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Primary election results

Tribe negotiating treaty rights



Members of the Election Committee look at questionable ballots during the primary vote count.

BY CORY WILSON

Thirty-four candidates vying for a seat as a tribal board of directors member was narrowed to 12 following the conclusion of the public ballot count on May 18. The primary election was required to reduce the candidate pool to twice the number of seats up for the election. Tribe members will get a voting choice of two candidates per open seat during the general election. The top two candidates garnering the most votes in the Unit II, III, and V primaries advanced to the general election. The top four candidates collecting the most votes in the Unit I primary will also advanced to the general election. All of the election units, except Unit IV, will be subjected to a primary election due to the number of candidates. Unit IV has only two candidates running for office, therefore candidates Denise Chase and Ron Powers will both appear on the general election ballot.

Six board seats are up for election this term, which include two seats in Unit I, one seat in Unit II, one seat in Unit III, one seat in Unit IV, and one seat in Unit V. All primary winners will appear on the general election ballot which is scheduled for distribution on June 1. The general election date is set for June 22.

The Sault Tribe's seven-county service area,

which includes Chippewa, Mackinac, Luce, Schoolcraft, Alger, Delta and Marquette counties are divided into five units. Each unit is represented by an elected tribe member who serves on the tribe's board of directors. The number of board representatives per unit is based on unit population. The 13-member board of directors is the governing body of the Sault Tribe. Each board member is elected to a four-year term by the tribal membership in a general election by a mail-in ballot.

The unofficial results of the 2006 primary election of the Sault Tribe Board of Directors indicated, Dennis McKelvie (933), DJ Hoffman (842), Darwin (Joe) McCoy (571), and Nathan Wright (512) were the top four vote getters in Unit I, therefore advancing all four candidates to the general election to compete for two seats up for election. Other Unit I candidates receiving votes included Ken Eagle (418), Steven Morello (361), Henry Bouley Jr. (322), Jackie Halfaday-Minton (305), Lynne Weaver (299), Charles Forgrave (249), Donna Marble (247), Sharon Fegan (204), Jason Oberle (131), Tom Rapson (118), Sheila Berger (99) and Toni Osterhout (90).

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BY CORY WILSON

Sault Tribe's negotiations with the State of Michigan regarding treaty rights and the tribe's sovereign right to self regulate their inland fishing, hunting and gathering rights has been a lengthy endeavor. The 1836 Treaty tribes were set to go to court this past January over the interpretation of article thirteen of the treaty which 'stipulate(s) for the right of hunting on the lands ceded with the other usual privileges of occupancies until the land is required for settlement.' The tribes and the state have a long history of differing opinions on what should or shouldn't be allowed when it comes to exercising these rights.

The Great Lakes portion of the initial trial was settled pursuant to a consent decree in 1985 and 2000. The inland portion of the case is currently being litigated and was previously scheduled for trial in January but the court agreed to a delay to allow for more negotiations. The option of reviewing and negotiating an out of court settlement was mutually agreed upon by tribal officials and the state. This issue is being scrutinized very carefully to ensure a settlement is in the best interest of tribe members. By reviewing the settlement option, the Sault Tribe has indicated they are not going to arbitrarily dismiss the idea of a settlement

without carefully reviewing and discussing the terms of the agreement. The tribes and the state have been negotiating since May 2005. Terms of the agreement are unable to be disclosed to the public, due to strict confidentiality agreement negotiated by both parties.

The Sault Tribe Board of Directors participated in several sessions during the last seven months to review any potential settlement.

The tribe has taken an active role in obtaining tribe member feedback regarding this issue. Early last fall, an extensive survey was conducted on tribe members' preferences for exercising the right to inland fish, hunt and gather. Over 3,000 members responded. Twenty-two public meetings were also conducted throughout the seven-county service area and northern lower Michigan to further obtain the concerns of tribe members.

Collectively, the tribal governing body has indicated they feel confident they have gained the important feedback needed from the membership in order to negotiate in the best interests of tribe members. Following the intensive collection of membership input, the board then voted 11:1 to authorize a team to negotiate a possible settlement consistent with tribal members' desires.

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Constitutional Convention Committee looking for member input

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

The Constitutional Convention Committee was formed to review and make suggestions for the development of a new tribal constitution. The 29-member committee began holding monthly meetings in March to gather tribe member input and suggestions. The monthly meetings are held throughout the tribe's seven-county service area and are scheduled to continue through the month of December.

Committee Chairman John Causley Jr. stressed the importance of all tribe members, regardless of where they live, becoming involved in the development of the new constitution. A Web page for those living out-

side the service area is available at www.saulttribe.com. Click on the constitution project link and choose from schedules, meeting reports, agenda and committee members. Committee members also welcome phone calls with your ideas and suggestions.

Causley said input from the Cheboygan and Sault Ste. Marie areas has been good but some outlying areas including St. Ignace, Hessel and Manistique need to become more involved. "Our youth and elders have a chance to change our tribal constitution. Some youth from the Youth Education and Activities (YEA) program in Hessel participated at the meeting there. We welcome youth participation; they

are going to be the tribe's future. Youth from Sault Ste. Marie also attended a meeting held in the Sault and I was impressed with them as well. We need more participation from tribal elders to guide the committee both culturally and spiritually. It is important they are there to do that," Causley said.

There are three areas the committee is addressing; judicial, legislative and executive functions. The committee recently completed their review and suggestions for changes to the judicial system, and is currently working on legislative issues. "We began the review of the legislative portion of this process at our meeting in Cheboygan and will continue

discussions at future meetings. Before moving on to the next area, which would be executive functions, the committee completes its review and suggestions on the topic it is currently working on. There are a lot of changes being made and issues that are being addressed," he said.

Causley said he is impressed with the 29 members of the committee. "For such a large group of people it is going amazingly well. There are about 25 committee members who have consistently made it to the meetings. There has been some conflict but we welcome it; it opens up communication. The personalities involved on the committee are good at getting the conversations going.

Even the membership who have attended past meetings have been impressed with how the committee gets into fact finding and open communications. The committee has been very successful in what it was asked to accomplish."

Causley said he encourages members to attend meetings to find out what issues are being discussed and evaluate what the committee is doing. "We are doing what we can to make sure the membership is aware of what the committee is doing and where the meetings will take place," he said.

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Trial rescheduled for lawsuit against former chairman

BY CORY J. WILSON

The trial date pertaining to the civil suit between the Sault Tribe, former Chairman Bernard Bouschor, and seven former key employees originally scheduled for June 20, 2006, has been rescheduled by the court.

The Sault Tribe filed to take legal action against former Chairman Bernard Bouschor and seven key employees in August of 2004, in an effort to collect the severance agreements paid out to the former employees in the amount of \$2.66 million. The Sault Tribe deems the authorizing of such payments was a breach of lawful authority, breach of fiduciary du-

ties, and fraudulent. This action was taken by the former Chairman Bernard Bouschor in June of 2004, following the incumbent's unsuccessful re-election bid. The Sault Tribe has since filed a civil lawsuit against the parties responsible to reacquire the severance payments.

The court has rescheduled the trial date for next spring, which is now set to commence on April 16, 2007. The duration of the trial is scheduled for nine days, and is projected to conclude on April 27, 2007 according to the court's scheduling order. Currently, both parties are conducting pre-trial research for the case. The location

of the trial will remain in Sault Ste. Marie.

Previously, as reported in local newspapers from a press release issued from the defendants, it was suggested that the case had been dismissed and/or that the Sault Tribe lost the lawsuit. As of today's date, the case still has not been decided in any way and the judge has not ruled for, or against, the defendants or plaintiffs regarding the severance payments issued by former Chairman Bernard Bouschor to seven high ranking employees and the Sault Tribe's desire to collect those funds.

YEA summer program announced

Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities is offering a free summer program from June 27 to July 27 for members between grades five and nine. The program is on Tuesdays Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and is available to the first 30 kids who sign up. Limited transportation is available for the first 12 participants who request it and live within the Sault Ste. Marie city limits.

Participants in the Circle of Life summer program will be given the unique opportunity to learn more about the medicine wheel, the four directions, seasons, and sacred medicines while having a fun time. The program includes one camping excursion, environmental lessons, hiking, video journals, computer games, regalia instruction, nutrition activities, Ojibwa language instruction, swimming and so much more fun.

For more information please call Laura Ermatinger or Jill King at Youth Education and Activities at ext. 52300 or email us at yeauit1@saulttribe.net. Hurry and sign up today!

April police report

Warrants:

- April 1, male, lodged Chippewa County Sheriff's Department (CCSD), no bond.
- April 9, male, FTA, lodged Mackinac County sheriff's Department (MCSD).
- April 9, male, lodged MCSD.
- April 14, female, FTA-50th Circuit Court, Lodged CCSD.
- April 18, male, lodged CCSD.
- April 21, male, 20, lodged CCSD.
- April 21, female, FTA, lodged MCSD.
- April 21, male, FTA, lodged MCSD.
- April 21, female, NSF, lodged MCSD.
- April 27, female, lodged CCSD.
- Minor in Possession:**
- April 6, male, 18, lodged CCSD.
- April 10, male, lodged MCSD.
- April 10, male, lodged MCSD.
- April 22, female, 18, lodged CCSD.
- April 23, male, turned over to parents.

Operating without a driver's license:

- April 20, male, issued citation.
- April 26, male, lodged MCSD.

Breaking and entering:

- April 2, male, 20, with MIP and MDOP, lodged CCSD.
- April 2, male, 19, with MIP and MDOP, lodged CCSD.

Furnishing alcohol to minors:

- April 4, male, 24, lodged CCSD.

Minor consuming:

- April 4, male, 18, no OPS, lodged CCSD.

Runaway:

- April 14, female, turned over to Youth Center.

No insurance:

- April 17, male, lodged CCSD.
- April 27, male, lodged MCSD.

Reckless Driving:

- April 18, male lodged CCSD.

Disorderly conduct:

- April 18, male, lodged CCSD.
- April 18, female, lodged CCSD.
- April 18, male, lodged CCSD.

Disorderly person:

- April 18, male, lodged CCSD.
- April 18, male, lodged CCSD.

MDOP:

- April 20, male, turned over to St. Ignace Police.

Probation violation:

- April 27, male, 19, lodged CCSD.

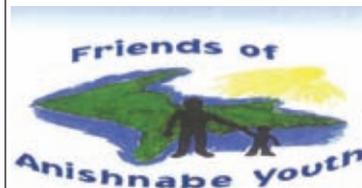
Violation of controlled substance Act:

- April 30, female, lodged MCSD.

Open intoxicant:

- April 3, male, 44, lodged CCSD.

Mentoring today for tomorrow's future



Mentor's job description

The Friends of Anishnabe Youth helps to empower youth in our community to make positive life choices that enable them to maximize their potential. The mentoring program uses adult volunteers to commit to supporting, guiding and being a friend to a young person for a period of at least one year. By becoming part of the social network of adults and community members who care about the youth, the mentor can help youth develop and reach positive academic, career, and personal goals.

Mentor's role

- Take the lead in supporting a young person through an ongoing, one-to-one relationship.
- Serve as a positive role model and friend.
- Build the relationship by planning and participating in activities together.

- Strive for mutual respect.
- Build self-esteem and motivation.

- Help set goals and work toward accomplishing them.

Time commitment

- Make a one-year commitment.
- Spend a minimum of eight hours per month one-to-one with a mentee.
- Communicate with the mentee weekly.
- Attend an initial two-hour training session and additional two-hour training sessions twice during each year of participation in the program.

- Attend optional mentor/mentee group events, mentor support groups, and program recognition events.

Participation requirements

- Be at least 21 years old.
- Reside within the seven county service area.
- Be interested in working with young people.
- Be willing to adhere to all program policies and procedures.
- Be willing to complete the application and screening process.

- Be dependable and consistent in meeting the time commitments.

- Attend mentor training sessions as prescribed.

- Be willing to communicate regularly with program staff, submit activity information, and take constructive feedback regarding mentoring activities.

- Have access to an automobile, auto insurance, and a good driving record.

- Have a clean criminal history.

- Not use illicit drugs.

- Not use alcohol or controlled substances in an inappropriate manner.

- Not be currently in treatment for substance abuse and have a non-addictive period of at least five years.

- Not be currently in treatment for a mental disorder or hospitalized for such in the past three years.

Desirable qualities

- Willing listener.
- Encouraging and supportive.
- Patient and flexible.
- Tolerant and respectful of individual differences.

Benefits

- Personal fulfillment through contribution to community and individual.

- Satisfaction in helping someone mature, progress, and achieve goals.

- Training sessions and group activities.

- Participation in a mentor support group.

- Mileage and expenses are tax deductible.

- Personal ongoing support, supervision to help the match succeed.

- Mentee/mentor group activities, complimentary tickets to community events, participant recognition events.

Application and screening process

- Written application.
- Driving record check.
- Criminal history check: State child abuse and neglect registry, sexual offender registry.

- Personal interview.

- Provide three personal references.

- Attend two-hour mentor training.

Free Laker camps

LSSU beach volleyball
June 12-14, Girls entering grades 8-12

LSSU boys basketball
June 26-29, entering grades 3-9

LSSU girls basketball
July 17-20, entering grades 4-12

All registrations are on a first served basis. Volleyball camp is limited to first 15 registrants, basketball camps are limited to first 50 registrants.

To register, call Jessica at (906) 635-7770. For youth who are Sault Tribe members.

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Sault Tribe interpretive center, or living museum, nearing design stage

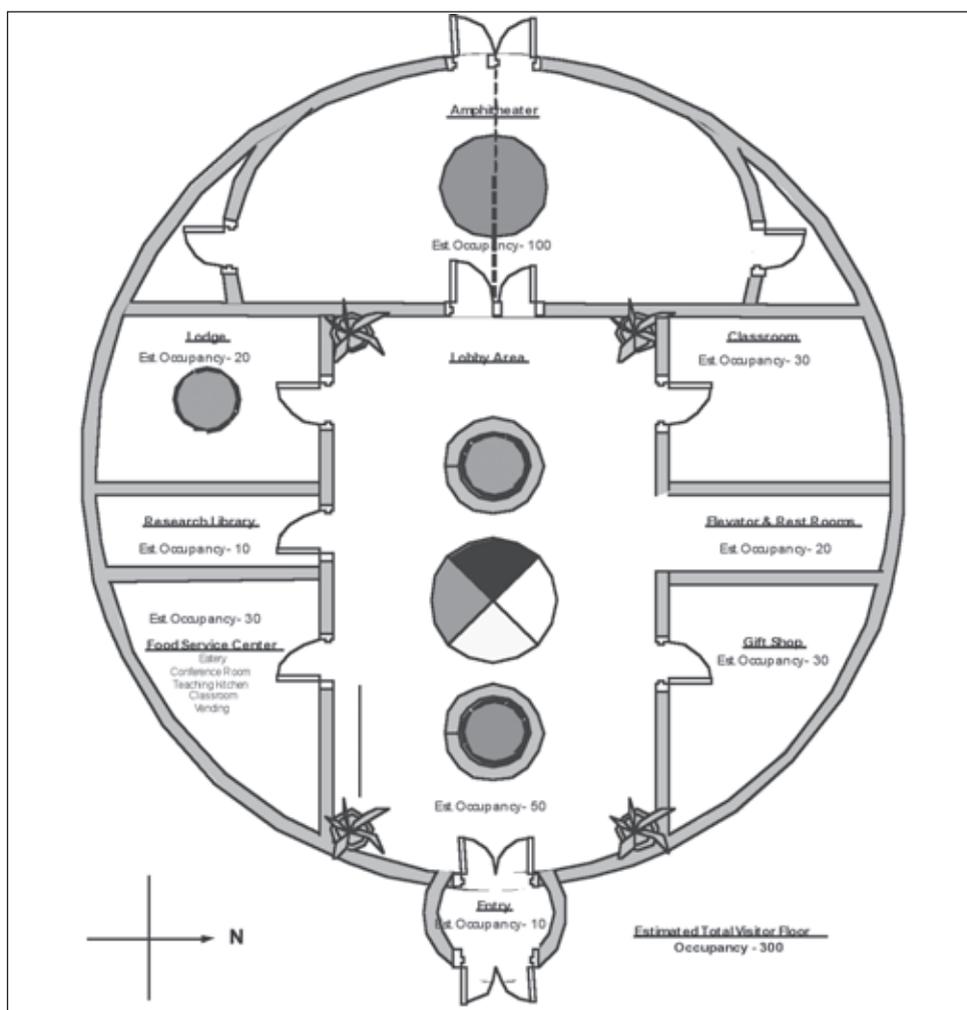
By BRENDA AUSTIN

Still in the planning stage, the Sault Tribe Culture Department is examining the possibility of designing an interpretive center, or a living museum, to be built somewhere within the tribe's seven-county service area.

Funded by a federal grant from the Administration of Native Americans (ANA), the planning phase of the project is almost complete. Historical preservation specialist and interpretive center planner Art Leighton said another grant was recently submitted to the ANA for the design phase of the center. "If we are lucky enough to secure the design grant from the ANA, then we will further develop the size and cost of the building and the necessary programs to be centered out of this facility. We don't have a location or the approval of the board of directors at this point. Hopefully, all the planning and design work will convince them this is a great project for the tribe. A well developed plan will save the tribe a great deal of money and time when they decide to pursue an interpretive center project," Leighton said.

Leighton and the Interpretive Center Planning Committee have visited other Native American tribes who have built museums and spoke with their museum professionals. "We have a good plan of what we want to accomplish. We are hoping to hear in September that we received the second phase of this grant which will enable us to continue with the design of the building," Leighton said. The committee visited the

Ziibiwing Center in Mt. Pleasant, Mich.; the Ojibwe Cultural Foundation, Manitoulin Island, Ont.; the George W. Brown Jr. Ojibwe Museum and Cultural Center, Lac du Flambeau, Wisc.; Fond du Lac Cultural Center and Museum, Fond du Lac, Minn.; the National Museum of the American Indian, Washington, D.C.; Mashantucket



Artist rendering of the proposed interpretive center to be built somewhere in our tribe's service area.

Pequot Museum and Research Center, Mashantucket, Conn.; and the Milwaukee Public Museum, Milwaukee, Wisc.

The center will be a cultural educational institute which will provide a variety of educational demonstrations and interactive displays of traditional art, Native fine art, pictographs, photographs, artifacts, archives, generational teachings, tribal

experience in the Great Lakes, American history, Canadian history, environmental teachings and natural resources.

In addition, the center will offer a food service center, research library, language resources, offices, archives, lodge, amphitheater, classroom space, gift shop and a large lobby area which will be used to display historic materials and could also be used for

weddings. The center, according to Leighton, will help raise awareness of Ojibwe culture and history and the significance of Anishinaabe people to the eastern Upper Peninsula and Great Lakes region.

The Culture Division will also operate a traveling interpretive center throughout the tribe's service area. The mobile center will provide traveling exhibits, demonstrations, activities, workshops and instructional programming.

"By awarding these economic development strategies grants, the ANA hopes to help provide an infrastructure for tribes. They want to see some sustainable programming built around the funds from the grant that will last after the funding is gone," Leighton said. "We have discovered that none of these facilities are 100 percent self sufficient. It takes a commitment from other funding sources once the design stage is complete.

"It is important to this project for our people to believe it is important to preserve our culture and history and support building an interpretive center. We want to promote who we are today and who we can be as a people tomorrow, as well as preserving our past. It will be a living museum."

The Interpretive Center Planning Committee will present the first phase of the project to the board of directors late summer of 2006 with the second presentation taking place at the end of the design grant by winter of 2007. "We are trying to give everybody as much information as possible to make a good decision," Leighton said. "After the second presentation the board of directors will have to decide if it is possible to begin the construction phase of the interpretive center. The earliest construction possibility is the spring of 2008 with a likely completion in the fall of 2009."

Rabies clinic for pets owned by tribe members

Lambert Health Center
225 WaSeh Dr., St. Ignace
Date: June 13
Time: 3-4 p.m.

Hessel Health Center
3355 North 3 Mile Rd., Hessel
Date: June 20
Time: 9-10 a.m.

Sault Tribal Housing Office
10 Woodlake, Kincheloe
Date: June 20
Time: 11-Noon

Chi Mukwa Recreation Center
Two Ice Circle Drive,
Sault Ste. Marie
Date: June 20
Time: 1:30-5 p.m.

K.I. Sawyer Tribal Housing
(former K.I.Sawyer AFB)
250 Voodoo Ave. - Gwinn
Date: June 6
Time: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Munising Tribal Health Center
M-28 -Wetmore
Date: June 6
Time: 1-2 p.m.

Newberry Tribal Health Center
4935 Zeez-Ba-Tik Lane
Date: June 6
Time: 3-4 p.m.

YEA Building-Escanaba
1226 Wigob
Date: June 13
Time: 9:30-11 a.m.

Manistique Health Center
5698 W. Hwy 2
Date: June 13
Time: 1-2 p.m.

For more information, contact Tom Sauro or Ann Pollman in the Sault and Kincheloe (906) 632-5210; Helen Beacom in Hessel (906) 484-2727; Angie Gillmore in St. Ignace (906) 643-8689; Joy Pages

at K. I. Sawyer, tribal housing (906) 346-3919; Diane Williams in Escanaba (906) 786-9211; Nancy Beauchaine in Munising (906) 387-4614; Kellie Lakosky in Manistique (906) 341-8469; or Sally Burke and Shirley Kowalke in Newberry (906) 293-8181.

• Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered.

• All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier.

• Animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

University of Arizona launches Web site for American Indians

By RICK SMITH

TUCSON, Ariz. — A new Web site geared to connect University of Arizona research and resources to Indian Country leaders, policy makers, students, educators and the general public was launched last month. All content on the site is designed to benefit all American Indians.

Robert Williams, Jr., a UA law professor and director of the Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy Program at the James E. Rogers College of Law, said the site, arizonanativenet.com, features breaking news, simulcast and videotaped lectures, workshops and conferences, up-to-date research and resources American Indian governance, grants, law, health, education, language and culture.

"It can serve all audiences, from university students to high school teachers to tribal leaders," said Williams.

Over a year in development, the site was designed by a team of distinguished faculty, academic professionals and information and technology specialists. A Congressional grant contributed to making the Web site possible.

The creation and launch of the site was a result of efforts by all departments of the university, Williams said. He added that two highly regarded UA American Indian academic programs led the

effort — the Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management and Policy and the Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy Program.

The Research Native Programs Collaborative, an effort to improve university services and outreach to American Indian communities, has provided and contributed to much of the educational and distance-learning content on the site, Williams said.

Louellyn White, an American Indian studies graduate student who began working on the site last January, said the best thing about it is that there will be an abundance of material available in one place. "Tribal communities are often left behind when it comes to technology, information and research results," she said. "This site will help them stay informed on the issues that effect their lives."

Williams noted, "The Internet can be a tool of tribal sovereignty. It can bring cutting edge research and information to the reservations."

So far, the Web site has been received with a positive response, with hits coming from on and off campus.

"It's a great resource up and down," said Williams. "There's really nothing like it anywhere in the world," Williams said.

Elections - Campaign abuses - Board travel



AARON A. PAYMENT, MPA
TRIBAL CHAIRPERSON

Enacting the 2006 Election Code

Following the 2004 Tribal Elections, Members insisted that several portions of our Election Code be revised to improve our election process. Just months prior to the start of the 2006 election cycle, the Tribal Board had not enacted any recommended improvements. The Election Committee held several sessions, but only a few Board Members attended. I finally had to call a series of special meetings to at least consider changes recommended by the Election Committee. One suggested change included the Election Committee's recommendation to lower the spending limits for Board candidates from \$20,000 to \$10,000 to give Members a chance to compete against incumbents who make \$67,000 a year. This vote failed.

One other key change included defining residency as a requirement to run for office. There was some disagreement on this issue, but we generally agreed that you must be a resident in the unit you wish to represent. Note that of 34,000 Members, about 22,000 of you (approximately 65%) are not eligible to run because of residency. One suggestion was that if elected, you would then move to the unit you are elected to which is the case across several states to serve in the U.S. Congress. For the record, the Tribal Constitution, Article IV - Governing Body, reads 'The voters of each the five (5) election units shall elect from within their qualified membership one member to the board.' This citation says nothing about residency, but instead references that eligibility be from among their unit membership. This is defined based on a voter's registration.

Though there was some debate, the final definition, through consensus, was defining residency where you file your federal taxes. Though, the response for some current candidates (who wish to eliminate their competition?) has made this issue a controversial one, the Board agreed to placing this change in a set of larger modifications in an omnibus bill. For changes expected to be controversial, these were placed in individual bills to allow for challenge via referenda without disrupting changes in the omnibus bill.

Now that the issue has become controversial, select Board Members have suggested we simply change the rules after the fact. This kind of arbitrary and capricious government to benefit incumbents - is wrong and

inexcusable. In the past, the Tribal Board made changes to disqualify candidates after elections began. This is corrupt and if it happens in 2006, I will make a direct appeal to the Members to put any such changes to a referendum. There are even a select few, desperately looking for someone to blame for their own actions, who have resorted to threatening lawsuits!

2004 CAMPAIGN ABUSES: UNITY TEAM??

Recall that in 2004, the former Chair endorsed a slate of candidates called the Unity Team. This included Cathy Abramson. Shortly after the Unity Team ads appeared, Director Cathy Abramson's niece (L.H.) had her entire education costs paid for at \$15,000 at a private college in California. This is nearly four times what our college students are eligible for their entire four years of college. These dollars were not budgeted so no legal authority existed to pay for Cathy's niece's education. This 'misappropriation of funds' will be forwarded to the Tribal Prosecutor for review and recommendation to an outside prosecutor for appropriate criminal and/or civil action.

GREEKTOWN MEETINGS & DETROIT TRAVEL

During recent meetings and in unit reports, a select few Board Members have suggested that the Tribal Board is being prohibited from being involved in the oversight of the Greektown Casino. Recall the previous allegation that financial secrets are being kept from the Board while some continue to fail to attend our monthly financial review meetings where all financial records are available for inspection. Like the previous claim, the current claim is just not true.

It has also been suggested that we are not having enough Greektown meetings. In fact, the Greektown Management Board (primarily comprised of the Tribal Board) has met nearly every month since July 2004 with some months having several meetings occur. We met in January, February, March, and May of 2006 so far. Though we did not meet in April 2006, we did have financial information presented to the Management Board on the fourth Monday of each of these months. Further, through a corporate action called a 'consent by majority resolution' we have made several corporate decisions as the need has arisen.

In the month of April 2006, though Director Rob Lambert traveled to Detroit without any legitimate business reason, he submitted for travel reimbursement and lodging. I denied this request as only legitimate business expenses are reimbursable. Both the Board and I get paid well enough to handle our own personal travel. I travel because it is required. I am reimbursed only for lodging and per diem for those trips when I am required to travel for official business. If I have an operational question, I'll simply call or coordinate a meeting via teleconference.

This may seem like an insignificant issue, but in the past some Board members have spent over

\$1,000 on one weekend visit to Detroit. Our goal should be to make money, not spend it unnecessarily. What's interesting is Director Lambert's supposed interest in Greektown when he has failed to attend even one of our Kewadin Shores new casino development meetings. Directors Paquin, LaPoint, Eitrem and I attend regularly while McKelvie and Matson have attended a few. Lambert hasn't attended one meeting since we started in July 2004.

