioned to approve Resolution KB1877-2012, supported by Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, ten supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent**

(Mayo), motion carried.

The 2nd Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2012-01 Title 27 Chapter B "Tribal Enterprise Corporation Code," was held. This ordinance would be similar to a charter corporation. Council heard and recorded comments from Council and KBIC members who were present.

Eddy Edwards brought forth a Resolution and Articles of Incorporation for Anikoosing, Inc. which would be a stock corporation. After hearing from the community today, Mr. Edwards and Council suggested to have a public meeting to discuss just this topic because it is so complex, and we need to better educate our membership about what these are and what we can do. **Eddy Edwards motioned to table the Resolution and Articles of Incorporation for Anikoosing, Inc. until a meeting is held with the Community, Lance Morgan, and Attorneys from Dorsey & Whitney, supported by Jerry Lee Curtis, ten supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent (Mayo), motion carried.**

Jessica Koski brought forth a request for an Advocacy Letter to the United Nations. Jessica was looking for the support of the Tribe to move forward with her work with United Nations as it relates to the rights of indigenous people. She feels this avenue may allow the KBIC and other tribes legal grounds to fight issues involving archaeological and historical sites. Part of the UN declaration validates indigenous peoples' cultural, spiritual, and traditional rights; and the right to maintain and develop archeological and historical sites. "Indigenous peoples have the right to manifest, practice, develop, and teach their spiritual and religious traditions, customs, and have access in privacy to their religious and cultural sites." Council thanked Jessica for her efforts in this matter and would be glad to look at the letter when it is composed. Regarding the Eagle Mine Project, President Swartz stated, "We currently are trying to exhaust our remedies in the State Court. We are working with the National Wildlife Federation, the Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve, and the Huron Mountain Club. We have spent more than \$4 million on this issue. Two weeks ago we received Judge Manderfield's decision, and it wasn't good for the Community. The Council had filed for a leave to appeal, and we are going through that right now in the State Court system. Before we get to Federal Court, and that is where the treaty rights are going to come up, we have to exhaust all our remedies in State Court prior to going to Federal Court. That is the next step that the Community has to decide whether or not if they are going to appeal to the Sixth District (Supreme Court), and it is going to cost money."

Treasurer Toni Minton presented donation requests for February 2012 to the Council for their consideration. **Carol LaPointe motioned to have the Secretary phone Mark Blaker and find out what his needs are for his travel request, supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., ten supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent (Mayo), motion carried.** **Jean Jokinen motioned to approve \$1500 for John LaFernier, Jr.'s funeral expenses for his wife, and \$1500 for Mark Blaker travel expenses, supported by Eddy Edwards, five in favor (J. Curtis, Edwards, Jokinen, R. Curtis, Matthews), two opposed (Minton, Dakota), three abstained (M. LaFernier, S. LaFernier, LaPointe), one absent (Mayo), motion carried.** **Eddy Edwards motioned to approve a \$500 donation for U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow Reception, to come out of the March 2012 Donations, supported by Michael**

LaFerner, Sr., nine in favor (S. LaFerner, J. Curtis, Minton, R. Curtis, Dakota, Edwards, Jokinen, LaPointe, Matthews), 0 opposed, one abstained (M. LaFerner), one absent (Mayo), motion carried.

Eddy Edwards motioned to go into closed session at 11:44 a.m. and open to Tribal members, supported by Robert R.D. Curtis, Jr., ten in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent (Mayo), motion carried.

~ submitted by Lauri Denomie, Newsletter Editor



### KBIC Youth Program Activity Fund Guidelines

Each fiscal year, a per-child amount is approved by the KBIC Tribal Council. The amount is currently \$250. The fiscal year begins on October 1. The fund services the following counties: Baraga, Houghton, Ontonagon, and Marquette. A separate Activity Fund Request Form must be completed for each child.

#### To qualify for the fund:

1. The child must be an enrolled KBIC member or a child of an enrolled KBIC member and both the child and parent/guardian must reside within the same household within the service area.\*
  2. The child must be age 0-17 or in high school.
  3. You may be required to provide proof to the Youth & Facilities Coordinator that you have physical custody for the child you are submitting receipts for (court document or signed consent by other parent).
  4. Requests that will be paid must fall under one of the following criteria: organized extracurricular activity fees, athletic fees, in or out of school (example – basketball, gymnastics, skating, hockey, skiing, swimming, football, etc.), athletic equipment (to be used for team sports), camps (sports, bible, and culture), school-related activities (such as: Band, Youth in Government, Driver's Education, and school pictures), and school clothes. Educational travel is funded, and the funding can be banked through the eligible child's high school (7-12 grade) career (banked means each year's funding can carry-over and be used in the following year (s)).
  5. It is the parent/guardians responsibility to keep track of how much is spent for each child. An original receipt for a qualifying purchase must be submitted for all funding reimbursements.
  6. Submit the original receipt for purchase made within the past 90 days and completed Activity Fund Request Form to the Youth & Facilities Coordinator who will complete a purchase request form and forward the documents to accounting for processing (processing takes three-five days). The Youth & Facilities Coordinator will contact the parent/guardian to make arrangements for issuing the reimbursement check.
- \* The other (11) Counties in the Upper Peninsula of MI are eligible for the funded services for KBIC Member children only (approved by Council 12/02/10).

(Approved/Amended by Council 12/02/2010)

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

### CEO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2012

The month of January 2012 included the following activities and reportable items:

- KBIC's Eagle Radio is adding a new programming venue to its line up. The country station, 105.7, will broadcast talk radio on Saturday and Sunday mornings featuring the Best of Bill Press, Thom Hartmann, and Stephanie Miller with political overtones.
- The wellness challenge, *Maintain Don't Gain*, was once again a huge success. Thirty-four employees participated over the holidays and 28 of them either maintained or managed to lose weight for a total of 98 pounds. The *New Year New You* challenge is underway and again encourages employees to live healthier lives. The final details are being worked on for this year's Healthy Heart Fair. It will take place on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
- On the 17<sup>th</sup>, the bi-monthly governmental department head meeting was held. Bonnie Nelson of Employee Benefits attended to review training opportunities available through Ceridian who provides our Employee Assistance Program. Several topics were rated by the departments which will then be narrowed to the formal training which will take place late March or early April of this year. The program provides for two trainings per year and last year they conducted one session in Baraga and at the Harvey casino on the same topic. This year we are working with Debbie Parrish of the Ojibwa Community College in setting up teleconferencing for the two training topics for employees from Harvey to Baraga.
- Keith Rolof is interested in preparing KBIC seniors 55 and older tax returns again this year. We are finalizing an agreement which will be presented for approval at Council's February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting. Keith is no longer in the area but will travel to Baraga to meet with seniors at the Ojibwa Senior's Center beginning the weekend of February 17<sup>th</sup>. A flyer is being developed and will be distributed to seniors, so they are aware of the schedule and details.
- I attended the January Health Board meeting. One topic of discussion related to the Pharmacy and streamlining of the prescription filling and refilling process. Health Department staff developed a system which is hoped to aid in speeding up the process of refilling and thwarting confusion by patients. Patients are to call 353-4555 for refills and will be prompted to follow the options available through the call-in number.
- The ANA Language Preservation Grant was submitted by the deadline of January 31<sup>st</sup>. The three year request for funding would continue efforts identified by staff and the Community in revitalizing and preserving our native language. We expect to hear late summer whether or not our application has been funded.
- On the 26<sup>th</sup>, Council approved accepting the HUD Rural Innovation Fund grant which provides \$800,000 toward the development of a Tribal Business Corporation. Work on finalizing details related to it will continue in the coming months.
- The office of the CEO participated in a meeting with representatives of the Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Reservation Roads program. The Tribe receives funding just over \$1MM through the program but may soon be cut drastically. Pending changes would switch the formula used in allocating the funding and the result for KBIC could be around a 50% reduction in future cycles. The offi-

cial we met with are not in support of the change and are encouraging Midwest Tribes to lobby against the change.

