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Scenes from Manistique's 2008 powwow



Folks from near and far enjoyed another powwow in Manistique this year. Above left, drums at the heart of the whole affair. Above right, veterans begin the proceedings. Below left, some of the youth on hand. Below right, young and old satisfy their hunger at the customary feast. Photos by Viola Neadow.



Hessel members build fourth of July float

SUBMITTED BY JACKIE MINTON

HESSEL — Youngsters in the summer Circle of Life youth program, Youth Education and Activities coordinator Lisa Burnside and assistant Francie Wyers, along with the Mukwa Giizhik Drum, built and entered a float in this year's Fourth of July parade in Cedarville. The Hessel Kewadin Casino sponsored the float which bore the theme *Living the Teachings of Our Elders* reflecting the parade's general theme of our Upper Peninsula heritage.

The youth and drum members decorated the float. During the parade, the Mukwas Giizhik Singers performed accompanied by elders Margaret Vasser and Catherine LaPoint. Six dancers — Francie Wyers, Robin St. Andrew, Sarah Landreville, Morgan McWeston, Michaela Alford and Hunter Captain — accompanied the drum. Kewadin Casino mascots, the



View of the front of the parade float Sault Tribe members in Hessel built for Cedarville's Independence Day parade.

Hessel Squirrel (Divina Izzard), Manistique Raccoon (Melissa Andress), Sault Bear (Noah Lindberg) and the St. Ignace Moose (Rachael Huffman) led the way with Jeanette Landreville, Corey Duquette, Zachary Bruce and Amber Smith in a truck. Sault Tribe Vice Chairwoman Lana Causley

and Hessel shift manager Jackie Minton threw candy, patriotic beads and stuffed Kewadin squirrels to bystanders from the back of the truck. Kewadin slot attendant Danielle Huffman walked along with the animals and handed out free token cards to the adults along the route.

The float was part of a promotion designed by Minton to bring tourists into Hessel casino for the holiday. It was a working project that brought youth, elders and community together while they had a good time and showed the Les Cheneaux area the heart of our Ojibwe Nation — our elders, youth, drums and dancers in our circle.

G'tchi miigwech to Jim and Jeannette Landreville for the use of their garage to build the float and to everyone else who took part in making the project a success and a great opportunity to showcase our Ojibwe traditions.



EXCELLENT — Hessel Kewadin Casino and youth in a YEA summer program put together resources to build a parade float for the Independence Day celebration in Cedarville. When the float joined the parade, it bore the Mukwa Giizhik Drum of Hessel along with elders for a ride through the town on a sunny day. Traditional dancers accompanied the float as it went along its route.

Sault History Fest 2009 –

Come witness a historic celebration of history. Announcing the first Sault History Fest Aug. 14-15 on the Water Street Historic Block behind the Pullar Building.

Free to the general public.

Anyone interested in history is welcomed to enjoy this inaugural event to promote local history and support restoration of the Baraga House.

Scheduled events for the evening of Aug. 14, 5-8 p.m., include a fish boil (\$12 per person), music and entertainment, demonstrations on building birch bark canoes and more.

On Aug. 15, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., take tours of historic buildings, enjoy the fare from food booths and other vendors

along with music and entertainment, learn about building birch bark canoes, see an American Indian encampment, fishing camp, blacksmith, 1812 re-enactors, Civil War re-enactors (tentative), spinning, weaving, antique vehicles, historic plants and more. Children can enjoy continuous historic activities such as races, crafts, butter making, "laundry day," quilting and more. Listen to story telling and peruse information from non-profit history organizations and museums.

For more information, contact Ginny Cymbalist at 632-9523 or ggcybalist@yahoo.com or the Chippewa County Historical Society at 635-7082 or cchs@sault.com.

Tribal Court Food Pantry –

The staff at the Sault Ste. Marie Chippewa Tribal Court is pleased to announce the opening of the Tribal Court Food Pantry to better assist Sault Tribe families involved in the Tribal Court system.

The pantry offers a variety of items such as pasta, rice, canned fruits, vegetables, laundry detergent and so forth. This program allows families who may not have access to these items by other means the ability to "shop" in our food pantry for basic non-perishable items.

Services for members at large are available elsewhere; however, we are proud to be able to provide this additional

service to members who we serve in the court.

The Tribal Court probation staff maintains the food pantry, so those involved with Tribal Court and need assistance, please call (906) 635-4963 and ask for either Jennifer Blair or Edward McKelvie.

A full size refrigerator/freezer is needed in order to offer perishable items such as meat, bread and dairy items. If anyone has a refrigerator/freezer they would like to donate or sell, or if anyone would like to donate non-perishable items to the pantry, their assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Open house set for the performing arts academy –

The Academy of Performing Arts is celebrating its ninth season of bringing dance and drama instruction to the Sault Ste. Marie area.