Finally, something must be said about the irresponsible actions of those who publish the 'Sault Tribe Times.' Besides publishing flat out lies, they are in clear violation of our election laws. I will admit to some level of bias given the Sault Tribe Times published an attack ad against me and others on the day my mother died one year ago and recently published an anniversary installment one year later. It is a mystery to me that the Election Committee has not dealt with this issue yet.

If you have questions, concerns, or comments please contact me by Email at apayment@saulttribe.net or call (906) 635-6050 or toll free at (888) 94-AARON.

TRIBAL CHAIRPERSON'S

Open Office Hours

The tribal membership can meet with the chairperson during open membership hours at the Tribal Administration Building at 523 Ashmun in Sault Ste. Marie.

Open office hours with the chairperson are held the Monday prior to board meetings from 2 to 6 p.m.

Meetings are by appointment only. To make an appointment contact Sue Stiver at (906) 635-6050 ext. 26640.

June 5, 2006
June 19, 2006
Aug. 7, 2006
Aug. 14, 2006
Sept. 4, 2006
Sept. 18, 2006
Oct. 2, 2006
Oct. 16, 2006
Nov. 6, 2006
Nov. 20, 2006
Dec. 4, 2006
Dec. 11, 2006

Vote!
Use your right to be heard to shape our tribe!

Indian Taco Fund raiser Raises over \$9,000

On Friday April 28, 2006, we held a fund raiser to benefit Don 'Biz' Cook who was recently diagnosed with cancer. As we have done in the past for several other Tribal Members (with personal funds) I set up a food expense account of \$500 to be used as start up funds for the fund raiser. It makes more sense to me to put a little of yourself into raising funds that ends up multiples of your original contribution.

The event we held was an Indian Taco fund raiser at our ceremonial building. We also held a 50/50 raffle, a silent auction, and a bake sale. The lucky winner of \$1,212.75 from the 50/50 was Tina Andary. I am so pleased to report that our results were so phenomenal. In fact, we surpassed any single event fund raiser for an individual. These funds will be used by the family to directly offset the high expense of travel and lodging while Don receives treatment for his illness.

This is what our volunteers accomplished:

\$ 1,212.75	50/50 revenue
\$ 3,200.00	Lunch revenue
\$ 1,859.67	Dinner revenue
\$ 2,626.00	Silent auction collected
\$ 856.50	Silent auction to collect
\$ 9,754.92	Total

I am very proud of all of those who worked so hard to put on this event, especially all my staff and Sault Tribe and Kewadin team members who volunteered and the supervisors who released them to help out.

You know how they say, 'too many cooks spoil the soup', but with all of Don Cook's immediate family helping out (14 brothers and sisters) we had an army of volunteers who all gave of themselves and helped make this event so phenomenally successful. Chi McGwitch to everyone.

I was visited by Donnie and Debbie Cook on the Sunday immediately after the fund raiser. Donnie looked very good and his treatment seems to be going well. A few weeks back, he was very sick. He is now being treated and was upbeat and positive. I have known Donnie since childhood and Debbie since high school, so it was nice to have them stop to visit and express their appreciation for all the good work of the volunteers who helped out. Debbie was really concerned that a thank you be done to express how grateful they are for all the help in their time of need. Thus, to the right is a list of the volunteers and contributions made.

Finally, though he sadly passed away just days after our fund raiser to help his son, I am aware that Don's father and Tribal Elder, Mr. Floyd 'Cookie' Cook was very proud of his American Indian heritage and grateful for how the people of the Tribe can still come together to help one another when it is needed.

VOLUNTEERS AND CONTRIBUTORS

Prior to having the kinds of resources we currently have, our Members in each of our communities and neighborhoods came together to help one another. Recall fund raisers and community events at the St. Isaac Jogue's Church hall and the Moose Lodge. These events bring out the best in our Tribe.

As promised for the Cook Fund Raiser, below is a list sorted by volunteers, and contributors.

VOLUNTEERS

Heather Weber
Liz Wall
Sue Henderlite
Sue Stiver
DJ Malloy
Clarence Hudak
Krista Payment
Andrea 'Shug' Payment
Pam Moore
Denise Atkins
Suzy Lumsden
Mallinda Lumsden
Lori Innes
Gerry & Carolyn Collins
Joyce Hatch
Cheryl Nolan
Kari O'Gorman
Regina Rolstone
Linda Smith
Donna Marble
Steve Morello
Cathy Abramson
Lynne Weaver
Rick & Brenda Corbiere
Joe & Pam McKerchie
The Entire Cook Family
Bahweting School
Tanya Henderson & Sault Tribe Purchasing Department
Kewadin team members

DONORS

Ace Hardware
Angio's Restaurant
Antler's Restaurant
Auto Value
C & C Auto
Bay Mills Resort & Casinos
Bonacci Contracting
Clyde's Restaurant
Cook's Standard Station
Cook's Union Station
Day's Inn
Glen's Bakery
Gordon Food Service
Kewadin Casinos
Lockview Restaurant
Lynn Auto Parts
Marchetti Distributors
Mallette Construction
MCM Marine
Mid City Motel
Tim Pace
NaNa's Pizza
Palace Saloon
Quick 'N Clean
Reinharts
Sault Tribe Board
Shipwreck Museum
Soo Builders
Soo Coop IGA Bakery
Sysco Foods
Tanglewood Golf
Total Outlook Hair Salon
UBC Lumber
UP Tire
Upper Crust Pizza
Weston's Fisheries

Coming in 2007, Michilimackinac And here's a way you can learn the arts and sciences of making movies

BY RICK SMITH
FORT WAYNE, Ind. — Windsong Pictures, Inc., has been called the best kept secret of Fort Wayne and Allen County in Indiana. Since 1991, the non-profit motion picture production company has been reaching out, touching others from all over the United States and making a difference in the lives of thousands. The purpose of Windsong Pictures, Inc. is to stimulate and encourage students and community members, to explore the limitless potential that exists in the creative and integrated learning process. The primary goal of Windsong Pictures is to enhance the mental and spiritual outlook of the lives of people in a significant way. Through working in producing motion pictures and related media, as well as hosting discovery expos and the annual Windsong film festivals, students break down barriers that isolate learning and integrate skills from many disciplines.

In 2007, the company plans to release its latest project, Michilimackinac, which is set at Michigan's Fort Michilimackinac in 1775. The film is a historical theatrical production based on the lives of French and English settlers along with British Captain Arent DePeyster and Chippewa Indians led by Chief Matchekewis. The film was shot on location in Indiana, Michigan and Ohio with a cast of over 1,000.

"Windsong Pictures is a non-profit educational motion picture company based in Ft. Wayne,

Ind." said Michael Floyd, the company's executive director. "I am the founder and began the company in 1975 in Rogers City, Mich., where I was teaching at the time. We are an all volunteer company. No one has ever been paid. To date no Sault Tribe members have been involved to my knowledge. It would be great to have members involved. We will be in Mackinaw City over Memorial Day weekend setting up filming locations when we return to film there June 10-12.

"The film will premiere in Ft. Wayne. It is designed as a theatrical production, but the intention is provide an educational experience for people about the way of life in 1775 on the Michilimackinac frontier. It really focuses on the English and French settlers and the American Indians who lived there. It will be available for schools or whoever would want it. I am an educator and historian besides being a filmmaker. I direct the research students use to create and write the film. We try to be as authentic as we can with a very limited budget.

"I am part American Indian and we have created several Native American films including a two part documentary Native American Sacred Places and Sacred Journey about Native spirituality.

"Michilimackinac is a monumental undertaking for a nonprofit organization with very limited funds. Windsong Pictures operates strictly from small donations that people contribute. The significance of the film is to create

a living history of the trials that people faced, the uncertainties and their determination to forge a life in the wilderness. Michilimackinac was an American Indian gathering place for trade for 1,400 years before Europeans arrived. It is sacred ground, and the film will clearly reflect that."

Windsong Pictures is willing to work with anyone regardless of race, creed, color or national origin, who may wish to explore the creative and integrated learning process. Windsong is an educational institution; therefore, all films and media that it produces must meet established criteria. These expectations strengthen and incorporate a script which demonstrates a genuine benefit to mankind. Windsong Pictures, Inc. will never produce movies which demean, discriminate or demonstrate sex or graphic violence. The movies support the human spirit and may encompass an historic or traditional genre. Comedy can be incorporated into the movies; however, this humor should not demean or disparage any individual in society.

The historical and contemporary movies are designed to educate and encourage society and yet tell a story about the struggle to become a participating member of the social order.

For specific information, e-mail or call Windsong with your requests: windsong71@comcast.net, (260) 348-5510 or, for general information, visit windsong.com.

Association raising \$10 million for American Indian youth

BY RICK SMITH
ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — The National Indian Gaming Association (NIGA) announced last April they plan to raise and donate \$10 million to two organizations that benefit the youth of Indian Country. The causes of the fund raising campaign are the Boys and Girls Clubs of Indian Country and the American Indian College Fund which will each receive \$5 million. The announcement was made at the association's annual trade show and membership meeting.

"These two organizations play crucially important roles to children growing up in Indian country," said NIGA Chairman Ernie Stevens Jr. "I know, from personal experience, what the Boys and Girls Clubs can bring to a young person's life on the reservation. When it is time to go to college, the American Indian College Fund is there to help. I am proud that we have designated these two great organizations as beneficiaries of our fund-raising campaign and that we are joining hands today to help our American Indian youth."

The campaign received booster donations from the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community in Minnesota when they pledged \$1 million to the Boys and Girls Clubs in Indian Country and \$900,000 to the American Indian College Fund.

"Anytime that we can support efforts to help our children, it is important to seize the opportunity," said Shakopee Chairman Stanley Crooks. "To ensure our

sovereignty and to ensure the health of our tribes, we need to have our children get good educations so that they will be able to come back to the reservation, work with the tribe and support their families."

Stevens challenged all other tribes to follow the example set by the Shakopee Sioux. "Indian country is filled with generosity. We know this goal is ambitious, but we believe we will reach it."

The Boys and Girls Clubs in Indian Country work to aid all youth — especially disadvantaged youth — to reach their full potential in becoming productive, responsible and caring adults through a wide array of services that include athletics, counseling and after-school diversions.

The American Indian College Fund was established in 1989 and offers more than 6,000 scholarships annually. It has helped thousands of young American Indian students going to colleges or graduate schools.

According to their Web site, NIGA "is a nonprofit trade association comprised of 184 American Indian nations and other nonvoting associate members. The common commitment and purpose of NIGA is to advance the lives of Indian people economically, socially and politically. NIGA operates as a clearinghouse and educational, legislative and public policy resource for tribes, policymakers and the public on Indian gaming issues and tribal community development."

Nostalgia Productions and Kewadin Casinos unveil 2006 show schedule

ST. IGNACE, Mich. — Antique car fans will flock to here in the picturesque Upper Peninsula this year to view some of the greatest vehicles around at Nostalgia Productions' and Kewadin Casinos' four antique car/truck show events.

Antique car lovers from across the nation will visit St. Ignace June 16 – 17 for the 10th annual Antiques on the Bay Show. This show, featuring non-modified 1981 and older cars and trucks, begins with a Mackinac Bridge rally for participants at 4:30 p.m. on June 16. The following day, all registered antique vehicles will be on display at the downtown marina from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. followed by a banquet.

Cindy Williams (LaVerne and Shirley, American Graffiti and Happy Days), Anson Williams (Happy Days), and Donny Most (Happy Days) will headline the 31st annual St. Ignace Car Show, June 22, 23 and 24 in St. Ignace, Mich. Over 80,000 spectators are expected to attend this nationally known collector car show experience.

The weekend, sponsored in part by Kewadin Casinos and the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau,

will have many activities for the whole family to enjoy, including the Friday night "Down Memory Lane" parade at 7 p.m. and a sunset cruise (\$15) under the Mackinac Bridge, also on Friday night. A car show line up will take place on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Main Street. "It's great to have the parade back on Friday night this year and to have such great icons featured in the parade," said Ed Reavis, show coordinator, about the "Happy Days" and "Laverne and Shirley" gang who will participate in the parade.

This year's show maintains a large vendor base with corporate displays and celebrities as in the past. "We're very excited to partner with Nostalgia again this year to bring the car show back to the St. Ignace area," said Tony Goetz, Kewadin Casino chief operating officer. In addition to sponsoring the show, Kewadin will also host several special events at the casino during the weekend.

If you prefer to visit Michigan's Upper Peninsula in the fall, be sure to schedule your trip around the annual On the Waterfront and the Richard Crane

Memorial Truck Show Sept. 15, 16 and 17, 2006.

This show, now in its 12th year, features up to 100 "big rigs" and offers cash prizes and awards for those special customized combos and bobtails. The featured attraction of the truck show is the "Parade of Lights" across the Mackinac Bridge which begins at dusk on Saturday, Sept. 16. The parade runs to the Little Bear East and ends with a static light show. In addition to the big rigs, other antique cars, a swap meet and a pedal car competition will be held.

The St. Ignace lodging properties would like to welcome all car enthusiasts to the area and are rolling out the red carpet for this show season. For more information on the St. Ignace area, including hotel availability, call the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau at (800) 338-6660.

For more information on any of these events, visit www.Nostalgia-prod.com or call (906) 643-8087.

All events are barrier free, and there is no admission to any auto show event.

EPA reports most streams in poor condition

BY RICK SMITH

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently finished a first-ever assessment of wading streams across the nation and found most streams are in poor health. The EPA called the assessment a statistically-valid survey of 1,392 sites of streams shallow enough to collect samples without boats. The project was a collaborative effort of the EPA, other federal agencies, tribes, universities and other organizations started in 2000 and completed in 2004.

According to the assessment, the streams having the best percentage of healthy conditions are out west where 45.1 percent were rated in good condition, 25.9 percent in fair condition, 27.4 percent in poor condition and 1.7 percent were not assessed.

In the plains and lowlands, including Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, 40 percent of streams were deemed to be in poor condition while those streams in fair or good health were evenly split at 29 percent, two percent went without assessment.

Numbers were worse in the

eastern highlands where 51.8 percent of streams were in poor condition, 20.4 percent were in fair condition and 18.2 percent were reported to be in good condition while 9.5 percent were not tested.

According to the EPA, the most widespread stream stresses observed across the country and in each of the three major regions are nitrogen, streambed sediments and riparian disturbance. Riparian disturbance is evidence of human activity alongside streams, such as pipes, pavement and pastures. These stressors can degrade stream conditions for fish and other aquatic life. Nitrogen and phosphorus are nutrients that can increase the growth of algae, decrease levels of dissolved oxygen and water clarity and degrade stream habitat. Excess stream bed sediments can smother habitat for aquatic organisms.

The EPA also said the assessment indicates their current focus on understanding and reducing levels of nutrients and sediments in the nation's waters should yield important gains in water quality in coming years.

The next deadline for submissions to *The Sault Tribe News* is May 30 at 5 p.m. For questions about submissions call (906) 632-6398.

Tribal board meeting briefs

COMPILED BY RICK SMITH

The Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors met for a general meeting on May 1, 2006, in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. All board members were present.

Approved resolutions: *Voting is not noted on decisions made unanimously.*

The board authorized a grant application for funds through the Michigan Department of Community Health for HIV prevention services in fiscal years 2007-09.

An application for grant funds through the United National Indian Tribal Youth Council along with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation was approved to prevent obesity and promote fitness.

A grant application for funds from the Les Cheneaux Community Foundation was approved to support cultural and educational activities.

Financial support of child welfare services and safe and stable families under Section 477 of the Social Security Act for the Anishnabek Community and Family Services programs was approved.

Chairperson Payment was authorized to make technical, non-substantive amendments to the memorandum of understanding between the tribe and the USDA Forest Service relations on national forest lands within certain boundaries. Board member Todd Gravelle opposed the measure.

An agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Law Enforcement Services, for cross deputation to govern the BIA issuance of special law enforcement commissions pursuant to earlier policy guidance. Board members Gravelle and Fred Paquin abstained on this matter.

The board authorized the Inter-Tribal Fisheries and Assessment Program to sell surplus walleye fingerlings at fair market value to governmental and private entities.

An additional \$16,000 annually was appropriated for the eight tribal elders subcommittees, each of whom will receive \$2,000 per year to facilitate bus travel for road trips. Board members Dennis McKelvie abstained.

The law firm of Greene, Meyer and McElroy, P.C., and specifically, Anetra D. Parks, an attorney

with the firm, was delegated and authorized the responsibility to search the records of the Office of Trust Records for any documents relating to the tribe's request that the U.S. Department of the Interior proclaim a parcel of land located in St. Ignace which the department took into trust for the tribe in 1983 as a reservation for the tribe.

The board reconvened another general meeting in Manistique, Mich. Board members Cathy Abramson and Paul Shagen were absent.

Approved resolutions: A grant application was approved to be submitted to the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan for funding of health promotion and disease prevention in fiscal years 2006-09.

An application for continued U.S. Department of Health and Human Services funding of the Sault Tribe Early Head Start and Head Start programs for families in Chippewa, Mackinaw and Luce Counties.

A 2006 continuation Community Oriented Policing Services grant application was approved for funds through the U.S. Department of Justice. Board member Paquin abstained.

A Save our History grant application through the History Channel was approved to support cultural and historic education of our tribe.

The board approved entering into a cost sharing agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for construction of a walleye rearing pond on tribal property near Shunk and 15 Mile Roads. The USDA will contribute about 75 percent of costs with our tribe supporting the rest up to \$50,000.

Approval was granted for our tribe to enter into an inter-governmental accord with the State of Michigan to expand joint economic development.

A community development block grant of \$600,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development was approved for rehabilitating the third floor of an old three-story school building in Munising, Mich.

The board meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month and members are invited to attend.

Protecting our sovereignty is most important



Lana Causley
Unit II Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

On May 2 the board of directors met in Lansing for the United Tribes of Michigan's quarterly Tribal Summit meeting. Director's Chase, Miller, Abramson, Lambert, Eitrem and myself attended on behalf of the Tribe to listen and offer input to crucial issues impacting Indian Country. The topics discussed were the Indian Tuition Waiver program, Michigan lottery and the impact it has on our gaming, water protection and preservation. Governor Jennifer Granholm made an appearance and stated her position on the Michigan ITW program, again we took the opportunity to explain to her the importance of the program so that she completely understands how the funds impact our tribal members and Indian students in Michigan. The board members also had an opportunity to meet with our local state lobbyist as well. I have spoken about the importance of knowing the issues that affect our communities and being at the table to discuss the agenda items is crucial.

The first weekend in May the Constitutional Convention Committee met at the Hessel tribal center. The topics discussed over the weekend were the judicial branch of the Tribe. As stated many times this constitution revision will only be a draft and has to be voted on by the entire membership in a special election by the Department of Interior. The committee is well versed and debates at length their individual positions on items, its not only impressive but refreshing to watch the members debate in a healthy manner and always respect each others

opinions. Again, we are very fortunate to have such a dedicated group of people volunteering their personal time. A staff member from the communications department was in attendance, an update on the progress should be in the paper soon. Please make an effort to attend there is always an opportunity for members to have their input during the meeting. The complete schedule for upcoming meetings is in the tribal newspaper and on the Web site.

At the May 1 board of directors meeting I requested that the board get back on target with the workshops pertaining to our Human Resource's policies and procedures. Back in August of last year the board had a time line of presentations and input sessions to attend, this was put on hold. There is a tentative schedule in place for at least nine work sessions with the board and the Human Resources department. We must go over the manual to update and correct policies that are outdated and simply do not work for our employee's and the organization. I am very pleased that this request was scheduled in a timely manner. Please contact your board members with items you feel strongly about.

I would like to take this opportunity to explain the process in which the board of directors chose the negotiating team for the inland hunting and fishing case (i.e., U.S. vs. MI). Back in November 2005, the board of directors met at length to discuss the creation of a team to discuss settlement options for the Tribe with the state of Michigan. All board members with the exception of Director Chase voted to establish a team that consisted of Chairman Payment, Director Matson and Director Paquin, these three men would be at the table to discuss and negotiate on our behalf. All five tribes were ordered to establish representatives from each tribe. In addition to the team we established an advisory committee that was present at the talks that consisted of tribal members, Billy Perry, Charles Matson and Henry Grondin. Also part of the team is legal council Bruce Greene, Aaron Schlehber and biologist Tom Gorenflo. The board thought in the best interest of the Tribe

that all those involved would play an active part in the settlement options and discussions. Prior to the settlement discussions the Tribe scheduled intense community meetings around the state to survey the tribal members as to what they would like to see and how they felt about our hunting/fishing and gathering rights. Over 3,000 members completed the survey and the team took into consideration the results and attempted to be a voice for the members as a whole. The closer the talks come to a close the more you'll hear negative statements. Again, the board as a whole with the exception of one (Director Chase)voted in good faith that this team had the expertise to negotiate on our behalf and I am confident that all that have been involved (negotiators, committee members legal reps. and biologist) did that in the best interest of the Tribe. I will continue to educate myself on the negotiations, ask the team questions when concerns arise and support them playing a very important role in protecting our sovereignty. Many members state that going to court is not an option. If we lose, we lose much more than the right to hunt, fish and gather. We lose our identity as an individual people and that is not something we can ever settle for.

The drum group has been meeting at the Hessel Tribal Center for the past two months. Meeting times and dates are May 26 and June 9, the potluck begin's at 5 p.m. Our powwow committee meetings follow this group so please feel free to come. We need volunteers for the structure of the spiritual fire keeper's lodge as well as planning for our annual powwow, please come and bring your families.

The Newberry Elders meet at the Newberry Tribal Center on May 26, I will be in attendance if you would like to meet with me please call and we can arrange a time. I will be holding office hours at the Hessel Tribal Center on June 5. The Naubinway Elders potluck dinner will be at the pavilion on May 24. As always, please feel free to contact me to schedule a time to meet in any other area. lcausley@saulttribe.net (906) 484-2954. Baamaapii Lana Causley.

Membership Q & A

Q: I am the mother of two children who are members of the Sault Tribe. I would really like my children to learn more about their ancestry and culture and I heard that the Tribe occasionally has teaching camps for the youth. Who would I contact for information about this?

A: The camps are set up and run through the Cultural Division of the Tribe. The address and phone number to the Cultural Division is, 206 Greenough Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, (906) 632-7494. You can also contact by email the following workers, Bud Biron at Houbern@saulttribe.net or

Melissa Causley at: MCausley@saulttribe.net

Q: I am a tribal member who lives in Indian River and I would like to know if I can get my prescriptions through the Tribe's health centers?

A: Yes, any member can receive prescription medication through the Tribe but they must first make an appointment at one of the tribal health centers and be examined by one of the Tribe's physicians. If you are traveling north from Indian River then the closest health center is the Lambert Center in St. Ignace. The toll-free number there is (877) 444-5608.

SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS

COMMITTEE VACANCIES

JOM COMMITTEE

3 Vacancies (different units)

HIGHER EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy

HEALTH COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

2 Vacancies

CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy

SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

1 Vacancy

Send one letter of intent and three letters of recommendation (tribe members only) to:
Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians Board of Directors

Attn: Joanne Carr

523 SAsmun St., Sault Ste. Marie MI 49783
(906) 635-6050, (800) 793-0660, fax (906) 632-6696

Email: jcarr@saulttribe.net

Planning should include energy conservation



Robert LaPoint
Unit II Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

You know, no matter where you go in our tribe, you run into people having all kinds of problems. As board members we don't always have the opportunity to help. It's pretty common for people who have plenty to take things for granted. I just learned of a program that could help some of our elders. I'm not sure how long this program has been around but if you are an elder and earning less than \$30,000, you might

qualify for a program that could get you air conditioning for your home. Space does not allow me to go into the details but if you want more information on this you can contact Christine McPhearson through the tribe she is the one who told me about the program.

Issues about heating and cooling are of particular interest to me because I think we all need to be looking ahead. Our policy planning for the future should include energy conservation, at least in part so we can make proper decisions to help the tribe save money. There is some advance technology that would help us with our cooling system for the St. Ignace casino as well.

I just don't understand why we don't pay more policy attention to this issue.

During the next five and ten years we should focus on energy as a possible source of business. Ethanol is becoming a big topic for discussion. We could be part of the solution if we just converted one tank at our MidJim store in St. Ignace. I think this could be a

great public relations campaign. Working with GM to establish a pumping station in the U.P. would help sell more of the ethanol fuel efficient cars. It would establish our tribe as a forward thinking organization.

I am also working with a tribal member owned business who wants to help our members who live in the lower peninsula find jobs. We have many talented members who could supply all types of skills. I will have the complete details for my next unit report. She is an employment specialist who is licensed with the state. There is an economic interdependence and I see this as one solution and a way to help members outside of the U.P. She has extensive knowledge from working with Michigan Works for 20 years. Her business is now focused on helping our people, especially those who live below the bridge.

For more information contact me Bob LaPoint Unit II BOD (906) 493-5311.

Latest updates on the Manistique tribal clinic



Denise Chase
Unit IV Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

On May 2 myself, Tom Miller and board members Eitrem, Abramson & Causley attended the tribal summit "United Tribes of Michigan" in Lansing.

The agenda included legislative updates from Sault Tribe, Saginaw and Pokagen bands lobbyists. Updates included Indian tuition waiver, proposal 1 implementation, state lottery expansion, compacts and the need for the tribes and our lobbyists to work together on issues that will effect us. Speakers gave presentations about water protection, Great Lakes clean-up, solid waste laws and how tribes can collaborate together on clean up and preservation issues.

The board approved an additional \$16,000 to be distributed in equal amounts of \$2,000 to each of the eight elder sub-committees. This increase will be added to their recreation fund.

Update received from Marlene Glaseman, about new staffing at the Manistique clinic:

* Angie Bosanic- hired as a Health Assistant.

* Alice Carley- hired as nurse for the clinic

* A nurse position will be posted soon as Nancy Fulcher is transferring to the Munising office.

* A Nursing Assistant position will be posted this summer.

* A Physician position – will be posted once Pharmacy Department is fully operational.

* Dr. Kourtney Bradley-hired as the pharmacist and begins May 22 –She will be going through orientation in the Sault for four weeks.

* Pharmacy Tech 1 position

– posted and interviews are set for May 22.

* Pharmacy tech II – to be posted in the fall. The projected date to open pharmacy will be late June.

* Lisa Cota started May 1 –as optical assistant position.

* Optometrist Supervisor position- posted until filled.

Jodie Carley started May 15th as the dental receptionist.

Administration:

Marlene Glaseman, rural health director and Deb Frazier, administrative assistant, will be permanently located in this facility by mid June.

A new powwow committee has been formed by community members and elders who would like to see a permanent powwow grounds behind the new Manistique community center. If you are interested in helping out please call (906) 341-6993 to sign up.

At the Manistique Board meeting I brought a resolution forward that requested that the board of directors receive a copy of the final agreement in principal to review and vote on before any settlement can occur. I also asked that the board become informed by meeting with the Inland Hunting and Fishing Committee, review the 1836 Treaty, review the historical data in the tribal archives and to review the 1985 and 2000 consent decrees/agreements. This document will be permanent and should be voted on by the board and it was suggested that a referendum vote go out for the members to decide

My reason for doing this is because at a meeting held in the Sault two weeks ago, I found out that none of the board of directors had ever received a copy of the agreement in principal, other than the negotiators. I had received a copy that I requested from attorney Bruce Green, and later a updated draft from Aaron S. I gave a copy to Tom Miller for his review. The resolution passed, then in a closed session after the meeting, the board rescinded it.