- As I had reported at a prior Special Council meeting, work is beginning on the development of a Tribal wide customer service training program. In the next two weeks a team will be formed to work on the program and by the end of April, the program will be implemented. New and current employees will be trained and retrained on an ongoing basis to provide for a consistent level of customer service throughout the Tribe's enterprises. The training will start with management and supervisors who will set the example for front line staff. They will also be trained on how to monitor and then use the program to retrain staff who are not providing the level of customer service expected.
- The new Tribal municipal license plates are being issued to fleet vehicles throughout the Tribe. The new plate identifies the vehicle as a Tribal Government vehicle.
- The Tribe's Weed and Seed program, directed by Police Commissioner, Dale Dakota, and managed by Liana Loonsfoot, has been extended to the end of April. The grant was to end in March. Proposed changes to the programming funded by the grant are still awaiting approval by the Department of Justice.
- In a final note, and not a very good one I might add, the Tribe's Head Start/Early Head Start building in Zeba suffered significant major damage over the January 27<sup>th</sup> weekend. A coupler on the hot water tank's water line cracked which allowed water to run throughout about a third of the building for an unknown amount of time. The center section, former bingo hall, suffered the major damage. Classes have been cancelled tentatively through mid February. Damage assessed so far includes the necessity to replace flooring, wall covering, and a lot of the inventory used in the classrooms. A plan to reopen the center and work on the building is being prepared. I will provide updates as they become available.

As always, if anyone has questions, concerns, or issues that the CEO's office can assist with, please don't hesitate to stop, e-mail, or call.

Respectfully submitted,  
Larry J. Denomie, III, CEO

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

### Great News!

The Dept. of Health & Human Services and KBIC Tribal Council are pleased to announce the services of Dr. Sherry Gilliland, Pediatrician, (pronounced gilly - land) at the KBIC Medical Center. Hours will be Wednesday mornings, from 8:00 - 12:00 and Thursday afternoons from 12:30 - 4:30.

Spread the word...and get your appointment(s) set up today! Remember to register your child at the Patient Registration office for all visits and be sure to bring proof of insurance, birth and tribal enrollment information for first visit. Stop by Patient Registration to update all information on each visit! If you are transferring care from another provider, you will need to obtain a consent for release of information from the clinic your child is currently at to transfer the records. Any questions please call (906) 353-8700.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2012

The following is a list of activities that occurred in the office of the President for the month of January 2012:

- On Thursday, January 5<sup>th</sup>, I attended a VOIGT Inter-tribal Task Force meeting in Red Cliff, WI. First order of business was the election of officers. We decided to keep the executive office the same as last year. There was an update on the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. We discussed the steps necessary to move towards final ratification of the proposed General Agreement comprising Tribal-National park service relations concerning the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore. Staff is in the process of finalizing the agreement, dotting the i's and crossing the t's. The feds haven't signed the agreement yet. The Task Force was informed about a planned roundtable discussion with Governor Scott Walker, DNR Exec. Assistant Scott Gunderson and Wisconsin's Deer Trustee Dr. James Kroll regarding deer management issues in Wisconsin. The Green Bay Sportsmen Roundtable will be held on Tuesday, Jan 10<sup>th</sup>, at Radisson Hotel and Conference Center in Green Bay. We authorized James Zorn to participate in the roundtable. We approved the draft meeting minutes between the Tribal/Forest Service MOU annual meeting. We discussed a forest service meeting where the topic of discussion of road closures and reserved camping sites came up. We approved two changes to the Voigt Inter-tribal Task Force Committee. The changes are to expand the member tribe eligibility to include signatory tribes located in the 1854 ceded territory and that the VITF Committee shall hold its annual meeting in January of each year. We discussed a proposed development of a veterans resort on Radigan Flowage in Douglas County. A group of individuals is proposing to develop and operate a large veteran retreat on the south shore of the Radigan Flowage in Douglas County. Impacts to the lake are likely to be minor. We got an update on the Federal Ma'iingan Delisting for the western Great Lakes. The final rule varied in two ways from the initial proposal that was published May 2011, in that: it concluded that wolves in the Midwest are gray wolves, not a mixture of gray wolves and eastern wolves; and it separated out a second decision regarding the status of eastern wolves, to be acted upon in the future in a different action. The FAQ summary is likely to address many of the questions one may have.
- On Monday, I had lunch with Joe DeRocha at Humboldt Township. About 30 people attended and there were also reps there from Negaunee, Marquette, and Humboldt. This was an informal meeting. We discussed the infrastructure at the old Marquette airport and the community's proposed gas station in Marquette, (police, fire, zoning, etc). Marquette would like to sit down and talk about the gas station in Marquette. Humboldt Township would like the Community to consider opposing the Severance Tax Bill proposed by Huuki. Marquette Township says the Bill would result in millions of dollars of losses for the community and school districts. Negaunee Township would also like to sit down and discuss the casino project. They would like to discuss infrastructure issues.
- Tom Chosa and I have been brainstorming regarding the firefighting program. We discussed the Tribal Construction

building as a place to store the equipment and to centralize a location for the firefighters. Will Wiggins and Tom Chosa have talked with me regarding the need for a full-time position for the firefighters? Will said, "It's becoming a huge operation, and there is a need for a full time position." Tom indicated all of his life he wanted to be into firefighting, and this is his passion. I told Tom that I had talked to Will about this and suggested to Will that Tom would be a perfect fit for the position. I further stated we'd have to present this idea to Council and asked Tom to put together a document justifying the position to present to Council.

