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## KBIC TRIBAL COUNCIL SHOW SUPPORT TO MIGI ZII WA SIN (EAGLE ROCK) PROTESTORS



Pictured in front of Migi zii wa sin, are protestors from numerous tribes with the KBIC Tribal Council following a Council meeting held at Eagle Rock on May 8, 2010. Left to right, (front row) - Travis Green, Levi Tadgerson, Charlotte Loonsfoot, Council member Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews, Glenn Bressette, Jr., Jen Engstrom, Myrna Johnson, (center row) - Georgenia Earring, Gretchen Emery, Vice President William (Gene) Emery, Council member Elizabeth (Popcorn) Mayo, Council Secretary Susan J. LaFernier, Council member Isabelle Welsh, Council member Toni Minton, Council's Recording Secretary Peggy Minton, KBIC Conservation Officer Anthony Loonsfoot, (back row) Council member Frederick Dakota, President Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr., Council member Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., and Council member Michael LaFernier, Sr. Photo compliments of Greg Peterson.

Determined members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community have been joined by fellow Native Americans from neighboring communities in a peaceful protest being held at Migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock) in the Yellow Dog Plains region where Kennecott Eagle Mine has began drilling for a sulfide mine. The protest began in late April, and protestors state they are there to stay "for as long as it takes."

Levi Tadgerson, a Bay Mills Indian Community member said, "We are defending the water; we are defending our treaty rights and our right to practice our culture. We're defending our right to live a healthy life and have our kids live a healthy life."

The Tribal Council visited Migi zii wa sin and the protestors as they reconvened their monthly Council meeting at the site. President Swartz began with, "What we are doing here today is trying to save Mother Earth. Mother Earth is crying for our help, and we are here today to try to support her and try to save the fish, the swimmers, the crawlers, the flyers and the four-legged. I am real honored to be here and why we are here today is really important. Our brothers and sisters are making us aware that the Kennecott Mine has begun to mine at Migi zii wa sin. This sulfide mine process is going to have some detrimental effects to the environment, not only to our ground water but to the streams that are nearby, and we all know that those streams feed into Lake Superior, and Lake Superior is the largest and freshest body of water in the world."

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community and numerous environmental groups are concerned with the damage the sulfide mine will do to our water and land. In addition, Migi zii wa sin has been a site of Native American ceremonies for centuries. These groups have spent a tremendous amount of dollars in legal fights and continue to do so against the Kennecott Eagle Mine Company.

In his address at the Council meeting held at Migi zii wa sin, Council member Frederick Dakota stated, "We have spent \$4,380,000, which was a report on a paper I received last week. Everyone in the judicial system is smiling. This Rio Tinto is a foreign corporation. They have come over here, and they are very close to the boundaries of our reservation. It is certainly going to be doing something to us in terms of fish in Lake Superior and the deer on this land. Those are things our forefathers gave to us. Life at that time was pretty simple, and they were very smart people, but they knew the simple ways. That was to have shelter, keep warm, and have something to eat. Things have changed a lot. I don't know how we are going to take care of these problems that we have here. I do know that our Tribe is trying very hard and spending a lot of money to try to keep these people out of here. I don't know how much longer we are going to be able to hold up or how much money we are going to spend. Is there some other way that we can overcome this problem? The main thing is you have to make certain that nobody gets hurt out here...nobody. Be very careful. How

#### **Tribal Council Members:**

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
William E. Emery, Vice-President
Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary
Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews, Asst. Secretary
Eddy Edwards, Treasurer
Toni Minton

Elizabeth D. Mayo Michael F. LaFernier, So Jerry Lee Curtis Frederick Dakota

Gary F. Loonsfoot, Si Isabelle H. Welsh



#### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Council visits Migi Zii Wa Sin
- May 8, 2010 Tribal Council meeting
- KBOCC Honors Ceremony and Commencement
- KB Head Start Graduation
- WHIPP Skin Awareness Walk
- KBIC Holds Foster Home Recruitment Dinner
- DHHS Superior Spirit Award Winner for June
- 2nd Annual KBIC Environmental Fair Held
- 2010 KBIC Spring Cleanup begins
- New Employees



Levi Tadgerson, an anishinaabe man, said, "We are here to stay. We're here to learn our culture, our language. A lot of us would like to regain our culture and some of the things that were taken away from us. Come on out, and check it out. Everyone is more than welcome. Anybody, any race, any religion, we'd be glad to have you. We are very appreciative of the Tribal Council coming out today."

#### MAY 8, 2010 — TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on May 8, 2010, at the Tribal Center Conference Room. Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr., presided over the meeting with William E. Emery, Susan J. LaFernier, Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews, Eddy Edwards, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFernier, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth D. Mayo, Toni Minton, and Isabelle Helene Welsh present. President Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr. shared numerous *Thank* You and For Your Information items addressed to Council. Reports were given for April 2010, by President Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr. (page two), Secretary Susan J. LaFernier (page three), and CEO Larry Denomie III (page four). Council passed the Department Head Reports for March 2010.

Michael LaFernier, Sr., sought permission to repair a Terex Fork Lift the Tribe purchased some time back and with which they are having quite a bit of problems with now, but it is a good machine. It needs a power steering pump and some transmission work needs to be corrected before someone gets injured. Mr. LaFernier talked with workers at Terex and has located an individual who can repair the machine for a maximum amount of \$5500. Motion by Frederick Dakota to authorize the Tribal Construction manager to spend up to \$5500 to fix the Terex Fork lift, supported by Eddy Edwards, ten supported. 0 opposed, 0 abstained, one absent (Curtis), motion carried.

At the conclusion of the CEO report, discussion on the current health care building renovation project resulted in a motion. Motion by Elizabeth D. Mayo to appoint Bruce LaPointe as the Project Manager of the Donald A. LaPointe Center renovation, supported by Eddy Edwards, nine supported (Emery, S. LaFernier, Matthews, Edwards, Dakota, M. LaFernier, Loonsfoot, Mayo, Welsh), one opposed (Minton), 0 abstained, one absent (Curtis), motion carried.

Eddy Edwards was on the agenda with the donation requests for the month. Motion by Susan J. LaFernier to table all donations until a policy can be developed, supported by Toni Minton, nine supported (Emery, S. LaFernier, Matthews, Edwards, Dakota, M. LaFernier, Loonsfoot, Minton, Welsh), one opposed (Mayo), 0 abstained, one absent (Curtis), motion carried. Consensus of the Council was to meet on Thursday, May 13, 2010, for a work session to develop a donation policy.

Council moved into closed session with KBIC Tribal members with Marquette 2% requests on the agenda. Following closed session, Council reconvened at Migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock). See Eagle Rock article page one.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

#### KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRESS RELEASE—MAY 5, 2010

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Will Seek Permanent Access to Eagle Rock For Tribal Members

Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President of the Tribal Council, issued the following statement today:

"I am announcing today that the Community has agreed to meet with Kennecott to discuss permanent access to our scared place migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock) which is located within the proposed Eagle Mine site, without, however, waiving any rights the Community or its members have in connection with contesting the construction and operation of Kennecott's proposed mine."

#### **APRIL 2010 PRESIDENT'S REPORT.**

The following is a list of activities that occurred in the office of the President for the months of March and April 2010.