To all the 2006 High School and college graduates, congratulations and good luck in your future plans.

If you have any questions, please call me at (906) 341-6783 or (888) 667-3809.

Thank you, Denise Chase.

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Dennis McKelvie
Unit I Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

We, the Tribe have consistently been getting the run around in our business dealings. It is time that we put a stop to the beatings we are taking from our consultants, contractors that exceed estimates (sometimes in excess of 20 percent), and excessive legal fees.



Robert Lambert
Unit III Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

It is time that we put an end to paying for expertise from consultants and allow those in positions to do the work that they were hired to do. We expect people to do the job we have hired them for. The day of the Tribe rolling over and allowing these abuses must end now!

Recently, one of our hired attorney's helped re-write our tribal election ordinance. This highly paid consultants expertise was utilized to make changes to the election code contrary to what the board or Election Committee wanted. This action will not go away! We will no longer be pushed around. Lawsuits, additional legal recourse, or whatever action it takes must occur to correct these wrongdoings.

As the heading states: "The Truth is Priceless!" It is easy to tell the truth, it is much harder to lie. We are tired of the lying and deceit, and it is time for us to end it and move forward as a Tribe.

Thank You. Sincerely, Dennis McKelvie, Unit I board representative, (906) 632-7267 and Rob Lambert, Unit III Board Representative, (906) 643-8840.

Charter Cable televises Sault Tribe general board meetings

Marquette and Alger Counties

6:30 to 11 p.m., Channel 8, Fridays

Sault Ste. Marie

3 to 5 p.m., Channel 2, Mondays and Thursdays

St. Ignace

9 a.m., Channel 12, Mondays

Escanaba and Manistique

3 to 5 p.m., Channel 8, Wednesdays

Editors note:

In order to bring you the results of the 2006 primary election, we delayed publication of *The Sault Tribe News* for one week. The deadline for the next edition, the powwow edition, was May 30. Important and emergency late submissions will given consideration. The deadline for the following regular edition of *The Sault Tribe News* is June 20. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Rob Lambert betrays membership



Todd K. Gravelle
Unit I Representative
Sault Tribe Board of Directors

On May 16, 2006, in Manistique, the tribal board played a shell-game with the tribe's Open Meeting's Act. The board did this by passing a resolution in open session to continue meetings with the membership and further consultation with the Inland Hunting and Fishing Committee before voting on the final settlement with the State of Michigan on our Inland Hunting and Fishing Rights. Later, in closed session, the board, led by Rob Lambert, reversed the open session resolution and approved the settlement.

The deception perpetrated by the board on the membership is corruption. The members need an opportunity to review the final Agreement in Principle (AIP) before it is finalized by the court. Now, this might not happen due to the board's actions.

This vote was designed to be hidden from our tribal members. I'm now compelled to bring this issue out into the open for all to see. Quite simply, the board denied tribal members their constitutional rights, and as a result, tribal citizens' precious hunting and fishing rights are now in jeopardy.

Previously, the board had specifically authorized certain board members to negotiate terms of a

final settlement to define our tribal hunting and fishing rights with the state of Michigan. Although specific negotiations and terms were strictly confidential, tribal members have a right to know the proposed final agreement before being bound to an agreement that will define their rights forever.

Pretending to recognize tribal members' right to review the final settlement terms, and conduct more meetings to discuss this matter with the membership, the board passed a resolution in open session to conduct more meetings and do more just that. I soon found-out that this was merely lip service.

In closed session, the board secretly passed two motions. First, Director Rob Lambert, made a motion to reverse the open session resolution and it passed. Shockingly, Director Lambert then led the charge to pass a second motion to accept the agreement with the state as written, with a few conditions. This motion passed with Director's Lambert, Causley, Eitrem, Miller and LaPoint voting to approve the AIP as written with no further tribal member involvement.

In closed session, I was shocked that the other board members would so casually dismiss the concerns of the membership expressed during this and other open meetings with the membership. I pleaded with the board that it was just plain wrong to do this in closed session. After all, the membership has to live forever with this agreement and they should have an opportunity to review this final agreement before we settle this case. I also argued that the membership should have an opportunity to challenge the board's decision to settle this case by referendum, as is their right under our Constitution. My pleas for fairness were largely ignored and voted down. Sadly, it then appeared clear to me what was really being done behind closed doors.

Tribal members need to know the truth! The board says one thing in open session and does the exact opposite behind closed doors. The board's tactic of moving the issue to closed session was specifically for the purpose of denying tribal member's knowledge of what the board was up to. The board hid behind closed doors so tribal members would not know that although the board pretended to recognize tribal members rights in front of the camera, its secret plan was to deprive them of this very right.

The board knew exactly what they were about to do. The Board acted purposely by motion instead of resolution to deny a challenge to this corrupt action by tribal members by referendum. Tribal members have a Constitutional right to challenge all resolutions passed by the board through a referendum. But, this right to referendum does not include motions passed by the board. This could have only been done because it was known that tribal members wanted their voices heard and the board refused to listen. The board members who voted for this action behind closed doors cannot now plead ignorance.

I challenged the other board members in closed session by asking them directly if it was in fact their intention of approving this AIP by motion rather than by resolution to avoid giving the members an opportunity to challenge the board's decision by referendum as our Constitution allows. The Board members then shockingly admitted that it was in fact their intention to deny the membership their Constitutional rights by not affording them an opportunity to have a referendum vote by the membership on the AIP. I was appalled and you should be too!

The board, by choosing these tactics, violated the Constitution, the Open Meeting's Act and most importantly, the sacred public trust given to us by the member-

ship. Once trust is gone you have nothing left. One reason given by the board for not allowing a referendum vote on AIP was that it was just too complicated and the membership would not understand it. In other words, the board justified its action by claiming that tribal members are "too stupid" to understand. Haven't we all heard that excuse before? The sad thing now is that our own tribal leaders are saying this to their members. I was deeply saddened to hear this.

The board is now serving itself and not its people. The board members who approved the AIP in closed session may honestly believe that it is in the best interests of the membership. These board members miss the point in all of this madness. The Tribe is governed by laws and the ends do not justify the means no matter how well-intentioned. The board gets its power from the people and under our Constitution they have the right to challenge the actions of the board. Ask yourself this question? If this settlement is so good for our people why won't they let you see it before it becomes law?

Sovereignty is about protecting the rights of the membership and concerned tribal members must send a message to this board now. Now that you know the truth about what happened behind doors I ask that you join me in demanding the board reverse this decision and allow the members to either approve or reject this AIP by referendum.

To add to this tragedy, Chairperson Payment, and Director's McKelvie and Causley asked that the tape of the Manistique meeting not be released or broadcast on television. The reasons given for this decision were very weak at best. They argued that we should not release the tape because we do not want the state to see that we are divided on this issue. In other words, according to them, we should suppress this tape because

we are not unanimous in our decision to approve the AIP. I was again shocked at what the board was about to do!

The decision to withhold the tape from public viewing is not justifiable based on the reasons given by these board members. A lawyer representing the Tribe on this matter even reviewed the tape and stated to the board that there was nothing on the tape that was confidential to justify withholding it from the membership. In other words, there is no legal reason to not release it for broadcast to the public. I argued that we should always release our public meetings for broadcast to the public especially since there is no legal reason to justify not releasing the tape. I lost again!

The board did say that tribal members do have a right to see the tape but how do members see it? Do they request a copy? Is there going to be a public showing for members only? The truth is that they effectively suppressed the tape from you because for all practical purposes they know that you will not take the time to exercise your rights to view it due to the hassle and hardship that this imposes on the general membership to actually view the tape.

The decision to reverse the open session resolution behind closed doors and making the viewing of the public tape of this open meeting are very disturbing trends in our Tribe. The members must hold the board accountable for its actions. To do nothing would be to condone the secret actions of the board which can only lead to more violations of your Constitutional rights. If you have any question or concerns, please do not hesitate in contacting me at: Todd K. Gravelle, 713 Maple, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783, (906) 635-5740.

Watercraft races coming to St. Ignace

What: Racing of Sea-Doo, WaveRunner, Jet ski and other personal watercraft, as the third stop of the Monster Energy Midwest Watercross Tour heads to St. Ignace for the First Straits Area Watersports Weekend personal watercraft race on July 8 and 9, and will feature a PWC and Jet boat Poker Run, cardboard boat race and other fun activities.

Where: The personal watercraft racing event and Poker Run will take place at the American Legion Park on Moran Bay in St. Ignace.

When: Racing – Saturday, July 8 and 9. Practice from 9 to 10 a.m., races from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Start your engines and get ready to catch the excitement of personal watercraft racing action as the 2006 Monster Energy Midwest Watercross Tour heads to Burke Park in St. Ignace, Michigan, for the First Straits Area Watersports Weekend personal watercraft race presented by the Kewadin Casino and the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau.

For the first time, St. Ignace will host a tour stop on the Midwest Watercross Tour, the nation's premier regional watercraft racing circuit. This year St. Ignace will host the third event of the season that will be a World and National Championship qualifying event. More than 100 of the Midwest and Canada's best watercraft racers will descend on

St. Ignace for the competition. The event takes place on Lake Superior within the boundaries of the American Legion Park. In addition to the race there will be a personal watercraft and Jetboat Poker Run on Sunday July 9 that is open to everyone, as well as a cardboard race.

Personal watercraft racing is a tough, competitive and increasingly popular sport. Often described as "moto-cross racing on the water," these exciting events pit up to 18 racers against each other on a racetrack of tight turns and straight-aways. In some classes, racers must also negotiate obstacles and log jumps on the racecourse. A rubberband starting system is used to control the start of each race.

The racers will be competing for a portion of \$50,000 in cash and prizes that will be awarded during the season, points towards the overall Monster Energy Midwest Watercross Tour championships and awards, and the right to compete in the World Finals, the world's largest and most prestigious personal watercraft race. The watercraft out there facing are not much different from the ones on lakes and waterways everywhere. The only difference is these watercraft have many high performance parts added to increase the speed and maneuverability in the water. Some watercraft in the Open classes have over 200 horsepower under the hood and can reach speeds in excess

of 70 mph on flat water. Because of the wide differences in styles produced by watercraft manufacturers, the watercraft are divided into two divisions; Ski and Runabout. Within each division, there are classes for Beginner, Novice, Expert and Pro-Am riders as well as both men and women. The Ski division features a single rider standing in the tray of the watercraft steering the watercraft with a highly maneuverable handlepole. Riding in the Ski division requires excellent balance and skill.

The racing action begins with practice from 9 – 10 a.m. on Saturday followed by more than 25 races from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The racing is very fast paced and exciting, admission is free. There will also be Freestyle events on Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m. Freestyle competitors perform tricks and stunts in two-minute time frame for a panel of judges who rate performances on a scale from one to 10.

Area watercraft owners are encouraged to participate. All local racers need to have to participate is a boat (of course), a life vest and helmet. Wetsuit, gloves and goggles are highly recommended. Local riders who are interested in competing in the local race should call PM Sports Marketing at (586) 598-2856 or the St. Ignace Visitors Bureau at (800) 338-6660 or visit us on the internet at www.pwcfun.com.

Friends of Anishinaabe Youth planning family picnics

All youth ages 11 to 17 are invited to participate in the "area beautification" project taking place at the Shedawin Building located on Shunk Road, in Sault Ste. Marie. Each Wednesday and Friday beginning at 3 p.m. we will be working on cleaning the outside of the building, raking, pruning shrubs and planting flowers. On Saturday, June 3, beginning at noon we will be holding a family picnic. This will be a great opportunity for the youth to showcase all their efforts.

Beginning on Monday, June 5, the summer drop-in hours will be from noon till 5 p.m. Each day we will have planned activities including crafts, storytelling, and a variety of other events. There is no need to register, everyone ages 11 to 17 are welcome. The last Saturday of the month we will once again be hosting a family picnic. Each month at the picnic there will be drawings held for prizes. Each day participants will earn a ticket into the drawing. The more you participate, the better chance you have of winning one of the great prizes. One Friday evening and Saturday afternoon per month we will be having a movie time. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. Watch for flyers about the movie days and times.

Questions? Call Paula McKerchie at (906) 635-7729 or Ally Krebs at (906) 635-7727.

From asthma to gold



Giorgie swims the 100-meter butterfly at the Florida All Stars meet.

It all began at 3:30 a.m. one morning in March of 1995. In the emergency room at Brandon Regional Hospital in Brandon, Fla., 18-month old Giorgie Graves was in severe respiratory distress. Shortly thereafter she was diagnosed with acute asthma. After several months hit-and-miss treatment, Giorgie was referred to a pulmonary specialist. The new doctor immediately began aggressive treatment for her disease. And to enhance her respiratory capacity, the doctor suggested to her parents Melanie and Dean, that they may want to consider putting Giorgie in a sport such as soccer or swimming.

Taking the doctor's advice, Melanie enrolled Giorgie in swim lessons. After several lessons, where she exercised her lung capacity and the hearing of the swim instructor, the little girl began to enjoy her weekly visits to the pool. When Giorgie was six years old, a family friend mentioned reading about a local health club

that had a summer swim league.

One May afternoon in 1999 Melanie took Giorgie to visit a team practice at the Apollo Beach Racket and Fitness Club. The coach asked her to swim across the pool. He quickly saw that the young girl wasn't yet ready for his team, but agreed to place her on a pre-competitive practice squad. 40 days later she swam the 25 yard freestyle in her first meet. And that day marked the end to the relatively normal lifestyle in the Graves home and the beginning of Giorgie's swimming career. Since that day, it has been a regiment of weekday swim practices and weekend competitions.

Now 12 years old, Giorgie swims for the Brandon Blue Wave. Her typical day begins at 4:10 a.m., and is in the pool at 5 a.m. for a two hour practice. She returns to the pool at 4 p.m. for an hour of dry-land work and a two hours of swim. She practices 25 hours a week, 50 weeks a year, and competes on average of twice

a month. Giorgie has grown into a versatile athlete, swimming the freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly. She competes in every event from the 50 meter butterfly to the 1500 meters freestyle.

In March of this year Giorgie competed at the Florida Junior Olympics where she earn a spot on the Florida All Star Team. On Saturday April 8 she swam the 400 meter freestyle in 4:43 to earn the first ranking in the nation for her age group. The weekend of April 22 she swam the 800 free in 9:39 earning a national ranking third in that event. In total, Giorgie is now nationally ranked in the top 10 for her age in six events. She is hoping to make her first Junior National qualifying cut in the 1500 meter freestyle by June. Still suffering from severe asthma, Giorgie has done anything but slow down, and has set her goal for gold in 2012.

Announcements

Chi Mukwa Recreation Center in conjunction with the Hiawatha Skating Club is pleased to announce a figure skating seminar on Saturday, June 17, 2006 at the Big Bear Arena. Presenters Kim Brown and Natasha Strelkova-Haase will be presenting on ice and off ice instruction to seminar participants. Mrs. Hasse has two master degrees as a coach and choreographer. She was also a Russian National Team Member for ten years and won many international competitions. Mrs. Brown has a degree in exercise science and technology and she specializes in conditioning, weight training and jump techniques. She also brings fifteen years of skating experience to her instruction.

Free learn to swim classes for Sault Tribe youth at the LSSU Norris Center pool, June 19 to August 2. Mondays and Wednesdays from 4 - 4:50 p.m.

Call Jessica at 635-7770 to register.

Sault Tribe elder's water exercise at LSSU Norris Center pool from June 12 to August 23.

Mondays and Wednesdays 6 to 6:50 p.m.

June 13 to August 24, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 9:50 a.m.

Cost: \$24. Call Jessica at 635-7770 with questions.

Second annual all-Anishinaabe two-person golf scramble, Saturday, June 10. Shotgun start at 8 a.m. at the Wild Bluff Golf Course in Brimley, Mich. \$28 per person.

Contact Wild Bluff pro shop to register at (906) 248-5860, ext. 2777.

Registration cost includes nine holes of golf, cart and proxy prizes. Maximum of 32 (2 person) teams. Tribal identification required.

Chi Nodin Running Club Youth ages 10-18 free to Sault Tribe members.

Clubs planned (pending participation) in St. Ignace, Kinross, and Sault Ste. Marie.

Starts June 12 and is a 10-week running program. Community members \$150. Space is limited.

Call Andrea Walsh at (906) 635-7465 for more information.

Moving? Don't forget to bring us along by contacting the Sault Tribe Enrollment Department and giving them your new address as soon as possible so that you won't miss a single issue of *The Sault Tribe News*. You can call enrollment at (906) 635-3396 or (800) 251-6597.



HOFFMAN

UNIT ONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NEW - INDEPENDENT LEADERSHIP BASED ON THE MEMBERSHIP AS A WHOLE AND NOT ONE SIDE OVER THE OTHER



✓ **BOARD EXPERIENCE**

I have served on many Tribal, as well as local, Committees and board's which has provided me with extensive parliamentary experience

✓ **COMMUNICATION**

Answering your phone calls
Returning your letters and e-mails

✓ **A willingness to set aside personal differences for the betterment of the Membership.**

✓ **Independent decisions based on what is best for the Membership**

✓ **Professional and respectful behavior relating to the membership, Team Members, and fellow board members**

✓ **Active involvement in making the Tribe and Community better for everyone**

✓ **Involving the Membership in Planning the Direction of the Tribe**

✓ **Diversification of Economic activities**

My tenure as Economic Development Director for the Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan has provided me with a vast amount of experience regarding the many potential opportunities for new business development

✓ **Establishing, developing, and maintaining positive relationships with**

✓ **Federal, State, Local, and Tribal Officials**

My Michigan Political Leadership Fellowship, as well as work experience within Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan have provided me with a vast amount of experience with various types of Inter-Governmental relations. I have established contacts in these various government agencies

✓ **Protection the Services, Treaty Rights, and Sovereignty that we have**

✓ **RESPECT for our most valuable assets: Our Children and Our Elders**

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ME TOLL FREE AT: 1-(866)-598-5804

OR E-MAIL djwhoffman@hotmail.com

adv endorsed by DJ Hoffman

Thank You For Your Support In The Primary Election. With Your Continued Support I Hope To Have The Honor Of Serving As Your Unit One Board Representative.

EDUCATION

Northern Michigan University
Masters Degree
In Public Administration
(Recently finished final course)

Michigan State University
Bachelors Degree
Human Resources

Lake Superior State University
Bachelors Degree
Business (IS)

University of Michigan
Executive Management

PROVEN BOARD EXPERIENCE

Sault Area School Board
Planning & Development Committee
City of Sault Ste. Marie

Health Committee
member, Sault Tribe

Higher Education
Committee member, Sault Tribe

Pow Wow Committee
member, former
Conservation Committee
member, former

Community Service Board
City of Sault Ste. Marie, former

Michigan Work force Development

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Economic Development
Director

Inter-Tribal Council
of Michigan, Inc.

"I will resign my position to be a full time representative, and hold daily office hours to serve the needs of the membership"

Vote Darwin (Joe) McCoy

Unit One Board of Directors

Experience
Integrity
Competence



First, I would like to thank Unit One members for voting for me in the primary.

Again, I humbly ask for your vote for the general election.
Together we will make a positive change for our Tribe.

As your representative we will work on what is important to all of us:
Our elderly, youth, health and education.

We as a Native people have always tried to look seven generations ahead.
Let's get back to our native way of life and move our tribe forward with
compassion and dedication.

Trust me to be your voice. I will devote my efforts to promoting
unity and advancing our tribe's economic growth.

Again, I want to Thank You and I need your vote one more time.

This adv. endorsed by Darwin Joe McCoy

I would like to thank all the voters that cast your ballot in support of me and all the others that participated in the primary election.

I would like to also thank all of the candidates that refrained from negative campaigning and ran clean campaigns. I must, however answer allegations made by our Tribal Chairman in his paid advertisement.

Re-elect Dennis McKelvie

Unit 1 Board of Directors

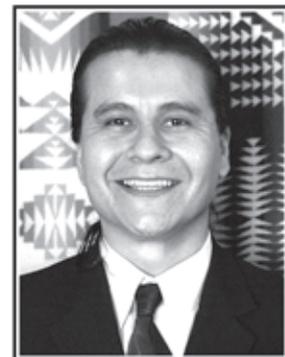
I AM GUILTY OF MANY THINGS

- ◇ I am guilty of giving tickets to ANY TRIBAL MEMBER that asked for them.
- ◇ I still do not agree that we benefit by leaving empty seats open during shows when members that would not otherwise have the opportunity could be enjoying this opportunity.
- ◇ I did give some tickets to my family members, very, very few. In fact I gave out more to the family members of the past and current Chairperson.
- ◇ I am also guilty of putting on many benefits for Tribal members in need.
- ◇ I am also guilty of maintaining WilWalk Cemetery without tribal funds.
- ◇ I am also guilty of plowing members driveways, starting at 5 a.m. and ending some days at 12 midnight.
- ◇ I am also guilty of sponsoring the Children's Christmas party on Sugar Island annually for the past 7 years.
- ◇ I am guilty of serving our community.
- ◇ I am also guilty of not accepting, what some believe as a bribe, a position within the Tribe at \$100,000 per year.
- ◇ I am also guilty of trying to stop payment of over \$600,000 per year to our partners in Detroit
- ◇ I am also guilty of voting NO to pay raise for our former Chairman in Greektown.



**I PLEAD GUILTY TO THE ABOVE AND REMAIN PROUD OF IT!
IF THIS IS THE TYPE OF LEADERSHIP THAT YOU WANT IN A BOARD
MEMBER, I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR VOTE!**

This adv. is endorsed by Dennis McKelvie

VOTEFor Experience,
Unity, Action
and Culture.**Nathan
Wright****Unit 1 BOD***Educated by elders, enlightened by awareness, driven by integrity***Miigwech for voting me into the general election**

All the candidates and Tribe Members of Unit 1 have everything to be proud of. I want to thank all the candidates who ran a positive campaign during this election cycle. Positive, productive, creative, disciplined, experienced and full time leadership are some of the qualities I offer to serve as your Unit 1 Representative.

No double dipping

I will resign my current job as the Sault Tribe Web site Administrator after I am elected. Before you cast your vote, ask the other candidates if they will quit their current job or other business interests. Our Tribe has many issues requiring full time board members.

Actions speak louder than words

More than two thirds of the Unit 1 candidates appeared on short notice at a candidate forum I recently organized to help our Members decide who to vote for. Two of the current Unit 1 candidates did not attend due to other obligations. When elected I will not wait for someone else to take action on what is right for our Tribe Members.

Best of both worlds

My ten years corporate and four years United States Marine Corps experience will help our enterprises stay viable in today's competitive world. My three years of working for the Sault Tribe allows me to understand its current strengths and areas needing improvement.

My lifetime of cultural teachings will help our Tribe's government stay connected to our roots which need to be a larger part of the way our Tribe operates. Our culture ultimately gives us our sovereignty (casinos, services, etc.). We need to know who we are so we can plan for the present and future. Our Tribe is always under attack from outside entities who are trying to take away our rights. How can we defend our rights without any knowledge of what they are?

Remember, I am my own person; I am not loyal to any one person. I am loyal to the best interests of all Tribe Members I am elected to represent. It's been a great experience working with Tribe Members towards unity. Let me continue to work with everyone on various issues of our Tribe. **Please vote Wright.** My previous ads in this paper: April 28 - page 13, March 17 - page 14 and April 7 - page 19. All previous ads can be downloaded from my Web site. For information or questions please call (906) 632-4320 or visit www.wright.net

*This ad is endorsed by Nathan Wright***I Will Be A Leader You Can Say You Are Glad You Voted For****Ahnee Members**

If you are reading this article, I have made the primary election. First and up most I want to thank all the members who voted for me in the primary election. The BOD is a very important position not to be taken lightly.

I know in every election cycle people get tired of hearing the same old promises and issues. I can humbly say to all tribal members that I will be the most aggressive BOD I can be with integrity and honesty that a person can have.

I am very sad to see what has been happening to our people. The managers in higher positions are not treating the workers the way they should. I have been talking to our tribal members and they want to see the BOD working 40 hours. All BOD should be making monthly reports, attend tribal functions, return phone calls and help members with problems.

I have volunteered on many tribal committees. I have noticed in the past a lot of the people running for office have never been involved with the tribe. I feel that by volunteering on many of the committees, you get to know the different areas of the tribe.

My main issues are

- 1.) Make the BOD your only job.
- 2.) Put more money into the education fund.
- 3.) More money put into the elders dividend fund.
- 4.) We need to help people in need of financial help, a lot of our people need help and not just income based.
- 5.) Our human resources department needs to be scrubbed, there is not a lot of protection for the workers and jobs seem to be hand picked.
- 6.) We need to have the BOD have a more hands on approach with Greektown, with more regular meetings in Detroit.
- 8.) The 2% money needs to be more widely distributed in all units.

I could go on forever but I know it would be repetitious.



**VOTE FOR
FRANCES HANK**
Unit 2 Representative

This ad endorsed by Frances Hank



FULL TIME BOARD MEMBER

Thank You For Your Support
In The Primary

RE-ELECT

Effective Leadership
Experienced Businessman
Elder Statesman

Bob LaPoint

906-493-5311

Unit 2 Director
VICE CHAIRMAN



EXPANSION OF THE HESSEL CASINO

My seniority experience on the board, along with a solid working relationship with the new administration and my fellow board members is the benefit I offer to Unit Two. I will start the process to expand the Hessel casino into a destination resort style gaming facility with emphasis on four seasons of fun and entertainment

LOW COST PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE

We should be looking for ways to save money on our prescription drugs for the elders. One way is to use the list of 120 drugs already approved in the State of Wisconsin, then order them in Canada.

ENERGY SAVINGS SECURITY PLAN

We need to understand how dependent we are on foreign oil. I recently suggested that we convert our heating system at the Big Bear arena to a "state of the art" wood burning system that burns sawdust or wood chips. Not only does this potentially save us \$100,000 per year, this would also provide us with an emergency shelter in case of a national fuel crisis in the middle of the winter.

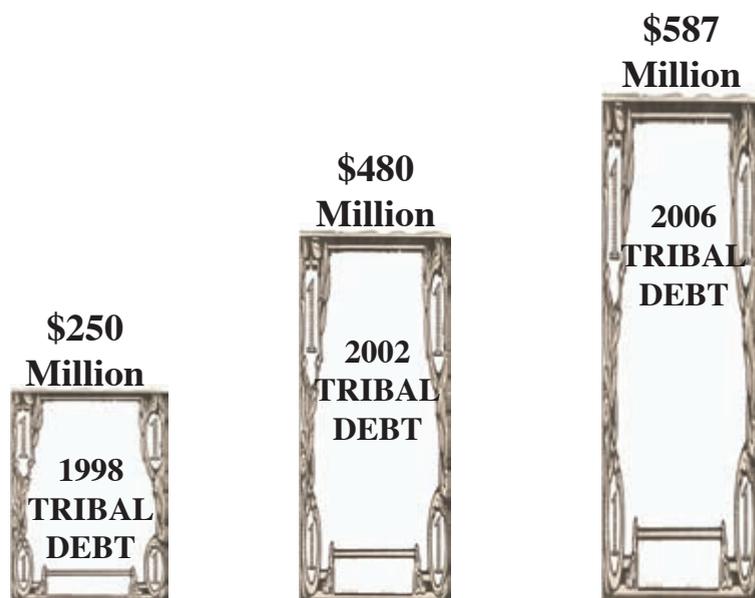
HELP RESTORE THE MACKINAC BAND

Exploring the advantages of acknowledging the Mackinac Band as a seventh affiliated group in our Tribe is something that needs to be considered. As the constitutional committee debates the possibility of a name change, they might consider "THE SEVEN AFFILIATED BANDS OF ANISHINABE" If this will help make the Tribe stronger, we should do this. Perhaps as many as 14,000 or half of our Tribe are descendants of the Mackinac Band. Adding their name into our constitution should have been done a long time ago.