- I met with Julie Ricci regarding the debit card Snafu that occurred over the weekend. I asked her to come and make a presentation to Council on how we can shore up the security features, so this doesn't happen again. She said she would work on it and come back with some options for Council. She had an apology letter titled to me regarding the incident. I asked her to rewrite the letter and address it to our Secretary Susan J. LaFerner. Ms. Ricci stated she would contact me when she's ready with her presentation.
- I've signed that I reviewed a mechanical fuels treatment plan for the Zeba Ball field. The work will take place around the Zeba Tribal Housing. The crew will work a number of hours a day, four days a week until the project is done or the funding runs out. This is about a six-week job and will provide jobs for tribal members.
- Todd Warner, Susan J. LaFerner, and I met with Roger Turunen. We listened to his concerns regarding the burning of railroad ties in L'Anse near the L'Anse Warden Station. He said they have no containment set up and the runoff goes right to Lake Superior. Mr. Turunen said that they grind at night. Also, residents of L'Anse should bring their concerns to the L'Anse Township or Village. However, they are afraid to raise the issue due to their jobs. He also said that this is the only place the railroad companies can dispose of their railroad ties. They are coming from Canada and all over the U.S. Todd is going to contact Jennifer Manville from the EPA and see what can be done, and he is going to focus on the scientific and regulatory portions.
- I attended an informal meeting with Dr. Susan Headman from EPA Region 5 out of Chicago. The meeting was well attended by concerned citizens as well as a delegation from LVD. I talked to her about the Community's concerns regarding the mining at Eagle Rock. I also informed her about all of the railroad ties at the L'Anse Warden Station. Our concern is the lack of containment and the Cuprinol inside the railroad ties. She told me she would have her staff look into it.
- I signed a claim for refund of prepaid sales tax on gasoline in the amount of \$74,580.94, diesel for \$138.95, and motor fuel tax in the amount of \$7,387.14 for December 2011.
- This email is in response to Diane Rosen's (Midwest Regional BIA Officer) letter, dated January 19, 2012, to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, regarding the Michigan DNR's FOIA request concerning the Community's reservation boundaries. Please be advised that we have the following corrections and additions to the GIS information contained in the CD that was enclosed

to the Community with January 19, 2012, letter:

- ~ L'Anse Reservation – CORRECTION. The legal description of the L'Anse Reservation that is contained in the CD is incorrect and does not comply with the legal description of the L'Anse Reservation that was set forth in the Treaty of 1854 which established the reservation. The BIA legal description does not include that portion of Arvon Township lying westerly of Huron Bay. See Article 2 of the Treaty With The Chippewa of 1854, Paragraph "First. For the L'Anse and Vieux De Sert bands, all the unsold lands in the following townships in the State of Michigan: Huron Bay [the westerly portion of Arvon Township]"
- ~ We have attached a pdf of the correct township and range map of the L'Anse Reservation.
- Last week I received a call from Terri Denomie who stated that there was a water line break at the Head Start Building sometime during the weekend. There were no Head Start classes on that day, so the leak wasn't discovered until the cleaning ladies came there that afternoon. Arlan Friisvall went to the Head Start Building too. I told Terri, I would contact our insurance company as soon as possible. I called them and had to leave a message with Becky Zimmer at M3 Insurance. Becky called me and said she forwarded my voice mail to Eileen Beal for processing. Eileen Beal called me later that day. After I told her what had happened, she said she would call Tribal First and get back to me within the hour with answers. I called Head Start and spoke with Terri Denomie and told her about my contact with the insurance company and to wait until I heard from them.
- I attended a meeting in Petoskey. A number of items were discussed at the meeting including: online gaming, expansion of charity gaming in Michigan, the tuition waiver, and union issues. We also discussed transportation funding under MAP-21, an acronym for *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century*. It has to deal with the Michigan Indian Reservation Road Program and how we are funded.

This concludes my report.

Respectfully submitted,  
Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President

### ATTENTION KBIC MEMBERS:

The following Committees/Boards has vacant seats:

**Natural Resource Committee** – Four (4) regular seats

**Park & Recreation Committee** – Four (4) regular seats

**Powwow Committee** – Six (6) regular seats

Please submit an application (located at the Tribal Center in Kim Klopstein or Peggy Minton's office) by 4 p.m. on March 23, 2012, to:

Warren C. Swartz, Jr. – President  
16429 Bear Town Rd.  
Baraga, MI 49908

## SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR JANUARY 2012

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFernier, for the month of January 2012.

ANIN! We honor the greatness in you. Remember: "Indian Country Counts" and "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.

I hope that you listened to the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual State of Indian Nations address by NCAI (National Congress of American Indians) President Keel on January 26, 2012, on our radio station's link. He addressed more than 5 million Native people and the 566 Tribal nations of Indian Country and stated that our nations are strong and that strength will be defined by what we commit to right now to make the state of Indian Nations even stronger in the years to come. Native people are the first Americans. Tribal nations are its first governments—one of three sovereigns in the United States Constitution. Our America is a place where each member of the American family of governments contributes to a prosperous future. He thanked Native service members and veterans who are serving and have served to protect the sovereignty of the United States and Tribal Nations of North America. He also stressed that our Native vote can have a significant impact on the upcoming 2012 elections and challenged Indian Country to turn out the largest Native vote in history. I will be giving more information in the coming months regarding voting in our national, state, local, and Tribal elections. Our goal for Keweenaw Bay is to have 100% of our eligible members vote!

The employee W.H.I.P.P. (Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention Program) Task Force and volunteers continue to have monthly meetings. It is never too late to encourage and begin positive lifestyle changes that will help us live longer, healthier, happier lives. Mino-Bimaadizin "Live Well". The "Walk and Talk" Program (indoor walking program) began on Monday, December 5, 2011, and continues until April 13, 2012. Everyone should participate in at least 30 minutes of physical activity five times a week to stay fit. We also have a great 2012 weight loss challenge with 145 employees participating and the goal is to lose 5% of your current weight. The "Crunch at Lunch" will begin on February 7<sup>th</sup> at noon at the community gym for one month and remember the Healthy Heart Fair on February 14<sup>th</sup>.

I attended the January 17<sup>th</sup> Department Head meeting and a meeting with employee volunteers will be set up to discuss a plan/policy for the Tribe's records retention. In the coming weeks be watching for a newsletter special insert that will highlight our Community's departments and businesses good work and accomplishments for 2011.

I was honored to present our Honored Elders: my aunt, Violet R. Friisvall, and Isadore "Blue" Misegan at the 8<sup>th</sup> Winter Traditional Pow-Wow held on January 28, 2012. A big thank you to our Cultural Committee for all of their hard work presenting this Powwow and also for "Honoring the Tribal Council" before the Powwow began. The 2011-2012 Council was presented with beautiful Pendleton blankets with the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary KBIC Tribal Council emblem.

I reported in December that a 107 page opinion affirming the granting of the Part 632 Mining permit to engage in sulfide ore mining in Marquette County, Eagle Rock, Michigan, was made on November 21, 2011, by Judge Paula Manderfield in the 30<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court for the County of Ingham on our Contested Mining Case. The case involved KBIC, the Huron Mountain Club,

National Wildlife Federation, and the Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve v. the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company. Judge Manderfield also issued a 75 page opinion/decision on January 11, 2012, on the Part 631 affirming the MDEQ's decision to grant the Groundwater Discharge Permit to Kennecott. Please let us know if you would like a copy of the decisions. The Tribal Council did make a motion on December 3<sup>rd</sup> to appeal the judge's decision on Part 632 to protect Eagle Rock as a place of worship along with the other groups, and a motion was made on January 19<sup>th</sup> to appeal the judge's decision on Part 631. There is also a public hearing scheduled on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at the Country Village Conference Center-1101 North Road-Ishpeming regarding the construction of the County Road 595 which will impact 25.81 acres of wetlands.