- The Recodification of the Tribal Code Book is being reviewed by Yvette Friisvall.
- Decisions were made on the renewal rates of Blue Cross and Blue Shield with an additional insurance card that is complimentary to the Blue Cross and Blue Shield card. The decision was made to help deter the rising costs of health insurance.
- I attended an Inter-Tribal Council (ITC) meeting in Sault Ste. Marie. We discussed the community's request regarding additional funding from ITC for our HeadStart/ Early HeadStart program. The board of directors heard our request and decided to support the community's resolution of the relinquishment of their services, allowing the KBIC to operate its own tribally run high quality and inclusive program to meet the educational, health, and social needs of our children and their families.
- I met with Custom Chassis, Inc. officials Matt Tipple and Mike Huhn. They are looking for companies that can assist them with the manufacture of parts and distribution for their Power Platform Truck. The Council decided not to pursue this business venture.
- of Ho-Chunk, Inc. Lance is a Harvard educated lawyer who has helped many Tribes form business development corporations, enact business codes, and understand issues revolving gas distribution and taxes, and cigarette taxes. Oweesta paid for Mr. Morgan's traveling expenses, and we requested Lance to address topics including the evolution of Ho-Chunk, Inc., the best structure for KBIC to pursue business opportunities and creating 8(A) companies. Lance wants to meet with Council preferably on a Monday in the near future.
- Early in the month, I informed Congress of our concerns relating to the PACT Act. The ACT empowers state governments to enforce federal law. It also forces tribes to report their Tribal tobacco sales to the states which is a direct infringement on sovereignty and treaty rights. In addition, we have significant economic concerns. Most notably it will destroy our economy by eradicating jobs, as well as Tribal revenues that support Tribal members. Unfortunately the PACT Act passed without the Senate even taking a vote. The U.S. Constitution has what is called the Indian Commerce Clause. This basically says that Congress has the power to regulate commerce with the Indian tribes. I also wrote a letter to President Obama, on behalf of our members, requesting that he seriously consider a Veto to the PACT Act bill, given the importance of tobacco sales to our Tribal economies. Unfortunately again, the President signed the bill.
- The Council decided to construct a greenhouse at the hatchery site in L'Anse.
- I signed a letter of support for the next enhancement grant from IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services). This grant will be specific to KBIC's Early Head Start and Head Start in the following ways: introducing the children to how a library functions; introduce children to books by reading to them, 0-3 year olds will participate in "lap sit" where an adult will look at a book with the child, purchase books for all classrooms, and encourage parents to bring their children to the library where with every visit they will earn "library bucks."
- GLIFWC informed the Community that LVD is submitting a letter to the State of

- Michigan on behalf of LVD and other Wisconsin bands regarding Tribal walleye harvest guidelines, coordinated declaration on border lakes, the use of gillnets and stream segment harvest in the portion of the 1842 ceded territory hat has been declared for harvest by the LVD Band.
- The Community has filed a lawsuit hoping to overturn a state permit for a nickel and copper mine. We're saying the project does not meet legal requirements for protecting the environment. In addition, we've said Kennecott Eagle Minerals Co.'s application didn't prove the project would avoid damaging rivers, groundwater and other natural resources in the Yellow Dog Plains region of Marquette County.
- I received a press release from the White House informing the Community that the President signed into law the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, the health insurance reform bill passed by Congress. In addition to reducing our deficit, the President goes on to say making health care affordable for tens of millions of Americans, and enacting some of the toughest insurance reforms in history, this bill also permanently reauthorizes the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, which was first approved by Congress in 1976. As a Senator, President Obama cosponsored this Act back in 2007, because he believed it is unacceptable that Native American communities still face gaping health care disparities. Congress' responsibility to provide health services to American Indians and Alaska Natives derives from the nation-to-nation relationship between the federal and Tribal governments. By signing the bill, they have taken a critical step in fulfilling that responsibility by modernizing the Indian health care system and improving access to health care for American Indians and Alaska Natives.
- This year the Council allowed its Tribal members to spear Portage Lake. Overall the fishing went well. Most of the fishermen were pleased that they were allowed to exercise their treaty rights in the manner they did.
- I wrote a thank you letter to express our appreciation to Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez for the heating assistance that we have received from Citizens Energy and CITGO Petroleum over the past year and to request that he continue the program.
- I wrote a letter to the administrator of EPA Region 5 requesting government to government consultation regarding the Eagle Mine Project in Marquette County. I told her of the Community's objection to Kennecott's withdrawal of its application for an Underground Injection Control permit for its Freated Water Infiltration System (TWIS), which will inject over 500,000 gallons of partially treated mine waste water into the local ground water. Region 5's decision on whether or not to require Kennecott to obtain a UIC permit is very critical to the Community's efforts to protect, not only the ground water in the ceded territory, but also to prevent the destruction and desecration of our sacred place known as Migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock) which will occur as a consequence of the construction and operation of the proposed mine. This meeting will occur next Friday, May 14, 2010.

This concludes my report for the month.

Respectfully submitted, Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr., President

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2010.

Activities reported by the Secretary, Susan J. LaFernier, for the month of April 2010.

We all need to commit to do our part to protect our environment and change the world. I hope that you have been learning how to save and conserve energy to protect our Earth if you are able. I continue to emphasize that every month is "Energy Awareness Month," and our theme for the year is "Commit to Conserve." There are simple everyday conservation measures we can all easily commit to. There are also everyday measures we can do to reduce air pollution, conserve water, reduce/reuse/recycle/re-buy materials, and prevent pollution in general. Once again, October was Energy Awareness Month! This year's theme, "A Sustainable Energy Future—Putting All the Pieces Together" encourages you to see yourself as a piece of a large puzzle, fitting into the big picture, shaping our energy future, and moving our nation toward energy independence. All of this information is available on the EPA.gov and energy.gov websites.

Thank you to everyone who cares and protects our earth and water every day. It is our responsibility: Tribes, residents, municipalities, businesses, and visitors need to protect and restore the quality of Lake Superior's (and all of our lakes) waters, land, and wildlife. The lakes have always been and always will be important to the quality of our life.

Thank you to all who have continued to commit to our Adopt-A-Road program. The designated routes from last year have been cleaned and we also have more volunteers this year. Handouts are given out to volunteers on "How to Clean Up a Roadside Safely." On April 7, I met with Scott Swanson from the Baraga County Road Commission regarding the locations for the new blue Adopt-A-Road signs in Baraga, L'Anse, and Zeba (photos will be taken). Litter gets blown, it gets thrown, and it gets dumped. PLEASE DON'T LITTER—PICK UP LITTER AND REPORT LITTERING.

We have been working on the completion of the comprehensive plan, the updated personnel policies, and other policy concerns.

We continue to have monthly meetings with our employee W.H.I.P.P. (Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention Program) Task Force, volunteers and our Blue Cross representative/ Employee Benefits Agency. The members of the task force developed a mission statement that reads: "The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention Program (W.H.I.P.P.) is dedicated to improving and maintaining the general health and well being of our employees, dependents, and community members. Our goal is to provide information, activities, motivation, services, and recognition to enhance the ability of people to better manage their own health, improve their quality of life, and reduce their risk of disease and injury. Positive lifestyle choices develop a culture that is focused on celebrating and improving the quality of life for all. It is never too late to encourage positive lifestyle changes that will help us live longer, healthier, happier lives. On April 29th, the Task Force and volunteers sponsored an "Employee Skin Cancer Awareness Walk" at the KBOCC parking lot as April was Cancer Awareness Month. Employees were given additional time at lunch to attend (including the Casinos). There is still time to submit a nutritious recipe to Barb Mayo at the Baraga Casino for the "Employee Nutritious Recipe Cookbook." Thank you to everyone who prepared, setup, and helped at the walk. Sunscreen and information was handed out and there were prize drawings. Many employees wore their favorite crazy hat. I wore my Easter bonnet. There is currently an employee "Walk Your Way to Wellness" walking challenge taking place from May 2-August 7, 2010, with

prizes being awarded during each of the five segments, and there will be two grand prize winners. Be watching for special events/ healthful information every month.

On April 28, Chris, Fred, and I attended the Ojibwa Community College's BIA Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) Exit Interview Review Team visit. The college received a favorable review, and they were presented many suggestions on possible funding and other changes that need to be made for accreditation.

On March 11 and 12, KBIC, Huron Mountain Club, National Wildlife Federation, and the Yellow Dog Watershed Environmental Preserve, Inc. filed "Petitions for Review of Final Determination and Order of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Concerning Part 31 Groundwater Discharge Permit No. GW1810162 and Part 632 Nonferrous metallic Mineral Mining No. MP01 2007 in the Circuit Court for the County of Washtenaw in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The oral argument date has changed from May 26, to June 2, 2010.

The MIDNRE received a request from the Kennecott Eagle Minerals Company to modify the groundwater discharge permit for the infiltration design for the Eagle Rock Mine project that is related to the UIC (underground injection control) permit that requires approval by the EPA. Kennecott then announced that they no longer needed the permit from EPA. KBIC has submitted a letter to EPA officials explaining our concern and the numerous reasons why this modification would still require Kennecott to acquire a UIC permit. As of this time, we have not heard a response from the EPA on the permit requirement. There also should be a decision/response soon on the proposed Woodland Road permit from the MDNRE.

