

Happy Father's Day



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## KBIC HEADSTART GRADUATES



KBIC Headstart held their graduation ceremony on Friday, May 13, 2011, with 22 graduates who will be moving on to Kindergarten for their next school year. President Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr. presented the young graduates with a gift and certificate on behalf of the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Council.

The graduates shared a selection of songs with family, friends, and staff during the ceremony. A celebration luncheon followed the ceremony.

*(Pictures compliments of Suzy Jondreau.)*

### Tribal Council Members:

- Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
- William E. Emery, Vice-President
- Susan J. LaFerner, Secretary
- Toni Minton, Asst. Secretary
- Eddy Edwards, Treasurer
- Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews
- Elizabeth D. Mayo
- Michael F. LaFerner, Sr.
- Jerry Lee Curtis
- Frederick Dakota
- Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
- Isabelle H. Welsh



### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- May 14, 2011 Tribal Council Meeting
- KBIC Headstart Graduation
- KBOCC Holds Honors Ceremony
- Tribal Health Holds Mother's Day Dinner
- ANA Language Notes
- Young Artist's Work Displayed at NMU
- New Employees
- Deepest Sympathy

## KBOCC Holds Honors Ceremony



Newsletter photo.

Jennifer Heath was awarded Outstanding Freshman. Jennifer is shown above with Jesse Koenig, Liberal Studies Department Chair.



Newsletter photo.

Megan Shanahan was named Faculty Member of the Year. Megan is shown above with Kristin Tepsa, Dean of Instruction.

The Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College (KBOCC) concluded the academic year with their Honors Ceremony held Friday, May 13, 2011, at the Ojibwa Resort Conference Room. Students, faculty, administrators, staff, and guests enjoyed a banquet catered by the Red Apple Restaurant, two music selections by Courtney Clisch, a Digital

Storytelling experience by E Halverson, and a traditional story by Joe Dowd. KBOCC recognized the 2011 graduate, Shelly Danielson. Shelly achieved her Associates degree in Environmental Science. Shelly stated, "From the very first class I had, I was hooked. Erin (Erin Johnston, Environmental Studies) supports all of her students, even when they

are no longer in her classes. I would have never made it through my hardest class without her. She told me to never give up, just keep trying, keep trying. I now consider Erin one of my very best friends. I would also like to thank all of the other staff for all of their support, and Sally, our tutor, thanks for all of your patience and support that you have given me. My GPA is a direct reflection of our combined work together. Lastly, I'd like to encourage our future generation to spend some time with Jay Loonsfoot. He is a wonderful instructor, and he is our oral history. For me, Jay is a role model, and for this tribe, he has lived it, and I have such respect for him and will treasure the conversations we've had. Lastly, I was at a graduation when Chris Swartz spoke, and he said, 'Follow our dreams.' Well, today I made my dad's dream come true, and Chris, I truly hope that someday you make your dad's dream come true."

The American Indian College Fund Awards: the Student of the Year award

### KBOCC honors ceremony continued:

recipient was Raymond Cadreaus, and the Faculty Member of the Year award was given to Megan Shanahan. Special College Recognitions: the Zoongide'ewin Award recipient was April Lofquist Niemi, Outstanding Freshman Award was given to Jennifer Heath, and the Spirit of Leadership – Student Volunteer Award was given to E Halverson. Department Awards: the Early Childhood Education Award was given to Ashley Soli and Jessica Carlson, the Environmental Science Award was given to Karen Andersen and Shelly Danielson, Liberal Studies Award was given to Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., Ojibwa Studies Award was given to Ashley Soli, Shelley Danielson, Myrtle Tolonen, and Andrew Kozich, and the Writing Across the Curriculum Award was given to Jessica Carlson. Six individuals were recognized for their completion of the First Year Program: Raymond Cadreaus, Shelly Danielson, Georgenia Earring, Cindy Knapp, and Chalsea Smith. Dean's List/Honors List/Scholastic Achievements follow:

#### Spring 2010 semester

##### **Dean's List (3.5-4.0 GPA with 12 or more credits)**

Shelly Danielson, E Halverson, Ryan Koski, Danika Strong

##### **Honors List (3.0-3.49 GPA with 12 or more credits)**

Cynthia Knapp

##### **Scholastic Achievements (3.25-4.0 GPA with less than 12 credits)**

Karen Andersen, Samantha Bach, Roxanne Carlson, Sue Ellen Carlson, Diana Chaudier, Lisa Chosa, Elizabeth Curtis, Lauri Denomie, Lisa Denomie, Kelly Dowd, Rose Edwards, Debra Eliason, Jean Jokinen, Suzanne Kahkonen, Susan LaFernier, Michael Lahti, Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., James Loonsfoot, Robert E. Loonsfoot, Robert L. Loonsfoot, Beverly Lussier, Kim Maki, Treneice Marshall, Brenda McKittrick, Debra Parrish

#### Summer 2010 semester

##### **Scholastic Achievements (3.25-4.0 GPA with less than 12 credits)**

Angelica Bogda, Brandon Chosa, Elizabeth Curtis, Joseph Fedie, Breanne Fish, Jennifer Heath, Joshua Johnston, Samantha Juntunen, Kim Maki, Shawnee Menard, Patrick Osterman, Ashley Soli, Casey Trevethan, Jessica Walitalo

#### Fall 2010 semester

##### **Dean's List (3.5-4.0 GPA with 12 or more credits)**

Jamie Brotherton, Shelly Danielson

##### **Honors List (3.0-3.49 GPA with 12 or more credits)**

Ashley Soli, DeAnna Hadden

##### **Scholastic Achievements (3.25-4.0 GPA with less than 12 credits)**

Karen Andersen, Sonora Byrd, Jessica Carlson, Cecilia Dowd, Jason Dowd, Breanne Fish, Joslyn Haataja, Jennifer Heath, Joshua Johnson, Andrew Kozich, Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., Brooke Marinich, Stephanie Marshall, Michael Miller, Susan Newman, Brandi Peterson, Megan Sundquist, Casey Trevethan

#### Spring 2011 semester

##### **Dean's List (3.5-4.0 GPA with 12 or**

##### **more credits)**

Jamie Brotherton, Ashley Chosa-Bergstrom, Travis Gauthier, Virginia (Ginny Ann) Jermac, Marilyn Loonsfoot, Ashley Soli

##### **Honors List (3.0-3.49 GPA with 12 or more credits)**

Malisha Maki, Myrtle Tolonen

##### **Scholastic Achievements (3.25-4.0 GPA with less than 12 credits)**

Veronica Adams, Karen Andersen, Nanette Beck, Cynthia Barrett, Adrianna Cadeau, Jessica Carlson, Marcy Cella, Stephanie Cree, Hope Dakota, Shannon DesRochers, Lauri Denomie, Kelly Dowd, Joe Dowd, Breanne Fish, Jennifer Heath, Ashley Hebert, Suzanne Jondreau, Andrew Kozich, Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., Brittany Maki, Kim Maki, Brooke Marinich, Stephanie Marshall, Tabathia Miller, Nissa Morningstar, Peggy Swartz, Megan Sundquist.