The Drug Tip Line number is 353-DRUG or 353-3784. The yellow banners are around the reservation with this drug tip line number displayed. The Drug Task Force holds monthly meetings, and their Mission Statement is: "To promote education through public awareness with the specific objective to eliminate the use of 'illegal drugs' for the betterment of the health, welfare, and safety of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and our neighboring Communities."

Continue to pray for each other as well as to honor and remember all of our veterans, service men and women, and their families. Remember those who are ill, our economic struggles, and all who have lost loved ones during 2011. Thank you, God and Creator, for the great blessings of our land, loved ones, and friends. Let us continue to be thankful for our beautiful area. We pray for peace in the world.

During January 2012, the Tribal Council held one Regular Tribal Council Meeting on January 7, 2012. This meeting is covered in the February 2012 Newsletter. Tribal Council held three Special Council Meetings. Following are the unapproved motions from January. Also for your information, a letter of apology was received from Wells Fargo regarding the issuance of debit cards to the Tribal Council members, and Council met with the Assistant Vice President—Investments from Wells on January 19, 2012.

At a council meeting held January 12, 2012, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the May 5, 2011 Council meeting minutes;
- Approved the new business license for Zebing Solutions (engineering and construction services) for Arlan Friisvall and Jeff Swartz;
- Tabled the new business license for KBO Cigarette Sales for Jerry Magnant;
- Approved the renewal business license for DaShack for Donald Messer, Jr. and Jason Messer pending that the findings in the IHS food report have been corrected;
- Approved the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) list to be sent to Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan to apply for grants;
- Approved the USDA-NRCS multi-year funding agreement for a 3<sup>rd</sup> walleye pond construction at the Brewery Road location;
- Approved the Services Agreement with Wisconsin Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory Service for laboratory analysis of samples from area white-tailed deer for chronic wasting disease (CWD) testing;
- Approved the Services Agreement with Janet Keeney Marr to provide plant spe-

cialist assistance and assistance with the development of the Wildlife Management Plan Phase II of the ANA grant (Natural Resources Department);

- Approved a change order to the Consultant Agreement with Fischer Biological Consulting, LLC for the brook trout hatchery upgrade for the increase of \$3,650 to \$14,000 total and to extend the timeline to March 31, 2012;
- Approved the lease agreement with Shuffle Master for the Six Card Poker table game (for the Baraga Casino);
- Approved the (3) Affiliation Agreements with Triton Radio Networks programs for the Best of Bill Press, Best of Stephanie Miller, and the Best of Thom Hartmann (Eagle Radio);
- Approved support for an amicus brief with the Gun Lake Tribe in their casino land in trust court case;
- Approved the promotion of Dan Hueckstadt from part-time at the Pines to a full-time maintenance position and approve the transfer of the maintenance position from the Youth Center to Public Works.

At a council meeting held January 19, 2012, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the May 12, and May 14, 2011 Council Meeting minutes;
- Approved to waive the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of the proposed ordinance 2012-01 Title 27 Chapter B Tribal Enterprise Corporation Code;
- Defeated a motion to uphold the manager's decision in the Government termination hearing grievance #001-12;
- Approved to reverse the manager's decision in Government termination hearing grievance #001-12, give her job back, include a five-day suspension with no back pay;
- Approved the agreement with the Public Works Department for the purchase of a front end loader at \$115,000 with six years to pay back \$20,000 annually;
- Approved the Services Agreement with Earl R. Otchingwanigan to provide language revitalization and preservation services until September 30, 2012;
- Approved the proposed amendment to Personnel Policy 12.2 Leave Sharing (clarified Leave Without Pay Status, added a new paragraph: Partial Leave Without Pay Status, and clarified "Benefits");
- Approved the Nurse Practitioner position announcement for the clinic;
- Approved a motor vehicle inspection fee at \$50 per §16.303 Inspection of Motor Vehicle;
- Tabled TIC (Tribal Internal Control) standard-Regulation 542.13 (r) Shipment Notification & Receipt Requirements for Council and Casino Management review;
- Approved to seek leave to appeal to the Michigan Court of Appeals regarding the opinion to affirm granting the Part 631 (Groundwater Discharge permit).

At a council meeting held January 26, 2012, the following actions were taken:

- Approved Resolution KB1875-2012 which supports K.B. Ojibwa Community College in establishing an Ojibwa Upward Bound Program for youth ages 13-19;
- Tabled Personnel Policy 6.5 Job Re-classification amendments for one week for Department Head and Council review;
- Tabled Personnel Policy (Government) 19.1 Appropriate Grievances and 19.2 Grievance Procedure amendments;
- Approved Resolution KB1873-2012 can-

**KBIC HOLDS HEALTHY HEART FAIR**



Picture by Lauri Denomie.



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KBIC's Department of Human Services and the W.H.I.P.P. Task Force held the 2012 Healthy Heart Fair on Tuesday, February 14th. The annual event was held at the Niiwin Akeaa Center and was well attended with nearly 300 community members visiting. Participants were able to enjoy chair massages as well as get blood pressure screenings. Health

educational booths distributed information and samples. Prize incentives were also raffled out throughout the afternoon.



Picture by Lisa Denomie.

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



**WHIRI-I-GIG HOSTS Y101 TOURNAMENT**

The Whirl-i-gig in L'Anse (Zeba) held the 20th annual Eagle Radio/Old Milwaukee Y101 All-Star Bowling Tournament the weekend of January 27-29th. Joining other bowling centers throughout the Upper Peninsula, both the Ojibwa Pressbox/Lanes and the Whirl-i-gig sponsored their top five bowlers in each of the following categories: Major Women's division, Major Men's division, Senior Women, and Senior Men. The Ojibwa Senior Men, and the Ojibwa Major Men's team both took first in their divisions.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

All-Star Major Men's Champs—Ojibwa Lanes. (l to r) Scott Johnson, Chris Loonsfoot, Charlie Parrish, Todd Chosa, Troy Nieskes.



Picture by Lauri Denomie.

All-Star Senior Men's Champs—Ojibwa Lanes. (l to r) Wayne Neimi, Tom Racette, Tom Maki, Jack Robeson, and Tom LaGault.

**Registration is Requested**  
**Contact Nannie at 353-4532**

Date: Wednesday, 3/14/2012

**Positively You**

Craft Opportunities and Snacks Provided

A fun and exciting opportunity for young women between the ages of 13 and 17 to join forces in building upon personal strengths, creating a healthy and positive self awareness.

Donald A. LaPointe  
 Health and Education Center  
 2nd Floor Conference Room

Time: 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sponsored by: KBIC Healthy Start, Behavioral Health, and MI-ITC PAG



**KBIC Even Start Family Learning Center**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		AE — Adult Education ECE — Early Childhood Education PACT — Parent and Child Time PE — Parent Education		1 AE/ECE 9am-4pm Home Visits PACT/PE 9am-12pm 1pm-2pm	2 AE/ECE 9am-4pm Home Visits PACT/PE 9am-12pm 1pm-2pm	3
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<p><b>NO CLASSES FROM MARCH 26TH TO MARCH 30TH</b></p> <p><b>CLASSES RESUME ON MONDAY, APRIL 2</b></p>						

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Dr. Anton Treuer

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Bethany & Bob Moody

NAMY Award Winner

Joesh FireCrow

For detailed schedule go to our website:  
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# POWWOW

*Saturday, April 14, 2012*



**Wood Gym (SDC)**

Grand Entry: Noon

Powwow ends at 5:00p.m.