On April 21, I attended a panel discussion at Northern Michigan University on the Eagle Mine Project and the DVD "Mining Madness, Water Wars: The Great Lakes in the Balance" with Yale and NMU students which Jessica Koski scheduled. Miigwech and our appreciation to all of our brave and courageous members and friends who have been and are taking care of Migi zii wa sin during the past few weeks and to Jessica Koski for attending the Rio Tinto Shareholders meeting in London in April. Also please see the press release that was issued on May 5, from the Office of the President of KBIC.

Please continue to call/write your elected officials and Governor and tell them that the short term benefits are not worth the harmful long term effects on our health, rivers, Great Lakes, wood and wild places because of the great potential for acid mine drainage. Please call me or write if you would like to review the National Wildlife Federation's DVD "Mining Madness, Water Wars: The Great Lakes in the Balance."

Remember to continue to pray for and honor all of our special mothers and women in our lives on Mother's Day-May 9th. Also remember all of our veterans, service men and women, and their families, especially on May 31st-Memorial Day. Be watching for the annual Memorial Day Services at the Pinery with a potluck picnic feast to follow. Be watching for information (signs at the Pinery) on how you can help with identifying old and forgotten graves, or please call me with information. There will be many landscape changes at the Pinery because of last year's fire, and please be helpful by abiding with directions to protect this sacred place. Only certain areas will be cleaned this year to help slow the erosion.

Our congratulations to all of our high school and college graduates! Also remember those who are ill, have lost loved ones in the last year, and our economy struggles. Let us be thankful for our beautiful area, and we pray for peace in the world, good health, and happi-

ness.

We also 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. Remember "Indian Country Counts—Our People, Our Nations, Our Future!"

Remember 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. 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."

During April 2010, the Tribal Council had one Regular Tribal Council Meeting on April 10, 2010. This meeting is covered in the May 2010 Newsletter. Tribal Council held six Special Council Meetings. Following are motions from April.

At the council meeting held April 1, 2010, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the meeting minutes of November 5, 6, 7, and 12, 2009;
- Approved a new business license for John E. Varline for JJ Pawn Shop;
- Approved Resolution KB 1742-2010 and the Adoption Agreement for the 401-K Plan and waived the approval of the minutes:
- Approved purchasing Smart phones/ Service for the Tribal Court judges;
- Approved an amendment to the Government and Enterprises Personnel policies regarding a signed doctor's statement for excessive sick leave;
- Approved a \$1,000 donation to Lois Bogda regarding her son's terminal illness;
- Approved to interview six candidates for the Baraga Casino General Manager and pay for their flight or mileage and a one night stay;
- The Council found that special circumstances exist which warranted an exception for the regulations to initiate the proposed plan for a special walleye spearing harvest in Portage Lake for 2010, at a 6% harvest of walleye and designated a landing site at Portage Lake;
- Approved the Tribal Environmental Agreement between KBIC and EPA's Region 5;
- Approved tabling two requests for merit increases until the CEO develops a policy within 60 days;
- Approved the Professional Services Agreement between KBIC (ANA Grant Project) and Janet Marr to provide plant specialist assistance;
- Approved the First Amendment to Services Agreement between KBIC and Justin Marzke.

At the council meeting held April 15, 2010, the following actions were taken:

- Approved the meeting minutes of November 13, and 19, December 3, and 5, 2009;
- Approved the payment of New Day's past due UPPCO bill for \$8011.55 because of a defective meter:
- Approved the request from the Baraga County Community Foundation to use Tribal roads for the July 10th annual (Denise Marth) memorial benefit fundraising event;
- Approved a donation request for a kitchen stove for Debbie Williams to be purchased from Ojibwa Building Supply and pay the difference after the emergency fund not to exceed \$500;
- Approved a donation request for \$250

- worth of gift cards as door prizes for the Veterans/Seniors presentation on prescription costs/diabetic supplies;
- Approved a donation request for \$921 for rooms for the Seniors to attend the MIEA Spring Conference;
- Approved the Agreement (for products and services) between KBIC and Ceridian Corporation (for employee assistance program services) effective April 15;
- Approved (after a tie vote) to offer the position of Executive Director Gaming Commission to Dale Shalifoe at a Grade 10.

At the council meeting held April 16, 2010, the following actions were taken:

- Approved Cheryne Clements as an applicant for the KBOCC Board of Regents;
- Approved the Agreement between KBIC and Integrated Designs, Inc. (IDI) from Marquette for the architectural and engineering services to design the Early Childhood Education Center Project to be located on the east end of the KBOCC parking lot.

At the council meeting held April 22, 2010, the following actions were taken:

- Approved a donation of up to \$250 in gift cards for the Kid's Bowling Tournament at the Whirl-i-gig;
- Approved Resolution KB 1744-2010 Residential Lease for Jody Joki;
- Approved Resolution KB 1745-2010 Residential Lease for Brenda McKittrick;
- Approved Resolution KB 1746-2010 Residential Lease for Kim Knapp;
- Approved Resolution KB 1747-2010 Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan for 2010 -2013;
- Approved a donation to Cheryl Bogda for

- \$500 for travel expenses to Milwaukee to visit her terminally ill brother;
- Approved the First Amendment to Services
   Agreement with Stephanie Pinnow;
- Approved the Services Agreement with Yvette Friisvall for the proof-reading of the recodification draft of the KBIC Code;

#### **Gaming Commission**

 Approved Action #032-2010 KB-05-10 Class I Social Gaming License for the Baraga American Legion Post 444 in Baraga, Michigan, and waived the license fee

At the council meeting held April 23, 2010, • the following actions were taken:

- Approved to postpone the May 1, Regular Saturday Council meeting to May 8, and to meet at Migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock);
- Council met in closed session with John Baker and Chuck Brumleve.

At the council meeting held April 29, 2010, the following actions were taken:

- Approved a motion to reconsider the May 8th Tribal Council meeting to be held at Eagle Rock. The business of the meeting will be heard at the Tribal Center at 9:00 a.m. on that Saturday, then the Council will reconvene at Eagle Rock;
- Approved a motion to write a letter to Amanda Bloxten regarding supportive services that are available if she moves back to the reservation, to be signed by the President;
- Approved the bid from Lake Ruth Marine for a boat and trailer for the Tribal Police/ Conservation Department pending the review of the grant requirement/procurement policy and President approval;
- Approved to waive the first reading of the

- Title 16 Motor Vehicle Code amendment 2010-04;
- Approved a donation of \$200 to Barbara Mantila for travel expenses for a medical appointment;
- Approved the reimbursement of \$136 for a bus ticket and approved a travel advance to Hope Dakota for travel to South Dakota to pick up her daughter;
- Approved \$250 for Rebecca Rasanen's physic's class trip to Chicago;
- Approved \$265.78 co-pay for Cody Blue's surgery;
- Approved the bid from Ojibwa Builders for the partial removal/replacement of the roof at the Tribal Police Department (former Tire Shop);
- Government Grievance #002-10, approved that both employees will be supervised by the CEO's office and required both employees to attend EAP;
- Approved the Amendment to Special Counsel Contract between KBIC and Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP;
   Gaming Commission:
- Approved Action #029-2010 (6) new employee gaming licenses;
- Approved Action #020-2010 (1) Employee Gaming License Transfer (Marquette);
- Approved Action #031-2010 Renewal of Gaming manufacturer/distributor license for Aristocrat Technologies, Inc.;
- Approved Action #033-2010 that there was a WICS violation and concurs with management requiring a five-day suspension.

Respectfully submitted, Susan J. LaFernier, Secretary

#### CEO REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2010.

The new Early Childhood facility location has changed slightly. The initial plans had the new facility connected onto the community center on the west side. Council has determined that the best location for the new facility would be on the east side just off of the existing parking lot of the community center. Staff has revised plans, and it is estimated that construction will begin in July of this year with an anticipated completion date of January 2011.

On April 27, President Swartz and Sarah Smith, Assistant CEO, met with the Inter-Tribal Council of MI Board. The board is comprised of leaders of the consortiums' participating Tribes. Discussion of the transitioning of the Head Start and Early Head Start Programs to KBIC from ITC resulted in new and conflicting information related to the grantee process. The new information now provides a third view relating to the process. After further discussing the matter with Council, the CEO's office will request from the Office of Head Start a written process for which we should follow.