### **MAY 14, 2011, TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING**

The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on May 14, 2011, at the Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room in Baraga, Michigan. President Warren C. Swartz, Jr. presided over the meeting with William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Toni J. Minton, Eddy Edwards, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, and Isabelle Helene Welsh present. 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 five); Secretary Susan J. LaFernier gave the Secretary's Report (page three); Treasurer Eddy Edwards gave the Treasurer's Report (page four); and CEO Larry Denomie III gave the CEO Report (page four). Council passed the Department Head Reports for March 2011.

Joseph O'Leary gave a powerpoint presentation on the Renovation of the Baraga County Memorial Hospital for a Courthouse facility for Council's information.

Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary, brought forth the KBIC Tribal Flag Guidelines for discussion. The KBIC Tribal flag will be available for purchase upon written request from KBIC Tribal members. The price will be \$20 per flag. KBIC veterans will be eligible for a free flag each year. Damaged or worn flags are to be brought to the Tribal President's office for proper disposal. A flag will be presented to a deceased KBIC Tribal member's family. KBIC Tribal flags will be given to other Tribes, agencies, etc. upon written request and approval from the Tribal Council or President, and a determination will be made whether to request payment. KBIC Tribal flags will be provided to the Tribe's various departments, businesses, cemeteries, and nearby community agencies upon request. "Our flag is treated with respect as our U.S. flag and belongs to our people. Our flag is to be flown equal to the U.S. flag on a separate flag pole, and never below the U.S. flag. The U.S. flag/KBIC flag will

be flown at half-staff when the Governor/Tribal President issues proclamations after the death of a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, former and present Council members or justices. When the flags are raised to half-staff, they should first be hoisted vigorously to the peak and then slowly lowered into position." Council directed Secretary Susan J. LaFernier to return these guidelines for next Thursday's meeting for finalization.

Eddy Edwards, Treasurer, presented donation requests for April 2011 to the Council for their consideration. **Motion by Eddy Edwards to approve \$500 for the American Legion Post 444 for brass grave markers; \$2,000 for the Obama/Biden 2012 Campaign; \$500 for the 2011 Baraga Area Fund Drive/March of Dimes; \$472.80 for the Baraga Women's Softball League/Suzy Jondreau's request for bats/bases/home plate/pitching rubber and to have Public Works assist with work on the field in Assinins; \$1,000 for the Draven Hooper Medical Benefit Dinner; \$1,000 for Andrea Strong's assistance from her recent burglary; and an amount to be determined for Deziree Roth's wheelchair, for a total of \$5,472.80 + Roth's wheelchair cost, supported by Jerry Lee Curtis, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Per consensus of the Council, 2% monies for Marquette County were discussed and determined as: \$48,000 for City of Marquette/Lake Superior Watershed Partnership; \$10,475 for City of Marquette/U.P. Health and Education Corporation for an ultrasound machine; \$20,000 for City of Marquette/U.P. Children's Museum operational costs; \$2,300 for City of Marquette/NMU Center for Native American Studies' Seventh Fire Project; \$2,270 for City of Marquette/NMU Center for Native American Studies for an upgrade to the resource room; \$12,000 for Sands Township/Gwinn for the Sands Plaines protecting aquifer; \$15,000 for Skandia Township/U.P. Central Trails to maintain/groom the trails; \$10,000 for City of Marquette/Beacon House operations; \$10,000 for North Star Academy-Marquette K-6 fitness program; and \$33,209.99 for Forsyth Township Gwinn for a police patrol car. The resolution will be drawn up as discussed for next Thursday's meeting. Baraga's 2% will be discussed at Thursday's meeting.

Council adjourned with no further actions.

~ submitted by newsletter editor



## SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2011

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFerner, for the month of April 2011.

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

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

On April 4, 2011, I attended another review of the draft Enterprise Employment Manual. We have been working and revising this manual for a long period of time, and it will be coming to Council for approval in the near future. I also met with Larry Denomie, Gregg Nominelli, and Tina Durant on the new format of the Comprehensive Plan which is also being reviewed by the Department Heads for suggestion at their May 17th meeting. On April 6th, department heads attended a workshop on "Substance Abuse in the Workshop" recognizing the abusing employee presented by our Employee Assistance Program-Ceridian.

The 3rd Annual KBIC Environmental Fair was held on April 20, 2011, to promote the stewardship of our natural resources and the environment in honor of "Earth Day" April 22, 2011. It was a great fair and thanks to everyone who worked so hard for its success! There were many interesting booths of information from our Natural Resources Department.

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 positive lifestyle changes that will help us live longer, healthier, happier lives. The 2nd Annual WHIPP Task Force Employee "Walk your Way to Wellness" Challenge will begin on May 16-August 7th. Once again there will be many great prizes and what better way for us to become healthy. JUNE is also "National Fruit and Vegetable Month." Also remember to thank our nurses for all of their services as May 6-12 was "National Honor your Nurses" week.

The informational community meeting was held on April 11th at 3:30 p.m. at the Ojibwa Motel Conference Room to explain the 3.4 billion Cobell/Indian Trust Settlement. A hearing will be held in the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia on June 20, 2011, to consider whether to approve the final Cobell Settlement. On December 21, 2010, U.S. Senior District Judge Thomas F. Hogan granted preliminary approval of the settlement for thousands of individual Indians who have or had government managed IIM accounts. For more information, call 1-800-961-6109 or go to the website: [www.IndianTrust.com](http://www.IndianTrust.com) or write to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, Ohio 43017-4877.

The Drug Tip Line number is 353-DRUG or 353-3784. The yellow banners are around the reservation with this tip line number displayed. The Drug Task Force holds monthly meetings. The second annual National Drug En-

forcement Prescription Drug Take-Back Day was held on April 30th to help get rid of expired, unused, prescription drugs for safe disposal. There was a site at the Ojibwa Community College and at the State Police Post in L'Anse.