The academy cordially invites you to attend its open house on Thursday, Aug. 20 from 4 to 8 p.m. The open house will be at the Chi Mukwa Community Recreation Center.

Lemonade and cookies will be served.

This is a wonderful time and opportunity to come and see the studios, meet and greet the

instructors and have any of your questions answered.

During this time, you may put your child's name on the class list to ensure a spot when classes resume in September.

Our year-end production of *Cinderella* is scheduled for performances on May 1-2, 2010.

The academy personnel would love for you and your children to become a part of all of the magic.

For more information about our offerings, contact Miss Luanna at (906) 253-2180.

MSU Extension offering training for master gardener volunteers

Marquette County MSU Extension is accepting registrations for master gardener volunteer training, which begins Sept. 14 and continues every Monday through Dec. 7, 2009. All classes will be at the Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Service Agency conference room at 321 East Ohio St. in Marquette from 6 to 9 p.m.

The master gardener program increases your knowledge and understanding of varied horticultural topics including growing flowers, vegetables and fruit, lawn care, house plant care, plant disease, insect pest control and much more. Instructors are MSU Extension professionals and regional experts.

To become a certified Michigan volunteer master

gardener, you must attend all training sessions, pass a final examination and volunteer 40 hours of approved horticultural service to your community.

Volunteer activities could include teaching a junior master gardener program, writing gardening articles, a beautification project at a public building or facility, answering gardening questions from the public at the Extension office, judging flower and vegetable projects at the county fair or assisting community garden participants.

Class size is limited and individuals participating in the class must pay an enrollment fee of \$210 to cover the cost of training materials, speakers and facilities. The complete *Michigan Master Gardener Training Manual* contains over

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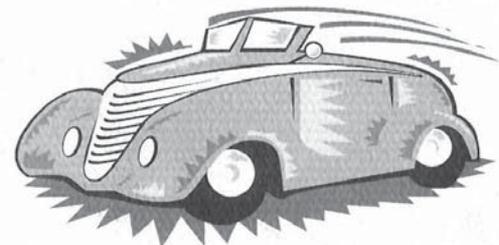
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Sault museum re-opens in downtown tribal building

BY RICK SMITH

Demonstrating the classic metaphor of killing two birds with one stone, the Sault Ste. Marie River of History Museum moved to new downtown quarters and re-opened to the public on July 1. An official grand opening took place on July 28. The move not only improved the lot of the museum, it turned former storage space into a new source of revenue for Sault Tribe.

The move resulted from the museum board's need to find a new location due to the city's recent acquisition and occupation of the museum's previous site in the "old federal building."

Those visiting the museum can explore the history of the St. Marys River Valley from the time of the ice ages to modern eras.

The late Susan Schacher, a former associate professor at Lake Superior State University, is credited as having been the driving force behind the establishment of the museum beginning in 1990. She also served as the museum's first curator when it originally opened under the auspices of the Sault Foundation for Culture and History in 1992. According to the university, Schacher was especially proud of the emphasis on American Indian history and culture displayed at the museum. After a memorial service for the 48-year-old scholar in January 2008, a reception in her honor took place at our tribe's Niigaanagizhik Ceremonial Building on the reservation in Sault Ste. Marie.



The late Susan Schacher, Ph.D., spearheaded efforts to establish the River of History Museum in Sault Ste. Marie during the early years of the 1990s.



Photo by Rick Smith

Part of the milling crowd gathered on July 28 at the official grand opening of the River of History Museum in its new site. The photo shows the interior entrance to the museum. The museum now occupies a large part of "the old Woolworth's" in downtown Sault Ste. Marie. The building housing the museum has marked entrances on its east and west sides on Ashmun and Court streets.

Having larger floor space than its earlier accommodations, the museum's interior features Anishinaabe-influenced designs by architect Steve Feringa, a member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians.

Housed in the southeast section of the ground floor in the old Woolworth's department store, the museum now has the address of 531 Ashmun Street in Sault Ste. Marie. Signs at both the front and back of the building indicate its entrances.

Tom Robinson, the museum board's chairman, said some anxiety about moving from the old site existed among all concerned at first, but apprehensions dissolved into enthusiasm the more it became clear how much the museum would be enhanced.

"We are very excited with the extraordinary result of our newly relocated museum in downtown Sault Ste. Marie," Robinson said. "Work by Sault Tribe Construction under the direction of Lenny Adams and design by Steve and Lisa Feringa have resulted in a marvelous presentation of our River of History Museum in a new and lively manner. The public is now able to view with pride the story of our past, which has been a dream for many, starting with Dr. Sue Schacher. The City of Sault Ste Marie has a great heritage and this is

another attempt to keep it alive for future generations to view. The cooperation of both Lake Superior State University and the City of Sault Ste. Marie along with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians has allowed us to preserve this wonderful museum in its new location. We are grateful for all who helped with this project and encourage all to visit."