Feast for AISES, Dancers / Drummers at 4:00p.m.



KBIC-Indian  
Child Welfare  
Committee

### Special Presentations

Native flute by 2010 NAMA winner

Joesh FireCrow

1:00p.m.

Hoop Dance presentation

2:00p.m.

Two-step

3:00p.m.

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**Secretary report continued:**

- cels Lynelle S. Sutherland's recreational lease and issues to Catherine M. and Shane A. Sanquist;
- Approved Resolution KB1874-2012 cancels Virginia A. Jermac's residential lease and grants a residential lease that is consistent with the terms and conditions contained in the "One Stop Lease" HUD 184 Lease;
- Approved Donald C. Carlson as the alternate to the Constitution Committee;
- Defeated a motion to appoint Jeanne Kauppila, Peggy Minton, and Kim Klopstein to the Election Board;
- Approved Nancy Pawlowski, Jeanne Kauppila, and Peggy Minton to the Election Board (ballot vote);
- Defeated a motion to not meet on the Thursday before a regular Saturday meeting;
- Approved to have a Thursday meeting before the regular Saturday meeting if needed as determined by the President;
- Tabled the KBIC Amended and Restated Tribal Elders and Disability Pension Trust document for review until the February 9<sup>th</sup> meeting;
- Approved to recognize David J. Haataja for all of his years of service (Ojibwa Casino) and have the President nominate him as the extraordinary employee for the Indian Gaming Magazine (National Award);
- Approved Resolution KB1871-2012 to apply for a three year grant up to a maximum of \$300,000 with ANA under the Category Native American Language Preservation and Maintenance with a 20% cash or in-kind match (Anishnaabe Multi-Media Production Department);
- Approved the Services Agreement with Vanilla Gorilla Productions for the use of production services on daily news intros, promotional announcements, and liners, for the purpose of promoting KBIC's two radio stations;
- Approved the amendment to Construction Contract and Indefeasible Right to Use Agreement with Baraga Telephone Company to add a fiber route from the Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Center to the Natural Resources Department for \$75,000;
- Approved to accept the Rural Innovation Fund (RIF) HUD grant for \$800,000 (to form a corporation);
- Approved the License Agreement with Michael Joseph for the right to use and access online training materials (training in gaming) for the Baraga Ojibwa Casino employees;
- Approved the Application for Indian Tribal Permit from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission in compliance with the 1993 Gaming Compact;
- Approved the posting of the fill-in/on-call Pharmacist at \$68 per hour;
- Approved the additional wage increase of \$2 per hour for 15 days for Debbie Picciano, CAC, for her additional duties as the RPMS Site Manager to allow the Health Director to post for the interim RPMS Site Manager;
- Defeated a motion to approve the Equipment Lease with Shawn Taisto (for soil and truck rental) for the Public Works Department and pay \$5,000 and to prepare a black list of people that owe us \$500 or more and attach to the procurement policy;
- Defeated a motion to approve \$5,750 (balance due) for the Taisto bill.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary

**FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON INDIAN RESERVATIONS (FDPIR) NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS\* (Effective October 1, 2011)**

\*The net monthly income standard for each household size is the sum of the applicable Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) net monthly income eligibility 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	\$ 908	+	\$147	= \$1,055
2	\$1,226	+	\$147	= \$1,373
3	\$1,545	+	\$147	= \$1,692
4	\$1,863	+	\$155	= \$2,018
5	\$2,181	+	\$181	= \$2,362
6	\$2,500	+	\$208	= \$2,708
7	\$2,818	+	\$208	= \$3,026
8	\$3,136	+	\$208	= \$3,344
Each additional member				+ \$319

Alaska:				Use this amount
Household Size	SNAP Net Monthly Income Standard	SNAP Standard Deduction	FDPIR Net Monthly Income Standard	
1	\$1,134	+	\$252	= \$1,386
2	\$1,532	+	\$252	= \$1,784
3	\$1,930	+	\$252	= \$2,182
4	\$2,329	+	\$252	= \$2,581
5	\$2,727	+	\$252	= \$2,979
6	\$3,125	+	\$260	= \$3,385
7	\$3,524	+	\$260	= \$3,784
8	\$3,922	+	\$260	= \$4,182
Each additional member				+ \$399

**FDPIR Income Deductions—see 7 CFR 253.6(f)**

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

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

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

**Medicare Part B Medical Insurance and Part D Prescription Drug Coverage Premiums** — Households that incur the cost of Medicare Part B medical insurance and/or Part D prescription drug coverage premiums are allowed a deduction for the monthly cost of the premiums.

**FDPIR Resource Standards—see 7 CFR 253.6(d)**

**\$3,250 for households with at least one elderly or disabled member.**

**\$2,000 for households without any elderly or disabled members.**

**2012 Childbirth Education Classes**

Come and join us in a comfortable and relaxing atmosphere where you can learn about:

- Keeping Healthy During Pregnancy
- The Importance of Prenatal Care
- Nutrition During Pregnancy
- Dealing with Stress
- Labor and Delivery
- Infant Feeding
- .....and much more!

Session 1: March 13th and March 27th  
Session 2: Sept. 11th and Sept. 25th

Donald A. LaPointe Health and Education Center  
Second Floor Conference Room from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Registration is Required.  
Contact Ruth at 353-4543, or Laura at 353-4527 to Register.

**Would You Like FREE Money?**

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

An IDA program is a matched savings program in which we provide a 4 to 1 match on funds deposited up to \$ 5,000.00!!!

These funds are available to Tribal members currently residing in the service areas of Baraga, Marquette, and Ontonagon counties.

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

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

Angela Shelifoe  
KBOHCDC Program Administrator  
906-353-7117 X111  
[Angie@kboha.com](mailto:Angie@kboha.com)

**Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing and Community Development Corporation (KBOHCDC) Home Improvement Loans**

The KBOHCDC is currently offering low –interest home improvement loans. These loans are available up to \$20,000.00 (depending on funds available).

These loans are made available to Tribal members living in the service areas of Baraga, Marquette and Ontonagon counties.

Approval is contingent on a satisfactory credit report.

For more information please contact:

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[angie@kboha.com](mailto:angie@kboha.com) or  
Natalie Mleko at 353-7117 X112  
[natalie@kboha.com](mailto:natalie@kboha.com)

**Childbirth Education Class**

**When: Tuesday, March 13, 2012, and Tuesday, March 27, 2012 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**

**Where: Donald A. LaPointe Health Center, Conference Room 2nd floor**

**To Register call: Laura Cladas RN at 353-4527 or Ruth Keller at 353-4543**

**Are you Pregnant????** We would like to invite you and your birth partner to join our two session Childbirth Education Class. This class will help you through the process of giving birth, including breathing and relaxation techniques. You will learn so much more from Health Care during Pregnancy to Health Care After Pregnancy.