The Drug Task Force Mission Statement: "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."

Remember our annual road side cleanups will be occurring in May and also the cemetery cleanups in preparation of Memorial Day on May 30th. Please attend the special services at our cemeteries to remember and show our respect for all of our loved ones and our Veterans who died and served to protect and preserve the freedoms we enjoy today. Our congratulations also to all of our high school and college graduates!

Remember to continue to pray for each other and to honor and remember all of our veterans and service men and women and their families. Also remember those who are ill, all who have lost loved ones, and our economic struggles. Let us be thankful for our beautiful area, and we pray for peace in the world, good health, and happiness. Remember our Fathers on Father's Day, June 19th.

During April 2011, the Tribal Council held one Regular Tribal Council Meeting on April 2, 2011. This meeting is covered in the May 2011 Newsletter. Tribal Council held four Special Council Meetings. Following are the unapproved motions from April.

At the council meeting held April 7, 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the August 19, 2010 meeting minutes;
- Approved the August 26, 2010 meeting minutes;
- Motion to approve that on or before April 29, 2011, the Ojibwa Housing Authority shall pay the full balance of \$75,624.34, plus all interest accrued thereon until paid at the rate provided therefore in the 401(K) Plan, which is owed by the Ojibwa Housing Authority to the Community as the Ojibwa Housing Authority's required contribution to the 401(K) Plan for the account of the Ojibwa Housing Authority's employees who should have been participants in the 401(K) Plan during their employment by Ojibwa Housing Authority;
- Clarified amounts for equipment approved at the 2/3/11 meeting — Approved the NRD Backpacking Shocking Unit Purchase from Smith-Root for \$8,713.39. Approved the NRD Stream Assessment Equipment from Smith-Root for \$16,818.50;
- Tabled the SEMCO natural gas main extension quotes along Dynamite Hill Road, Vuk Road, and Brewery Road for one week;
- Approved Modification #1 with the Baraga County Road Commission changing the completion date for Baraga County Road Construction

Projects from December 31, 2011, to December 31, 2012;

- Approved Modification #4 with the Baraga County Road Commission changing the completion date for the Silver Bridge Construction from December 31, 2010, to December 31, 2011;
- Approved the new KBIC Government License Plate design (will not expire);
- Approved the (new) Baraga Assistant General Manager position description with the changes, to post the position, and Council will hire with the General Manager's recommendation;
- Defeated a motion to pay employee's who have 15 years of service with KBIC for their comp time up to 40 hours if they retire, resign, or are terminated effective December 1, 2010;
- Approved the Marketron Broadcast Solutions, LLC Software License and Service Agreement and the Addendum effective May 1, 2011 (for the Radio Station);
- Approved the Employment Agreement for the Chief Pharmacist between KBIC and James Otto Vollmar, R. Ph. Effective April 1, 2011.

At the council meeting held April 14, 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved moving the OVW (Office of Violence against Women—Safe and Sound Transitional Home) program to the Even Start House;
- Approved six applicants for the Powwow Committee effective April 2011 for three years — Melissa Koepp, Lindsey Loonsfoot, Melinda Roberts, Tracy Emery, Monica Kohn, and Elvera Lantz;
- Approved appointing Roger Duschene to the Hiring Committee effective April 2011;
- Approved appointing Lawrence Swartz to the Hiring Committee;
- Approved appointing Lawrence Swartz to the Natural Resources Committee;
- Approved appointing Evelyn Ravindran, Allen Gauthier, and Dominic Picciano to the Parks & Recreation Committee effective April 2011;
- Approved appointing Cecelia Dowd, Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Vicky Mleko, and William Jondreau to the Youth Committee;
- Approved to appoint Wanda Sepanen to the Justice (Child Welfare) Committee to fill Paul Halverson's term per President Swartz's recommendation;
- Approved Resolution KB1804-2011 Constitution Committee and By-Laws;
- Approved Resolution KB1822-2011 Department of Justice Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Grant (to reduce and prevent crime and victimization);
- Approved the KIOSK TICS (approved by the Gaming Commission);
- Approved the Promotional Activities TICS (approved by the Gaming Commission);

### Secretary report continues:

- Approved to reconsider the promotional activities TICS motion;
- Approved to table the promotional activities TICS for more review in one week;
- Approved the Tribal Surplus property Auction (to be held at the former Tribal Construction Company and Tubcraft);
- Approved the Services Agreement (renewal) between KBIC and Dale Schmeisser, R.D. Ph.D. (Community Diabetes Program);
- Approved to offer the Radio General Manager position to Ed Janisse with a one year contract based on financials and the immediate business necessities of the stations;
- Denied Judy Smith's request for her back retirement pay based on the facts that were presented to Council on the old retirement balances-these documents showed that she was paid her retirement.

At the council meeting held April 21, 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the September 2, 8, 9, 10, 11, 2010 meeting minutes;
- Approved the Promotional Activities TICS (were tabled prior);
- Approved to adopt the proposed substitute SORNA Ordinance 2011-01;
- Approved to adopt the proposed ordinance 2011-01 amendments to Title Three to add Chapter 3.19 Criminal Sexual Conduct and Chapter 3.20 Sex Offender Registration Code to implement the requirements of the Adam Walsh Act (SORNA);
- Approved the Prescribed Burn Plans in Baraga and Zeba;
- Approved \$14,000 for two crew carrier vans and \$2,800 for radios/equipment for the KBIC Beartown Firefighters;
- Approved the Curbside pickup and Drop-off Spring Cleanup for \$16,000 with the Ojibwa Housing Authority;
- Approved the Services Agreement for \$248,977.25 with Lake Superior Tree Farms, Inc. for landscaping, planting, and irrigation work for the Sand Point habitat restoration project (approximately 34 acres);
- Approved the Employment Agreement General Manager/Radio Stations between KBIC and Edmund Janisse;
- Approved Jean Jokinen's position to a Grade 12, \$22.89 per hour.