ELIMINATE BLOOD QUANTUM

The Michigan Indian Tuition Waiver needs to be addressed. The 1/4 blood quantum is wrong. We should not be forced by the State of Michigan to discriminate against our own members. We need to start a process to remove the blood quantum so our children will not be left behind.

All We Have Is Economic Freedom If We Lose That, We Lose Everything!



Our Tribal debt is

\$587,000,000 MILLION

That is \$19,567 dollars owed per member.

Financial Accountability

The next seven years are going to be real tough for the Tribe. We need to vote by the numbers. We need to respect the recently passed Balanced Budget Amendment and still continue to grow our business.

The past administration really left us in tough shape, it is almost incomprehensible that they would stole \$2.6 million from our Tribe, I will continue to support all efforts to recover this money.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE IS A PRIORITY

Our gaming revenue is not looked at as your tax dollars but that is the way it should be treated as. It's your money. I believe that by telling you the financial truth, we may then have an opportunity to fix it. We need economic policies to pay down our debt. I have been making suggestions to make things better. We have financial limitations and members need to know this. All we have for Sovereignty is our economic freedom, if we lose that we lose everything.

RE-ELECT Robert (Bob) LaPoint

Unit 2 Board Of Directors and Vice Chairman

Indian arts and crafts directory online

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Indian Arts and Crafts Board (IACB), an agency of the U.S. Department of the Interior, announces the posting of its updated Source Directory of American Indian and Alaska Native Owned and Operated Arts and Crafts Businesses now available at: www.iacb.doi.gov.

Organized by state, the Source Directory includes federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native artists and craftspeople, cooperatives, tribal arts and crafts enterprises, businesses privately-owned and operated by federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native artists, designers, and craftspeople, and

businesses privately owned and operated by American Indian and Alaska Native merchants who retail and/or wholesale authentic Indian and Alaskan arts and crafts. The Source Directory is accessible to the public, serving as a direct link between the arts and crafts businesses and prospective customers.

The Source Directory will be updated monthly as new applications for business listings are received and approved. This service is available only to individuals who are enrolled members of federally recognized Indian Tribes or Alaska Native groups. In addition to a completed application, applicants will be required to provide a

copy of tribal enrollment documentation from his or her respective federally recognized Tribe or Alaska Native group. To be listed is free.

To receive an application to be listed in the Source Directory, contact the IACB using its toll free telephone number, (888) 278-3253, or write to Indian Arts and Crafts Board, U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St., NW, MS 2058-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Please specify if the application is for an individual or for a group, such as a cooperative or tribal enterprise.

YEA offers five-week Circle of Life summer program

The Youth Education and Activities program is offering a five week summer program. The participants in the Circle of Life Summer Program will be given the unique opportunities to learn more about the medicine wheel; including the four directions, the four seasons, and the four sacred medicines all while having a fun time. The summer program includes one camping excursion, environmental teachings, swimming, hiking, outdoor activities, nutrition activities, crafts, and much more. We have activities to interest anyone and everyone. Have your children learn more about their culture and have an amazing summer all at the same

time. The program will begin June 27 and end July 27 and will meet Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. The Circle of Life Summer Program has availability for thirty participants. Participants must be a member of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians and between the fifth and ninth grade at the beginning of the 2006-2007 school year. If you want more information, please call Laura Ermatinger or Jill King at (906) 635-7010 ext. 52300 or email yeaunit1@saulttribe.net. Circle of Life programs are also taking place in Kinross, Hessel, St. Ignace, Manistique, and Escanaba. Contact local coordinators for more information.

Volunteer Drivers Needed!

Do You...

Like to drive?
Own a car?

Enjoy meeting new people?
Enjoy helping people in need?

You have an opportunity to help!

Volunteer Drivers:

Provide transportation using their own vehicles.
Receive reimbursement for mileage at a federal government rate
Must have a good driving record & have insurance.

If you would like to help community members as a volunteer transporter, please call (906) 635-6075 or toll free (800) 726-9105 for a volunteer application.

27th Annual Homecoming of the Three Fires Traditional Powwow

The 27th Annual Homecoming of the Three Fires Traditional Powwow is sponsored by the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians.

The powwow is being held June 10 – 11 at Riverside Park, Monroe Ave., in Grand Rapids, Michigan. This is an outdoor celebration featuring Anishinaabek (Three Fires American Indian/Native American) music, dance, art, food and crafts. Traders by invitation only.

Saturday's grand entry at 1 p.m., Sunday's grand entry at noon. Public welcome, free admission and parking. No drugs or alcohol allowed. Dogs assisting disabled persons welcome. Dogs or other pets will not be allowed within the event boundaries per City Ordinance. Please leave pets at home. Do not leave animals unattended in vehicles.

Call (616) 458-8759 for more information.

**Thank You
For Your Vote
In The Primary**

**Re-Elect
Rob Lambert**

Unit 3 Board Of Directors



I am humbled to be chosen to advance to the general election. I have worked hard these past four years and have represented you in an honest and ethical manner. I have never cast any vote for a self serving reason. I promise you that if I am re-elected to represent you for a second term I will continue to do what is right for all our membership.

I will continue to work to level the playing field so that every member considers themselves an equal. We are all members and there should be no second class citizens.

I feel that instead of going deeper and deeper in debt we should be planning for our future by paying down our debt and using our Trust Land status to bring in businesses and additional income. Our existing St. Ignace casino is a perfect example of a location to bring in Tribal businesses to generate much needed funds for future expansion of services.

We have got to stop violating the rights of our membership to serve the needs of the good ol boys. I voted against locking our members at large into a unit for life. I voted against residency requirements. I championed the elimination of the unconstitutional quarter blood requirement to run for office. Many candidates that answered the chairman's survey in the last issue of the Tribal news responded yes to violating membership rights. I believe that we need to elect members that will defend us, not kick us to the curb.

Over the past four years I have been on our Tribe's Audit Committee, Forensic Audit Committee, Special Needs and Enrollment Committee and the Hiring Committee. I have also been on our Tribe's Gaming Commission and the Management Board for our Greektown Casino. I have had several calls from members telling me they received campaign material stating that I am not on any committee's. That is a lie and anyone who will lie to our members to receive votes in my opinion is not the type of person we want as a leader. The individual who sent out the incorrect information only needed to contact our Tribal office at (906)635-6050 and speak to a membership liaison or Joanne Carr to get a list of committee's I have been on.

I am the son of Willard (Chief) J. Lambert Jr. and Elaine (Lozon) Mann. My six siblings are Ron, Mike, Tom, Tim, Lynn and Larry. My maternal Grandparents are Edward Lozon and Nellie (Reno) Lozon. My paternal Grandparents are Willard J. Lambert Sr. and Helen (Kosequot) Lambert. I have been married to Colleen (Rushlow) Lambert for 22 wonderful years. My children are Rob Jr. and Amy.

Please pray that whoever we elect in the June 22, 2006 general election will not serve his or her own selfish needs. We need honest and ethical leaders with a good heart and no hidden agenda.

Robert J. Lambert 23 Stockbridge Street, St. Ignace, MI 49781
906 643-8840 (800) 484-7919 pin#8106 Toll free.

Robert J. Lambert endorses this advertisement

“ I have a dedication to the people of our community and I am willing to work hard for you.”

ELECT **KEITH MASSAWAY**

To the Board of Directors -UNIT III

**Thank You For Your Vote
And Your Continued Support**



My Heritage

I can trace my family name Mayseswaywenninne which means “man with a loud voice” to my Great Great Grandfather, Ignatius. He was born in 1800 and married Chief Satigo’s sister, Mary, and a generation later they changed their name to Massaway. They had nine children and the names and relations to me are a who’s who of St. Ignace and the surrounding area. Some names are: Andress, St. Onge, Pelletier, St. Andrews, Grondin, Gallagher, Vallier, Lamyotte, Bazinaw, Dofina, LaTour, Leduc, Perriault, Paquin and Lambert. There are many more, I have only completed 20% of the family tree. The Massaway’s lived on Mackinac Island, St. Ignace, Satigo settlement Gros Cap, Petosky, Cheboygan and all points in between. I am proud to be a 1/4 quantum blood Native American and my roots are strong here and they shall always be the base that keeps me strong.

I know the process is long and confusing to some but the end of this tribal election is near. I have always, since day one, held on to my platform. I will work for you and you alone. I will not work any other job while I am your board member. I know that we are all one people. There are several bands that comprise our people but we must work together to move forward. The people outside of the five units must have their concerns heard and we have to acknowledge them. The people inside the units sometimes are disregarded and not given answers to their questions. Respect is a cornerstone to our culture and sometimes we show too little to our fellow Native Americans. I will work just as hard for the people outside the units as the ones inside because I will be a director who listens, responds and cares. I have proven through my past actions with the community and the youth and elders that I will bring a well rounded understanding of all these areas to the other directors. This is the time for you to stand up and vote for who you think will be the best person for the job and I know you will select your next director with complete confidence that they can do a good job for everyone.

Higher Education

Increased funding for vocational and technical job training for our youth and our tribe at large.
Increased job assistance, training and procurement of jobs for our tribal community first.
Work to have a merit based tuition waiver for all aspiring youth.

Social Services

Our tribal youth programs are on the chopping block at the federal level and we must make sure that we retain them because our youth are our future and we must help them all we can.

Listen and support our elders. The elder group in St. Ignace area are doing great things and they are working well together putting on their programs. We as a board must encourage and participate with them.

Health Care

To make the new hospital and Tribal Health Center dream a reality so we will have increased access to health care locally.
To tirelessly work on budgets so we can best utilize the money we have in the best places and to direct a fair share of tribal revenues toward health care. I believe that health care for elders and children should be one of our highest priorities. I’m committed to improving and extending all types of medical services to all tribal members.

Currently involved with

Finishing a one year project to have an Historic Walking Tour Booklet of downtown St. Ignace along our boardwalk.

Chaperoning a Marching Band trip to the Tulip Parade in Holland, Michigan

Head coach for the Junior Saints Football Team.

Raising funds and trying to save the Dr. Benson Collection and the Fort DeBaude Museum.

Always available to Constituents

1. I WILL NOT BE FULL TIME ANYWHERE ELSE. THIS BOARD SEAT WILL BE MY FULL TIME JOB.
2. I WILL SET UP AN OFFICE SO YOU CAN MEET WITH ME IN PRIVATE. I WILL HOLD OFFICE HOURS TWICE A WEEK, THREE HOURS AT A TIME SO YOU WILL ALWAYS KNOW WHERE TO REACH ME.
3. I WILL CALL BACK, I WILL RESPOND, I WILL CARE.

My Service to *YOUR* Community

Eight years on the St. Ignace Chamber of Commerce and Past President.
Eight years on the St. Ignace Convention and Visitors Bureau and Past President.
Four years on the Johnson O’Malley Parent Committee for the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Indians and current president.
Two years on the Michilimackinac Historical Society and current president.
Two years on the St. Ignace Recreation Board.

Elder Commitment

To be involved, to go to elder meetings, go to elder events, to listen, to help, to bring their spirit to the Board of Directors. To make sure the Elder dividend never goes down and will always increase. To record our past so others may understand who we were and who we are, so we can remain true to our heritage and culture. To help elders establish local goals that will improve tribal awareness and communication with all facets of our community.

My work with Youth

I have always enjoyed the activities I do with the youth of our area. I have worked with the Parent Teacher Organization. I was instrumental in starting the first Fun Fair Carnival at the middle school and ran the event for three years. I have worked with three different band directors at the high school and have chaperoned two major trips, one to New York City and one to Holland Michigan. Also, I was heavily involved in getting the first jazz Night for the LaSalle High School Jazz Band in 2005. I am the head coach for the Junior Saints football team and have been coaching them for three years. I am also very involved with the Tribal youth. I am president of the Johnson O’Malley parent committee. That committee is appointed by the Board of Directors of the tribe and takes care of the Y.E.A. programs that run in conjunction with the St. Ignace area schools.

Feel free to call me or e-mail me

Keith Massaway
702 Hazelton St.
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DENISE Re - Elect Chase

Goals for Unit 4

- Expand recreation opportunities
- Expand prescription delivery days
- Expand medical services to Escanaba and Marquette county
- Expand Marquette county committee
- Support forming committee to identify services for future expansion to outlying areas.
- Tribal Center in Escanaba
- Expansion of senior meals
- Expand Health Services
- Expand Youth Activities
- Increase Elder Payments
- Protect Inland Hunting & Fishing Rights
- More Housing
- Office Hours in satellite areas
- More Cultural Activities
- Increase Elder Meals & Events

ACCOMPLISHMENTS - For Unit 4

Reestablished a YEA Coordinator in Delta County
 New Community Center in Manistique - 4.3 million
 Traditional Healer Services in western area
 Expansion cultural classes to western area
 Increased recreation opportunities for members
 Optical and pharmacy services coming in June.

Elderly transportation
 Senior meals
 USDA distributed in Marquette co.
 Office hours in satellite areas
 Additional Recreation funds for elders
 Dental services offered to western end

Thank you for your confidence
 in me and your continued
 support and vote
 Contact me at 341-6783
 or
 1-888-667-3809

I was born, raised and lived in Unit 4 all of my life. I have made a career out of working with our people. Early on I saw the need to prioritize the expansion of services to unit 4 based on identified needs. It is our turn to share fully in the services offered by our tribe. You deserve no less. I will

To Who ever is stealing my election signs, please STOP!



ELECT - RON POWERS Sault Tribe Board of Directors



TRIBAL CITIZENS OF UNIT 4

Before long, you the tribal citizens of Unit 4 will elect a representative to serve as your voice on the tribal board of directors. In 2004 I came within 22 votes of the privilege and honor of serving as your representative. Once again I humbly request your support to election on the tribal board of directors as your voice and advocate.

TEAMWORK & PROFESSIONALISM

I will work with my fellow board members in a professional manner, realizing, that, individually, we may advocate different means, but collectively, compromising and collaborating, to achieve the same ends -- "our Tribe's best interest!" In turn, I will work together with my fellow board members to instill integrity, civility, honesty, and professionalism to board of directors functions

REPRESENTATION COMMUNICATION

Representation is many things, none more important than attending committee meetings to ensure tribal member concerns are included. Representation is more than attending a few board meetings or one day work sessions.

- I will take the time to represent Unit 4 tribal citizens.
- I will respond to your letters, emails, or phone calls.
- I will submit a Unit Report, **monthly**, as mandated by our Constitution.
- I will publish a quarterly newsletter (at my expense) for all tribal citizens of Unit 4.

I will not wait six years into my term to hold office hours with the membership.

MY COMMITMENT TO YOU

I feel, for the aforementioned reasons, that to stay employed elsewhere including for the tribe, would be shortchanging those that elect a representative to advocate for them. Unit 4 needs to be represented when decisions on services, programs and activities are in the planning stages. Therefore, if elected I will terminate my full-time employment with the Escanaba Schools and give you my full attention.



TWO PAYCHECKS TWO RETIREMENTS

Tribal citizens of Unit 4, how would you like to make over \$100,000 a year, have two 401 K's, free cell phone usage and receive an annual CPI (Consumer Price Index) payraise... without a full time job? Sound like an infomercial? It is not an infomercial. It is ... tribal employees serving on the Board of Directors, i.e.- **Double Dipping**. You can end this practice. **VOTE!**

EMPLOYEE POLICIES

Tribal citizens, I believe the importance of treating all employees in a fair and straight forward manner is critical to any business. Employees are tribal ambassadors, the backbone of the tribe. I will work with my fellow board members to insure **all** employees are treated fairly. Employee advancement, compensation, and discipline practices must follow policy and not be predicated on relation to those in office.

I have only one family member (nephew) employed by our tribe.

YOUTH / EDUCATION

Tribal citizens, working within the school structure, I can attest to the need to impress upon our youth the importance of education. In today's world, the consequences of lacking a good education is ensuring another generation of working poor. We must do more to assist our neediest children and families, the children are our future. I have some ideas that I believe will assist our goals.

- Career skills training facilities/complex.
- Assist school districts Indian Education Programs.
- Tribal youth - life skills program.
- Promote and increase scholarship assistance - Fully funding tribal students enrolled in much needed health career fields. In return, the student agrees to work for the tribe the same number of semesters/years for which they receive assistance.
- Increase YEA funding, and provide opportunities for all tribal students.
- Goal oriented program funding. Throwing good money on bad programs serves no purpose.
- In-home and on-line tutoring programs.



Primary election results

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 Incumbent board member Robert LaPoint (355) led the way followed by Frances Marie Hank (185), who together garnered the most votes in Unit II to advance to the general election to compete for one board seat. Lisa Burnside (137), Cliff Bellant (134), and Basel Willis (74) were the other primary candidates receiving votes in Unit II.
 Unit III candidates' Keith Masaway (408) and incumbent Rob Lambert (285) also advanced to general election. Both candidates will be competing for one board seat in Unit III. Patrick Rickley (233), Michael (Chico) Belonga (206), Ilene Moses (158), and Bridget Sorenson (146), were the other candidates gaining votes

from Unit III members.
 Shirley Petosky (143) and Karl Weber (132) qualified for the Unit V general election and will also compete for one board seat. Others receiving votes included Charles Matson (85), Joe Gray (77), and Kevin Kolbus (73).
 Please note, the preceding results are considered "unofficial" results, which were made available at the public ballot count held on May 18, 2006. Official results will be distributed by the Sault Tribe Election Committee and will be released when available. Per the election code, candidates have three days after the uncertified results are posted by the Election Committee to contest the results and/or request a recount.

Tribal trivia

If you're familiar with the old Lone Ranger and Tonto comic books and television serial, you'll recall that Tonto, the faithful Indian scout and aide to the Lone Ranger, always called the ranger "Kemosabe." Kemosabe is an actual Indian word but it seems unlikely it was used much in the desert southwest of the United States.
 Kemosabe, originates from the Chippewa Giimo zhabi and means "sees in secret" — referring to the Lone Ranger's mask and disguises.

Constitution Committee

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 If you have an idea or concern you wish to bring up during a meeting but don't want to address the committee standing up, your idea or suggestion can be written down to be brought up during the meeting for discussion.
 "Everything the committee is doing at this stage are recommendations only. There are three phases this document will have to go through before it can become our new constitution. First it must be reviewed and passed by the tribe's board of directors, then it must go to the Secretary of the

Interior for approval who will then put the revised document to a vote of tribal members. We want to have a document everyone can work with; there will be some major changes," Causley said.
 Causley said once the committees responsibilities are finished he would like the committee to visit outlying areas and review with the membership the current constitution and the suggested changes. "Our constitution has been in place for 32 years. This has never been done before; it's history being made. If you don't

like the constitution how it is right now this is your chance to stop complaining and voice your ideas and opinions. It was guidance from tribal members that put the current constitution into place 32 years ago. Our youth, our grandchildren, have to live by what we put in place now."
 Please see the Constitutional Convention meeting schedule for the next four months below, for the location and times of meetings.
 Chairman John Causley can be reached by phone at (906) 298-0253.

Inland hunting and fishing rights

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 The latest board review of the agreement occurred on May 16. As of the latest meeting there has been no official announcement regarding a decision. The tribe, however, has consistently indicated they would rather avoid unnecessarily going to trial in federal court if an agreement can be reached that is mutually beneficial while preserving the treaty right and the members' desire for how to exercise this treaty right.

The confidentiality agreement binding both parties has been a public concern, however, the tribal board has indicated the final agreement with the state will become available to the public at the appropriate time, and when it is legally allowable for release.
 Chairperson Aaron Payment stated, "We recognize that at some point the confidentiality agreement maybe lifted in order to allow us to get ratification. I have vocalized support for hold-

ing a referendum; several board members did as well. However, collectively after discussing the issue at length, the board came to realize that with a nearly 90 page settlement document and a confidentiality agreement, it would simply not be possible to hold a referendum at this time. If the confidentiality agreement is lifted, and the board can figure out a way to manage a referendum on a 90 page document, then we could hold a referendum."

Constitutional Convention Committee meeting schedule through September

Date	Time	Unit	Meeting Location	9/8/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit II/Naubinway	Pavilion
6/2/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit V/Marquette	Location TBA	9/9/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit II/Naubinway	Pavilion
6/3/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit V/Marquette	Location TBA	9/22/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA
6/23/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA	9/23/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA
6/24/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA				
July	NO MEETINGS HELD IN MONTH OF JULY, 2006						
8/4/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA				
8/5/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit I/Sault	Casino, Room TBA				
8/18/06	5:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Unit V/Munising	Location TBA				
8/19/06	8:00 - 3:00 p.m.	Unit V/Munising	Location TBA				

Committee meetings will be open to members of the Sault Tribe to observe committee proceedings. Comments from the public shall be permitted for a limited time at the beginning of each meeting, at the conclusion of each meeting, and at the discretion of the Constitutional Committee chairman. For more information call Candace Blocher at (866) 632-6281.

Thank You For Your Vote In The Primary

Now I Need Your Vote One More Time

“I believe I can and will indeed work very hard for UNIT 5 and for the TRIBE AS A WHOLE.”

I BELIEVE

Individual members of the Board of Directors MUST have time to review new legislation and gain input from their constituents before casting votes at the Board level. For too many years we found out to late what our Chairperson and/or Board of Directors had decided for the Tribe

All Tribal Members have a right to be heard at regular unit meetings and at Board of Director meetings. The membership deserves to be heard in front of ALL PRESENT.

The Board must be willing to tell the whole story. Case in point. Most recently people have asked over and over about the circumstances surrounding Steve Morello. Answers have varied greatly, ranging from he needed time off because of a death in the family; he took a vacation; to, stories that he is still employed and will be back soon. The people are important and deserve to be kept abreast of what is going on in our Tribe.

Unit 5 deserves and is entitled to a second Representative on the Board of Directors. Unit 5 should not be carved up further and further. Board units have been given our membership which keeps us down to one board member. Unit 5 Members have been told that the only way to keep the Board at the right balance. On the other hand, discussions are underway to bring in a new unit 6. How will that work out? In addition, there is a proposal to elect a "Member-at-large" for all persons outside the current units. Won't both scenarios upset the so-balance?

ELECT

Shirley Petosky



We need a forensic audit. We need to know not just the department money was spent on, but how and for what? When our Tribe wants to construct a new building or invest in a new program, we are told that there is plenty of income to justify the investment and that present endeavors won't be affected. THEN, a little further down the road, we are told that we can't fully complete the proposed project (read Lincoln School) that there just isn't enough money at the present time.

We need to have a workable plan for medical coverage for our people who are adults but not yet seniors and who are employed at or barely above, minimum wage. These tribal members cannot get medical care unless it is a service provided at our clinics, because they can not afford health insurance.

Our clinics need to be fully staffed. Our medical providers are sorely needed in our various Tribal clinics. When they have to do extra duty at another clinic the people at home base cannot be seen.

It's wrong for us to be presented with a "done deal" and told that is what the people wanted. WHAT PEOPLE? We need public hearings on all subjects that will effect us for years to come.

We need to have access to education beyond high school, including college or trade school. All members should have an opportunity for higher education. Our elders need to be listened to. If they feel a program is lacking anything - CHECK IT OUT! Don't promise them action just to get the meeting over. We need follow through with promises.



Honoring Our Past...Preparing for our Future

Karl Weber

Unit 5 – Tribal Board of Directors

Never in our history has it been more important that we have leaders who have a vision for our Tribe's future and are prepared to lead. I would appreciate your vote and the opportunity to represent you. – Karl Weber

Qualifications

EDUCATION

University of Michigan, B.A. 1986
(English and Political Science)
University of Michigan, Juris Doctorate, 1990

EXPERIENCED

Chief Appellate Judge, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians (2005 – present)

I will resign from bench if elected.

Law Partner, Plunkett & Cooney, P.C.
(1996 – present)

Board of Trustees, Northern Michigan University
Chairman of Board (2005 – present)
Vice Chair (2003 – 04)

Special Assistant, Attorney General,
State of Michigan, (2005)

St. Peter's Cathedral, Finance Committee
(2004 – present)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

(Past and Present)

Marquette-Alger Youth Foundation,
Board of Directors

Marquette Community Foundation,
Board of Directors, Treasurer

Marquette Area Chamber of Commerce,
Board of Directors

St. Peter's Cathedral, Member

Cornerstones of My Campaign:

EXPANSION OF ELDER BENEFITS

We need to further recognize and assist our elders in Unit 5. I support an increase in the elder dividend payments and the expansion of Elder services and programs.

EDUCATION

I support increased funding to expand our higher education assistance programs and scholarships so we can ensure that today's youth become tomorrow's leaders.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

I fully support the balanced budget initiative for the long-term viability of our Tribe.

ECONOMIC EXPANSION

I support the continued, but prudent expansion of gaming opportunities and, in addition, a greater emphasis on the expansion of non-gaming ventures. I also support an expansion of benefits to members of Unit 5 who live outside of our unit.

I would like to thank the members of Unit 5 for all thier support during the primary.

Email: kweber5@gmail.com

Telephone: (906) 228-9909 (h) or (906) 225-8115 (w)

Former tribal employee and JKL Bahweting school teacher joins Peace Corps



Jill Cadreau's temporary home while she is stationed in Mozambique, Southeastern Africa.

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

Sault Tribe member Jill Cadreau joined the Peace Corps in September 2005 and moved from the Upper Peninsula, where she was a math and English teacher for grades seven through nine at JKL Bahweting school for one semester, to Maputo, the capitol of Mozambique, in Southeastern Africa.

Cadreau attended Bay Mills Community College from 1998 to 2000 and then Michigan Technological University from 2000 to 2003. She majored in English education and minored in mathematics education. During her time at BMCC she also enrolled in some Native American studies courses.

Cadreau worked with the Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities Program after she graduated from college until fall 2004 when she accepted a teaching position at JKL Bahweting school in the Sault. She taught there one semester before joining the Peace Corps. "I thought about teaching overseas and found the Peace Corps Web site. I applied but was not serious about it until after I went through the application process and phone interview. I applied in December 2004 and left in September 2005

for Mozambique," she said.

When she first arrived in Mozambique, Cadreau lived with a host family for 10 weeks to learn some Portuguese, how to cook Mozambican food and different cultural aspects of the nation. After she left her host family she moved to her teaching site in the Gaza province in a small village outside of the provincial capital of Xai-Xai where she will be for the next two years.

She began teaching English to students in her village last February. She teaches eight turmas (classes) of eighth grade students which each have about 42 students. Classes meet three times a week for 45 minutes. "It is hard to get to know the students individually, or even learn their names. I try to incorporate HIV education into my lessons, such as the ABCs of HIV prevention. My first trimester here was focused on teaching basic sentence structures. The second trimester just started and I am focusing on HIV issues, such as how the virus works, prevention, testing and support."