The Casino Task Force met and discussed options for the development of a comprehensive plan. Initial consultations and proposals will be sought to aid the task force in the development.

The WHIPP Task Force held a Skin Cancer Awareness event which was in conjunction with National Cancer Awareness Month. Participants were asked to wear hats to the event which included walking, a healthy snack, skin cancer awareness information, and prize drawings. The event also promoted and called for participants to sign up for the Walk Your Way to Wellness Challenge. The event will run from May to August and participants were given pedometers and a log book to keep track of their steps. Throughout the challenge, gifts for participating, segment goal prize drawings and prizes for meeting the entire challenge goal will be awarded. The event has over 200 employees participating and this list is still growing.

The Second Annual Natural Resources Department Environmental Fair was held on April 22, which is National Earth Day, and took place at the community center. The NRD staff is commended for their efforts in organizing and putting on the annual event.

Meetings to roll out the new health care plans took place the week of April 26. Bonnie Nelson of Employee Benefits provided detailed information on the changes including the need to carry and present an additional health care card when utilizing covered services.

The new equipment purchase approved by Council for the Pines Convenience Center is being installed in early May. The business was temporarily closed while new cash register equipment was installed. New fueling dispensers have been installed with limited interruption to customers. The final installation will include graphic and marketing software to operate the monitors located on the gasoline dispensers of which a date has not yet been set. The new equipment places the credit card transactions in PCI compliance well in advance of the required July 2010 deadline.

With the end of the school year drawing near, the Summer Youth Work Program planning is underway. Jodene Rasanen will serve as this year's Coordinator and will begin working the week of May 10, in a limited capacity until the school year ends. The Summer Youth Supervisors positions are posted for interested individuals to apply and will also be hired during the month of May. Applications for the youth to apply will be available mid-May.

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

#### 2010 KBIC FORESTRY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The KBIC Education Department announces the availability of the 2010 KBIC Forestry Scholarship applications. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has a vital interest in the preservation of the land and forests on and near the reservation. The Tribal Council has approved two scholarships for college students pursuing Forestry degrees. The scholarship amount is \$2,500 twice a year for up to four years. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal member
- Resident of Michigan, Wisconsin or Minnesota
- Attending an accredited college/university in Michigan, Wisconsin, or Minnesota
- Enrolled as a full-time student
- Pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Forestry documented by their college

Eligible students must complete an application, submit an essay detailing their interest in their chosen field and submit a copy of their official transcripts (high school or college).

For more information and to request an application, contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117, or at <a href="mailto:amy@KBIC-nsn.gov">amy@KBIC-nsn.gov</a>. The application deadline is August 2, 2010, at 4 p.m.



The KBIC Head Start and Early Head Start will begin accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year beginning March 1, 2010 thru June 25, 2010. Applications will be available at the KBIC Tribal Center, KBIC Health Clinic, and KBIC Head Start and & Early Head Start Center, or by calling 524-6626 and asking for Barb.

#### Press Release—Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Will Seek Permanent Access to Eagle Rock For Tribal Members continued:

Recently, Kennecott has announced that it intends to commence ground preparation activities at the Eagle Mine site, including fencing the perimeter of the site, even though the mining permits are still in litigation. This activity would deny our members their ability to engage in their traditional cultural practices at migi zii wa sin – denying our members their right to practice their religious heritage at migi zii wa sin.

The Tribal Council, after reviewing the current issues associated with the sulfide copper and nickel mine that Kennecott Mining Company has proposed to construct on the Yellow Dog Plains, has reaffirmed the Community's opposition to the mine in light of substantial risk of negative environmental impacts of the mine on Tribal members and future generations and Kennecott's proposed desecration of migi zii wa sin — a place that is sacred to members of the Community.

Since 2004, the Community has expressed significant concern regarding the adverse environmental impacts that the mining of sulfide minerals will have on the environment and the health and welfare of Tribal members for the next seven generations.

In order to address these concerns, the Community and other concerned parties - the National Wildlife Federation, the Huron Mountain Club and Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve have engaged numerous recognized environmental and mining experts to conduct an extensive review of the Kennecott mining plans. These experts found major technical deficiencies in Kennecott mining plans - deficiencies that could lead to major and long-term environmental degradation of an important portion of the Community's ceded territory, including potential contamination of surface water, ground water, and the waters of Lake Superior, mine subsidence, and acid mine drainage which will result in severe and lasting adverse impacts to plant and animal life in the ceded territory where the tribe has reserved treaty rights to hunt, fish and gather.

In addition, an assessment by the Community's Tribal Historic Preservation Office has concluded that migi zii wa sin is a place that has been sacred to the members of the Community and their ancestors for hundreds, if not thousands, of years and that Kennecott's proposed mine construction, and operation will desecrate and, perhaps, even destroy this sacred place which is eligible for listing on the National Historic Register as a traditional cultural property of the Community.

Accordingly, the Community and its copetitioners have filed legal actions contesting the adverse impacts that the Kennecott mine will have on the environment and, especially, on migi zii wa sin. This litigation is now in the Michigan Circuit Court which will conduct an independent review of the adverse impacts the mine will have on the environment and on our sacred place - migi zii wa sin. We will be asking the Circuit Court to reverse and set aside the permits which the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment granted to Kennecott for the mine."

## WHIPP WALKING CHALLENGE WINNERS ANNOUNCED

Congratulations to Nancy Kauppila, a Baraga Casino Bar employee and Mary Linden, Public Health Nurse at the LaPointe Health Center who were selected as the WHIPP Walking Challenge segment one winners. They each will receive a one year gym membership. Way to go girls!

Keep up the good work everyone, segment two drawings are just around the corner.

### KBIC FORESTRY SCHOLAR EXCELS IN HIS FIRST YEAR



A KBIC Forestry Scholar completed first year with a 4.0 GPA. Jerry Jondreau, received the KBIC Forestry Scholarship in 2009, and chose Michigan Technological University's School of Forest Resources and Environmental

Science to pursue a bachelorette degree in Forestry.

Jondreau will be assisting a master's student with his research this summer and will be participating in a program through the National Science Foundation known as Research Experience for Undergraduates. states, "I will be conducting my own research and will intern with Bureau of Indian Affairs Forester, Dave Osmak. I will also be fighting wildfires with the Beartown Firefighters." Jondreau's research will involve measuring the respiration rate of tree roots in five different cover types; Eastern Hemlock, Northern Red Oak, Jack Pine, Aspen and Red Pine. He will be sampling the soil and extracting the tree roots from the soil. The roots will be immediately put into a CO2 reading machine, and the levels will be measured. This program will involve the complete scientific method, and the results will be published in a scientific journal. Jondreau states, "My advisors for this research will be Dr. Andrew Burton of Michigan Technology University and Mickey Jarvi, a master's student. I am very excited and honored to be chosen to conduct this research, and I appreciate everyone's help for supporting me through my college endeavor, especially my family."

Jerry Jondreau is the son of Robert and Lynda Jondreau, and the grandson of the (late) Boyzie and Meno Jondreau. Jondreau previously attended college in California and on the reservation at KBOCC where he took general educational and environmental science courses. Jondreau also participated in the MICUP program in 2008 which is offered in coalition between KBOCC and Michigan Technological University.

Congratulations Jerry on the 4.0 GPA and keep up the good work. We expect great things from you.

~ submitted by newsletter editor.

# 2010 ANN MISEGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The KBIC Education Department announces the availability of the 2010 Ann Misegan Memorial Scholarship applications. The scholarship amount is \$1,000, twice a year for up to six years, and will be awarded to a new student each fall. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal member
- Attending an accredited college/university
- Enrolled as a full-time student
- Pursuing a degree in a Health Care field
- Resident of Baraga or Marquette County

Eligible students must complete an application, submit an essay detailing their interest in their chosen health field and submit a copy of their official transcripts (high school or college).

For more information and to request an application, contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117, or at <a href="mailto:amy@KBIC-nsn.gov">amy@KBIC-nsn.gov</a> The application deadline is August 2, 2010, at 4 p.m.

## WHIPP TASK FORCE HOLDS SKIN CANCER AWARENESS WALK



Participants in the Skin Cancer Awareness Walk — (above) Angela Kelly (left) and Kim Klopstein (right), (below) Cheryne Clements (left) and Lisa Denomie (right).