At the council meeting held April 28 2011, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the September 16, 2010 meeting minutes;
- Approved the naming the new center in Baraga—the "Margaret Ross" Early Childhood & Family Education Center;
- Approved to table the discussion regarding the demolition of the Three Amigos building (in Marquette) until May 12th;
- Approved an amendment to Personnel Policy 26.0 Computer Use Policy 6.6 Internet d. added: Use of personal email accounts for KBIC business is prohibited;
- Approved changes to the Personnel

Policy 24.0 Cell Phone Policy;

- Approved to introduce proposed Ordinance 2011-02 to amend Title Ten of the Tribal Code to clarify the definition of the Home Territory 10.101 12;
- Approved to schedule the 2nd Reading for May 19th for proposed Ordinance 2011-02;
- Approved the User Agreement between KBIC and the Institute for Intergovernmental Research (IIR) regarding participation in the Tribe and Territory Sex Offender Registry System (TTSORS);
- Approved the MOU with the MI State Police and KBIC for participation in the combined DNA Index System (CODIS);
- Approved the Services Agreement between KBIC and Michael Joseph to provide gaming training services in June for \$10,000.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan J. LaFornier, Secretary

### **APRIL 2011 TREASURER'S REPORT**

Activities reported by the Treasurer, Eddy Edwards, for the month of April 2011.

An update on our Casino activity as of the end of March 2011; our Casino in Baraga has seen house profit decline by 16% through the second quarter of this fiscal year compared with last year. While house profit is down compared to last year, the Baraga Casino has exceeded its budgeted goal by almost 2%. In Marquette, our Casino there has seen house profit increase by 5% compared to same time period last year. The increase in Marquette has been attributed mostly to increased cigarette sales. Marquette Casino has exceeded budgeted goal by almost 8%. Revenues for Eagle Radio are still slightly ahead of projections. Net loss for Eagle Radio is slightly lower than expected. Gross profits from cigarette sales at the Pines and the Casinos in Baraga and Marquette are ahead of last year's amount by about 20%. If cigarette sales continue at this level, we could see Christmas checks to members in Baraga and Marquette counties in the range of \$2000.

The Tribe completed the auction of some surplus equipment, tools and supplies at Tribal Construction and former Tubcraft building. Total sales at this auction tallied close to \$120,000.

For our bi-annual 2% distribution from the net win of our slot machines for the six-month period ending March 31, 2011, the totals are \$163,254.99 for our Marquette Casino and \$119,225.36 for our Baraga Casino.

The Tribe's cash and investment portfolio remains strong, even after several large investments in slot machines, Tres Amigos property on US41 in Marquette, the addition/renovation at the clinic, and the new childhood building in Baraga.

Later on the agenda will be donation requests submitted to Tribal Council and discussion about exercising our discretion in the distribution of 2% monies.

Respectfully submitted,  
Eddy Edwards, Treasurer

### **CEO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2011**

The month of April 2011 included the following activities and reportable items:

- On April 6th, Ceridian Corporation who provides Employee Assistance Programs to the Tribe, conducted training for managers and directors. The training was titled, "Substance Abuse in the Workplace — Recognizing the Abusing Employee." The training was very informative and provided valuable tools to those in attendance as well as review of the Tribe's Drug Free Work Place policy.
- The Tribe's Strategic Plan continues to be worked on. Staff involved in moving the draft version put forth by Council have met and will be presenting it to Department Heads in May for their review and input. The next steps will include community input and finalization by Council in the coming months.
- On April 1st, James Vollmar was hired as the Chief Pharmacist for KBIC. The Pharmacy within the Tribe's Health Center has an anticipated opening date of June 1, 2011. Carole LaPointe, Health Director, and her staff are working feverishly to make a long range goal of KBIC a reality. Once open, the pharmacy will initially serve those able to receive services at the health center but plans to provide pharmaceutical services to the general public are being worked on.
- On April 11th, I traveled to Wisconsin and Minnesota with NRD staff and Greg Nominelli, Economic Developer, to tour three transfer station operations to aid in the final development of KBIC's project. During our tours, we were able to gather information which may lead to the development of a recycling program within Baraga County. Staff is working on final design and construction documents of which RFP's will be solicited in the coming months. The transfer station will be located in the Tribe's Industrial Park.
- On April 14th, Council formalized the use of the former Even Start Programs building on M-38 just east of the Tribal Center for the Office of Violence Against Women for their Transitional Home. The Even Start Program has moved into the new Early Childhood and Family Education Center located next to the Community Center. The building was formally named by Council as the Margaret M. Ross Early Childhood and Family Education Center on April 28th. The Pre-primary Education and Even Start Programs will share the new building and provide programming to area children and families.
- The Tribe's Radio Stations have a General Manager on board after several months without one. Ed Janisse, former General Manager, was hired and began duties on April 15th.
- The Tribe's Natural Resources Department held their annual Environmental Fair on the 20th in conjunction with Earth Day. The staff did a great job again this year in organiz-

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ing and putting on the fair which was held at the Community Center Gymnasium.

- In early May, a Tribal wide auction was conducted by B Patient Auctions. The items included in the auction were provided by Tribal departments and items from the former Tribal Construction Company. Tribal departments were provided the opportunity to acquire items in the auction for reuse, and Tribal members were given an opportunity to bid on items prior to the main auction held May 7th and 8th.
- On May 1st, I along with John Baker, Tribal Attorney, traveled to Palm Springs, CA to attend the annual Tribal Self-Governance Conference. The conference provided valuable information related to the areas of Indian Health Services and Bureau of Indian Affairs programming. I will present a formal report for your review at your May 19th meeting.
- On May 11th, I was contacted by TV6 to provide an update on the Tribe's plans for relocating the Ojibwa II Casino from Harvey to the former Marquette County Airport location. The update was conducted via telephone and later telecasted on their nightly news broadcast. TV6 requested the information due to the number of requests they had received from their viewers via their Facebook site. I provided information relating to the Tribe's frustration in the time it is taking to get approvals at the Federal level for the Tribe's Land to Trust and Two Part applications. It was my intention to make it clear that KBIC has and continues to do everything possible on our end to meet the ever changing requirements at the Federal level.

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

### YOUNG ARTIST'S WORK CHOSEN FOR DISPLAY



Taylor Kemppainen, daughter of Candice Kemppainen and granddaughter of Wanda Seppanen, was chosen by her art teacher at Sandy Knoll Elementary School in Marquette to have her artwork displayed as part of the 2011 Children's Art Exhibition at NMU's DeVos Art Museum in May 1-21.

Taylor, who is in the 1st grade, used a variety of mediums including water colors, acrylics and glitter in her artwork of a Chinese Dragon.