Mozambique is made up of indigenous tribal groups which account for 99.66 percent of the nation's population who have a life



Most natives live in huts like the one above, left, with no electricity or running water. Drumming and dancing for ceremonies and special occasions, above right, is a normal part of the Mozambique culture. Average life expectancy at birth is 39.82 years.

expectancy at birth of 39.82 years. The HIV/AIDS adult prevalence rate as of 2003 was 12.2 percent with 1.3 million people living with HIV/AIDS. The number of people over the age of 15 who can read and write is 47.8 percent of which 63.5 percent are male.

In addition to teaching her students about the English language and HIV/AIDS, Cadreau hopes to introduce Native American medicines. "I am planning to incorporate some Native American awareness, or American diversity, into my lesson plans. The students are going to discuss traditional medicines used here in Mozambique. I plan on bringing in sage and sweetgrass to show them some Nishinaabe medicines I use," she said.

During her training with her host family, Cadreau shared a beaded dream catcher, sweetgrass and a photo of a grandfather drum with other trainees and students. She talked about similarities between the Native people in the U.S. and Mozambique and taught students how to do a round dance and an intertribal dance. "It was so much fun. I also taught them how to say hello in Ojibwe. About a week later, I was walking back to my host family's house and a student yelled out 'Aanii Teacher Jill.' Moments like that make me really proud to be here," she said.

Cadreau lives on a hill about five kilometers from the Indian Ocean and within a short distance of two large lakes. It takes her

about 25 minutes to walk from her house to the school on the next hill. Her temporary home for the next two years is made of reeds and cement with no running water and the addition recently of electricity in one room where she has a single light bulb. "Most of my community lives in reed houses and no one has running water except resorts and a few vacation homes. About a third of the community has electricity. It is not easy to haul water every day, or wash your clothes and dishes in buckets. It is not easy to get everything done before the sun goes down. However, by not having all of the material things that exist in other countries, such as washing machines, dryers, dishwashers, running water and reliable electricity, you start to appreciate the finer things in life and start to live day by day. I have to go to the market every day to buy fresh tomatoes and onions. I cannot go to the supermarket and stock up on food for the week. I can plan to wash my clothes on Sunday but, if it rains, then I have to wait until another day. It is hard to compare it to the lifestyle in America," she said.

Mozambican transportation is also different than what she was used to. Four wheel drive is popular due to poor road conditions and then there are the chapas. A chapa is about the size of a minivan but with about 20 people inside. "When I need to go to the nearest city to go shopping,

visit friends, or travel to Maputo for Peace Corps business, I take a chapa," Cadreau said. "There is a driver and a cobrador. The cobrador is in charge of collecting the money, letting people on and finding out where people want to get off. There are usually four people sitting in a seat while others stand. It can take me between an hour and a half to three hours to get from the city to my village, depending on how much the chapa stops. When they stop in towns, local people run up to the windows to sell fruit and other items. I often buy bananas out of the window of a chapa because they don't sell them in my village. Sometimes you are handed someone's bag to hold because your lap is empty or sometimes a mother who has to stand will pass her baby to a sitting person to hold during the trip. There are some moments I can't stand being in a chapa and other times when I find myself smiling and laughing because of the absurdity of it all."

"I would like to say that I would not be here today in Mozambique if I didn't have the support of my family and friends back in the states, especially my mom, step-dad, sisters, brothers, MTU and BMCC friends, other friends from the U.P. and my Native American community in Michigan."

Bob Shampine celebrates 90th



Tribe member Oliver "Bob" Shampine celebrated his 90th birthday on May 29th. The above photo has Bob and four generations. From left to right, Jim Depew, grandson; Chelsea Depew, great-granddaughter; Ethan Depew, great-grandson; Bob Shampine; Bobbie Depew, daughter; Cheryl Hanson, granddaughter; and Andrew Hanson, great-grandson. Bob has four children, 11 grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

Nina Albone takes first in fencing tournament



Nina Albone with her first place trophy.

Nina Francis Albone, 15, a Sault Tribe member, daughter of Helena Cerquoni and Kenneth R. Albone of New Jersey, and grandchild of Lillian Albone of Sault Ste. Marie, recently placed first in a S.P. Fencing Association Tournament during the championship rounds. She has been taking fencing lessons in Sicklerville, N.J. for about one year before entering the tournament, held in southern New Jersey in April 2006. She reached the final championship rounds with just enough preliminary round victories to qualify. She then went undefeated throughout all the championship rounds, including defeating a previously undefeated tournament participant 5 to 4 in the championship match. She states the reason she did well in the championship was because a fellow participant suggested to her that she play for the enjoyment instead of trying too hard to win. She then enjoyed herself to first place. In addition to fencing, Nina plays the piano and flute. She is a prolific reader and writer and hopes to have her first short story published soon. She is a sophomore at Baptist Regional School in Haddon Heights, N.J.

The 11 Annual Native American Walk for Sobriety will be held on Saturday, June 10 at 8 a.m., at the Sixth Street Bridge Park, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Following a brief ceremony with local speakers, participants will start the 2.5 mile walk along Monroe Ave., and proceed down to the Three Fires pow-wow grounds at Riverside Park. Prizes will be awarded to walkers. Contact Liz IsHak at Native American Community Services for more detailed information at (616) 458-4078 ext. 105.

Sault Tribe mom answers questions about foster parenting

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

April Lee Schmidt is a Sault Tribe member originally from St. Ignace who now resides in Alabama with her husband Terry Schmidt of Detroit and adopted siblings, Tyler and Ashley. Schmidt is a step, biological and adoptive mother, grandmother and sometimes foster parent.

Their oldest daughter, Samantha, is just finishing her first year at Smith College in Northampton, Mass. Their oldest son, Dan, lives in Eaton Rapids, Ala., with his two children. Their other son Josh lives a short distance from April and Terry with his wife and two young sons.

Below are answers to some questions Schmidt was asked about being an adoptive and foster mother.

Q: How did your adopted children come to be with you?

A: We'd been fostering two teenagers for about nine months when one morning I received a call from our case worker asking me if we could foster a six-day old baby. His mom was unsure about her ability to parent.

We agreed and spent the rest of the day setting up all the necessary items we'd need. I was cooking supper when the worker brought Ty to our home. He had a dark complexion with a head full of hair, and slept like an angel. Even though we didn't expect to have him in our care for long we all fell in love with him right away.

The case worker explained that his mother also had a two-year old daughter and was overwhelmed. She felt certain that Ty would only be with us for a few weeks. His mother came to visit once a week, at times bringing her daughter Ashley with her. It was on one of these visits that she asked us if we would be interested in adopting Ty. We were shocked by her question, but told her we would be interested.



Husband Terry and April Lee Schmidt, daughter Samantha and adopted siblings Ashley, and Tyler.

The whole process went very smoothly. Before Christmas Ty was officially the newest member of our family.

We had relocated from Michigan to Alabama when I received a call from one of our prior case workers. She informed me that Ashley had suffered a traumatic brain injury and was in the care of the state of Oregon. It was not believed that reunification with her mother was likely and they thought it best if Ashley could be placed with her brother. We did not hesitate.

Because of Ashley's injury she was considered unadoptable and we were asked to become her permanent foster parents. It was nearly two years after that first call before we could fly to Oregon and bring our little girl home. It was nearly a year after that before we could apply to adopt her.

Finally on her eighth birthday the order for adoption was signed making our darling girl not only a daughter of my heart but a legal one as well.

Q: What are your family origins?

A: I am originally from St. Ignace although as a child my

father moved us south. Most of my childhood was spent in Texas and Louisiana. When I was pregnant with my first birth child I moved back to the Upper Peninsula where my husband and I spent 20 years in St. Ignace and Paradise. It was while living in Paradise that we became foster parents. In 1999 we relocated to Alabama after the death of my oldest brother, the third of my siblings to walk on. I felt the need to be closer to my sister who resides here in Alabama and my brother who lives in Louisiana.

Q: What is your family background?

A: My father is Jim Gamble from St. Ignace and my mother is Alice Dutcher Gamble originally from Cedarville. My maternal grandmother was Lucy Andress Dutcher and my mother's sister, Leona Brown, is very involved in elders activities.

Q: Educational background?

A: I graduated from LaSalle High School's adult education program and attended Bay Mills for two summer semesters.

Q: How do you stay involved with Native American culture?

A: I stay informed mostly

through reading and the internet. When we visit the U.P., if there is a powwow, I make every attempt to go and take my children.

My son, Tyler, 7, who is multiracial has recently become very aware of his Native American heritage. It struck me how important it is for all of us to be connected to a community and people. I also thought it must be harder to feel that sense of connection or bond if those bonds were interrupted or severed such as happens in adoption cases.

Fortunately for us, I am a member of the same tribe as my son, so I am able to call upon the elders in my family for information. I also stay informed by reading *The Sault Tribe News*.

Q: What made you decide to become a foster parent?

A: We fell into it rather accidentally, I inquired about adoption first. It was in the spring of 1996 that my son Josh had a friend who was struggling at home. Josh asked us if his friend could stay awhile until he could get things straightened out at home. He stayed with us a year, until he graduated. He was our first unofficial foster child. We felt blessed to have been able to provide him a stable and safe home enabling him to finish high school, set goals and plan for his future. It was this experience that taught us how fulfilling being a foster parent can be.

Q: Do you feel there is a need for Native American foster parents in Indian Country?

A: I feel there is a need for good foster parents in all areas of this country. Indian Country could really benefit because it is a lot easier teaching a child about his or her heritage if you are also of the same heritage. However, I don't think that should supersede all the other aspects of potential foster parents.

Q: What has your experience been with the licensing process and are you licensed by the tribe or state?

A: While living in Michigan I was licensed by the tribe. Our experience with the tribe was a positive one; our licensing worker, Juanita Bye, was very helpful, kind and understanding. Especially when wading through red tape. I am now licensed by the state of Alabama and in all honesty the experience has not been as positive.

Q: What qualities would you say it takes to be a foster parent?

A: There is a verse in the Bible that states, "Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." It may sound corny but I believe I am only doing what God has lead me to do.

I think it just takes a willingness to open your home and your heart to someone in need. Don't get me wrong, I realize this is easier said than done. You need to try and be tolerant, open minded and patient. I say try because no one is ever all these things all the time. You have to be forgiving of yourself, and realize that just because one child didn't fit doesn't mean another won't.

I hear many people say they would like to be foster parents but would have a hard time emotionally when it came to returning the child to their birth family. Sometimes it is difficult, but isn't that what parenting is all about? Teaching ourselves how to let go and praying we did all we could for our children to be strong, confident, good adults when they head out on their own. All children are on loan to us whether they are birth, adopted or foster. That is what foster parenting is all about; loving a child and giving them the best you have while they are in your care.

Unit I elders held raffle for trip



Jacob Green, kitchen aide for the Sault Elder Meal Program. He is shown displaying his winning ticket for the LeAnn Rimes Concert.

BY WORLEY RITTENHOUSE, TRIBAL ELDER

On Friday, April 21, 2006 the Unit I Sault Elders held a raffle to raise money for their upcoming trip to Washington D.C. and Green Bay, Wis.

And the winners are:

First place: Four tickets for LeAnn Rimes concert, Jacob Green.

Second place: Dreamcatcher, Art McCoy.

Third place: Dreamcatcher, Jamie Leask

Fourth place: Golf jacket, Father John Haskell.

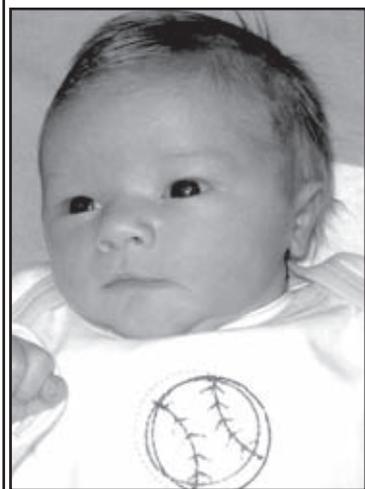
Fifth place: Sweat shirt, Larry Marsh.

Sixth place: Long sleeve T-shirt, Jason McKinney.

All the Elders would like to thank all who participated. We sure appreciate your help and support of our Committee projects. A big thanks to Kewadin Casino for donating all of the prizes.

The Sault Tribe News welcomes submissions from our tribe members by mail c/o Communications, 531 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 or via e-mail at saulttribenews@saulttribe.net. Any questions concerning submissions can be answered by calling (906) 632-6398.

Stork Report...



Jason and Jamie Medley wish to announce the birth of their son Miles Griffin Medley born Jan. 20, 2006. He weighed seven pounds, seven ounces and was 19 inches in length. Proud grandparents are Randy and Judy Merrill and great-grandmother Pauline Hickman.



Rebecca Goldstein (left) and Brittany Baker (right) saluting brave Americans past and present.

On March 30, 2006 second grade students Brittany Rose Baker and Rebecca Goldstein, of Roscommon Elementary School in Roscommon, Mich., performed a song and tap dance routine to 'You're a Grand Old Flag.' Brittany and Rebecca were dressed as darling patriots in red-sequined leotards with sequined skirts, star headbands, flag necklaces and carrying four foot silk American flags for their dance routine in the afternoon talent show choreographed by music teacher, Mrs. Chmielewski.

Brittany Rose Baker is the daughter of Nick and Dawn Baker, of Roscommon, Michigan and a Sault Tribe member. She is the granddaughter of Robert Roger and Elaine Horn of St. Ignace, Mich. Brittany chose this patriotic song as Brittany's grandfather, Robert Derrick Horn, proudly served four years in the Navy aboard the USS Cowpens.

Rebecca Goldstein is the daughter of Mrs. Penelope Goldstein of Roscommon, Michigan and Darrin Goldstein of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Brittany and Rebecca dedicated 'You're a Grand Old Flag' to the brave men and women who have, or are, proudly serving their country.



Munising Community Center underway . . . The Bahweting Singers hosted a blessing of the Munising grounds, which included an honor song and offering of tobacco. The ceremony was attended by tribal elders, board members, staff and local officials. The 21,000 sq. ft. facility, formerly the Lincoln School constructed in 1915, is scheduled to open in the spring of 2007.

HUD awards Sault Tribe Housing Authority more than \$4.6 million to increase housing opportunity and improve housing conditions

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Midwest Regional Director Joseph P. Galvan, second from right, and Kevin Fitzgibbons, administrator, Eastern/Woodlands Office of Native American Programs, far right, presented the Sault Tribe Housing Authority with a check for \$4,619,254 in federal assistance under HUD's Indian Housing Block Grant program.

"This money helps Native American communities do the critical work of providing housing opportunity, facilitating economic development and improving living conditions," Galvan said. "These grants do so much good for so many people and are evidence of our continuing commitment to provide communities with the resources they need to meet the needs of their residents today and for future generations."

The Sault Tribe Housing Authority will use these funds

to provide improved housing opportunity and housing conditions and assist home buyers with home buyer education training classes, education on all available financing options and home buyer's down payment assistance. The Housing Authority will also use Force Account construction to rehabilitate its rental housing and vacant units. The construction/rehabilitation program will provide training and jobs for tribe members

"I am appreciative for the opportunities these dollars represent for Sault Tribe members," said Chairperson Aaron Payment, in the center of photo. "And especially grateful for the hard work and dedication of our Housing Authority team members lead by our Housing Division Director Carolyn O'Neil, (far left in photo), with Veronica Hickman, (second from left) chairperson of the Housing Commission."



License plates for tribe members. Dolores LeVeque of Munising shows off the new elder license plates that are for sale for \$6 to help raise money for the Unit V Elder Sub-committee. The committee also has member plates available. For more information or to purchase the plates, please contact Shirley at (906) 387-2101 or Katherine at (906) 387-3299.



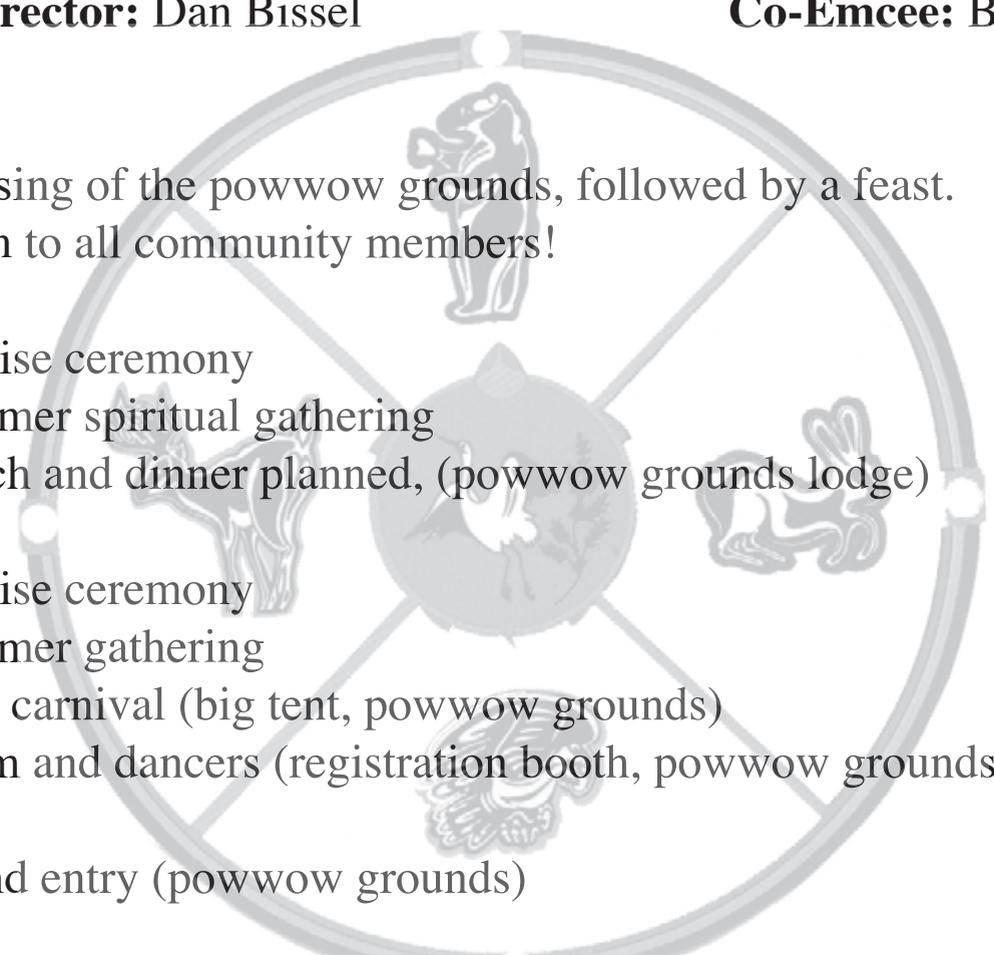
Hessel YEA student and volunteer recognition . . . Dinner was held and certificates were passed out to students and volunteers in the Hessel area. Certificates were given to 84 K-12 students who were nominated by their schools, 10 youth council students, eight junior council students, 12 student character certificates for students who took classes in the teachings of the seven grandfathers and 20 volunteers received thank you certificates.

FREE ADMISSION***Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians
25th Annual Powwow and Summer Gathering***

The Sault Ste Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians will hold its 25th Annual Summer Gathering and Traditional Powwow. It will be held June 28 until July 2, 2006. The theme for this year's powwow will be "Healing Mother Earth"

Head Male Dancer: TBA
Host Drum: White Fish Bay
Emcee: Butch Elliot
Arena Director: Dan Bissel

Head Female Dancer: Theresa Lewis
Co-Host Drum: TBA
Head Veteran: George Martin
Co-Emcee: Beedahsega Elliot

**Wednesday, June 28**

10:30 a.m. Blessing of the powwow grounds, followed by a feast.
 Open to all community members!

Thursday, June 29

6 a.m. Sunrise ceremony
 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Summer spiritual gathering
 Lunch and dinner planned, (powwow grounds lodge)

Friday, June 30

6 a.m. Sunrise ceremony
 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Summer gathering
 5 – 6:30 p.m. Kids carnival (big tent, powwow grounds)
 4 – 7 p.m. Drum and dancers (registration booth, powwow grounds)

7 p.m. Grand entry (powwow grounds)

Saturday, July 1

10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Art show (Niigaanagiizhik building)
 For more information call Art Leighton at (906) 632-7494
 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Dancers and drum registration (registration booth, powwow grounds)
 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. Grand entry (powwow grounds)
 5 p.m. Feast (Niigaanagiizhik building)

Sunday, July 2

11 a.m. Sunday Mass, by Brother John Haskell (Niigaanagiizhik building)
 1 p.m. Grand entry (powwow grounds)

Alcohol and Drug Free

For more information please contact:
 Bud Biron - (906) 632-7033
 Melissa Causley - (906) 632-7494



Student recognition

The Sault Tribe's Youth Education and Activities Program and *The Sault Tribe News* are awarding outstanding achievement recognition to students who qualified for the Young Scholars Program by earning straight A grades or perfect attendance for the fall semester of the 2005-06 school year. In addition to recognition, students received a certificate of appreciation and an incentive award of \$25 per marking period with a maximum payment of \$50 for their hard work and dedication.



Amanda Aldapa, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Webberville, Mich



Chene Alden-Cadreau, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Clinton Township, Mich.



Derek Amshey, 13
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Ada, Mich.



Brandi Barends, 17
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Senior
Ishpeming, Mich



Taylor Becker, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



Travis Behling, 13
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Alyssa Bellant, 14
Straight A grades
Ninth grade
East Jordon, Mich.



Heather Bellant, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
East Jordon, Mich.



Amber Bergman, 15
Straight A grades
Ninth grade
Newberry, Mich.



Rebecca Bickham, 17
Straight A grades
Junior
Hessel, Mich



Karli Boulton, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Carney, Mich.



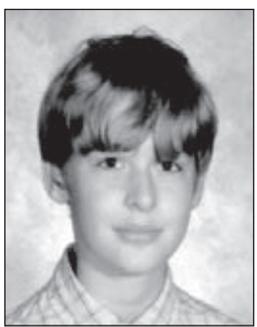
Christopher Brown, 18
Perfect attendance
Senior
Gulliver, Mich.



Angie Carley, 13
Straight A grades
Eighth grade
Cooks, Mich.



Billy Carr, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Warren, Mich.



Dillon Carr, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Riverdale, Mich.



Alyson Causley-Piche, 12
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Jessica Coullard, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Pickford, Mich.



Brook Derusha, 14
Straight A grades
Freshman
Newberry, Mich.



Danielle Derusha, 11
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Newberry, Mich.



Joseph Derusha, 12
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Conklin, Mich.



Rachel Derusha, 14
Straight A grades
Freshman
Conklin, Mich.



Emily DiAngelo, 13
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Germantown, Tenn.



Eric Dinnan, 16
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Junior
Durand, Mich.



Samantha Dinnan, 14
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Freshman
Durand, Mich.



Cort Dumas, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



Joshua Elliott, 12
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Morgan Fierek, 15
Straight A grades
Sophomore
Goetzville, Mich.



Alicia Gervais, 15
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sophomore
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Brittany Gervais, 16
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Junior
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Courtney Gervais, 13
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Student recognition



Jerome Gervais, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Amber Gill, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Escanaba, Mich.



Karrie Grondin, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Cheboygan, Mich.



Jodi Hatinger, 18
Straight A grades
Senior
Manistique, Mich.



Jordan Heabeart, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Macomb, Mich.



Annemarie Horn, 12
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



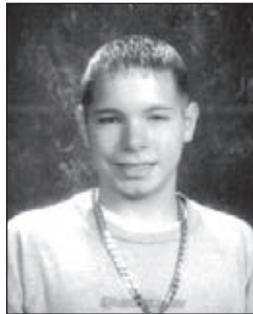
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Perfect attendance
Sophomore
Hilo, Hawaii



Christie Hyland, 15
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Freshman
Manistique, Mich.



Jesse Jarnigin, 13
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Flint, Mich.



Joshua Jarnigin, 13
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Eighth grade
Flint, Mich.



Kayla Jewell, 15
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Freshman
Cheboygan, Mich.



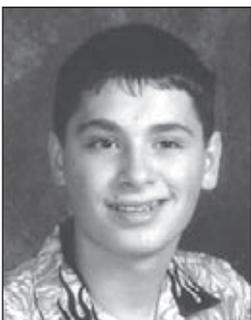
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Freshman
Cheboygan, Mich.



Cody Jodoin, 12
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Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Ashley Kelly, 17
Straight A grades
Junior
Brighton, Colo.



Shawn Kesterke, 13
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Saint Joseph, Mich.



Jared King, 17
Straight A grades
Senior
Ringgold, Ga.



Richard Knecht, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Southgate, Mich.



Kaylee Krull, 12
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Kacie Kuusisto, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Bovey, Minn.



Trevor Lassila, 12
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Wetmore, Mich.



Katy LaTour, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Lindenhurst, Ill.



Kelly Latvata, 14
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Freshman
Marquette, Mich.



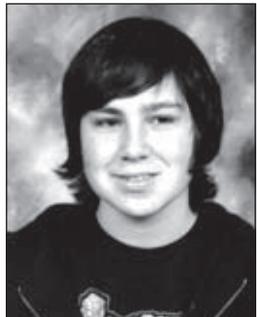
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Perfect attendance
Junior
Swartz Creek, Mich.



Weston Lawrence, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Swartz Creek, Mich.



Virginia Lee, 14
Straight A grades
Eighth grade
Bay City, Mich.



Mitchell Leon, 15
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sophomore
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Dana Lucas, 17
Perfect attendance
Senior
Kelliher, Minn.



Keely Lyons, 12
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Florence, Ky.



Kris Lyons, 14
Straight A grades
Ninth grade
Florence, Ky.



Lacey MacLeod, 17
Straight A grades
Junior
Cheboygan, Mich.

Student recognition



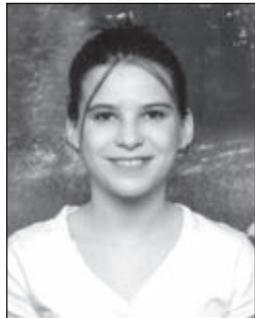
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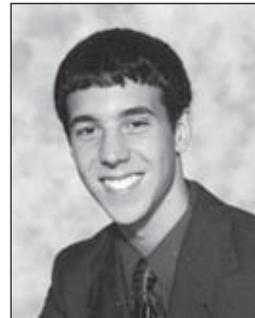
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Eighth grade
Chatham, Mich.



Heather Marcus, 15
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Sophomore
Dimondale, Mich.



Lacy Martin, 12
Perfect Attendance
Sixth grade
Wolverine, Mich.



Stephen Massaway, 18
Straight A grades
Senior
St. Ignace, Mich.



Kent Maybank III, 12
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Indian River, Mich.



Shanon McFadden, 12
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Canton, Mich.



Brittany McKerchie, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Cedar Springs, Mich.



Anthony Menard, 16
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Junior
Negaunee, Mich.



Brittany Menard, 15
Straight A grades
Sophomore
Cheboygan, Mich.



Dillon Menard, 14
Straight A grades
Freshman
Negaunee, Mich.



Liana Miles, 15
Straight A grades
Freshman
Petaluma, Calif.



Ben Montgomery, 17
Straight A grades
Senior
Marquette, Mich.



Olivia Montgomery, 16
Straight A grades
Sophomore
Marquette, Mich.



Corey Moses, 12
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



Stephanie Mounts, 12
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Taylor, Mich.