The W.H.I.P.P. Task Force held a Skin Cancer Awareness Walk on Thursday, April 29, 2010, at the KBOCC parking lot. Sixty-four government and enterprise employees participate in the event which was to raise awareness of skin cancer. Participants received cancer related educational pamphlets, sunscreen, and a healthy snack. Participants were encouraged to wear goofy hats. WHIPP organized the event with KBOCC donating the use of their parking lot, informational and registration tables were donated by the Youth Club, and Eagle Radio provided music from their trailer. Employees were also able to sign up for the five segment walking challenge, Walk Your Way To Wellness.

Prize winners for the Baraga Skin Cancer Awareness Walk were: \$50 Pines Card—Lisa Denomie, Cheryne Clements; \$25 Pat's Foods Card—Laura Mayo, Lynn Velmer; \$20 Larry's Market Card—Gina LaBeau, Vicki Emery, Jeannie Kauppila, Mary Tikkanen, Beth Connor.



Marquette Employees, left to right (standing) Jim Nardi, Pete Wessman, Cathy Woodward, Kathy Pleaugh, Arica Fassbender, B.J. Ouelette, Pat Mager, (kneeling) Linda Hough, Bonnie Nelson, Shelley Bal, David Haataja, and Vickie Laporte.

Marquette Enterprise employees participated in a Skin Cancer Awareness Walk on April 29, 2010, in the Ojibwa Casino II parking lot. Prize winners for the Marquette Skin Cancer Awareness Walk were: \$25 Walmart Gift Card—Cathy Woodward, Linda Hough.

~ submitted by newsletter editor.

#### **COUNCIL VISIT EAGLE ROCK CONTINUED:**



(Left to right) Council member Frederick Dakota, Mitch Bolo, Council member Isabelle Welsh.

much money we are going to use, I don't know. But those are things that have to be discussed by this group and by our Council."

Council secretary, Susan J. LaFernier addressed the group and stated, "I would like to say thank you to everyone who has worked and helped over the last six years, actually since 2004. It has been a long journey for a lot of people protecting Eagle Rock, the land and the water for the next seven generations. May our God and Creator be with you until we meet again."

President Swartz concluded with letting everyone know what the Community has been doing with regards to the Kennecott Mineral Company coming here. "The Community has filed a lawsuit hoping to overturn the State permit for a nickel and copper mine. The project, we feel, doesn't meet legal requirements for protecting the environment. I wrote a letter to EPA Region 5 requesting a government to government consultation regarding the Eagle Mine Project here in the Yellow Dogs in Marquette County. I told the new director of our objection to Kennecott's withdrawal of its application for an Underground Injection Control permit for its Treated Water Infiltration System. Kennecott has asked to meet with the Community, and I issued them a letter informing them the Community will seek permanent access to Eagle Rock for Tribal members." (See separate press release).

The protestors have built a kitchen, a sweat lodge, council lodge, and wigwams, at the base of Migi zii wa sin. Charlotte Loonsfoot, a KBIC Ojibwe ikwe, states, "This is our clean



KBIC Tribal Council pictured above at Migi zii wa sin (Eagle Rock). Left to right (front row) Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews, President Warren (Chris) Swartz, Jr., Toni Minton, Secretary Susan J. LaFernier, (back row) Vice President William (Gene) Emery, Frederick Dakota, Elizabeth (Popcorn) Mayo, Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., Isabelle Welsh, Michael LaFernier, Sr. Photo compliments of Greg Peterson.

water and our land, and we don't want this mine here."

~ submitted by newsletter editor.



#### KBIC HOLDS FOSTER HOME RE-CRUITMENT DINNER



Judith Heath, KBIC Tribal Social Services Director, co-sponsored the event. Heath spoke of the rewards of becoming a foster parent.

KBIC Indian Child Welfare—Justice Committee and Tribal Social Services cosponsored a recruitment dinner on Wednesday, May 12, 2010, to recruit foster homes for children who are in need. The event was held at the Big Bucks Bingo Hall in Baraga, Michi-

President Warren (Chris) Swartz gave the welcome at the evening's event saying, "Each May in celebration of National Foster Care Month, we salute the dedicated, compassion, and commitment of people who make a difference by serving as foster parents. The Council is continually impressed by the positive impact our foster parents make in the lives of children and youth in need. These partners are a critical part of our service team to provide youth with what they need most: a safe

place to live, adults who are invested in their success, and hope for the future."

The evening events included an honor song by Four Thunders Drum, poems written by Sally Brunk and Samantha Tolonen, and Judith Heath and Lori Muhlig were featured speakers with a message.

Lori Muhlig, a foster parent who recently has been appointed to the KBIC Indian Child Welfare—Justice Committee, spoke of the rewards one receives from helping a child in need. "What you get back is unmeasureable. Yes, you do get attached. How can you not? That is one of the most important things for a child in the foster care system. The child needs to know that

#### **KB Head Start Graduation**



KBIC Child Development HeadStart held their Graduation Program on Friday, May 14, 2010, at the HeadStart Center in Zeba, Michigan. Each graduate received a certificate from HeadStart staff and a gift from the Tribal Council. The young graduates sang four songs (ABC's; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, once I caught a fish alive; and in Ojibwe — Ambe, Giiwedaw; Boozhoo) for their audience. Graduates, family, and friends enjoyed a feast following the ceremony.

The 2010 HeadStart Graduates are: Edward Bice-Field, Easton Clements, Makenna Decker, Jayden Denomie, Harley Geroux, Aleshanee Hutchison, Ross Jaukkuri II, Darious Loonsfoot, O'Dell Loonsfoot, Edwin Lopez, Daniel Nieskes, Cody Owens, Kylie Peterson, Thomas Rasanen, Javon Shelifoe, Brian Spruce, Kylie Szaroletta, Mariana Teikari, Hailey Tellin, and Nathan Velmer.

~ submitted by newsletter editor.



#### **KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES**

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#### KEWEEENAW BAY OJIBWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE HONORS CEREMONY AND COMMENCEMENT



Graduates Ryan Koski (left), and Betti Szaroletta (right). Missing from photo Christopher Chosa.

KBOCC held their Honors Convocation and Commencement Ceremony on Saturday, May 1, 2010, at the Niiwin Akeaa Center, with three graduates receiving diplomas. Christopher Chosa, a Fall 2009 graduate, received an Associate of Arts, Liberal Studies with Native American Emphasis; Betti Szaroletta, a Spring 2010 graduate, received an Associate of Applied Science, Early Childhood Education; and Ryan Koski, a Summer 2010 graduate, received an Associate of Arts, Liberal Studies.

Timothy Shanahan, Chairman of the KBOCC Board of Regents, served as Master of Ceremonies. Four Thunders provided music for the processional, honor song and recessional. The KBIC Honor Guard led the processional and posted the colors. Invocation was given by elder, James (Jay) Loonsfoot, Sr. Debra Parrish, KBOCC President, pre-



Tribal council member Frederick Dakota as he gives the Council's address.

sented the welcome for the ceremonies, and Council member, Frederick Dakota, gave the Tribal Council's address.

This year, KBIC member, Doreen Blaker gave the commencement address. Ms. Blaker is a past Council member of six years, has served the KBIC Community as an employee for 16 plus years, and is currently the Tribal Court Advocate. She has been on the youth committee, firefighting committee, cultural committee, and the Indian child welfare committee, and she enjoys volunteer work throughout the Community. Doreen has a Bachelor's of Social Science/Pre-law. She is a mother of five and a grandmother of two with two more on the way. In her spare time she enjoys bowling and watching sports. During her speech, Ms. Blaker told the audience,

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Doreen Blaker as she gives the commencement address.



E Halverson as he performs during the commencement ceremonies.

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#### **KBOCC Graduation continued:**

"Education is a powerful tool that can help preserve and protect our tribe's interests. It can empower our Tribal people to break down the barriers of misunderstanding regarding our treaty rights. Education keeps us adaptable to this fast paced world of technology and is used to enhance our Ojibwa culture, tradition, and beliefs, and to teach our version of history and how we see the past."

Cherie Dakota and Megan Shanahan presented Scholastic and Honor Awards to several students from the Spring, Summer, and Fall 2009 semesters (listing at conclusion of article).