The following is a list of activities that occurred in the office of the President for the month of April 2011:

- I attended a number of committee meetings this month including hiring, gaming, retirement, powwow, and others.
- I attended the National Indian Gaming Association's 20<sup>th</sup> annual trade show and convention in beautiful Phoenix, Arizona. There is still a lot of work to accomplish in 2011, including Internet Gaming, Land into Trust, the National Indian Gaming Commission notice of inquiry and request for information and continued monitoring of IRS taxation of Tribal Government Education and Cultural Program benefits. Legislation is needed to clarify that the education payments and benefits provided by the BIA or an Indian tribe to its members are not subject to the personal income tax. I also attended a number of breakout sessions during the three-day event. This year NIGA held an election for three NIGA Offices; Chairman and Secretary, and a special election to fill the vacant Treasurer. We voted for Ernie Stephens from the Oneida Tribe for Chairman; he won by a huge margin.
- I attended the KBIC Environmental fair. I appreciated all of the exhibits put on by staff and those in attendance
- I participated in a conference call regarding a Tribal/State Summit. We discussed Tribal liaison personnel in state departments, frequency of the meetings and heard a request from the Governor's office. He would like the casinos not to accept bridge cards in their casinos. I asked the Governor's representative to inform staff that Tribal members living within the boundaries of the L'Anse Indian Reservation are not within the jurisdiction of the State of Michigan and that we wanted to be treated as others who reside outside of the state's jurisdiction when purchasing a vehicle in the State of Michigan.
- We commented on the proposed revision of the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between EPA and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). The Community had the following concerns regarding the terms and conditions of the proposed MOA. The MOA does not recognize the fact that only EPA, and not MDNR, has jurisdiction in Indian Country to enforce the provisions of Section 404. Regarding waters located in the territories originally ceded to the United States by Indian tribes, where Indian tribes have reserved hunting and fishing rights, it is important that the state coordinate with Tribal governments concerning permit applications that have the potential to impact those waters. It is apparent that MDNR does not consider "feasible and prudent alternatives" and "potential impacts from linked activities" during

the permit application reviews even though required to do so under the state program. It is not apparent that mitigation requirements are being properly enforced by MDNR. An overriding concern with the proposed MOA is that the MDNR staffing levels and budgets have been decreasing for many years and MDNR has publically stated that they will no longer complete field inspections for most permit applications, but will instead conduct only desk reviews. The state has continued to cut MDNR's budget, thereby eroding the state's ability to fulfill its obligations under the existing MOA. The issue of how the state will be able to meet the legal obligations entrusted to it under the Section 404 must be addressed, before the MOA is entered into with MDNR with a binding commitment from the state to fund MDNR obligations for the term of the MOA under the Section 404 delegations, including completing necessary field work and permit reviews and a thorough review process with clear and stringent requirements and timelines. Only in this way would EPA have the necessary assurances that MDNR would be able to assume and perform the Section 404 obligations as contemplated by the MOA. In this regard, the MOA should also establish a clear program of audit standards, timelines and schedules for MDNR through which EPA can determine if the requirements of the 404 delegation and the state program are being fulfilled.

- The Council was informed of Judge Dakota's decision in the Byykkonen Case, dated April 13, 2011, wherein Judge Dakota has ruled that "the random drug testing provisions of the Drug-Free Workplace Policy" is lawful.
- HCI Distribution is sponsoring a Tribal Tobacco Tax Seminar on June 28 & 29. They feel that I'm aware of the substantial financial resource this has been for our Tribe since inception. They requested my presence at this tax seminar to provide testimony of the benefits that Tribal Tobacco revenue has meant for our Tribe and retail outlets. They're asking that I provide a brief testimonial of the advantages of buying and selling Tribal Tobacco. They are willing to pick up the expenses of the trip, and I plan on attending.
- We approved the Natural Resource Committee's proposed plan regarding the special walleye spearing harvest. We set the harvest in Portage Lake for 2011 at 1,500 walleye and to allow 20 per permit. The special spring harvest at Portage Lake commenced on April 19, and KBIC fishermen had a successful season again this year.
- I received information regarding the Higher Education budget and the Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver. The document showed the figures of the House, distributing the Higher Education funding with a 15% cut. Section 451 is the section that addresses the Michigan Indian Tuition

# Celebrating 75 Years of Recognition



*33rd Annual  
Keweenaw Bay Maawanji'iding  
Ojibwa Campground  
Baraga, Michigan  
July 22-24, 2011*

## Master Of Ceromnies

Larry Smallwood  
Eric Awonohopay

## Drums

Host: Elk Spirit  
Co-Host: Badgers  
Home Drums: Four Thunders  
Woodland Singers

## Dancers

Miss KBIC 2010: Gabrielle Picciano  
Veteran Dancer: Donald Chosa  
Head Male Dancer: Rodney Loonsfoot  
Head Female Dancer: Veronica Adams  
Head Youth Male Dancer: Ethan Lee  
Head Youth Female Dancer: Sheena Halverson

## Arena

Head Director: Brian Moore  
Asst Director: Robert Rajacic

## Traditional Story Telling

Teachings: Karen Drift

## *Program Events*

### Thursday

Lighting of the Sacred Fire  
Grounds Blessing & Feast  
Traditional Teachings

### Friday

Princess Crowning  
Honor Elders Special

### Saturday

Fry Bread Contest  
Youth 2-step Championship  
Midnight 2-step Championship  
Hand Drum Contest  
Drum Challenge  
Veterans Special  
Feast

### Sunday

Recognition & Give Away

### Notice:

All registered dancers MUST show proof of admission and be in full regalia!

**Grand Entries:** Friday – 7 pm Saturday – Noon & 7 pm Sunday - Noon

Free camping at the  
Ojibwa Campground with  
Purchase of admission,  
(Does Not include Marina or Sand Point)

Illegal Drugs, Alcohol & Weapons are Prohibited

All animals must be on a leash at all times.

General Inquiries Contact:  
Tracy Emery, 906-353-7117  
[temery04@hotmail.com](mailto:temery04@hotmail.com)  
Vendor Info. Contact:  
Monica Kohn, 906-353-4514  
Elvera Lantz, 906-353-4537



## *Special Events*

*Featuring Don Burnstick*

*"laughter is good medicine"*

*Admission Prices TBA*

**Family Night 7 pm**

*Wednesday, July 20, 2011*

**Adult Night 7 pm**

*Thursday, July 21, 2011*

*"Home of the Original Midnight Two Step Championship of the World"*

## TRIBAL HEALTH HOLDS MOTHER'S DAY DINNER



Newsletter photo.

Mary Ann Wickstrom (left) and Darlene Morin (right) at the DHHS Mother's Day Dinner.



Newsletter photo.