Andrew Mullins, 14
Perfect attendance
Freshman
St. Ignace, Mich.



Alexandra Myhal, 14
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Parma Heights, Ohio



Natasha Myhal, 12
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Parma Heights, Ohio



Brittany Nelson, 14
Straight A grades
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Eighth grade
Pleasant Lake, Ind.



Toni Neuman, 16
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Cheboygan, Mich.



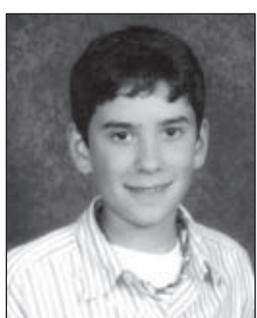
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Cheboygan, Mich.



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Sixth grade
Plymouth, Mich.



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Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Wayland, Mich.



Ian O'Neill, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Marquette, Mich.



Tasha Opalka, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Tessa Opalka, 11
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Jacob O'Reilly, 11
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Flint, Mich.



Alexandra Perry, 12
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Nathan Peters, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Olympia, Wash.

Student recognition



Brynn Peterson, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Houghton Lake, Mich.



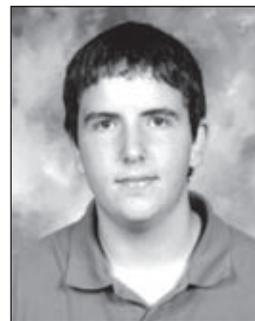
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Sophomore
Wells, Mich.



Kyleigh Polzin, 11
Straight A grades
Sixth grade
Bay City, Mich.



Mark Pomeroy, 13
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Adam Povey, 16
Straight A grades
Junior
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Jason Povey, 16
Perfect attendance
Junior
Rudyard, Mich.



Renee Rapin, 16
Straight A grades
Sophomore
Fresno, Calif.



Casey Reikowsky, 14
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Raleigh, N.C.



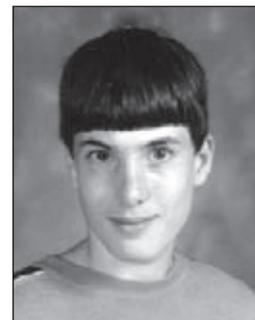
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Sixth grade
Raleigh, N.C.



Dakota Richards, 11
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
LakeWorth, Fla.



Kaylin Richards, 14
Straight A grades
Eighth grade
Lakeworth, Mich.



Max Savard, 15
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Freshman
Saginaw, Mich.



Nicole Schnurer, 17
Straight A grades
Senior
Manistique, Mich.



Lucas Schork, 15
Perfect attendance
Freshman
Wetmore, Mich.



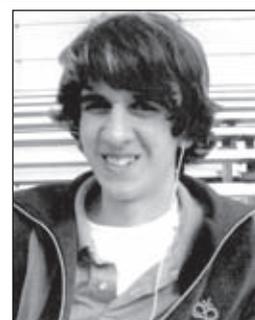
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Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sophomore
Oakland Township, Mich.



Michelle Sierant, 12
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Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Oakland Township, Mich.



Stephen Sierant, 14
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Oakland Township, Mich.



Darin Smith, 16
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Sophomore
Midland, Mich.



Holly Smith, 14
Straight A grades
Eighth grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



Samantha Soden, 12
Straight A grades
Seventh grade
Traverse City, Mich.



Michael Soule, 11
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.



Bradley St. Germain, 14
Straight A grades
Ninth grade
Negaunee, Mich.



Ashley St. Louis, 17
Straight A grades
Senior
St. Ignace, Mich.



Jonathan Stewart, 13
Straight A grades
Perfect attendance
Eighth grade
Scarbro, W.V.



Johnna Taylor, 17
Straight A grades
Senior
Newberry, Mich.



Joshua Theeck, 12
Perfect attendance
Sixth grade
Fenton, Mich.



James Theeck, 14
Straight A grades
Ninth grade
Fenton, Mich.



Ashley Thomson, 16
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Junior
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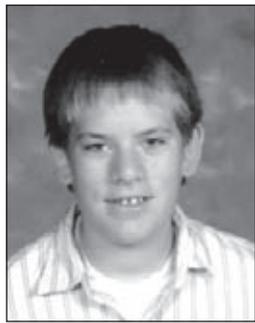


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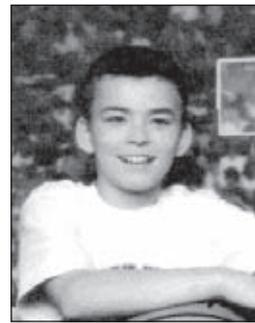
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CJ Weber Jr., 13
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Tawni Whipple, 13
Straight A grades
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Seventh grade
Ravenna, Mich.



Ronald Whipple, 11
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Sixth grade
Ravenna, Mich.



Andrea Williams, 12
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Seventh grade
St. Ignace, Mich.



Grace Wilson, 11
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Sixth grade
Alpena, Mich.



Taylor Witkawski, 12
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Seventh grade
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Wanda Hernandez, 13
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Christopher Houghton, 18
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Helena Hunt, 16
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Zepherin Hunt, 17
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Rick Jones, 13
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Kallee Kirby, 13
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Kodak, Tenn.

Erica Kodramaz, 13
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Joshua Koschmider, 14
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White House, Tenn.

Kenneth Koschmider, 16
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Michael Koschmider, 13
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Heather Lockwood, 14
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Waupun, Wisc.

Kali Marshall, 13
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Terry Martin
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Devin McGahey, 15
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Sean McGahey, 11
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Isabella Rose, 15
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Virginia Rose, 14
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Sierra Rusinek, 11
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Eric Campbell, 15
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Jared Grimmer, 13
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Curtis Grondin, 11
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Shelby Hanchers, 14
Straight A grades
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Muskegon, Mich.

American Indian gaming benefits all

In recent months, some politicians are attacking Indian owned casinos by reporting on falsehoods, printing misleading statements and not reporting both sides of important issues. They are not sharing information on the positive economic impact casinos can bring to communities. They are not letting people know of the thousands upon thousands of dollars that are given locally in donations, sponsorships and in jobs.

"Locally, we can all see the benefits of having a business this size in the eastern Upper Peninsula," said Tony Goetz, chief operating officer. "From employee wages, to construction projects, to revenue we put back into the community in the form of two-percent contributions or donations, the impact can be seen and we are proud of that."

The Native American casino industry is booming throughout the country. In the United States, there are 562 Native American tribes of which 354 operate gaming facilities under 249 state gaming compacts. These facilities have created 400,000 jobs. The Native gaming market took in approximately \$16.2 billion in revenue in 2003.

Just like every other tribe across the United States, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, opened its Kewadin Casinos in an effort to bring jobs and increase the opportunities in the area.

The significant growth of the casino organization has benefited the Sault area and eastern

Upper Peninsula in many ways. Kewadin Casinos is now the largest employer in the Eastern Upper Peninsula with approximately 1,300 people and an annual payroll of over \$30 million. These people live, work and play in the state of Michigan paying taxes, buying goods and supporting local businesses.

The Kewadin facilities draw over four million customers from around the state annually who not only visit the casino, but support other businesses in the area which depend on tourist dollars. This trickle down effect has increased tourism in the eastern Upper Peninsula.

As every other casino in the state, the five Kewadin Casinos have helped improve the overall economic climate of the area. Chippewa County alone has seen it's unemployment rate drop from 11.3 percent in 1990 to nine percent in 2004. Other communities hosting a Kewadin Casino have also seen this trend including Mackinac County, whose unemployment rate is now 10 percent compared to 14.3 percent in 1990.

Casinos are community supporters. They support local events, fund-raisers and non-profit organizations. In 2005, Kewadin Casinos gave over \$140,000 in donations. In addition, casinos distribute 2 percent of their slot earnings to local governments. At Kewadin alone, \$20.4 million in two-percent distributions were handed out so governments can purchase computers for schools, pave roads for citizens, build school athletic

fields, purchase fire fighting equipment and build playgrounds for the entire community.

"It is amazing to see how much we have grown over the years," said General Manager Steve Sprecker.

The economic impact the casino has on the local area is astounding. Since 1986, the businesses and government services of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, including Kewadin Casinos, have pumped nearly \$4.4 billion into Michigan according to a 2002 study by KPMG, one of the world's most respected accounting and business consulting companies.

Native American gaming is a movement that is growing by leaps and bounds each year. In the early 1980's, there were only five casinos in Michigan and the current casino count is 19.

The Native gaming market took in approximately \$16.2 billion in revenues in 2003, an increase of 12 percent compared to 2002. Comparatively, non-native casinos brought in more revenue at \$26.5 billion, but only posted an increase of 1.4 percent compared to their 2002 numbers.

Native casinos bring a lot to an area. Take a look around. The street repair, the fire truck, the library, the community center, increased educational opportunities for your children, increase employment, hospital services, all parts of the community we call home that we take for granted, benefit from the casinos. Those benefits affect us all.



The Hessel deli now has a name!

Deli chef Mrs. Dorothy Henry stands under the menu of the Hessel Casino deli with a pizza ready to go. The deli didn't have a name until recently and finally has been christened "Northern Nook." Team member Angel Lee, who works security at the casino, won the deli naming contest and received a \$50 gift certificate for her effort.

SPRING CLEAN UP

A special thank you to all team members participating in this year's spring clean up at Kewadin Sault! Participating in this year's event were Annette Andress, Vicky Puidokas, Dana Olmstead, Larry Marsh, Ashley Payment, John Cleary, Linda McKelvie, Lee Lowirmore, Kevin Pavlat, Kevin O'Neil and John Laitinen. A special thanks to Joe Nasser who coordinated this event.

In total 25 bags of trash were collected by these individuals making our property sparkle and mother nature smile!

Winners of our special drawings were: Vicky Puidokas — show tickets for two and Kevin Pavlat — gift certificate for \$100.

Be sure to check out Kewadin Casino's new Web site at www.kewadin.com. The Web site has been redesigned to be more user friendly and contains more information about Kewadin's upcoming promotions, concerts and gaming events.

Manager on duty starts this month

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — In an effort to involve Kewadin's management team members with all casino shifts, the casino formally began a new program called *manager on duty* on May 15.

The program will make available one management team member during peak business hours including weekends, nights and holidays thus getting away from the more traditional daytime dominated schedules that have been practiced in previous years.

"All of our management currently demonstrates a presence during these times," said Tony Goetz, chief operating officer. "This program will simply formalize additional duties with specific goals and objectives. It will make us involved in every department during peak times, taking management's involvement to a whole new level."

Having upper management regularly available and involved on all shifts of the casino will better equip the team in assessing operational functions. It will allow the management team an opportunity to talk with all team members and casino customers giving them a chance to openly discuss concerns

or issues they may have. "Bottom line, our management team members will be a better informed decision maker," said Goetz.

The management team member on duty will rotate weekly so everyone has the opportunity to participate. While on duty, they will be assigned a series of multiple tasks to be performed throughout the shift that will promote a great deal of interaction with customers and team members. The program will also require a written report and assessment, which will then be used to identify casino strengths and weaknesses.

The Manager on Duty program is scheduled to kick off just prior to the summer season, and will eventually expand to the four outlining casino sites.

Current management team members in the Sault include:

Chief Operating Officer Tony Goetz, Chief Financial Officer Rick McDowell, Casino General Manager Steve Specker, V.P. Marketing and Sales Alan Bouschor, V.P. Hotel Carol Eavou, Tammy Schroeder, Retail and Support Services Director Tammy Schroeder, Food and Beverage Director Janice Frye and Slot Director Dave Kucharczyk.

GOOD NEWS FROM



Written and compiled by Michelle Bouschor

NIGA urges Congress to direct NIGC to work with tribes and states on class III gaming regulations

Washington, D.C. — Before the House Resources Committee Oversight Hearing on May 11, National Indian Gaming Authority (NIGA) Chairman Ernest Stevens, Jr. stressed the need for Congress to work directly with tribal governments, as well as states, with regard to class III gaming regulations. He concluded by asking Congress to hold a series of hearings, including field hearings, which will demonstrate the strength and effectiveness of the tribal-state compact system and the existing comprehensive web of Indian gaming regulation.

Chairman Stevens expressed NIGA's concerns with a proposal to amend the Indian Gaming Regulator Act (IGRA) that "will grant broad new authority to the National Indian Gaming Commission going far beyond the minimum internal control standards. Their provision will tread on states' rights and tribal sovereignty by giving them the ability to override existing tribal-state compacts."

"Tribal governments currently dedicate tremendous resources to regulation," Stevens said. "Disrupting or adding to this process will inflate the governmental process at serious risk to Indian country, disrupting our existing and effective regulatory process. We believe that through consultation,

the NIGC and tribes can solve the agency's concerns about regulation, while protecting tribal sovereignty."

According to NIGA, in 2005, tribes spent over \$320 million nationwide on tribal, state and federal regulation. This investment funds over 3,400 federal, state and tribal regulatory personnel with credentials; such as FBI agents, state and tribal law enforcement officers, military officers, accountants, auditors, bank officials and state regulators. Tribal regulation also funds state of the art surveillance and security equipment.

In his testimony, Stevens also state, "The NIGC is asking for a blank check to determine its own jurisdiction." He then asked Congress to instead "direct the NIGC to work with tribes and states under existing law before risking limited tribal government revenue."

The National Indian Gaming Association is a non-profit trade association comprised of 184 American Indian Nations and other nonvoting associate members. The mission of NIGA is to advance the lives of Indian people economically, socially and politically. NIGA operates as a clearing house and educational, legislative and public policy resources for tribes, policy makers and the public.

News of other nations

COMPILED BY RICK SMITH

Archaeologists launch large dig despite Indian opposition

VIRGINIA — Archaeologists hope to spend their summer searching thousands of acres on Virginia's Middle Peninsula for Indian artifacts. The area is the future site of a reservoir, a project fiercely opposed by the Pamunkey, Mattaponi and Upper Mattaponi Indian tribes.

The tribes also are upset about the archaeological dig, which will focus on 6,000 acres of forests and fields. "We've been here . . . 10,000 years and (they) have been here 400 years and they want us to mitigate? That's impossible," said Upper Mattaponi Chief Ken Adams.

The Mattaponi and Pamunkey reservations are within three miles of the reservoir site and the Upper Mattaponi tribe owns acreage about eight miles away. "Let the poor people rest, let the artifacts rest," said Warren Cook of the Pamunkey Indian Tribe.

The planned exploration will be among the largest investigations of its kind in Virginia history.

— *Associated Press*

UN treaty to protect oral traditions enters into force

NEW YORK — On April 20, a United Nations treaty protecting the world's cultures went into effect. It aims to safeguard languages, oral traditions and expressions, performing arts, social practices, rituals, festive events, knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe along with knowledge linked to traditional crafts.

"Contemporary lifestyles and the process of globalization are undermining considerably the living cultures inherited through tradition," said UNESCO Director-General Koïchiro Matsuura. "By offering them adequate means for their preservation, this instrument fills a legal loophole."

The treaty, called *Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage*, provides for drawing up national inventories of cultural elements that must be protected, the creation of an intergovernmental committee comprising experts from states' parties, and the creation of two lists — one covering the intangible heritage of humanity, and the other featuring parts of that heritage considered to be in urgent need of safeguarding.

— *Development Gateway*

Officials make strides in effort to preserve Keres language

NEW MEXICO — Laguna Pueblo and state education officials have signed an agreement allowing the tribe to select tribe members to teach Laguna language and culture to students at Laguna-Acoma Middle/High School.

The signing was termed a true historical event because of the impact these teachings will have on the tribe's youth, both today and in the future. "This really is a significant step," said Laguna Governor Ronald Johnson. "Language is important to the retention of culture, our way of life. It's not only how we dress, it's how we eat, how we worship."

Fourteen students from LAHS attended the ceremony and were asked by tribal leaders to tell their peers about the plans. "This really benefits the future," said Geoff Kie from Laguna Middle School. "This is going to help generation after generation and will help keep the traditions of the tribe alive."

— *Gallup Independent*

Donate trailers to tribes

NORTH DAKOTA — About 90,000 Native American families across the nation are homeless. During a Senate budget hearing, U.S. Senator Tim Johnson said 20,000 mobile homes not being used by Hurricane Katrina victims should be moved to Indian Country.

"Rather than allow these homes to go to waste, they can be used immediately in native communities, not only for housing but also as additional classrooms for reservation schools, whose facilities are in desperate need of repair," Johnson wrote.

Lillian Sparks from the National Indian Education Association (NIEA) agrees. "Right now, a lot of our students are being forced to receive their education in non stable and nonpermanent structures," she said. "When they're coming from homes that are also unstable and in poor conditions, and then we're asking them to receive their education in poor conditions as well, what kind of message are we sending to our children?"

Ryan Wilson, also from NIEA, summed it up this way at the Senate budget hearing, "The backlog (in school proj-

ects) is becoming a first-class crisis. And, again, our young people are attending second-class schools at rates that should never happen here in America."

— *Native News Online*

College student selected for NAJA Board of Directors

SOUTH DAKOTA — Christina Good Voice, Muscogee Creek, joined the Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) Board of Directors. The 24-year-old University of Oklahoma student is an Associated Press intern and a former staff writer for the *Cherokee Phoenix* and *Oklahoma Daily*.

Good Voice said she is honored and thrilled about her selection. "As a scholarship recipient, NAJA has helped me with college expenses for the last three years. Now that I am about to graduate, I am excited to be the representative of the NAJA student membership," she said. Christina plans to seek input from student members to help better serve them. In addition to creating the student board position, NAJA has approved a charter policy to help college groups create student chapters. A group of students at the University of Montana is currently petitioning for chapter status. NAJA currently has 106 college and 142 high school students enrolled as members.

— *Native American Journalists Association*

American Indian tribes assert identity

GEORGIA — During a recent conference at the University of Georgia, scholars shared ideas about how indigenous people throughout the Americas might assert themselves. This was the first major conference to explore how nationalism plays out in literature and literary criticism.

Some comments — "One of the biggest topics in Native American studies for about 10 years now has been nationalism. Nationalism within sovereign tribes is advocacy for their people and nation," said Jace Weaver, University of Georgia Institute of Native American Studies.

"Assimilation is used to discredit and critics accuse authors of being 'not real' for writing in English rather than their indigenous language. Many critics judge American Indian literature as culturally inferior," remarked Joy Harjo, University of New Mexico

"Recognition is based on categories of quantity, such as percentage of blood heritage. These measures are threatening because they imply people can only become less American Indian. Through this viewpoint, Indians can only vanish," observed Daniel Justice, University of Toronto.

"Some stereotypes in literature have become ingrained in the American psyche," noted Robbie Ethridge, University of Mississippi.

"American Indians' involvement in the creation of baseball, as well as their participation in American Indian softball leagues, has been ignored. The native image in sports is not there. We're only the mascot for sports," commented LeAnne Howe, University of Illinois.

"American Indians must assert (themselves) on behalf of (their) land, culture and community. This begins with sovereignty. It means a sense of self that is our own," said Simon Ortiz, University of Toronto.

— *Red and Black.com*

Great Lakes for sale! Michigan's Odawa Indians lead anti-Nestle fight

MICHIGAN — If water is the oil of the 21st century, then Michigan is like Saudi Arabia. Now, for the first time in history, the Great Lakes are being compromised by a new Michigan law and the Nestle Corporation. Nestle plans to bottle up even more Great Lakes water — up to 250,000 gallons of water per day to sell at a 24,000 percent markup. This gives Nestle's a daily profit \$500,000 to \$1,800,000.

A new law allows Nestle to increase water purchases with the provision that the bottles can be no larger than 5.7 gallons apiece. Few Midwesterners realize that Nestle now sells the "Ice Mountain" brand of bottled water. The containers, which show a majestic snowy mountain, are misleading — Ice Mountain water does not come from mountains; the water is drawn from four wells near Grand Rapids, Mich.

The United Indian Nations of the Great Lakes (UINGL) are at the forefront in mounting challenges to Nestle. More than 140 Great Lakes tribes have joined to protect the waters. "We're not stakeholders but bonafide owners," said Bob Goulais, speaking for the Union of Ontario Indians. "The Great Lakes are not for sale."

In 2003, Indian women began journeys around the Great Lakes carrying copper buckets full of water. They

want to recall the traditional Anishinaabe role of women as protectors of water, what they call the lifeblood of Mother Earth. So far they have completed treks around Lakes Superior, Michigan and Huron. Their walk around Lake Ontario began April 29.

— *The Free Press*

Arrow throwers carry on tradition

MONTANA — Instead of it's annual spring powwow, the American Indian Cultural Association at Rocky Mountain College (RMC) hosted an arrow-throwing tournament.

Arrow throwing is a traditional Crow sport in which men throw handmade arrows at a target arrow jabbed into the ground. The men take two strides and hurl the arrow, somewhat like a javelin. Seniors throw 40 yards, youth 18 and under throw 38 yards. Throwers are awarded points for the arrow that lands closest to the target and points are added for level of difficulty, such as landing an arrow shaft-to-shaft, feather-to-feather and perfectly parallel with the target. Depending on a host's rules, if the thrower's arrow splits the shaft of the target arrow, he receives extra points and could win the tournament.

Eynard Left Hand, who has been throwing arrows for more than 50 years, has never seen an arrow ricochet off the other shafts. It's kind of a mystery, he said, how the arrows always find ground, sometimes with a "clack" as they hit other shafts. "Maybe it's the eagle feathers," he said. "But it never bounces off; it just sticks in the middle." Arrow throwing is commonplace across the Crow reservation, said Janine Pease from RMC. Families have throwing areas carefully paced out and will invite groups to compete on any given weekend.

Arrow throwing is exclusively for men. Traditionally, women are not allowed even to touch the arrows; instead, they watch the competition and prepare the food, an expected part of every competition.

— *Billings Gazette*

2009 games will play up tribes' past

COLORADO — In July 2009, the first American Indian Historical Games will be held in Parker. The five-day event will offer U.S. tribes a unique chance to reconnect with their heritage and a chance to accurately portray how their tribes lived and played.

"This is an opportunity for us to describe who we are, where we came from," said Ken Klautt, an elder in the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara tribes, and commissioner of the games.

Among the schedules games are alligator wrestling, catching arrows in flight, throwing tomahawks from galloping horses, fishing with spears and buffalo robe keep-away.

Organizers hope to have 560 tribes represented at the games. Klautt envisions the event drawing 150,000 visitors. The games will also become a major musical event.

Klautt, 62, is a member of the Southern Gospel Music Hall of Fame and several of his friends including Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton and the Oak Ridge Boys are expected to perform during the five-day event. "We'll have exciting historical Indian games during the day, and good old country and gospel music at night," Klautt said.

— *Denver Post*

Salt River community to host basketball invitational

ARIZONA — This year the Native American Basketball Invitational (NABI) tournament will be hosted by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Sponsored by Nike, the NABI is the largest all-American Indian tournament in North America. It's sole purposed is to create college scholarship opportunities for American Indian high school athletes. "We are using basketball as a tool to encourage youth to pursue higher education," said Mark West, vice president of player programs for the Phoenix Suns and NABI co-founder. "Their exceptional talent and passion for the game make them prime candidates for scholarship opportunities but, due to the demographics of most reservations, they do not always get to show off their talents to college recruiters."

The NABI tournament will host 64 tribal teams from the United States and Canada. "Having the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community as our title sponsor brings endless opportunities for the tribe, NABI and our Indian youth," said Gina Marie Scarpa-Mabry, co-founder and organizer of NABI. "We look forward to growing with them."

— *Indian Country Today*

Financial help greatly appreciated

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank you very much for the fall 2005 incentive award that I received. Your financial help is greatly appreciated and will be put towards the last two years of my education at Michigan Tech. Thank you again!

Sincerely,

—Jessica L. Aho

Elder thanks tribe for help with medications

This letter is a thank you for all of the help I have received since I became ill, especially this last time with cancer, and it's not over yet. The medication I have received and all of the other payments that have been made on my behalf are a real blessing.

I also want to thank Kim Menard and all of her staff. Kim has really had her hands full with all of my phone calls.

Thank you again for taking care of us elders.

Sincerely,

—Marilyn T. Cook

Thank you U.S.A. project supporters

Dear Editor,

Thank you to all of you who sent us information on the fourth graders' U.S.A. Project. We have received a little over 600 pieces of mail from all over the United States. We are finally caught up enough to start acknowledging people who have sent us things. Sorry it has taken so long, but there are only so many hours in our school day and we have to fit the other six subjects in also. We have received everything from purses, antlers, popcorn, peanuts, fake money, walrus whisker toothpick, cactuses, license plates, pinion and pinto beans, Eskimo yo-yo, Alaskan ulu knife and bowl set, porcupine quills, grouse feathers, wooden moose candy dispenser, Nomad bookmark, canning lid, Delaware racing CDs, red desert sand, rattlesnake rattle, salt from the Great Salt Plains,

cotton, marbles, a toy purse made out of walrus fur, magnets, flags, coins, state quarters, stamps, pencils and pens, pins, badges, lots of books, candy, bumper stickers, CDs, mini-discs, note cards, calendars, pictures of all sorts of things, children's reports, maps, letters, postcards, etc. We have waited until now to send out thank you notes to the people who sent us packages. We couldn't possibly write back to all who sent us letters and postcards. We kept a thank you book for the people who sent packages. We are sending out a little over 200 of them.

The kids have completed a state project that they showed the class using some of the information we received. We have kept the information in individual state files, folders, boxes, etc. When the kids receive the mail they date it, tally by state, put pins on a map of where they are from, graph it by the day and week, and then we open it and file it with the appropriate state. We will display all the things we received in May at an open house. The kids' state projects are displayed also. We usually fill up the cafeteria.

Thanks again for your effort and money spend on our U.S.A. project. We have plains all around us with rich black soil with mainly corn and beans grown here. The kids have really seen a different world by the things you sent. Thanks for caring about their education!

Sincerely,

—Mrs. McClain and the fourth graders

Thank you for transportation assistance

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank Teresa Patten, Cindy Thomas and Peggy Maleport for all their assistance in helping my husband and me in getting to East Boston, Mass. We were notified of my brothers death on March 20, 2006, and his funeral was on March 23. Their

assistance was very helpful and appreciated. Again, thank you very much.

Sincerely,

—Debra A. Menard

Dr. Paquette saved employees life

Dear Editor,

Recently, I sought medical clearance from Dr. Paquette at the Sault Tribe Health Center to obtain knee surgery. Thanks to her thoroughness and knowledge, she would not allow me to have surgery until I had a new echo and heart stress test due to my family medical history of heart disease. I resisted but, thank God, she insisted; and here is the rest of the story.

On April 28, Dr. Schuil, a surgeon at the Heart and Vascular Center in Petoskey, installed a stent in the left side of my heart for a near 100 percent blockage. He told me I had been a ticking time bomb and, if I had been put under general anaesthesia for knee surgery, I would never have awoke. He credits Dr. Paquette for saving my life and so do I.

Thank you Dr. Paquette, for your care, kindness and a happy ending!

—Lana Patton

Class of 2006

Dear Editor,

Greetings to the seniors and fellow students of Chippewa County. Those of you about to graduate are looking back with fond memories of friends and good times, but are also looking ahead to a new exciting and more independent future. This milestone means getting greater privileges, but it also means getting greater responsibilities.