Ryan Koski received the Student of the Year Award. Ryan has participated in KBOCC student events and organizations, participated in the MICUP summer internship program at Michigan Technological University, is a role model for younger people of the community, and is also the KBOCC 2010 valedictorian.

Betti Szaroletta received the Zoongide~enini Award. The name of the Zoongide~enini Award was gifted to the college by Kelly Dowd in memory of her son. The award is presented to a student who exemplifies courage and perseverance in overcoming obstacles to the student's educational goals. The student is chosen by faculty for being an outstanding example of bravery, responsibility, diligence and good spirit.

E Halverson received the Outstanding Freshman Award. E participated in the Student Leadership Seminar, participated in the drafting and ratification of the student government by-laws, participated in student cultural events, and represented KBOCC at the AIHEC student conference. E was able to do all of these things while maintaining excellent attendance and academics in the class-

Shelly Danielson received the Volunteer Student Award—the Spirit of Leadership Student Volunteer. Shelly has been involved with both student government and student leadership, often volunteers to help set up for meetings, does the leg work to get projects started such as paper recycling project and fundraising projects for the student government, has mentored and tutored fellow students, and has set up study groups.

Students chose Erin Johnston as Faculty member of the Year. Erin has been very involved in KBOCC's accreditation process and assessment process to ensure KBOCC students are getting the solid educational base for work in their field. She has just begun her teaching career and has already enhanced the KBOCC environmental science program. Johnston was nominated by the students because "she brings enthusiasm and encouragement into each class she teaches, and she strives to make power points, labs and homework fun."

Graduates, families and friends were enlightened by the talented E Halverson's musical abilities. While playing the guitar, E sang two beautiful songs, I Wanna Be Me and So Here Is Mine, which were solely composed by E as well. The Community was stunned by the magnificent beauty of his voice.

Congratulations to the graduates and the awardees.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

#### **Department Awards**

Early Childhood Education — Kim Maki Environmental Science — Shelly Danielson

**Liberal Studies** — Ryan Koski

Writing Award — Shelly Danielson

AMP Awards — (Scholar Recognition) Shelly Danielson, Georgenia Earring, Cindy Knapp; (Scholar Achievement) Shelly Danielson; (Alumni) Charlotte Loonsfoot.

#### Scholastic Honors 2008-2009

Dean's List

Chris Chosa, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Shelly Danielson, Fall 2009 Ryan Koski, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 **Honors List** 

Cindy Knapp, Fall 2009

**Scholastic Achievement** 

Veronica Adams, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Karen Anderson, Fall 2009 Catherine Andrews, Spring 2009 Joseph Augustine, Summer 2009 Rebecca Augustine, Summer 2009 Samantha Bach, Summer 2009, Fall 2009 Raymond Cadreaus, Spring 2009 Agatha Cardinal, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Anita Chosa, Fall 2009 Brandon Chosa, Spring 2009

Cynthia Curtis, Fall 2009 Cherie Dakota, Summer 2009 Hope Dakota, Summer 2009 Shelly Danielson, Spring 2009, Summer 2009 Katelyn Darcy, Summer 2009 Cody Dingeldey, Summer 2009 Jerri Duschaine, Spring 2009 Philomena Ekdahl, Fall 2009 Emily Evans, Fall 2009 Joseph Fedie, Summer 2009 Melissa Fish, Summer 2009 Yvette Friisvall, Summer 2009 Darlene Genschow, Fall 2009 DeAnna Hadden, Spring 2009 John Hebert, Fall 2009 Brook Hiller, Spring 2009 Danielle Hueckstaedt, Fall 2009 Michelle Hoggard, Fall 2009 Erin Johnston, Summer 2009, Suzanne Kahkonen, Spring 2009 Rachel King, Spring 2009 Gary Loonsfoot, Jr., Summer 2009 Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., Summer 2009 James Loonsfoot, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Kim Maki, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Nissa Morningstar, Spring 2009 April Niemi, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Carol O'Hare, Fall 2009 Debra Parrish, Spring 2009 Rose Picard, Spring 2009 Elizabeth Sherman, Spring 2009 Betti Szaroletta, Spring 2009, Fall 2009 Jeanne Tehako, Summer 2009

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College announces honor students for Spring 2010 se-<u>mester</u>

Casey Trevethan-Lahti, Spring 2009

#### Deans List (3.5-4.0 GPA with 12 or more credits)

Shelly Danielson

Ryan Koski Danika Strong

E Halverson Honors List (3.0-3.49 GPA with 12 or more credits)

Cynthia Knapp

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

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

### KB Foster Parent Recruitment Dinner contin-

they belong somewhere. If your heart gets a little banged up, it is a small price to give a child a place that is safe for them. It is worth the heartache." Lori and her husband, Bill Muhlig, have been foster parents for the past two years. Lori states, "Sometimes even more important than, who am I? Is, whose am I? We have an extreme need for foster families. It takes a whole Tribe to raise children."

KBIC is in great need of foster parents. Foster parenting is a rewarding sense of community service. If you are interested in more information on how you can help a child in need, please contact Isabelle H. Welsh, at the Tribal Social Services, by calling (906) 353-4201.

~ submitted by newsletter editor

#### Why Should I Care About Land Management?

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has embarked on a project to create a land use management plan. "So what?" you might say. What does this mean to me? Even if most people can come together and agree on a vision for the future of the Tribal lands, how can anyone be sure that vision will become reality? This article will give you a few things to think about because your help is needed to create and support the management plan.

Why should you care about land management or land use planning? Let's think about livability,

mobility, equity, and sustainability.

What makes your community livable? Livability means having good places to live, work, and play. It means having safe streets, functional and efficient community services, and healthy physical environments. Livability means the freedom to enjoy beautiful landscapes and be part of the natural environment. It means that your home is protected against the future placement of a junk yard, heavy manufacturing facility, or any other incompatible use next door. It means being assured that the important community gathering areas and culturally important places will continue to be held as sacred and protected for future generations. It means being assured that your investment in property is secured by an agreed community vision. It means understanding that each new building or use on Tribal lands plays a part of an evolving context and is not just an isolated object. Every building or use impacts the overall impression and health of the community.

What is mobility? Mobility has to do with accommodating efficient movement between places. It means improving the access of community members to facilities and services. Communities should be designed with the mobility needs of residents in mind. How many people must depend on alternative forms of transportation for mobility? This may include those who don't own cars and those who can't or choose not to drive (youth or elders). Communities that are designed in a more compact development form make the provision of public transit more economical. When we plan residential

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#### FOOD DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM ON **INDIAN RESERVATIONS**

#### **NET MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS\*** FOR THE 48 CONTIGUOUS UNITED STATES AND ALASKA

(Effective October 1, 2009)

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Household Size	Income Limits	Income Limits
1	\$1,044	\$1,369
2	\$1,356	\$1,759
3	\$1,667	\$2,149
4	\$1,991	\$2,539
5	\$2,329	\$2,929
6	\$2,666	\$3,334
7	\$2,978	\$3,724
8	\$3,290	\$4,114
Each addi- tional member	+ \$312	+ \$390

\*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.

#### Income Deductions—see 7 CFR 253.6(f)

**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.

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

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#### **Keweenaw Bay Indian Community** Natural Resources Department





#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual KBIC Environmental Fair



The KBIC Natural Resources Department held the second annual Environmental Fair to celebrate Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The event provided environmental education to area schools and community members. Attending the event were approximately 200 kids from L'Anse, Sacred Heart and Arvon schools and over 60 community members.

Several organizations attended the event to provide educational information and hands on learning experiences including, USDA / Baraga County Conservation District, Plum Creek, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Baraga County MSE Extension/ 4-H, MTU Engineers without Borders, Smokey the Bear, Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College Environmental Science Program, MTU GEM Center for Science and Environmental Outreach, KBIC Conservation, KBIC Cultural Committee/THPO, and Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission. The KBIC Natural Resources Department provided several displays and activities related to water quality, fisheries management, wildlife management, solid waste, hazardous waste, brownfields, composting, and native planting and harvesting.

According to participants and teachers attending the event it was a huge success. The Natural Resources Department plans to conduct the Environmental Fair annually around Earth Day.