This class will cover a wide variety of topics including prenatal care, physical and emotion changes during pregnancy, avoidance of drugs and alcohol, nutrition, signs and symptoms of labor, stages of labor and delivery, analgesia and anesthesia, types of deliveries, your local hospital OB routines, breastfeeding and infant feeding, immunizations, newborn bonding and attachment, infant car seat use, postpartum physical and emotional changes, exercises, and family planning.

**Again, you are welcome to come to class. We look forward to seeing you.**



**Mining Updates**, By Jessica Koski,  
KBIC Mining Technical Assistant

**Michigan's western Upper Peninsula is experiencing a modern-day mineral rush.**

**Kennecott Haul Road**

Construction of a new mining haul named County Road 595 (CR595) is being proposed by the Marquette County Road Commission. The permits for construction are under review by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). This route, intended primarily to haul sulfide-bearing nickel/copper ore directly from the Eagle Mine to Humboldt Mill, was formerly proposed by Kennecott Minerals (a subsidiary of Rio Tinto) as "Woodland Road." The proposed road is approximately 22 miles in length, would cross 23 streams and rivers, and would cross the headwaters area of four separate watersheds. Federal agencies including U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service objected to the project due to its significant environmental impacts and its purpose as a private mining related haul road.

The stated purpose of CR595 is "to connect and improve emergency, commercial, industrial, and recreational access to a somewhat isolated, but key industrial, commercial and recreation area and to reduce truck travel from this area through Marquette County population centers."<sup>[1]</sup> Kennecott partnered with the Road Commission to prepare the CR595 application and has tentatively committed to funding construction if construction can begin in 2012 or 2013.<sup>[2]</sup>

*What would be the impacts of this road?* Located on lands in which KBIC has reserved treaty rights, the road would directly impact about 25 acres of wetlands; disrupt wildlife, aquatic life and habitat; introduce pollutants to the surrounding land and waters; introduce invasive species; and likely facilitate industry expansion of additional mining and land-use alteration.

*Want to get involved?* The complete CR595 application is available online at the DEQ website. Written public comments will be accepted until Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and can be mailed to DEQ, 420 5th Street, Gwinn, MI 49841.

**Orvana Copperwood Project**

The mine permit review process for the proposed Copperwood Mine by Orvana Resources US Corp. (a subsidiary of Toronto-based Orvana Resources), is moving very quickly. On February 17th, the DEQ issued

a proposed decision to permit this project with conditions. A public hearing is stated to occur on March 6th. After the public comment period, the DEQ will then make a final determination on whether or not to permit the project. For current updates and documents related to this project, visit this link: [http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3311\\_4111\\_18442-262826--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/deq/0,4561,7-135-3311_4111_18442-262826--,00.html).

The January 2012 issue of Wiikwedong Dazhi-Ojibwe detailed some of KBIC's key concerns with this mine proposal. These concerns include impacts to water resources and Lake Superior, and a large permanent surface disposal facility for tailings which would fill in a significant amount of streams and wetlands. Watch for updates regarding opportunities for public comment on this proposal.

**Back Forty Project**

The next expected mine permit application to the State of Michigan is expected soon from Aquila/HudBay for the Back Forty project, located along the Menominee River near Stephensen. This site consists of a massive sulfide zinc-gold-copper-silver deposit. The companies propose a very large open-pit mine and the use of cyanide in order to extract the gold from the other materials. This project poses concerns related to metallic sulfide mining (Acid Mine Drainage) and impacts on the Shakey Lakes Savanna and historic Native American burial mounds and gardens.

**Keweenaw Peninsula Exploration**

A more recent exploration project the KBIC has become aware of is located within the Keweenaw Peninsula. Highland Resources, Inc. is actively pursuing an \$11 million dollar exploration campaign in the Keweenaw Peninsula in the next three years. Former mines, including Kingston and Centennial, are targeted for their potential to be "re-mined" and new sites are being explored for valuable copper-sulfide deposits (different from previous Native copper deposits previously mined). Highland Resources' September 2011 Report states that "the current political administration is mining friendly and is promoting mining in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan."

**Meeting with EPA**

On January 26, 2012, the KBIC and Lac Vieux Desert Ojibwa Tribes, environmental groups and citizens met with U.S. EPA Region 5 Administrator, Susan Hedman, in Marquette. In a roundtable discussion format, tribal leaders and community members

expressed frustrations and concerns related to mining and environmental review in Michigan. Michigan is only one of two states with delegated authority to oversee several of EPA's programs, including the Clean Water Act and Clean Air Act. This is especially problematic for tribal consultation requirements and protection of treaty rights that are a federal trust responsibility.



Tribes and environmental groups meet with EPA Regional Administrator Hedman on January 26<sup>th</sup>.



**Upcoming Events this March:**

- Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> — *Mining Impacts on Native Lands Film Series Screening of "Four Corners: A National Sacrifice Area?"* will take place at 12:30 p.m. at the Ojibwa Seniors Center and 6:00 p.m. at the Ojibwa Casino Chippewa Room. The evening showing will begin with a community potluck at 5:00 p.m. in the Chippewa Room in collaboration with the Friends of the Land of Keweenaw (FOLK) who will introduce the launch of a Mining Education & Empowerment Project.
- Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> — The Lake Superior Binational Forum is hosting a public meeting on "*Mining Impacts and Lake Superior: A Basin-wide Approach.*" It will take place from 12:30 -5:30 p.m. at the AmericInn Conference Center in Ashland, WI. This event is open to the public.

**Helpful Links:**

The Lake Superior Binational Forum recently launched a new comprehensive web portal for mining throughout the basin, check it out at: <http://www.superiorforum.org/mining>.

The Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission has created a number of maps related to mining and exploration activities in the ceded territories, available at <http://www.lic.wisc.edu/glifwc/maps/mining.html>.

\*This article appeared in Keweenaw Now (<http://keweenawnow.blogspot.com/>).

1. State of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Public Notice for County Road 595. January, 23, 2012.
2. Kennecott Transportation Plan.



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**Cancer Screening Saves Lives**

According to the Indian Health Services, Cancer is the second leading cause of death among tribal populations. If you are reading this article, it's likely that you know someone who has been affected by cancer. While there are several things we can do to help reduce our odds of getting cancer, it is very important to follow your tribal clinic's screening guidelines in order to find cancer early when it's easier to treat. This article focuses specifically on Breast and Colon Cancer.

Things to reduce your risk for cancer include:

- Quit Smoking;
- Eating lots of fruits and vegetables;
- Exercise regularly;
- Maintaining a Healthy Weight ;
- Follow recommended screening guidelines.

For Breast Cancer, The American Cancer Society recommends:

- Yearly Mammograms for Women beginning at age 40;

- Clinical breast exam (CBE) about every three years for women in their 20s and 30s, and every year for women 40 and over;
- Self Breast Exams starting at age 20;
- Talk with your doctor about your family and personal health history and whether you should have additional tests at an earlier age.

For Colon Cancer, the American Cancer Society recommends:

- Colonoscopy every 10 years beginning at age 50;
- Yearly Fecal Occult Blood Tests (FOBT);
- The American Cancer Society recommends that some people be screened using a different schedule because of their personal history or family history. Talk with your doctor about your history and what colorectal cancer screening schedule is best for you.