Rewards and celebrations are an expected response to your achievements. For those of you not yet age 21, however, getting together with friends where alcohol is served and consumed is a reality that carries heavy consequences.

An obvious consequence is going to jail if arrested, getting

substantial fines and quite possibly jail if found guilty as a repeat offender. Last, but not least, are sanctions to your drivers license. You "of age" friends can also face criminal charges for their role in contributing to you getting alcohol.

Other consequences can be the irreversible risk of an injury or death in a vehicle accident; injury or death from alcohol poisoning; an unwanted and/or unplanned physical or sexual assault; legal impoundment of any vehicle involved, no matter who it belongs to; and the public embarrassment of seeing your name in the local newspaper. All of these things have happened in Chippewa County to people just like you.

As this school year comes to a close, your family and community applaud your achievements, but we also ask for your help. Please be a responsible person for your own sake. Please be a responsible person for your friends. One drink is too much; one drink is never enough. No drinking. Period. We ask you to do whatever is necessary to stop the risks.

Let's work together to make Year 2006 a truly memorable one for all.

—Brian Pepler, prosecuting attorney; Jeff Moran, sheriff; Louis Murray, chief, Sault Ste. Marie Police; Fred Paquin, chief, Sault Tribe Police; Lt. Gregg Tamlyn, post commander MSP 93; Joe Micolo, chief, Kinross Twsp. Police; and Kurt Perron, chief, Bay Mills Tribe Police.

Supporting education

Thank you so much for your continued support for education. I graduated from Moravian College in Bethlehem, PA., last May and I am now working on my master's of divinity at Yale. All of this would not have been possible without the help you have given me. I was recently married in July, so your aid has helped make the transition much less stressful. Thank you so much.

—Hillary Dowling Raining Thank you for helping boaters in distress

Two Sault Ste. Marie citizens and business owners, Darryl and Donna Dalimonte along with Bay Mills Police Sergeant Phillip Donnay, Officer Paul Baragwanath and Sergeant Dean Parrish all had a part in the rescue of my children, young niece and brother when the boat they were in ran out of gas and was blown offshore from Back Bay in Bay Mills. Thank you Darryl and Donna for taking time to assist in their rescue and using your own personal boat to find them. Thank you Sergeant Donnay, Officer Baragwanath and Sergeant Parrish for your help and support in bringing them back to shore safely. I'm also very thankful that my brother and son both had their cell phones and were able to call for help. None of the boaters were dressed to be out on the water at night and owe their safe return to the combined efforts of many wonderful hands.

Thank you,

—Brenda Austin

Youth thanks tribe for Young Scholars Award

I am writing this letter to thank the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians for awarding me the young scholars award. It is a great honor to receive

this award for my hard work and determination in my schooling. I look forward to continuing my education in college, and the challenges I may face ahead. I know my great-great-grandma Mary Murray would be proud of me. Thanks again for everything.

Sincerely,

—Chris Sawyer



ATTENTION SAULT TRIBE MEMBERS

Participate in the upcoming:

**Native American Cup
A National Tribal Team Tournament**
at the Grand Traverse Resort & Spa
August 4, 5 & 6, 2006.

Golfers must cover the fees associated:

Single Occupancy: \$475.00 per Golfer
Double Occupancy: \$375.00 per Golfer
(Includes: 3 rounds golf, 2 nights hotel, 3 meals, 3 shirts and 1 media guide)

No Lodging: \$275.00 per Golfer
(Includes: 3 rounds golf, 3 meals, 3 shirts and 1 media guide)



For more information or to register on a first serve basis, please contact Jessica Dumback at (906) 635-7770 or Via email at jdumback@saulttribe.net.

Deadline to register is June 26, 2006.

SAULT TRIBE YOUTH EDUCATION & ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

4TH ANNUAL

BATTLE OF THE BOARDS

"MATBALL MAYHEM"

BAHWETING ANISHINABEK TRIBAL YOUTH COUNCIL
VS.

SAULT TRIBE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GAME TIME:

SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2006

6:00 P.M.

CHI MUKWA BASKETBALL COURT

DONATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED BY THE BAHWETING ANISHINABEK TRIBAL YOUTH COUNCIL
ANY QUESTIONS??? CALL (906) 635-7010



The truth about tobacco

SUBMITTED BY
MICHELLE WILLIS,
COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATOR

All of the tobacco companies that market and produce the commercial tobacco we buy in stores are part of a large profit making industry. Tobacco companies are not regulated by the FDA or any other health organization. The product they sell to us is highly addictive and contains more than just nicotine.

The truth is that there are over 4,000 chemicals in commercial tobacco products. Eighty of those chemicals are known to cause cancer. Here's a sample of some of the chemicals you will find in store bought tobacco: Acetic acid used in hair dye and developer; acetone, main ingredient in paint

and fingernail polish remover; ammonia is a typical household cleaner; benzene is used in rubber cement; cadmium is found in batteries and artists' oil paint; carbon monoxide is a poison which reduces the ability of blood to carry oxygen; catechol is a major carcinogen; formaldehyde used to embalm dead bodies; hydrazine is used in jet and rocket fuels; hydrogen cyanide is poison used in gas chambers; naphthalenes is used in explosives, moth balls, and paint pigments; nickel is used in the process of electroplating; nicotine associates with cardiovascular disease/addictive; pH has an effect on nicotine toxicity; phenol is used in disinfectants and plastics; polonium radiation dosage, equal to 300 chest x-rays

in one year; polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons is a major tumor initiator; styrene is found in insulation; toluene used in embalmers glue; vinyl chloride is an ingredient found in garbage bags.

No one would ever want to mix these things in a glass and drink it, but every time we smoke or chew our bodies ingest all of these things and more. For further information, you can go online to: www.tobaccofree.org. Even if you have tried to quit before, keep trying. For some people, it takes time. When you're ready to quit or for more information call Sault Tribe Community Health at (906) 632-5210 or your local health care provider.

Sault Tribe Tobacco Cessation Program – Comprehensive help

Cessation is a pretty big word. What it means is to quit or to stop. The Sault Tribe Tobacco Cessation Program does just that — assists you in quitting smoking or chewing tobacco. Cigarettes and other tobacco kill more than 400,000 people per year. Ephedrine, an over-the-counter energy enhancement that some athletes used for better performance, killed a handful of people a few years back. You can no longer buy ephedrine over-the-counter. If it were not for making so much money from cigarette taxes, the government would have banned tobacco sales a very long time ago. Second-hand smoke kills about 4,000 people per year, but you can still smoke in many public places, like restaurants, bars, and casino's, even though cigarette smoke is a Class A carcinogen. If OSHA regulated this Class A cancer causing agent, it would be banned from any public building, just like asbestos was long ago. But again, the federal government will not allow OSHA to regulate this product for the sake of money.

Even though there are a few regulations in place to protect others who work in public places, it is still an individual decision to quit smoking or chewing tobacco. For many people, this decision comes when they begin to get sick from the horrible effects of formaldehyde, arsenic, carbon monoxide, cyanide poisoning, polonium, and the other almost 4,000 chemicals that they are smoking or chewing each time they do so. They realize it isn't really their friend. That it isn't really something to just pass time,

and it isn't really a positive way to handle stress. They look at cigarettes and chew for what it really is - an abundance of chemicals that can kill 400,000 people per year. What a great job the tobacco companies have done in becoming multi billionaires from manipulating and addicting people and the government to its product! Quitting smoking may not be easy, but it is manageable. Sault Tribe Health Centers offer medications, problem solving and support in assisting those who wish to quit. This service including the medications, are free for anyone who can utilize our health care services. Free medications, such as the nicotine patch, nicotine gum or lozenge, or bupropion (Zyban), are virtually unheard of in any other public or private health care system. This is a tremendous tribal benefit! The first step to get started in our tobacco program is that you must be established with one of our tribal clinic health care providers and have seen them in the last year. If you haven't, schedule an acute appointment for tobacco cessation. You can talk with your provider about a plan to quit. If you have seen your provider, you may directly call a tobacco counselor for getting started. Ultimately, you will be required to see one of the counselors a minimum of three times during the course of receiving medications for quitting. You must also see a pharmacist (or counselor if you are in the western counties) the first time you pick up your cessation medications. This is to make sure you know how to use the medications correctly. This comprehensive one-on-one

program helps us to individualize a plan that will work for you and insure you get the support needed to end nicotine addiction before it ends you and your pocket book.

Remember, there may not be a "good" time to quit, so why not now? We are here to help you when you're ready. For more information, please contact your health care provider, or call (906) 632-5241. You may also e-mail ksakis@saulttribe.net.

Having support in ending nicotine addiction is a necessary part of quitting. The Sault Tribe Health Center, in Sault Ste. Marie, will be offering a tobacco support group to help those who need some extra support.

Some of the times a person may need more support are when they live with other smokers, work in an environment that allows smoking, or they have no other support person to understand their journey to quit for good. Some others struggle with staying quit because of the many "triggers" such as socializing, work breaks, travel time to and from work or stress. Whatever your reason is, we'd like to help and support you.

The support group will run every second and fourth Monday, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. It will be held in the Sault Tribe Health and Human Services Center auditorium and facilitated by Community Health tobacco counselors. Please feel free to just show up, no registration required. Bring a friend or family member. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Kim at 906-632-5241.

Itchy, burning eyes can be sign of dry eye syndrome

According to some estimates, up to 20 percent of the population over age 50 may suffer from chronic dry eye syndrome, a decrease in the amount of natural tears available to lubricate the eyes. These men and women suffer from itchy, burning dry eyes. If left untreated, dry eye syndrome can lead to a decrease in vision.

Shahzad Mian, M.D., director of refractive surgery at the

University of Michigan's Kellogg Eye Center, says he hears patients complain of a chronic sensation of grittiness or the sensation of a foreign body in their eyes. Others complain of burning or itching, and sometimes light sensitivity. With more advanced disease, patients have a decrease in vision.

"This is a condition that tends to occur more in women, especially post-menopausal women. Patients who use contact lenses

are also predisposed to this condition," said Mian.

In addition to contact lenses, there are a number of other environmental factors that can trigger symptoms, including looking at a computer screen for a long time or spending time outdoors in dry heat or cold, windy conditions. And some medications also can increase the risk of dry eye disease, such as allergy medications, antidepressants or some very

From Bob's kitchen

BY BOB FLOWERS

I've given you several dessert recipes of late. Though these taste great, they don't fill the need for wholesome, nutritious meals. So with that in mind, here's a recipe that not only tastes great, but provides all the food value needed for health and vitality.

Please read the entire meal recipe and judge the timing of each dish so that all are done about the same time.

Roast pork with sweet potatoes and mushroom risotto

Ingredients:

3 lb. pork sirloin roast
Salt
1/2 large sweet potato per person
8 oz. fresh cremini (baby ports), white button, or portabello mushrooms
1 cup arborio rice
2 cups chicken broth
2 tbs. sunflower oil
1 tbs. butter
1/2 tsp. powdered ginger
1/2 cup Splenda or brown sugar
2 tbs. molasses if you are using the Splenda

Preheat the oven to 450 F. Place the pork roast fat-side up on a cooking rack and place into a roasting pan. Lightly salt the roast. Add two cups of water to the roasting pan. Insert a meat thermometer into the roast until the tip reaches the center. Place in the hot oven and set the timer for twenty minutes.

Peel the sweet potatoes and cut into chunks. Place into a suitable

Bob Flowers' New York Cheesecake

My wife asked me to make her a cheesecake. I did so, but changed the recipe just a bit. I added more moisture and reduced the cooking temperature by about ten degrees. I also increased the cooking time by about ten minutes. The result was the creamiest cheesecake I have ever eaten. I believe it's worth sharing with my friends.

Ingredients:

Crust:
1 1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs.
4 tbs. sugar (I use Splenda)
8 tbs. real butter
Filling:
6 - 8 oz. pkgs. cream cheese
1 1/2 cups sour cream
2 tsp. vanilla
1 1/8 cups sugar (Splenda for me again)
3 tbs. cornstarch
1/2 cup milk
3 large eggs.

Preheat oven to 450F. Melt the butter and combine with

pot with enough water to cover. Cover the pot and place on the stove over medium heat. Bring to a simmer and cook for 25 minutes. Finally, drain the sweet potatoes. Mash, and add the ginger, sweetener, and molasses. Stir until smooth.

Place all in suitable serving bowls and put it on the table. Remember to slice the meat against the grain. Serve with your favorite beverage.

After the timer has gone off for the roast, reduce the heat to 375 and cook for an additional 30 minutes. At the end of that time, begin checking the meat thermometer. When it reaches a temperature of 155, remove the roast from the oven.

While the roast and sweet potatoes are cooking, place the washed and sliced mushrooms into a covered pan with the butter. Turn on the heat to medium and cook for ten minutes. Remove from the heat and pour off the liquid into a bowl. Add enough chicken broth to the bowl to make two cups liquid.

Heat the cooking oil in a three-quart sauce pan. Add the rice and stir until it loses its turns a solid white color. Then, slowly add the chicken/mushroom broth, about a quarter-cup at a time, and stir until the liquid is absorbed. Add more liquid and repeat the stirring. Continue until all the liquid is used up. Fold in the cooked mushrooms, cover, and set aside.

the remaining crust ingredients. Spread evenly across the bottom and sides of either a 10-inch round springform pan, or a nine-inch square springform pan. Place pan with crust into the freezer for ten minutes.

Place the cream cheese in a large, microwave-safe bowl and heat on high for one minute in the microwave to soften. Beat in the remaining ingredients until the filling is silky smooth. This is easier of course with an immersion blender, a mixer, or a wire whisk. Pour the filling into the pie crust and smooth until the top is evenly distributed and flat. Place into the hot oven and bake for 15 minutes. Then, reduce heat to 180 degrees and bake for one hour. Turn off the oven and partially open the oven door. Let the cheesecake cool with the oven until it reaches room temperature. Top with your favorite cheesecake topping.

commonly used medications for blood pressure.

"There is some research that suggests that nutritional supplementation may be very helpful. Just as in cardiac disease, omega-3 and omega-6 fatty acids may play a strong role in helping to improve dry eye conditions," said Mian.

Omega-3 fatty acids are found in fish-oil supplements, fish such as salmon and tuna, and in wal-

nuts. Good dietary sources for omega-6 fatty acids include cereals, eggs, poultry, most vegetable oils and whole-grain breads.

In addition to a simple, painless test to measure tear production that involves placing filter-paper strips under the lower eyelids to measure the rate of tear production, ophthalmologists may also prescribe Restasis, the only prescription eye drops approved for dry eye syndrome.

Will parents accept new HPV vaccines for their preadolescent children?

ANN ARBOR, Mich. - This summer, new vaccines are expected to be licensed to provide protection against human papillomavirus, or HPV, a sexually transmitted disease that is very common in the United States and across the world, and can cause cervical cancer and genital warts.

While the new vaccines have been found to be highly effective in preventing HPV infections in clinical trials, parents may actually hold the key to their success, especially since the intended target group for the vaccines - children ages 11 to 12 - most likely will need parental consent to be immunized.

Parents' resistance to the use of the vaccines could, in fact, become a major barrier to the use of this preventive treatment, if their concerns and questions about the HPV vaccines are not adequately addressed.

Simply providing parents with general information about HPV and HPV vaccines won't be enough to gain their acceptance or influence their decision to vaccinate their young, non-sexually active children against an STD, say researchers at the University of Michigan Health System's Child Health Evaluation and Research (CHEAR) Unit.

They found that parental beliefs about the benefits of HPV vaccinations, the opinions of peers and doctors, and their personal experiences with STDs or HPV-

related illnesses were actually more influential on their decision-making process than general education materials alone. Results from this study - appearing in the May issue of the journal *Pediatrics* - also reveal parents to be more reluctant to vaccinate male children than female children.

"Many people feel that 'education' is the key to improving acceptance of HPV vaccines," says study lead author Amanda F. Dempsey, M.D., Ph.D., MPH, a member of the CHEAR team in the Division of General Pediatrics at U-M C.S. Mott Children's Hospital. "However, we found that educating parents by providing them with written information about HPV did little to influence their attitudes about HPV. Instead, these attitudes seemed to be related to a person's beliefs and life experiences, which have important implications for medical providers and public health practitioners who will be communicating with parents about HPV vaccines in the future."

Many medical experts already have expressed concern that parents might avoid vaccinating their children against HPV because of the fear that it might condone risky sexual behavior, or harm their child's health.

Since parental consent is critical to the vaccines' success in preventing HPV-associated illnesses, Dempsey and her colleagues set out to learn more about parents' overall acceptance

of HPV vaccines, and identify barriers to vaccination.

A written, self-administered survey was sent by mail to a random sample of 1,600 parents and primary caregivers with children ages 8 to 12 to assess their attitudes and knowledge about HPV vaccines. Of the group, only half randomly received a detailed HPV information sheet explaining HPV and outlining the vaccine along with their written survey.

While parents who received the HPV information sheet scored higher on the HPV knowledge assessment portion of the survey, the extra information did little to influence their overall acceptance of the vaccines for their children. Instead, those who were the most accepting were the parents who believed in the benefits of HPV vaccines to society and their children, suggesting that simply providing general information about HPV and HPV vaccines is not enough to sway parental opinion.

For both groups, too, the opinions of their peers and physician recommendations were found to impact parents' decision-making processes. Additionally, personal experience with HPV-related illness affected parents' attitudes about vaccination. Those who had a past experience - either personally or through someone close to them - with genital warts were more inclined to want to vaccinate their child against HPV.

But parents did express reserva-

tions about the HPV vaccines.

Parents were less accepting of the vaccines if they believed their child would experience significant discomfort or danger when receiving immunizations. Further, the study revealed that vaccine acceptance among parents was somewhat lower for those considering vaccination for a male child.

This finding, Dempsey says, may be attributable to the fact that HPV vaccines will likely have a more measurable impact on the health of females by providing them with protection against cervical cancer, though this hypothesis was not tested in this study.

"Medical providers and policy makers need to be thoughtful about how best to educate the public about these vaccines and address the most prominent concerns that parents have about them," says Dempsey. "Focusing on the benefits to HPV vaccination, and addressing general concerns parents have about vaccine safety

appears to be the most influential factors related to HPV vaccine acceptance."

Dempsey also notes that additional studies should be conducted to test specific public health messages about HPV vaccines to determine the most effective ways to communicate with parents.

Dempsey conducted this study while part of the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at the University of Washington in Seattle. Co-authors for the study are Gregory D. Zimet, Ph.D., Department of Pediatrics, Indiana University; Robert L. Davis, M.D., MPH, Immunization Safety Office and Office of Genomics and Disease Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Laura Koutsky, Department of Epidemiology, University of Washington.

The study was funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Reference: *Pediatrics*, May 2006, Vol.117, Issue 5.

Tune in to Sault Tribe This Week

Tune in to the *Sault Tribe This Week*, the *Saturday Morning Show* with George Snider from 10 to 11 a.m. every week on AM 1230 WSOO. You'll hear news, tribal information, live interviews and music and other great features.

Listen for *Sault Tribe This Week* with Tom Ewing scheduled on Tuesdays on AM 1230 WSOO at 9:35 a.m., WNBY-FM12:37 p.m. and 5:38 p.m. in

Newberry and WIDG-AM 9:04 a.m. in St. Ignace.

Wednesdays WNBY-FM 12:37 p.m. and 5:38 p.m. and Thursdays on WSUE-FM (Rock 101) at 10:25 a.m. and 4:25 p.m.

The next deadline for submissions to *The Sault Tribe News* is May 30 at 5 p.m. For questions about submissions call (906) 632-6398.

JKL Bahweting Public School Academy achieves top MEAP scores

The Joseph K. Lumsden Bahweting Public School Academy's 2005-06 MEAP scores are among the top 20 highest out of 225 charter public schools across the state.

The Michigan Association of Public School Academies (MAPSA) recognized Bahweting students for exceeding the state average on 24 of 27 tests in grades 3-8 including 8 scores that showed 90 percent proficient or better

MEAP recently released its

analysis of statewide charter MEAP scores which showed:

- In a comparison developed by the Michigan Department of Education, charter schools exceeded a control group of 18 "host districts" on 19 of 27 tests. Charters tied the host districts on three others.
- In a further comparison to those host districts, charter students with disabilities, and those who are Hispanic, Black or economically disadvantaged, significantly

outperformed their peers.

"We applaud Bahweting Public School Academy for its leadership in creating an environment that nurtures and challenges students to do their best." MAPSA President Dan Quisenberry said. "State leaders talk about preparing students for the 21st century. Bahweting is a 21st century school already delivering that promise."

The Museum of Ojibwa Culture

This National Historic Landmark in downtown St. Ignace, is a City owned museum which interprets the rich archaeology and history of a 17th century Huron Indian Village, Father Marquette's French Jesuit Mission, and local Ojibwa (Chippewa) Indian traditions and culture through innovative exhibits and continuous running videos.

Come visit the museum and see the Native Clan System mural which was painted by area artist, Gina Harmon, Sault Tribe member from Newberry. This unique mural is sponsored by the Sault Tribe. Each animal depicted

on the mural represents a unique cultural meaning to the Ojibwa Elders and their families.

New programs this summer will represent over 300 years of Ojibwa Native American traditions. Included in these summer workshops are regalia (clothing) making, drum and rattle making, Native American gardening, teachings of "Life in the Longhouse," learn how to play the Native American flute, and enter a "Healing with Art" class. Please contact the Museum directly to see scheduled times.

School Board meetings

JKL Bahweting Public School Academy Board of Education meetings are scheduled for June 13, June 27, July 11 and Aug. 8 and held at the school, 1301 Marquette Avenue, at 5:30 p.m.

If there are any questions, please

JKL Bahweting at 635-5055.

U.S. Department of Education announces new grants for students

High school seniors may now be eligible for new Academic Competitiveness grants, and college students may be eligible for new National SMART Grants for the 2006-07 academic year, the U.S. Department of Education has announced. Students who complete rigorous coursework in high school or who are pursuing degrees in math, science and critical foreign languages are eligible for a portion of \$790 million in new federal funding for higher education.

Academic Competitiveness Grants under the Academic Competitiveness Grants program, will be available to students in their first and second years of college. Congress has established that an eligible first-year student may receive up to \$750 and eligible second-year students may receive up to \$1,300. In order to be eligible, students must have completed a rigorous secondary school program of study and be enrolled in or accepted at a two- or four-year degree-granting institution of higher education.

For the 2006-07 academic year, the Department will immediately recognize four options for demonstrating successful completion of a rigorous program of study: Advanced or honors diplomas conferred by States; State Scholars Initiative requirements; A set

of courses similar to those under the State Scholars Initiative (four years of English, three years of math, three years of science three years of social studies, and one year of a foreign language); or Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and scores (two AP or IB courses and passing scores on the exams for those courses).

National SMART Grants Under the National SMART Grants program, up to \$4,000 will be available to eligible students in the third and fourth years of college and pursuing a major in mathematics, physical sciences, life sciences, computer sciences, technology, engineering, or a critical need foreign language. Students must have a cumulative 3.0 college GPA. Federal guidelines provide students and institutions of higher education with information about which eligible postsecondary majors will qualify students for grants.

Guidelines are posted on the Federal Student Aid website: <http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dpclatters/GEN0604.html>.

A list of eligible majors is posted at: <http://www.ifap.ed.gov/dpclatters/GEN0606.html>.

More information is available at: <http://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/2006/05/05022006.html>.

MacArthur earns bachelor's degree in zoology

Tribe member Daniel (D. J.) MacArthur of Traverse City has graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree with high honors in Zoology from Michigan State University. D.J. was awarded the Burke Scholarship three times. He was a member of Tower Guard, Honors College, and National Society of Collegiate Scholars. He served on the executive board of the Pre-Veterinary Medicine Club. D.J. also participated in intramural



soccer. In April the College Of Natural Science awarded D. J. the Leroy Augentein Memorial Scholarship. In May he received a recognition scholarship from the Board of Trustees of MSU for attaining the highest cumulative grade-point average in the graduating class of Spring 2006.

D. J. will be attending the College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University as a Veterinary Scholar in August, 2006.

D. J. is a 2002 graduate of Traverse City Central High School and the son of Dave and Helen MacArthur of Traverse City.

Sault Area High School graduating Native American student awards



From Left to Right: Tim Hall, principal, Malcolm High School; Randi Gravelle, Outstanding Native American Art Student, Sault High School; Michael Wilson, Outstanding Native American Art Student, Malcolm High School; Jesse Jackson, Steve Lesatz Most Improved in Academics, Attendance, and Citizenship, Malcolm High School; Chevi Hunt, Outstanding Native American Graduate, Malcolm High School; Ryan Gleason, Outstanding Native American Graduate, Sault High School; John Sherry, Principal, Sault High School.

Trigger graduates doctor of medicine

Christopher C. Trigger graduated from the University of Illinois Chicago College of Medicine on May 5, 2006. Trigger received a Degree in Medicine and has accepted a position with the University



of Illinois Hospital Emergency Medicine program in Chicago, Illinois.

Christopher, the son of Frank and Michelle Trigger of Gaylord, and the grandson of Pete Trigger of Grayling and Tom and Joyce Borowicz of Cheboygan. Christopher is a 1998 graduate of Flushing High School and a 2002 graduate of Grand Valley State University.

Smith pursuing degree in secondary education

Ryan A. Smith, a third year student at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor LS&A Residential College, and member of the RC Players Theatre Group #481, recently appeared as the bridegroom in the Frederico Garcia Lorea play, 'Blood Wedding.' This play by a great poet is one of the great modern tragedies.

Ryan has performed in six productions including The Seagull,



The Dollhouse and Shakespeare's A Mid-Summer's Night Dream. He has also directed twice.

Ryan is pursuing a secondary education degree in English and Geology and a minor in theatre. He is a recipient of the renewable four year scholarship recognition award. Ryan is a 2003 graduate of H. H. Dow High School in Midland, Michigan and the son of Lyle and Debra (Bellant) Smith of Midland and grandson of the late Euclid and Arbutus (Davenport) Bellant of Cheboygan, Michigan and Patricia Smith and the late Lyle S. Smith, Sr. of Hampton, Virginia.

Congratulations to Sault Tribe member, Traci Lyn Belair of Marquette, Michigan, formally of the Sault. She graduated from Northern Michigan University on May 6, 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts in English with a minor in French. Traci also made the Dean's List.

Traci graduated from Marquette High School with high honors in her class.

She plans to continue her studies for her master's degree in the fall.



First graders visit Sugar Shack

SUBMITTED BY KIM SWANBERG

First grade students from Munising visited Harry Hagland's Sugar Shack. He provided each student ice cream with maple syrup poured over top. He also gave them each their own maple syrup filled container.



Young receives award

Tribe member Michael Young won the 2006 Merit Award from the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth.

Young was honored for his ac-



complishments in business administration marketing. He intends to pursue a master's in business administration after he graduates from Sault Area High this year. He plans to study at Lake Superior State University.

Young was one of 25 students throughout the state selected for the award and was the only recipient at Sault High.

Mattson graduates with honors

Miss Tricia Mattson, daughter of Sault Tribe member Debbie Mattson and William Mattson of Belton Missouri, is graduating with honors from the Uni-



versity of Missouri at Rolla. Tricia has earned a Bachelor of Science degree in nuclear engineering with minors in mathematics and history. The commencement exercise took place Saturday, May 13 at Rolla University. Tricia will be continuing her education by pursuing a Master's degree in nuclear engineering at the University of Missouri-Rolla.