~ submitted by Todd Warner





W.H.I.P.P. (Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention, Program) Task Force

#### **MISSION STATEMENT:**

"The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Wellness, Health, Intervention, Prevention Program is dedicated to improving and maintaining the

general health and well being of our employees, dependents, and community members. Our goal is to provide information, activities, motivation, services, and recognition to enhance the ability of people to better manage their own health, improve their quality of life and reduce their risk of disease and injury. Positive lifestyle choices develop a culture that is focused on celebrating and im-

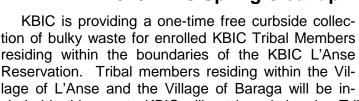
Thanks to our dedicated employee task force and volunteers!

June 6-12, is "National Headache Awareness Week." A miserable headache is painful as well as expensive. The related costs of absenteeism and health care total over 50 billion per year. Causes of ordinary headaches include eye strain, tension, stress, bad posture, caffeine, dehydration, and strong scents. Tips for headache prevention: get stress under control, keep a headache diary, exercise regularly, and think comfort and ergonomics (proper posture), and drink plenty of water which is good for all.

June 14-22, is "National Men's Health Week." While both men and women have their own unique health concerns, men are sometimes more likely than women to let their health needs go unnoticed and are less likely to see a doctor. In the U.S., men live on average seven fewer vears than women. We encourage all of our men to obtain their screenings, especially your blood pressure and cholesterol to keep your hearts, veins, and brains healthy, and learn about stress relief. Remember PREVENTION PAYS: prevention and early detection are the keys to fighting cancer and other diseases! Although no prevention measure is guaranteed to stop cancer, there are steps to take to help decrease the risk: maintain a healthy weight throughout your life; adopt a physically

#### ATTENTION KBIC TRIBAL MEMBERS

#### 2010 KBIC Spring Cleanup





cluded in this event. KBIC will not be reimbursing Tribal members residing in the Village of Baraga for participation in the Village of Baraga Spring Cleanup event this year. KBIC Spring Cleanup curbside pickup is for Tribal member residences only. Businesses and non-Tribal residences are not included in the KBIC Spring Cleanup.

Tribal Members who wish to participate must place waste at the curbside or road side directly in front of their residence by the morning of the FIRST DAY for PICKUP ON THEIR STREET ROUTE (listed be-

Elders or Tribal Members with physical disabilities who are not able to move their waste to the curbside can call Tribal Construction (353-6950) for special arrangements.

L'Anse Village Tribal Member Residents must call Tribal Construction with their name and address before June 11th to ensure they are included in the collection.

Baraga Village Tribal Member Residents must call Tribal Construction with their name and address before June 17<sup>th</sup> to ensure they are included in the collection.

#### L'Anse Collection Routes; June 7th through June 11th

June 7th: Brewery Road, Vuk Road, Dynamite Hill Road, Barbo Road, Indian Road, Silver Road, Arvon Road, Herman Road.

June 8th: Hannila Road, Skanee Road, Townline Road, Biltonen Road, Heath Drive, Ford Farm Road, Haataja Road, Pikes Peak Road.

June 9th: Jentoff Road, Haanpaa Road, Indian Cemetery Road, Tailor Road, Whirligig Road, Marksman Road, Zeba Road, Johnson Roads, Pequaming Road, Aura Road.

June 10th: Power Dam Road, Usimaki Road, Maki Road, Dog Patch (Old 41), Lee Road.

June 11th: Village of L'Anse Tribal member collection. Village of L'Anse Tribal members must call with name and address to arrange for pickup prior to June 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### Baraga Collection Routes; June 14th through June 17th

June 14th: Beartown Road, Guy Road, M-38 from the Village of Baraga limits to Baraga Plains Road, Lindblom Road, Wadaga Road.

June 15<sup>th</sup>: Mission Road (north of Tribal Construction to Lindemann Road), Ben Road, Tangen Road, Carlson Road.

June 16th: Lindemann Road, US-41 outside of the Village of Baraga, Shippy Road.

June 17th: Village of Baraga Tribal member collection. Village of Baraga Tribal members must call with name and address to arrange for pickup prior to June 17<sup>th</sup>.

ALSO - On June 18th, Tribal members can also drop off waste at Tribal Construction between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. This is a one time only drop off and waste will not be received any other day aside from June 18th.

#### The following items and types of waste WILL NOT be accepted during Spring Cleanup - Please call with any questions about acceptable wastes:

Hazardous waste, batteries, liquids, oil & oil filters, paint, antifreeze and coolants, yard waste, tires, radioactive materials, fluorescent bulbs, explosives, wood preservatives, weed killers, solvents, propane tanks, pesticides, or loose trash. CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS is not acceptable and, if present, will be left at the curbside. Waste piles that consist of a mix of acceptable and unacceptable waste may not be collected. Loose trash MUST BE BAGGED. Loose waste not bagged may not be collected. White goods (refrigerators and freezers) must have doors removed or they will not be collected.

If you are unsure about your pickup date, or if you are included in the Spring Cleanup, or if you have other questions, please contact the KBIC Natural Resource Department (906) 524-5757, or Tribal Construction, at (906) 353-6950.

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

To place an ad, submit an article, or relate information or ideas on possible articles contact Lauri Denomie at newsletter@kbic-nsn.gov



# Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Authority

website: 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 memberowned 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:

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- 1. Down payment assistance for home purchase;
- 2. College tuition and expenses for residents;
- 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:
- Surplus FEMA mobile home program for Tribal members;
- Stipend program covering mileage and child care expenses for residents attending college;
- Affordable curbside trash service for residents and members;
- Prescription subsidy program to reimburse Tribal elders and disabled households for prescriptions purchased;
- 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.

# The New England American Indian Economic Development and Procurement Conference

The New England American Indian Economic Development and Procurement Conference will be held on June 22, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The event will take place at the Embassy Suites Boston – at Logan Airport, in Boston, Massachusetts. The exhibitor space will be FREE, as will conference admission for attendees.

This event will be comprised of government procurement workshops; exhibits by prime contractor companies, government agencies and nonprofits; and networking opportunities. Various workshops will be given throughout the day including: How to Get on the GSA Schedule, Selling to the State of Massachusetts, Doing Business with the DOT, Understanding the "Buy Indian" Act, and many more.

The conference will be sponsored by the Turtle Island Procurement Technical Assistance Center (PTAC), Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, and UIDA Business Services.

For more information, please contact the Turtle Island PTAC: 651.917.0819 or <a href="mailto:wfreier@aiedfloans.org">wfreier@aiedfloans.org</a>.

#### **ATTENTION KBIC MEMBERS**

The 2nd Reading of the Proposed Amendment to the Tribal Code Domestic Relations Ordinance 2010-05 will be held on Thursday, June 10, 2010, in the Tribal Center Conference Room following the special Council Meeting.

The Tribal Council will receive verbal and written comments from Tribal members at the public hearing in accordance with the Legislative Process public hearing procedure adopted by the Tribal Council.

Copies of the proposed Ordinances are available at the Tribal Center, KBIC Donald LaPointe Medical Center, Pines Convenience Center, Ojibwa Senior Citizens Center, Tribal Court, Commodity Foods Center, Ojibwa Housing Office and Ojibwa Community College. Copies are also distributed to all Departments within the Tribe.

#### OJIBWA COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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## WHAT ABOUT EMPLOYMENT AND START-ING A BUSINESS?

Go to www.mel.org/bizandjobs. It is the business and jobs gateway. You can browse career exploration resources and take job search courses. You can access all Michigan Works! sites for job-search resources.

When your child comes home from school and tells you he/she has to write a paper citing four sources, and only one can be from the internet, you can go to MeL and find the other three sources of information in the form of books, newspapers, journals, and magazines.

Good luck and have fun with this wonderful resource.

#### W.H.I.P.P. continued:

active lifestyle; eat a healthy diet; if you drink alcoholic beverages, limit consumption.

Healthy men, women, and children move our communities forward!

On May 3rd the first U.S. National Physical Activity Plan was released at a press event in Washington D.C. The plan has a vision: One day, all Americans will be physically active and they will live, work, and play in environments that facilitate regular physical activity. The plan aims to create a national culture that supports physically active lifestyles. Its ultimate purpose is to improve health, prevent disease

and disability, and enhance quality of life.

Remember the summer events: "Walk your way to Wellness" Walking Challenge, May 2—August 7, 2010; and the "Denise Marth Memorial Family Fun Run," July 10, 2010, 9 a.m.—noon. Miigwech and have a happy summer!