For more information, contact your local tribal health clinic or the American Cancer Society at [1-800-227-2345](tel:1-800-227-2345).

### Honored elders continued:

Violet is a member of the Zeba Indian United Methodist Church and has been active in the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community in various capacities her entire life. She has served as an election worker since 1978 in many elections and has served as a member of the Election Committee. She also served as a member of the Health Board, Elder Language Advisory Board, and member of the Title 2 & Title 4 Education Committees. Violet currently serves on the Election Committee and the Enrollment Board where she has been a member since its inception in 1995.

Violet's many special interests include genealogy, medicine, natural remedies, oral history, historical record keeping, sewing, shopping, and visiting with friends and family.

Of her many accomplishments, Violet is particularly proud of her children and grandchildren, completion of her High School education, and serving on the Enrollment Board.

Isadore "Blue" Misegan, was born on October 6, 1929, to parents John and Hattie (Spruce) Misegan in Zeba. Blue and his 11 siblings spent the majority of their childhood at their birth place attending school at the Zeba Foot School. In Blue's teenage years, he decided to serve his country and enlisted in the US Navy sailing with the Pacific Ocean Fleet. He served in Korea from 1950-1952. After receiving an honorable discharge, he married the former Marie Salo in Marquette, Michigan. Because of the lack of jobs in this area, Blue and his wife relocated to the Lower Peninsula for work. Blue attended school and received his Barber License. Blue and Marie had four children: Duane, Mark, Lynn, and John. He worked down state until 1975, when Blue moved back to the Upper Peninsula with his family and worked at a barbershop at KI Sawyer Air Force Base. Blue's intentions were always to return home. In 1977, Blue did just that and returned home to establish his own

barber shop until the mid 80's. After closing shop, Blue ventured into the casino business becoming a Slot Tech Lead at the Ojibwa Casino until his retirement in 2000. In 2000, Blue married Anne Durant and gained two step-daughters: Carolyn and Mary Lou Jossens. He is a grandpa to Heather, Travis, Hannah, Jennie, Jake, Deena, and Kristina. He also has three great-grandchildren: Aleeyah, Destin, and Allen. His step-grandchildren include: Emily, Luanne, Veronica, Jackie, Joey, Jake, Abby, Anthony, and Johnny. Blue is a member of the Zeba Indian Mission United Methodist Church. He was a dedicated member of the Tribal Council from 1988 to 2000 serving his Community. He is a member of the Ojibwa Senior Citizens and proudly serves on the Keweenaw Bay Veterans Honor Guard. Blue is a hero as he is a cancer survivor, having had five different types of cancer. He enjoys playing bingo, slots, and watching the Detroit Lions.

### **Recognition of 75 years:**

#### 1937—1st Tribal Council

Charles Picard, President  
William Curtis, Vice President  
John E. Thomas, Secretary  
James St. Arnold, Assistant Secretary  
Nancy Picard, Treasurer  
Charles Cardinal  
Walter LaFerner  
Joachim Mataxagay  
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Amos Pine  
George E. Pine Sr.  
William Schofield

#### 1961—25th Tribal Council

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Sarah Shalifoe, Secretary  
Edward Monguse, Assistant Secretary  
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William E. Jondreau

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#### 2011—75th Tribal Council

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### **WAYNE J. SWARTZ**

(February 27, 1936—February 8, 2012)

WAYNE J. SWARTZ, age 75, of Baraga, passed away suddenly at his home Wednesday, February 8, 2012. He was born in L'Anse on February 27, 1936, the son of the late John and Clara (Knapp) Swartz. Wayne graduated from L'Anse High School. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He was employed as a truck driver for Pettibone Corp. for many years. Wayne was the first manager for Big Bucks Bingo, working there from 1981 until 1998. Wayne married the former Ann Kunick in L'Anse, on October 23, 1980. He was a member of Zeba Indian Mission United Methodist Church, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Baraga American Legion Post #444, a lifetime member of Am Vets, the L'Anse Golf Club, and the Baraga County Bowling League. Wayne currently served on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Health Board, a post he had held since 1989. He also served on the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Council for 12 years. He was Vice President for seven years and the CEO and President for three years retiring in 1999. Wayne served on the Baraga County Hospital Board from 1987 until 1993 and was Baraga County Kiwanis Citizen of the year in 1999. Wayne enjoyed golfing, fishing, and hunting.

Mr. Swartz is survived by his wife, Ann; sons: Wayne Jr., Fred of California, David of L'Anse; daughters: Gail (Butch) Koski of L'Anse, Melody, and Leslie of Baraga; 20 grandchildren; 33 great grandchildren;

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brothers: Bill (Ann) Swartz, Roland (Dodo) Swartz both of L'Anse, and Ward (Nancy) Swartz of Millington, MI; sisters: Pearl Thoresen of L'Anse, Dolly Sapcut of Baraga; sisters-in-laws: Sandy Swartz of L'Anse, and Barbara Swartz of Baraga. Numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive. He was preceded in death by his parents, daughter, Stephanie Swartz, stepson Tom Schlehuber, and brothers: Clyde and Jerry Swartz.

Funeral services for Mr. Swartz were held on Monday, February 13, 2012, at the Reid Funeral Service and Chapel, L'Anse, with Reverend Steve Rhoades officiating. Interment will take place in the Baraga Cemetery. The family received friends at the funeral chapel on Monday from 11 a.m. until the time of the service. Baraga County area veterans, under the direction of the Baraga American Legion Post #444, conducted military honors at the funeral chapel on Monday at 12 noon. The Reid Funeral Home assisted the family.

### **JOAN GAUTHIER**

(September 25, 1945—February 14, 2012)

JOAN GAUTHIER, age 66, of Baraga, MI, passed away on Tuesday, February 14, 2012, at Marquette General Hospital.

She was born September 25, 1945, in Baraga, the daughter of the late Joseph and Pearl (Nedeau) Loonsfoot. Joan graduated from L'Anse High School in 1980, and then received a CDA from Suomi College. She married Leroy R. Gauthier on April 27, 1968, in Chicago. They moved to Baraga in

1977. In 1993, Joan began working at the Ojibwa Motel where she was a Supervisor.

Joan was a member of the KBIC and the Ojibwa Seniors. She liked reading, cooking, baking, picking apples and blueberries, family gatherings, spending time with her grandchildren and friends, and cooking for feasts and powwows.

Joan is survived by her son: George (Erica) Gauthier of Baraga; daughters: Pearl (Dan) Crusan of L'Anse, JoAnn (Randy) Carlisle of Marquette, and Brandi (Dan) Peterson of Baraga; brothers: Charles "Chuck" (Molly) Loonsfoot of Baraga, Eugene "Cowboy" (Katie) Loonsfoot of Baraga, and Bernard "Beaver" (Maria) Loonsfoot of Chicago; sister-in-law Vicki Loonsfoot of Baraga; 16 grandchildren: Eva and Lana Lind, Justin, Jamie, LeRoy, Rebecca, Kyle, Tristan, and Destiney Gauthier, Amber, Stefanee, Josiah, and Micaiah Carlisle, Sierra Heikkinen, and Kylie and Isaiah Peterson; four great-grandchildren: Michaiiah Kingbird, Skyler Gauthier, Anik Gauthier, and Aiyanna Gauthier; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are her parents; husband Leroy; brothers: Joseph "Sonny" (Marlene) Loonsfoot Jr. and Anthony "Bags" Loonsfoot; sisters: Donna (Wallace) Kinnunen and Jeanette "Gally" (Fred) Stevens; and a great granddaughter: Vanessa Gauthier.