Anishinaabe Future Leaders Camp

August 21 -24, 2006 at Clear Lake near Shingleton, Michigan. Space is limited to 40 youth ages 14 to 18. Anishinaabe Future Leaders Camp provides an opportunity for youth from the Three Fires - Ojibwa, Potawatomi and Ottawa - to learn and practice culturally-based leadership skills and make connections with Native youth from across Michigan.

Clear Lake Education Center is a rustic deep-woods camp located on a beautiful lake in the Upper Peninsula. Separate boys and girls

cabin areas are joined by common classrooms, messhall and outdoor learning areas.

Activities: Clan teachings, traditional leadership skill-building activities, crafts, drumming, talking circles, health and wellness workshops, speakers, swimming, canoes, group skills, high ROPES course (optional but highly recommended as a confidence-builder) and warrior games.

To apply, fill out the application, medical, media and participation forms (with parent or

guardian signatures). You will receive a letter of acceptance by July 20. There is no fee for Anishinaabe youth. Forms can be downloaded from: www.itcmi.org. Click on Anishinaabe Future Leaders; click on applications and forms; print forms. Mail completed application to: Anishnaabe Future Leaders, Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, 2956 Ashmun, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. Call Terri Tavenner, AFL program manager at (906) 632-6896 ext 129 with questions.

Glenn V. "Kinny" Povey, age 85, of Sault Ste. Marie passed away early Sunday morning, April 23, 2006, at his home.

Glenn was born in Sault Ste. Marie on May 12, 1920 that son of the late Ernest and Margaret (Davidson) Povey. He served his country during WWII in the United States Coast Guard and then joined the Merchant Marines. In his later years, he worked construction. Glenn was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and the American Legion Post #3. He enjoyed hunting deer, fishing, playing music, and taking drives. He had a great sense of humor and a joke for any occasion.

He is survived by his wife, Josephine, whom he married on Nov. 13, 1966 in Ortonville, Mich.; five sons, Steven (Suzan) Povey of Vacaville, Calif., Robert (Valerie) Povey of Sault Ste. Marie, John "Ernie" (Stacey) Povie of Rudyard, Mike Povey of Hessel, and Dave (Janet Nolan) Povey of Sault Ste. Marie; a daughter, Lynnette Rogers of Sault Ste. Marie; and 17 grandchildren, Shaunna, Nikki, Marcus, Robert II, Elise, Adam, Gavin, Joshua, Jason, Jeremy, Dalton, Kalynn, Haeli, Kloe, Kylie, Brandon and Scott. He is also survived by a sister, Maybelle Thibert of White Lake, Mich. And several nieces and nephews.

Glenn was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, John; and three sisters, Margaret, Frances, and Betty.

Visitation was held April 26 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. A funeral mass followed at 1 p.m. at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church with Brother John Hascall officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be left to the American Heart Association.

Condolences may be left online at www.csmulder.com

Myrtle Mary Oak, age 88, of Upland, California (formally of West Covina, Calif.) passed away, Saturday, April 1, 2006 at Villa Mesa Care Center, she is survived by two children, John Alexander Oak of Covina, Calif., and Kathy Lynn Gutierrez of Helendale, Calif. 4 grandchildren, Richard Oak, John William Oak, Krystin Marie Brizzee, and Karrie Lynn Miller, 1 great-grandchild, Kyler Wayne Brizzee.

She was born March 6, 1918 in L'Anse, Michigan, she married to John Joseph Oak of Melrose Park, Illinois, in 1942. She was widowed in 1990.

She held many jobs throughout her years but the ones she was most proud of was working at Avon in Pasadena, Calif., for 15 years and she also obtained her Real Estate license and sold Real Estate, she worked for Associated Realtors in Covina, Calif. until she retired in 1979.

She was a wonderful cook, she cooked for as little as two and as many as 100 people, she liked organizing gatherings and parties. Myrtle was a Sault Tribe elder. cremation has taken place and no

services are planned at this time. Myrtle was loved dearly by her family and will be missed by all that knew her.

Mary Gloria Madigan of Ashmun St., Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan died Tuesday, April 11, 2006 at her home. She was born December 25, 1920 in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan.

Her hobbies and interests included sewing crafts, playing cards and spending time with family and friends.

She is survived by one sister, Sara E. (Harold) Franko of Cynthiana, Kentucky; sister-in-law, Dorothy Madigan and many nieces, nephews and good friends also survive.

She was predeceased by her parents, John A. and Sarah A. (Campbell) Madigan and siblings, Bernard, John Jr., Harvard, George, Berniece, Walter, Charles, Hugh and Harry.

According to Mary's wishes, there will be no visitation or funeral mass at this time.

Funeral mass will be Saturday, July 8, 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Final resting place is Riverside Cemetery.

Condolences for Mary Madigan may be emailed to clarkbaileynewhouse@sbcglobal.net.

Arrangements by Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home.

Arlyne L. Kniskern (nee Sylvester) died peacefully at home Monday, April 17, 2006 in Alpena, Mich. She was born in St. Clair Shores, Mich. on February 28, 1919 to Roy C. and Agnes M. (nee Leask) Sylvester.

Arlyne married Kenneth E. Kniskern in Sault Ste. Marie. The Kniskerns resided on Seymour Street until they moved to Alpena, Mich. in 1988. Ken died in 1998.

Arlyne is survived by four daughters: Jacqueline (Jon Kirby) Cook of Alpena, Margaret (James Millay) Gill of Tavares, Fla., Patricia (Joe Jones) Spring-Jones of Troy, Mich., and Carole (James Kimes) Kniskern of Racine, Wisc. She is further survived by her grandchildren and their families: Terri (Dennis) Belusar of Rogers City, Mich. and their children Jason and Bradley; Kenneth (Debbie) Cook of Alpena, Mich. and their children Magan and Colton; Carleen (Ken) Rieger of Pickney, Mich. and their children Austin and Shane; Brenda Gill of Casselberry, Fla. and her daughter Leanna; George Gill of Orlando, Fla. and his daughter Savannah; Patty (Brian) Oakes of Mt. Clemens, Mich. and their son Kenny; Sonny (Sherry) Spring of Taylor, Mich.; Robert (Melissa) Willette of Racine, Wisc. and their children Michael and Shawn; Paul (Heather) Willette, Jr of St. Francis, Wisc. and their children Sara and Natalie. Also surviving are her sisters, Velma and Ruth Sylvester; and brothers Clem and Harold.

Arlyne was predeceased by her sisters: Mary and Florence; brothers: Roy (Junior) and Jack; and her great-grandchildren: John D. Rieger and Allisa S. Willette.

Our mother will be fondly remembered as a loving mother and grandmother, terrific cook, maker of beautiful hand stitched quilts, gardener, best friend, advisor, and

an avid cross-word puzzle solver.

Burial services were held at Oaklawn Chapel Gardens on Thursday, April 20 at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that donations be made in Arlyne's memory to Hospice of Michigan or the American Cancer Society.

Catherine "Tapun" Young of Ice Circle Dr. in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., walked on May 11, 2006 at her home. She was born January 28, 1922 on Sugar Island, Mich.

She retired from the Northern Linen Company after many years of working in the laundry business. She was a member of St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians and Elder Ojibwe Language Advisory Team. She was known as a grama to many. She enjoyed craft making, card playing and attending many social events in the community.

She is survived by one son, James (Elizabeth) Young of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. Grandchildren Clarence, Jim (Sue Menard) Young and Elaine (Nathan) Wright. Great grandchildren Jamey, Alicia, Alex, Autumn, Christa, Joanne, Michelle, Dan III, Brett, Sara, Lara, Jeremy II, Mikala, Christopher and Kelly. She is also survived by special nieces, nephews, cousins and good friends.

She was predeceased by her parents, Thomas and Stella (Boulley) Marshall, husband Anthony Young, brothers John Hogarth and Roy Wilson.

Visitation was Sunday, May 14, 1 p.m. and continuing until the time of the service at the Niigaa-naagiizhik Ceremonial Building with Brother John Hascall.

Final resting place is Wilwalk Cemetery on Sugar Island. Condolences for Catherine Young may be emailed to clarkbaileynewhouse@sbcglobal.net. Clark Baily Newhouse Funeral Home assisted the family.

Roberta Ann Weinert, (Whop Skee Makwa Kwe), 64, of Manistique, died April 30, 2006, at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital in Manistique, Mich.

She was born July 14, 1941, in Manistique, the daughter of the late Clifford and Lena (Sangraw) Lambert, and was a lifetime resident. She was a graduate of St. Francis de Sales School and the Manistique High School.

On July 14, 1962, the former Roberta A. Lambert married Herbert V. Weinert at St. Francis de Sales Church, in Manistique.

In addition to being a homemaker, Roberta was employed as an elder worker with the youth education activities program for the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

She was a member of the St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church of Manistique, the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and AIM. She participated in a Sun Dance at Pryor, Mont., and has the right to carry the Eagle Whistle.

She enjoyed playing bingo, pine cone picking, softball, volleyball,

bowling, golfing and vacationing in Las Vegas. Most important to her was the time she spent with her children and grandchildren.

Roberta is survived by: her husband, Herbert V. Weinert of Manistique; sons, Robert (Kelli) Weinert of New Britain, Penn., Timothy (Colleen) Weinert of Garden, Michael Weinert of Manistique and Mark Weinert of Manistique; grandchildren, Erin, Donielle, Nicole, Amanda, Brandon and Christopher; brothers, Ervin (Sheree) Lambert of Manistique, Clifford Lambert of Manistique, Larry (Sue) Lambert of Manistique and Gregory Lambert, of Mt. Pleasant; sisters, Beverly (John) Louis of Ypsilanti, Rebecca (William) Reed of Manistique and Priscilla (James) Gargoshian of Rockwood; along with several nieces and nephews.

In keeping with Roberta's wishes, there will be no visitation at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home.

The public is invited to attend in the Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 3, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church in Manistique with Father Glenn Theoret officiating.

Burial will follow in the Hiawatha Township Cemetery in Hiawatha Township. Traditional healer Jake Ago-Neh will assist with the burial ceremony.

A luncheon will follow the burial service at 3 p.m. at the Manistique Tribal Center (U.S. 2 East) in Manistique. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Messier-Broullire Funeral Home of Manistique is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Theresa Bazinaw, 73 of Mackinac Island, died late Friday evening, May 12 at Mackinac Straits Hospital Long Term Care where she had been a patient several years. She was born on Mackinac Island, Oct. 27, 1932. Her parents were Alexander and Catherine (Chapman) Bazinaw. She schooled on Mackinac and helped raise many nieces and nephews. She worked for Carriage Tours many years in the taxi office, and also worked for the Island House. She is a life member of Ste. Anne's Catholic Church on Mackinac Island, and a life member of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians.

She is survived by two brothers, Joseph "Snapper" Bazinaw of Mackinac Island; and Ronald "Cushion" Bazinaw, of Phoenix, Ariz. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by siblings Carl, George E., John Walter "Butch," Clarence, James "Beaver," Delia Perault, Emma Bazinaw and Lorraine Camp.

Mass of Christian burial was held May 16, at Ste. Anne's Catholic Church on Mackinac Island with Fr. Rey Garcia officiating. Burial was in Ste. Anne's Cemetery. Pallbearers were nephews: Bret Horn, Bob Horn, Jack Perault, Jimmie Gillespie, Dean Gillespie Jr., and Clayton Bazinaw. Dodson Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Floyd John Cook "Cookie" went home to be with the Lord on

May 4, 2006. He was born August 8, 1917 in Sault Ste. Marie to Chester and Cecelia (Johndrow) Cook.

Cookie is predeceased by his parents, 10 sibilings, and his wife of 60 years, Catherine.

He is survived by three brothers, "Charlie," "Ab," and Roy; four sisters, "Putsie," "Dingy," Connie and Betty.

He was a proud father of 15 children, James (Patti) Cook, Sharon (Ronald) Pickett, Thomas (Brenda) Cook, Robert (Carol) Cook, Gary (Lois) Cook, Patricia (Fred) Albon, Janice (Roger) Maxedon, Carol (Michael) King, Wanda (David) Clerc, Debbie (Carmine) Bonacci, Nancy (Bob) Albon, Arlene Foster, Donald (Debbie) Cook, Michael (Tammy) Cook and Kevin (Trish) Cook.

He will be missed by 36 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

As a child, Cookie attended the Mount Pleasant Indian School. He served in the United States Army, and retired from the Union Carbide. He was also a lifelong member of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians. In his later years, he liked to drive to McDonalds every day for his coffee and looked forward to having company and telling stories about the old days.

Visitation was from 7 to 9 p.m., Sunday, May 7 at Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home. Funeral service was held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 8 at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church.

Margaret (McCoy) Lilly, age 70, of Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan passed away Sunday afternoon, April 30, 2006 at her home.

Margaret was born on October 5, 1935 in Stonington, Michigan, the daughter of the late Lawrence "Honey" and Louise (Bursaw) McCoy, predeceased by her brother Lawrence Robert (Bud) McCoy. She was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, and St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church. She was also a life member of the VFW ladies auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband, William "Denmark" Lilly; four children, Larry "Buz" McCoy of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Pamela McKerchie of Newberry, Mich., Earl "Rob" McKerchie of Rudyard, Mich, and Debra McKerchie of Sault Ste. Marie; nine grandchildren, Jeremy and Joshua McCoy, Melissa McKerchie, Katie, Emily, and Little Ray Vincent, Robert "Bert" McKerchie, Robert "Bob" and Brian McKerchie; a sister, LaVerne Johnson of Sault Ste. Marie, MI; and a sister-in-law, Carol McCoy. She is also survived by a step-daughter, Terri Whitney; a step-granddaughter, Tanya Houghtaling; a step-great granddaughter, Amara Houghtaling; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Visitation was held from 6 until 8 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at C.S. Mulder Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 4, 2006 at the funeral home with Brother John Hascall officiating. Burial was at Riverside Cemetery.

Memorials may be left to the Chippewa County Health Department, Home Health Division. Condolences may also be left online at www.csmulder.com.



June 1: National Senior Health and Fitness Day. This year's theme is "Fitness a Life Time of Benefits!" "Walking a few miles every day, keeps your heart healthy in every way." Fitness Day is being held at the Kewadin Casino Conference Center. Registration is from 8 - 8:30 a.m. Health screening and gardening: 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Bingo: 11 a.m. - 12 p.m. For more information contact Kristi Cleary at (906) 635-RINK.

June 2: The Munising Tribal Center will be holding its June diabetes support group from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Munising Community Center located behind the Credit Union. For questions call (906) 387-4614.

June 2-3: Constitutional Committee meeting 5 - 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m., Marquette, Mich. Location to be announced. Committee meetings will be open to members of the Sault Tribe to observe committee proceedings. Comments from the public shall be permitted for a limited time at the beginning of each meeting, at the conclusion of each meeting, and at the discretion of the Constitutional Committee chairman. For more information please call Candace Blocher at (866) 632-6281.

June 3: YEA Battle of the Boards IV. Bahweting Anishinaabek Tribal Youth Council versus the Sault Tribe chairman and board of directors in matball mayhem. The event will be held in the basketball court at 6 p.m. Donations will be accepted by the Tribal Youth Council. Please come cheer for our undefeated tribal youth and our tribal leaders in this physical challenge. For more information contact the YEA department at (906) 635-7010.

June 3: Manistique Kewadin Casino is throwing a party for their 12th Anniversary! Draw times are from 6 - 11 p.m. There will be cash prizes. For more information call (800) KEWADIN or visit www.kewadin.com.

June 5: Tribal chairperson open office hours are held the Monday prior to board meetings from 2 - 6 p.m. The tribal membership can meet with the chairperson during open membership hours at the Tribal administration building at 523 Ashmun Street in Sault Ste. Marie. Open office hour meetings are by appointment only. To make an appointment contact Sue Stiver at (906) 635-6050 ext. 26640.

June 5 - 18: Father's Day at all Kewadin Casino sites. This is for you dad! Random draws each day of the promotion from 4 - 7 p.m. Men can win cash each day of the drawings! For more information call (800) KEWADIN or visit www.kewadin.com.

June 6: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at K.I. Sawyer Tribal Housing (former K.I. Sawyer A.F.B.) 250 Voodoo Ave., Gwinn, MI. from 9:30-10:30 a.m. For more information contact Joy Pages at (906) 346-3919. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

For cats Rabies free, distemper, includes rhinotracheitis, calicivirus panleukopenia and chlamydia for \$11 and feline leukemia \$11. For dogs rabies free distemper, includes distemper, hepatitis/adenovirus Type 2, parainfluenza, leptospirosis, parvovirus and coronavirus \$20, bordatella \$12 and lyme disease \$12.

June 6: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Munising Tribal Health Center M-28, Wetmore, MI, 1-2 p.m. For more information contact Nancy Beauchaine, CHT (Munising) at (906) 387-4614. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 6 & 8: Healthy Eating on a Budget, 1 - 3 p.m. June 6 and June 8 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. Honoring the Gift of Heart Health, series two, session four, held at the Sault Tribe Health Center auditorium, 2864 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI. This new six-session series explores the many things you can do to keep your heart beating strong. It is designed for people with diabetes and their families as part of the Healthy Heart Project, but everyone can benefit from attending. Join us at anytime and start with whatever session fits your schedule. Plan to attend all six sessions sometime in the next year and receive a certificate of completion and gain the gift of a stronger heart. Call Community Health at (906) 632-5210 with questions or to register. Registering for classes is recommended so we can inform you of any changes.

June 6: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Newberry Tribal Health Center 4935 Zeez-Ba-Tik Lane, Newberry, MI, 3-4 p.m. For more information contact Sally Burke or Shirley Kowalke, CHT's (Newberry) at (906) 293-8181. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 6: Board of directors open hours from 3:30 until 5 p.m. at Bay de Noc College (Herman Center), Escanaba, Mich. Tribe members can meet with their unit directors or the chairperson between the board workshops and the board meetings. For questions contact Joanne Carr at (906) 635-6050 ext. 26337.

June 6: Sault Tribe Board of Directors meeting in Escanaba at 6 p.m. Open community hour is from 5-6 p.m. For further information contact Joanne Carr at (906) 635-6050 ext. 26337.

June 9: The Escanaba Tribal Center will be holding its June diabetes support group from 2:30 - 3:30 in Conference Room A at Bay College which is located off of the library. For questions or directions please call (906) 786-9211.

June 9: Hessel community drum meeting and teachings. All meetings are held at the Hessel Tribal Center at 6 p.m. Please bring a dish to pass if you can. Any questions please call Lisa Burnside, Arlene Graham at (906) 484-2298 or Basil Willis at (906) 647-8943.

June 9 - 11: The Bay Mills Indian Community will be hosting its 15th Annual Honoring Our Veterans Competition powwow at the Bay Mills ball field in Brimley. There will be more than \$30,000 in dance and drum prize money (proof of tribal membership required to compete). Native American vendors only, call for rates. For more information, please contact Richard LeBlanc at (906) 248-3715, ext. 2608, or Allyn Cameron at (906) 248-3241, ext. 1189.

June 10: Red Hacker Basketball Tournament. This tournament will consist of 3 on 3 half court (\$100 per team), 4 on 4 full court (\$144 per team), and 5 on 5 full court (\$168 per team). Age divisions vary based on category. For more information call (800) YOU-DUNK or www.mpsports.com.

June 10: The 11 Annual Native American Walk for Sobriety, at 8 a.m., at the Sixth Street Bridge Park, Grand Rapids, Mich. Following a brief ceremony with local speakers, participants will start the 2.5 mile walk along Monroe Ave., and proceed down to the Three Fires powwow grounds at Riverside Park. Prizes will be awarded to walkers. Contact Liz IsHak at Native American Community Services for more detailed information at (616) 458-4078 ext. 105.

June 12: Summer Recreation Program. Summer fun for ages 6 to 12. Activities include water fun, field trips, organized games, sports, board games, and many more activities. Price is \$125 per child, tribal and family discounts available. Call Loriann at (906) 635-4777 to register.

June 12: Chi Nodin Running Club. Ten week running program for youth 10 to 18 years old. Clubs planned in Sault Ste. Marie, Kinross, and St. Ignace, pending participation. Free to Sault Tribe members, \$150 for community members. Space is limited. Call Andrea Walsh for more information at (906) 635-7465.

June 12: If you need help in quitting smoking or chewing tobacco, we can help! Tobacco Cessation Support Group at the Sault Tribe Health Center auditorium, the second and fourth Monday of each month, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Just show up! Friends and family welcomed. The facilitators will be Community Health tobacco counselors. We're happy to guide and support you through the quitting process. There may not be a good time to quit, why not now? Education, support, snacks and refreshments. No fee's, registration, or sign up. Just show up! Call (906) 632-5241 for more information.

June 12 - August 23: Sault Tribe elder's water exercise at the LSSU Norris Center pool Mondays and Wednesdays 6 - 6:50 p.m. Cost: \$24. Call Jessica at (906) 635-7770 with questions.

June 13: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste.

Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the YEA Building in Escanaba at 1226 Wigob, 9:30-11 a.m. For more information contact Diane Williams, CHT (Escanaba) at (906) 786-9211. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 13: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Manistique Tribal Health Center, 5698 W. Hwy 2, Manistique, MI, from 1-2 p.m. For more information contact Kellie Laskosky, CHT (Manistique) at (906) 341-8469. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 13: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Lambert Health Center 225 WaSeh Dr., St. Ignace, MI, 3 - 4 p.m. For more information contact Angie Gillmore, CHT (St. Ignace) at (906) 643-8689. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 13: JKL Bahweting Public School Academy Board of Education meeting in the school cafeteria, 1301 Marquette Avenue, at 5:30 p.m. If there are any questions, please call JKL Bahweting at (906) 635-5055.

June 13 - August 24: Sault Tribe elder's water exercise at the LSSU Norris Center pool Tuesdays and Thursdays 9 - 9:50 am. Cost: \$24. Call Jessica at (906) 635-7770 with questions.

June 15: The Sault Tribe Veteran's Group will meet on the third Thursday of the month from 6 - 8 p.m., at the Cultural Division, 206 Greenough St. Call Art Leighton at (906) 632-7494 for more information.

June 16: Blood drive from 11 - 5 p.m. at the Sault Tribal Health Center auditorium 2864 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI. Please contact Janice Pittman at (906) 632-5283 for an appointment. Walk ins are welcome!

June 17: Hiawatha Figure Skating seminar at the Chi Mukwa Community Recreation Center. For more information call (906) 635-RINK.

June 17: Skid Row and Ratt 7 p.m. Dream Makers Theater at Kewadin Casino in Sault Ste. Marie. For more information call (800) KEWADIN. Tickets on sale now, price \$25.

June 19: Tribal Chairperson open office hours are held the Monday prior to board meetings from 2 - 6 p.m. The tribal membership can meet with the chairperson during open membership hours at the Tribal administration building at 523 Ashmun Street in Sault Ste. Marie. Open office hour

meetings are by appointment only. To make an appointment contact Sue Stiver at (906) 635-6050 ext. 26640.

June 19 - August 2: Free learn to swim classes for Sault Tribe youth. LSSU Norris Center pool Mondays and Wednesdays, 4 - 4:50 p.m. Call Jessica at (906) 635-7770 to register.

June 20: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Hessel Health Center 3355 North 3 Mile Rd., Hessel, MI, 9 - 10 a.m. For more information contact Helen Beacom, CHT (Hessel) at (906) 484-2727. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 20: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Sault Tribal Housing Office 10 Woodlake, Kincheloe, MI, 11-12 noon. For more information contact Tom Sauro or Ann Pollman, CHT's (Sault, Kincheloe) at (906) 632-5210. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

June 20 & 22: Move More - Feel Better, 1 - 3 p.m. on June 20 and June 22 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Honoring the Gift of Heart Health, series two, session five, held at the Sault Tribe Health Center auditorium, 2864 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI. This new six-session series explores the many things you can do to keep your heart beating strong. It is designed for people with diabetes and their families as part of the Healthy Heart Project, but everyone can benefit from attending. Join us at anytime and start with whatever session fits your schedule. Plan to attend all six sessions sometime in the next year and receive a certificate of completion and gain the gift of a stronger heart. Call Community Health at (906) 632-5210 with questions or to register. Registering for classes is recommended so we can inform you of any changes.

June 20: Rabies clinic for pets owned by members of Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at the Chi Mukwa Community and Recreation Center, Two Ice Circle Drive, Sault Ste. Marie, MI, 1:30-5 p.m. For more information contact Tom Sauro or Ann Pollman, CHT's (Sault, Kincheloe) at (906) 632-5210. Responsible pet owner must be present to control animal being vaccinated, or vaccination will not be administered. All animals must be on a leash or be in a carrier. An animal control officer will be on site at all locations to offer reduced rates for licenses.

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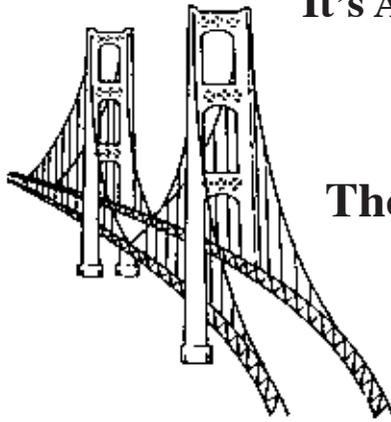
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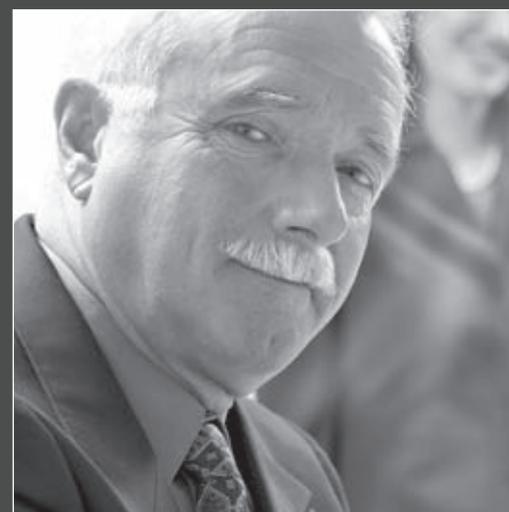
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Saturday July 29

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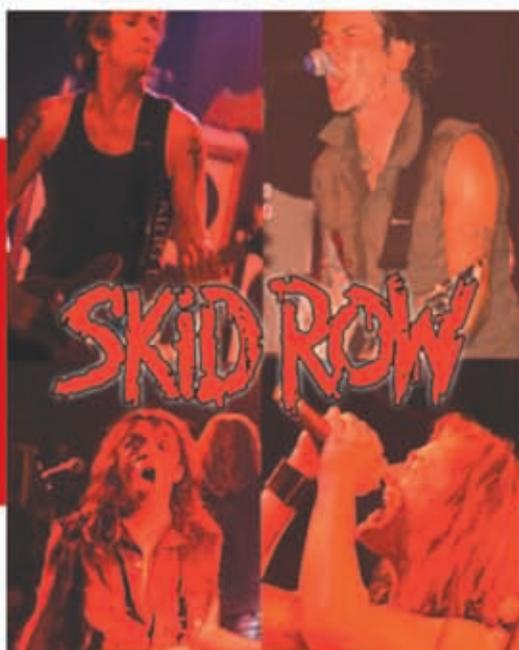
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