#### "A Time to Remember"

Thank you for remembering our deceased veterans and our loved ones on Memorial Day May 31st. Continue to also remember all of our veterans and those currently serving in the military. Let us also remember our disabled and hospitalized veterans. Among our fellow citizens today are 3.4 million veterans with service-connected disabilities. They amount to 1.5% of the entire U.S. adult population. "Invisible wounds" of the mind are just as debilitating as lifelong physical wounds sustained on the battlefield. We all have a never-ending debt to these and all veterans who sacrificed for our country. On Memorial Day and every day, let's pay tribute, pray, and give a National salute to all of our veterans at home, hospitalized, disabled, and actively serving.

~ submitted by Susan J. LaFernier

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!

## Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Employment Opportunities



#### 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

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

- Clinical Social Worker open until filled
- Family Aide (on-call) open continuously

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.

## New Employees Lending Library &



Dale Shalifoe was recently hired as the Executive Director of the KBIC Gaming Commission. Dale is a 1990 L'Anse High graduate who began his career in gaming at our Baraga casino shortly after graduation. Not long after that, he moved away to work on the newly constructed riverboat, the Casino Belle, in Dubuque, Iowa. Dale has since held gaming licenses in Iowa, Illinois, Michigan and Missouri. He has ten years of table games experience working for corporate casinos such as Ameristar and Station Casinos.

Dale decided to move back to the Upper Peninsula in 2000 to raise his family and pursue higher education. He graduated in 2006 with a degree in Economics from Northern Michigan University. He is currently pursuing an Apprenticeship within our tribe's Ojibwe Language Revitalization Program with Earl Otchingwanigan.



John Varline, Jr., was recently hired as the Post Disposition Probation Officer with the Tribal Court. John is a 2009 graduate of Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor's in Criminal Justice. John had interned with the Tribal Court in the Summer of 2009

John is the son of Kerry and John Varline, and has been a resident of Baraga County all of his life. John enjoys softball, basketball, and fishing in his spare time.

# THIRD ANNUAL"DREAM CATCHER" AWARD RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED

KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Center announced the selection of this year's recipients for the third annual "Dream Catcher Award" in celebration of the NAEYC National Month of the Young Child. This year's award goes to a deserving individual whose service to early childhood education and family literacy has easily qualified her for this special honor.

The "Dream Catcher Award" recognizes the contributions of community individuals to the success of children through their efforts in the areas of early childhood education, social services, parenting or mentoring. Through this award, KBIC Even Start spotlights the people who make a positive difference in the lives of young children in our community. The 2010 Dream Catcher Award is presented this year to Lisa Denomie, director of the KBIC Preprimary Education Program.

"We were pleased with the number of nominations that were submitted for this year's award," stated award organizer, Gail Juntunen of the KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Center. "Lisa was the overwhelming People's Choice –and deservedly so."



Lisa Denomie (center) is shown above with the two individuals who nominated her for the award, Kelly Dowd (left) and Vicky Mleko (right). Photo compliments of Even Start student, Leia Renfro.

As one of her nominator's put it, "Lisa has an outstanding way of relating to our youth and is always very creative in her teachings. She goes the extra mile!" Denomie is a long-time early childhood educator and was a former preschool teacher at KBIC Head Start before taking the lead in the Tribal preprimary program. A graduate of Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College, she currently provides educational leadership for teachers in her early childhood program.

As the 2010 recipient of the "Dream Catcher" Award, Lisa was honored at a luncheon hosted by KBIC Even Start adult ed students at its center on Wednesday, April 28<sup>th</sup> where she received her certificate and a handcrafted dream catcher.

"We would like to thank the people who took the time to submit nominations for this year's award," stated Juntunen. "Nominations were submitted for outstanding parents, teachers, paraprofessionals, and other service providers for the early childhood education programs of Baraga County. Each nominee was a deserving individual, and we applaud their efforts, thanking them for all they do to enrich and support the lives of children in our community."

~ submitted by Gail Juntunen

## The DHHS Superior Spirit Award Winner for June.



Suzan Ollila, RN, is the DHHS Superior Spirit Award winner for June. Sue was nominated by two co-workers who said, "Sue is willing to help me when I ask. She takes the time to explain things if I have questions. She multi-tasks on a daily basis, to help all of us in the medical clinic." "Sue has worked very hard as a case manager in advocating for patient care and continuity of care. She has spent a lot of time in coordinating services with outside agencies as well as following up on tasks assigned. Sue has been instrumental in learning the UPHP formulary and has trained staff on how to use the formulary for cost containment."

Suzan received a beaded lanyard for her name badge and is able to park in the spot specifically designed for the DHHS Superior Spirit Award winner. Congratulations, Suzan Ollila!!

## Why Should I Care About Land Management continued:

developments close to work and shopping areas, residents can choose to walk or bike to get the things they need. This creates independence and

encourages more healthy lifestyles.

What does equity mean to you? Does it mean that everyone in the community has a good place to live? Does this include the wild creatures that inhabit homelands as well? Equity also means environmental justice for the earth. To be equitable, communities must provide affordable housing and alternative living accommodations for various income levels and stages of life. Equity means that people with limited means don't have to live with undesirable land uses or environmental pollution next door to their homes while people with more money are protected. It means planning with a regional perspective, making sure there is a place and a future for everyone. It also means cleaning up contaminated properties, and preventing future misuse of environmental resources. Equity is planning for the protection of habitat for a diversity of wild creatures.

What is sustainability? Sustainability is frequently defined as development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It is usually divided into three components, including social, economic, and environmental sustainability, each impacting the other. Social sustainability has to do with strong families, forwardthinking leadership, respect for culture and tradition, good health, educational opportunity, stability, and safety. Economic sustainability means creating business and employment systems that adapt to change and address the talent and abilities of Tribal members. It may mean the wise utilization of natural resources to create more self-sufficient and resilient communities with clean energy options. Environmental sustainability means providing for the future health of life-sustaining resources such as the waters of Lake Superior, inland lakes and streams, forests, and natural habitats. For sustainability, there must be a balanced management of developed resources (such as residential, commercial, industrial, civic, transportation, communication, and utilities), life-sustaining resources (such as air, water, fisheries, wildlife), protected resources (cultural resources, wilderness, environmentally sensitive areas, recreation, and scenic areas), and productive resources (forestry, range, agriculture, and energy).

Land use planning means envisioning both the built and natural environment of the future. It means thinking about what you want to preserve, what needs to be improved, and what needs to be

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#### Proposed Protection/Preservation of the Pinery Cemetery, Public Meeting Wednesday, June 23, 2010, 5 p.m. At the Pinery Cemetery, Indian Cemetery Road, L'Anse

Please join Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Council representatives, Cultural Committee Representatives, and Tribal Historic Preservation Office representatives to discuss ideas to preserve and protect the Pinery Cemetery. Current conditions of the cemetery are a concern and need to be addressed. In order to preserve the cemetery, KBIC would like your input in developing a plan of action.

Proposed actions: erosion controls, cemetery mapping, burial identification, memorial wall, cleaning, removal of debris, and replacement of spirit houses.

#### **June 2010 Calendars Events**

**June 5** — Regular Saturday Council Meeting, 10 a.m.

June 7 — Spring cleanup begins

**June 10** — 2nd Reading of the Proposed Amendment to the Tribal Code Domestic Relations Ordinance

June 16 — Veterans meeting, 7 p.m.

June 20 — Happy Father's Day

June 21 — Summer beings

~ submitted by newsletter editor

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact 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 and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @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.



#### Why Should I Care About Land Management continued:

changed. Good communities don't happen by accident. They happen through the active participation of citizens in managing development processes.

Soon we will invite your participation in community workshops designed to envision the future of Tribal lands. Once we have the vision, we can figure out collectively how to make it happen. Making it happen means creating an understanding of the important criteria that you want future development to achieve. It means creating a decision-making tool that reflects KBIC values and goals.

We'll bring the food. All you have to bring is your ideas and your vision for the future. Come be a part of the creation.

For more information, please contact Kelly Drake, Planner, U. P. Engineers & Architects, <a href="kdrake@upea.com">kdrake@upea.com</a>, (800)862-6061, ext. 14, or Jason Ayres, KBIC Real Estate Director, <a href="jayres@kbic-nsn.gov">jayres@kbic-nsn.gov</a>, (906)353-4132.



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