Megan Shanahan (left) and Amanda Nordstorm (right), sisters attend the DHHS Mother's Day Dinner.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Department of Health and Human Services held their annual Women's Day Dinner on Tuesday, May 17, 2011, at the Chippewa Room in the Ojibwa Resort. Sixty-five women attended this year's event and enjoyed a delicious meal prepared by the Apple Restaurant while Community Health staff presented information on Cancer and Diabetes education. All of the women received *The Great American Eat-Right Cookbook*. The event was sponsored by the Great Lakes Region of American Cancer Society, KBIC Diabetes Program, and KBIC Community Health.



(left to right) (front) Shirley Zasadny, Lauri Denomie (back) Christine LaPointe, Angela Kelly.

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**Pontoon & Kayak Rentals SOON!**  
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**President's report continues:**

- Waiver and showed its presence in the budget. Recently the Senate Appropriations Committee passed out their Higher Education budget, and there will be no changes to the waiver.
- The Community received a letter from the Bureau of Indian Affairs regarding a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from Heidi McNeil Staudenmaier, Snell, and Widmer L.L.P. They requested information related to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's off-reservation fee to trust application for the purpose of gaming (Class III) on a parcel of land located in Marquette County, Michigan. I responded and asked that some of the information requested should be protected from disclosure under the FOIA (5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4))
- We had our first reading of the Proposed Ordinance 2011-02 amending the definition of the Home Territory. The 2<sup>nd</sup> reading is scheduled for May 19, 2011, at 1:00 pm.
- The Community received the quarterly report and action plan from Ojibwa Community College.
- We were informed that Seventh Generation Energy Systems is encountering unexpected difficulties installing the wind monitoring tower

at the Buffalo Field. The soil is too wet and muddy. When they raised the pole during a settling lift (simply uses gravity to compress the eight-foot sections of the pole together), the anchors pulled out of the ground. Seventh Generation Energy Systems said that there are two options. One is to look at different anchoring systems beyond the anchors typically used which may be installed at additional costs. The second option is to look for another site. The tower in the industrial park is raised and operational.

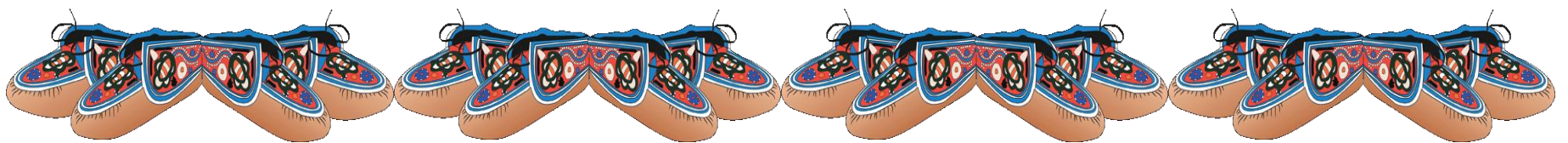
- I signed a letter to Douglass Ballotti, Acting Director of the Superfund Division out of the USEPA Region 5, regarding the Preliminary Assessment report titled CERCLA Preliminary Assessment for the Humboldt Mill. We reviewed the Humboldt Mill Preliminary Assessment (PA) and made a number of comments. We concluded the Escanaba River watershed has had adverse environmental impacts including fish advisories which have adversely affected our Tribal member's treaty reserved rights within this portion of our ceded territory. Offsite migration of many contaminants have been documented at the Site. The nearest residential well has not been identified. The waste disposal lake hydrol-

ogy is not understood. Surface water runoff needs to be determined onsite and other mining specific issues may not have been considered. Accordingly, we believe the decision by EPA Region 5 to perform a Site Inspection at the Humboldt Mill is appropriate. We appreciated the opportunity to provide comments to them on this matter and requested that we have further opportunity to consult with EPA on these issues.

- Finally I attended an Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan meeting at Sault Ste. Marie. We discussed a number of new business items including a couple of resolutions supporting the Low Income Energy Assistance Program and the Community Services Block Grant Emergency Needs. We also heard updates from the Michigan Indian Child Welfare Act, Access to Recovery, Health Director and Executive Director. We discussed the Appointment to Moose Commission and decided to have the recommendation come from the CORA and GLIFWC organizations. We elected officers and decided upon keeping the same officers.

This concludes my report.

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



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# Deepest Sympathy

## Leona Lauer

(August 22, 1930—April 21, 2011)

LEONA LAUER, age 80, of Ishpeming, MI, passed away on Thursday, April 21, 2011, at the Mather Nursing Center where she had resided since 2005. Leona was born in L'Anse on August 22, 1930, the daughter of Henry and Myra (Dakota) Morrow. She grew up in Baraga and Cedarville, and had resided in Ishpeming for the past several years.

Leona was a loving wife and mother and is survived by four daughters: Linda (Bill) Ross-Delph of Ontonagon, Debra Paulson of Ishpeming, Nola Carello of Marquette, and Sheila Nelson of Ishpeming; two sons: Gust Henry Maki of Newberry, and Brian Lauer of Texas; along with several grandchildren and great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Gene Maki, and a sister, Eleanor Spence.

A private family service was held at the Bjork & Zhulkie Funeral Home. Internment will take place at the Ishpeming Cemetery.

## Karl Albert Funke

(January 25, 1950—April 25, 2011)

KARL ALBERT FUNKE, age 61, of Maryland, entered eternal life on Monday, April 25, 2011, at Frederick Memorial Hospital after a surgical procedure. Karl was born in Baraga County on Jan. 25, 1950, son of Esther (Tollefson) and Francis ("Chauncey") Funke.

A 1968 LHS graduate, Karl also earned a B.S. Central Michigan University (1972); J.D. Antioch School of Law (1975) and was a Chapman College – World Campus Afloat alumni and collected cultural artifacts during his global travels. He also held numerous track & field records in both high school and college sports.

Karl had a passion for Indian law, related economics, and the preservation of traditional tribal culture. He provided key research to various government and educational institutions and was a supporting author of the book "American Indian Sovereignty And Law". He also drafted and presented congressional legislation, wrote numerous articles, gave inspirational lectures, and has referenced quotes in various publications and media.

Karl represented other tribes as an attorney and lobbyist for Native American rights in Washington D.C. His many works included; Task Force Specialist, Task Force on Law Revision, Consolidation, Codification, Indian Gaming, American Indian Policy Review Commission, and U.S. Congress. Karl was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community (KBIC) and pioneered gaming legislation that paved the way for the Ojibwa and other tribes.