A feast was held in Joan's honor on Friday, February 17th, at the Ojibwa Senior Center in Baraga. The Jacobson Funeral Home assisted the family.

## MICHIGAN INDIAN ELDERS ASSOCIATION

### 2011/2012 Student Incentive Program

A student incentive program is being offered by the Michigan Indian Elders Association (M.I.E.A.) to recognize students who achieve all "A's" for a marking period as well as students who achieve perfect attendance for a marking period.

There will be a minimum of \$3,000 available to fund this program this year. \$25 will be awarded for each qualified entry, up to the minimum available funds in the Program. In the event that the number of qualified entries exceeds the funds available, the winners will be determined by lottery. Here are the conditions to qualify:

- The student must be an enrolled member or be a direct descendant of an enrolled member of one of the M.I.E.A. constituent tribes/bands.
- The student must be in grades K-12 at a public or private school. (home schooling not eligible)
- A student must be in grades 4-12 to qualify for the straight "A" award. (A-, A, A+)
- For a school system that uses a grading system based on numbers, the equivalent to straight "A's" will be acceptable.
- A student must be in grades K-12 to qualify for the perfect attendance award.
- Perfect attendance means exactly that. A student must be in school or at a school sponsored function each day of the marking period. Excused absences for anything other than a school sponsored/approved function do not constitute perfect attendance.
- The first two marking periods of this 2011/2012 school year will be used to determine the winners for this lottery.
- A student can qualify for both the perfect attendance and straight "A's" for both marking periods. For example, straight "A's" and perfect attendance for both marking periods would mean four chances to win.
- A parent of the student must complete and sign the Student Incentive Program Application Form in order for the student to qualify for an award.
- A copy of the child's report card signed by the parent or a letter from an administrator of the student's school, must be submitted with the completed application form to verify the achievement of straight "A's" and perfect attendance.

The drawing to determine the winners will be held at the April, 2012 meeting of the Michigan Indian Elders Association hosted by the Lac View Desert Band of Lake Superior Indians in Watersmeet, MI.

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You must follow these directions for your child to be considered for an award. The completed application form, a signed report card or verification letter of achievement from a school administrator, and copy of student's or parent's tribal identification card must be received at the following address not later than 5:00 PM on April 9, 2012:

Leah Fodor, c/o MIEA  
PO Box 218, Dorr, MI 49323

Application forms can be downloaded at <http://www.michiganindianelders.org/MIEA%20Students.htm> or from your tribal Education Department.

Any questions contact Mike Duschene 906-395-7346.

## OJIBWA SENIOR CITIZEN'S MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Wish our seniors a happy birthday:

Annabelle DeCota	1 <sup>st</sup>
Sybil LaFernier	1 <sup>st</sup>
Gene Emery	4 <sup>th</sup>
David Denomie	5 <sup>th</sup>
Michael LaFernier	5 <sup>th</sup>
Paul Mayo, Sr.	6 <sup>th</sup>
Lois Bogda	8 <sup>th</sup>
Beverly Lussier	14 <sup>th</sup>
Patrick LaPointe, Sr.	15 <sup>th</sup>
Walter Leinonen	15 <sup>th</sup>
Leo Durant	16 <sup>th</sup>
Colleen Morin	21 <sup>st</sup>
Nancy Edwards	22 <sup>nd</sup>
Helen Tollefson	26 <sup>th</sup>
Cheryl Massie	27 <sup>th</sup>
Gary Robillard	28 <sup>th</sup>
Eugene Loonsfoot	30 <sup>th</sup>
Anthony Stark	31 <sup>st</sup>

**Note:** Ojibwa Senior Gift Shop is open from Monday thru Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., however we need and would appreciate volunteers to be clerks. Contact Debbie Parrish to be added to schedule 353-4601.

### MARCH 2012 Calendars Events

**Mar. 2:** Constitutional Committee Meeting, 1 pm, Council Chambers;

**Mar. 3:** Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Resort Conference Room;

**Mar. 6:** Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar screenings at Ojibwa Sr. Center;

**Mar. 8:** Ojibwa Seniors regular scheduled meeting at 12:30 p.m.;

**Mar. 13:** Blood Pressure/Blood Sugar screenings at Superior View;

**Mar. 14:** Mining Impacts Film "Four Corners: A National Sacrifice Area: at 12:30 p.m. Ojibwa Sr. Center

**Mar. 17-18:** NMU's Powwow;

**Mar. 21:** Veteran's meeting 7 pm; Ojibwa Sr. Pasty Prep at 1 pm—volunteers needed;

**Mar. 22:** Ojibwa Sr. Pasty Sale today (volunteers needed at 5:30 am).

We would like thank all who offered words of sympathy, sent cards, monetary gifts, flowers, and food during the recent loss of our son, brother & father, Gerald Allen Shelfoe. Also thank you to all who helped with the feasts, ceremonies, and everything else that went on during his passing. Words cannot express our gratitude for all that was done. Miigwech.

The family of Gerald Allen Shelfoe \***MUCKADAY WAGOOSH**\*

## Habitat for Humanity Accepting Applications for Homeownership

Copper Country Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications from families or individuals interested in becoming Habitat homeowners. Applications will be accepted through March 31, 2012, for a home planned to be built in Baraga County in 2013.

The three criteria used in evaluating applicants are housing need, ability to pay, and willingness to partner in building the home. Applicants cannot have owned a home in the past three years and must be unable to qualify for conventional mortgage financing. Habitat for Humanity is particularly interested in partnering with people who are currently living in substandard housing, which includes physically inadequate or overcrowded homes, and those with excessively high heating costs.

Applicants should have a stable income of less than 60 percent of the Baraga County median income (e.g. less than \$30,960 for a family of four) and must have adequate income to afford a monthly mortgage payment.

To partner with Habitat, families must agree to perform 200 hours of sweat equity per adult in the household. They typically help build a house for another family before they start work on their own house. They are also required to take classes as part of their transition from renters to owners. These classes include financial management and home maintenance.

When the home is completed, the family receives a "hand up," not a "hand out" in the form of a no-profit, zero interest mortgage. This is not a give-away program. New Habitat Homeowners can expect to pay mortgage payments of approximately \$325 to \$440 per month, which includes the principle payment as well as escrow for homeowners insurance and property taxes. Mortgage payments fund the construction of future Habitat homes.

To learn more about the application process to become a Habitat for Humanity home owner, contact Copper Country Habitat for Humanity at 482-5376, email [cchfh@pasty.com](mailto:cchfh@pasty.com), or visit their website at [www.coppercountryh4h.org](http://www.coppercountryh4h.org).

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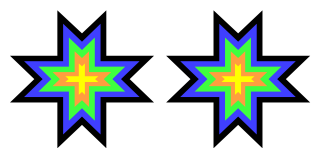
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