A loving father, brother, uncle, and friend, Karl will be missed and forever remembered for his kind heart, sense of humor and Great Spirit.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Esther and Chauncey; brother, Curt Funke; and his only son, Zachery James Funke. Surviving are his brothers: Howard Funke of Coeur d'Alene, ID; Sonny (Bunny) Funke of Campbell, CA; nieces and nephews: Jeannie (Funke) Cox of Los Gatos, CA; Kurt ("Chummer") Funke of Monterey, CA; Michele (Steve) Martinac of Ishpeming, MI; Tammy (Funke) Hanson of Escanaba, MI; Tracy Funke of Escanaba, MI; Buzz Funke of Seattle, WA; Chris Funke of San Luis Obispo (Avila Beach), CA. A Memorial will be held in L'Anse for Karl and Zach at a future date. "You cannot destroy one who has dreamed a dream like mine." ("Gaa wiin daa-aangoshkigaazo ahaw enaabiyaan).



**Logo Contest!**

Logo is for the KBIC Women's Survivor Advisory Group  
Theme: "Dancing In The Rain"  
\$100.00 PRIZE  
**DEADLINE: June 30th, 2011 @4 PM**

Entry should be in black ink on plain white paper. Include artist's *name, address, phone number and tribal enrollment #* on the back of drawing.

Winner will be selected by the Women's Group and contacted within a week of the deadline. Contact info listed below for any questions regarding the contest.

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**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPT.**  
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**(Drop Off or Mail-In Entries)**

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## ANA LANGUAGE NOTES:

Bay Mills Community College (BMCC) will be accepting applications for anyone interested in signing up for the Pane Immersion class. For more information, contact Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. at [gloonsfoot@kbic-nsn.gov](mailto:gloonsfoot@kbic-nsn.gov), or 353-6623, ext. 4178.

There are currently two apprentices who are sharing their teachings with the community: Dale Shalifoe offers teachings the OHA Senior's Complex at on Tuesdays, 5:00 pm, and Joe Dowd offers teachings on Tuesdays, 6:00 pm in his residence located at 16474 Skanee Rd, Zeba, MI. (Across the road from the KBIC Headstart building).

**Mark your calendar!** The Upper Peninsula Indian Education Conference will be held on Friday, September 30 at Northern Michigan University. For more information, contact the NMU Center for Native American Studies at 906-227-1397 or visit the Center's website at [www.nmu.edu/nativeamericans](http://www.nmu.edu/nativeamericans).

**WANTED:** The Community Assistance Program (CAP) office is asking for donations of all unwanted bags for the food pantry. If you are able to help please drop your paper/plastic bags off to Jessica Green in the Community Assistance office. Janice Halverson and Suzie Carlson will also accept the bag donations in the office.

## June 2011 Calendars Events

- June 2:** New Year, New You Challenge weigh in;
- June 3:** Constitutional Committee Meeting, 1 pm, Council Chambers;
- June 4:** Reg. Sat. Council Meeting, 9 am, Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room;
- June 6-10:** Spring Cleanup;
- June 15:** Veteran's meeting 7 pm;
- June 19:** Father's Day;
- June 21:** Summer begins;
- June 23:** KBIC Foster Care Dinner;
- June 24:** Headstart application deadline;
- June 25:** Kids Fishing Derby;
- June 30:** Logo Contest deadline.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact [newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov](mailto:newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov) to list your events. Some events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-date event listings, visit [www.ojibwa.com](http://www.ojibwa.com) and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @ [www.ojibwa.com](http://www.ojibwa.com), click on youth club, or contact 353-4643/ Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.



# Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Authority

website: [www.kboha.com](http://www.kboha.com)

**Mission:** To provide affordable and attractive housing opportunities in a safe and healthy environment to qualifying tribal members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, encourage self-improvement of the community's low income families, and provide employment opportunities.

**Programs and Services provided by the KBOHA:**

- Low income rental homes and apartments
  1. 158 Homes/apartments in Baraga
  2. 50 Homes in Zeba
  3. 40 Homes in Marquette/Harvey;
- Supportive housing/transitional housing to help address family issues;
- New, custom built, super-insulated homes for homeownership on Bear Town Road;
- Home buyer training to prepare members for home ownership;
- Financial literacy training to improve members' financial skills;
- Home maintenance training to improve members' ability to maintain homes;
- Home rehabilitation program to improve the condition of member-owned homes;
- Home emergency assistance program to remedy negative conditions in the home;
- Individual development account program – a 4:1 matched savings program for member goals that include:
  1. Down payment assistance for home purchase;
  2. Business expansion/start-up expenses.
- Low cost home improvement loan program for qualifying Tribal members;
- Low cost tax preparation program for residents and Tribal members;
- Affordable curbside trash service for residents and members;
- Ojibwa Building Supply Do It Best—providing Tribal employment, quality affordable building supplies and profits for housing programs;
- Ojibwa Builders Construction Company—providing Tribal employment, quality affordable construction, and profits for housing programs;
- Market rate rentals—five rental properties in Baraga and one in Negaunee- providing profits for housing programs;
- Ojibwa BP, Car Wash and Laundry- providing Tribal employment, superior products and service, and profits for housing programs.



## KBIC Even Start Family Learning Center

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**JUNE 2011**

**The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians invites you to the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Anishinaabe Family Language/Culture Camp**  
Celebrating the unity of our language and culture

Meals are provided, no registration fee

**Aanii piish — Manistee, MI.**

**Wenesh pii — July 29, 30, 31, 2011**

Waabini Manidookewin (Sunrise ceremony)

8:00 Opening Ceremony & Breakfast

9:15-12:00 Presentations/workshops

12:00 Lunch 12:00 Lunch, Giveaway & Closing [Sunday]

1:15-5:00 Presentations/workshops

5:00 Dinner

7:00 Talent night [Friday]

7:00 Jiingtamok (Powwow) [Saturday]

Some presentations are: Cultural teachings, language learning, pipe

teachings, natural medicines, drum making, hoop dancing, flute playing, basket making, hide tanning, and games. These presentations and workshops are for all ages. We politely ask that English be the second language used at this camp. These presentations will be in both English and Anishinaabemowin. First come, first serve for the camping area. This great event will take place at the corner of M22 and US31 across from the Casino, same place as previous years. There are showers on site. Bring your Nation flag and we will display it to show the unity of our language and culture. We encourage every family to bring a gift for the giveaway.

For more information contact:

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# New Employee



Newsletter photo.

Lori LaFerner has been hired as the OVV Survivor Advocate. She has worked for the Tribe at the Ojibwa Casino for nine years and as a Tribal Police Officer for eight years. Lori states, "After taking a break for two years and based on my past experience as a police officer, I felt that the position as a Victim Advocate would be a great opportunity to help those who have been

victimized by violence within the community. I also have plans to become more involved with the community with some projects that I am planning.

I have a beautiful daughter named Carmin whom I absolutely adore. My hobbies include, gardening, reading, and being outdoors in the summer doing anything. I love to stay active and enjoy trying new things. I can be reached at the Behavioral Health Division at the Donald LaPointe Medical Facility in Baraga or by calling 353-4570."



## KBIC Foster Home Recruitment Dinner

*You can make a difference  
in the life of a child  
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THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2011

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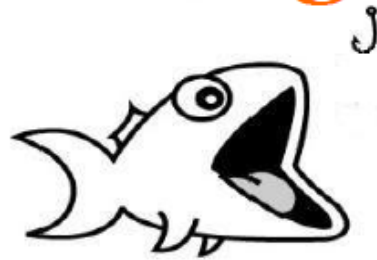
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**All Tribal Veterans' Meeting at the Lighthouse, Sand Point, will be held every third Wednesday of the month at 1900 hours. All Tribal Veterans Welcome!**

The KBIC Head Start and Early Head Start will begin accepting applications for the 2011-2012 school year beginning March 1, 2011, through June 24, 2011. Applications are available at the KBIC Tribal Center, KBIC Health Clinic, and the KBIC Head Start and Early Head Start Center, Skanee Rd. L'Anse, or by calling 524-6626 and ask for Barb.



# 9th Annual KBIC Sam and Charlotte (Mongoose) Durant Memorial Kids Fishing Derby



**June 25, 2011**

**Ojibwa Recreation Area**  
Off of US-41 Baraga (Between Pines Gas Station and M-38 Junction)  
**Sand Point Pond (near lighthouse)**

**9am-1pm**

**Registration begins at 9am**

Many prizes awarded at registration, and throughout the morning. Rods and Reels will be given away to kids without them at registration (while supplies last), but kids who bring their own rods and reels will be given an incentive prize (while supplies last).

**Food fun and various games for "fisher-kids", Ages 4-12**

**CONTACT KBIC Natural Resources for more information: (906) 524-5757 ext 10, 12 or 16**

*Children must be accompanied by an adult. Must be present for various random prize drawings and misc. activities, but **NEED NOT BE PRESENT** for major prize winner announcements at end of event*

## KBIC Spring Cleanup 2011



### Curbside Pickup:

When: June 6<sup>th</sup> – June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Who: KBIC Tribal Member households residing within the L'Anse Reservation. No businesses or non-Tribal households will be included.

- Non- OHA (Ojibwa Housing Authority) curbside customers **MUST** call 353-7117 by June 3<sup>rd</sup> with name and address to be placed on the collection list. Current OHA curbside customers need not call.
- Waste can be placed on the curbside on any day from June 6<sup>th</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Elders or Tribal Members with physical disabilities who are not able to move their waste to the curbside can call OHA at 353-7117 to make special arrangements.

### Drop-Off:

When: June 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Who: KBIC Tribal Members

Where: Former Tribal Construction office, 222 Main St. (Mission Rd), Baraga

Spring Cleanup is for bulky waste and household trash **ONLY!** Loose trash must be bagged. White goods (refrigerators and freezers) must have doors removed.

The following items are **prohibited** and will not be collected:

Hazardous Waste, Paint, Oil & Filters, Antifreeze and Coolants, Batteries, Yard Waste, Tires, Construction Debris, Fluorescent Bulbs, Explosives, Radioactive Waste, Propane Tanks, Pesticides, Solvents, or Loose Trash!!

If you have questions, please contact the KBIC Natural Resource Department (906) 524-5757 x14, or Ojibwa Housing Authority, at (906) 353-7117.



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**Zeba Indian Mission United Methodist Church**

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 saintann@up.net

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

**Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities**

<http://www.kbic-nsn.gov/html/personnel.htm>

- \* Office Coordinator — June 8, 2011
- \* Elderly Nutrition Director — June 13, 2011
- \* Clinical Social Worker — open until filled
- \* Family Aide (on-call) — open continuously

On Call positions:

- \* Community Service Supervisor
- \* Unit Manager
- \* LPN
- \* RN
- \* Account Executive/Sales
- \* Cashier
- \* Receptionist/Clerical Worker
- \* Pre-Primary Teaching Assistant
- \* Youth Program & Facility Attendant

For current job listings, complete job announcements, applications and closing dates contact: KBIC Personnel Department, 16429 Bear Town Road, Baraga, MI 49908-9210 or 906-353-6623, ext 4176 or 4140 or visit: [www.ojibwa.com](http://www.ojibwa.com).

**Ojibwa Recreation Area**

**PUBLIC WELCOME**

FULL HOOK-UP  
 SHOWERS  
 RESTROOMS

**Ojibwa Campground Rates**

**Inland Powwow Side Camping**

Tent daily (tribal member)	\$ 5.00
Tent weekly (tribal member)	\$ 15.00
Tent daily (non-tribal member)	\$ 10.00
Tent weekly (non-tribal member)	\$ 40.00
RV daily (tribal member)	\$ 10.00
RV weekly (tribal member)	\$ 35.00
RV daily (non-tribal member)	\$ 15.00
RV weekly (non-tribal member)	\$ 65.00

**Lake Front Camping**

Tent daily (tribal member)	\$ 7.00
Tent weekly (tribal member)	\$ 35.00
Tent daily (non-tribal member)	\$ 15.00
Tent weekly (non-tribal member)	\$ 75.00
RV daily (tribal member)	\$ 15.00
RV weekly (tribal member)	\$ 60.00
RV daily (non-tribal member)	\$ 20.00
RV weekly (non-tribal member)	\$ 100.00
Dump station	\$ 8.00
per season	\$ 20.00

**Pavilion**

Tribal member	free
Cleaning deposit	\$ 15.00
Non-tribal member	\$ 20.00
Cleaning deposit	\$ 15.00

**Marina Mooring**  
 (prices per foot for the season)

Tribal member	\$ 8.00
Non-tribal member	\$ 10.00
Boat Launching/day	\$ 2.00
Boat Launching for season	\$ 20.00

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