Craftsmen of Sault Tribe Construction carried out most of the renovations inside the facility and Graz Shipman, an American Indian of the local area, contributed to the interior artwork. Sault Historic Sites, a non-profit corporation, functions as the museum's administrative agency.

The museum is open to the public 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Mondays through Saturdays until the hours are changed for the season on Oct. 15. Classroom or group tours are available as well as combination tickets that include admission to the Museum Ship Valley Camp and the Tower of History. General admission to the museum is \$5.50 for adults and \$2.75 for children 8 to 16.

According to the museum's Web site, www.riverofhistory.org, the River of History organization is a non-profit entity dedicated to preserving and presenting the history of Sault Ste. Marie, the St. Marys River system and surrounding area.

Bahweting Anishinaabe Interpretive Center debuts in the Sault

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — The Bahweting Anishinaabe Interpretive Center and Resource Library opened its doors for the first time to the public July 28. The center, located inside the old Woolworth building and down the hall from the River of History Museum, is looking for loans or donations of culturally appropriate artifacts to augment their current American Indian displays.

Cecil Pavlat, Sault Tribe repatriation specialist, said Culture Department staff are working to secure grant monies to fund facility enhancement and a traveling display.

The resource library will house elder videos that have been digitalized and downloaded to a computer, historical photographs, over 200 books, a viewing area with a flat screen TV and a copy machine.

Also on display is a birch bark canoe, totem pole and baskets. There is also a retired sugar bush kettle that will be used in a simulated sugar bush display.

Tribal artisans are invited to contact Pavlat for an artist in residence program he hopes to implement in addition to accepting consignments of artwork and crafts.

Art Leighton, a former Culture Department employee, originally applied for and received an interpretive center planning grant and then a design phase grant. Unfortunately the next step in the process was not awarded but, according to Pavlat, the idea has never gone away. Although economics prevents fulfilling the original dream, Pavlat said the grassroots effort has been community driven and implemented by the Culture Department.

On display inside the River of History Museum is a map of the Voyageurs route, which Pavlat hopes to complement at the interpretive center with a map of the Ojibwe migration story.

Center hours are 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday. It has not yet been determined if a small fee will be charged for entrance to the center, or if a donation box will be set up.

Eventually, having the cen-

ter become a non-profit entity would allow for additional funding it would not otherwise be able to receive. Pavlat said, "There are a lot of possibilities, a lot of opportunities."

Pavlat said he would like to thank those who helped prepare the center for its opening: Amy McCoy, Rene Shipman, Elaine Clement, Less Ailing, Graz Shipman, Mike LaCoy, Cory and Lyndon Shipman, Lona Stewart, Joanne Carr, Don Lawrence and Carol Eavou.

The next time you find yourself in downtown Sault Ste. Marie, stop by 531 Ashmun St. and visit the River of History Museum and the Bahweting Anishinaabe Interpretive Center and Resource Library. If you can't find a parking space on Ashmun St., there is plenty of metered parking to the rear of the building.

To contact Cecil Pavlat about the artist in residence program or for information about consignments, call (906) 635-6050.

Interpretive center seeks input from membership

Are you interested in learning more about your culture? Would you like to give back to the tribal community? Then why not volunteer some time or information with the Sault Tribe interpretive center?

The interpretive center is a community-driven project to educate people of all ages and promote our rich heritage. The center is seeking members of all ages, from all areas to give input for future development. Whether you have a story, a picture, a collection of items you would like to share or just want to learn more about your Anishinaabe culture, we encourage you to get involved.

The next planning and development meeting is scheduled for Aug. 19, 2009, at 7 p.m. Meetings are in the center at 531 Ashmun Street in Sault Ste. Marie.

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Petingalo wins 2009 International Idol

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich — The scores are in, the International Idol 2009 vocal competition series is completed, Danielle Petingalo of Kincheloe is this year's International Idol.

Week five went through with three contestants: Corrine Koenemann and Payton Mastaw of Sault Ste. Marie, and Danielle Petingalo of Kincheloe.

The three singers were in close competition, each with a unique edge to their performance that showed off their personalities. Their challenge for the fifth week was to perform a song by someone they looked up to that portrayed their best singing and performing skills.

This year, Lake Street Studio, owned and operated by Soo Theatre's own technical director, Taylor Brugman, donated three studio time prizes. The prizes were third place \$100, second place \$200 and first place \$500 of studio time at Brugman's studio in Brimley.

Judges Dennis Brooks, Gentleman George Snider and



Photo by Tom Ewing

Danielle Petingalo

MC Mark SanAngelo were ecstatic to announce the three winners. Danielle Petingalo took first place, Corrine Koenemann took second place and Payton Mastaw took third place.

The competition was close but, by the end of the evening, Danielle Petingalo came through with the highest scores in pitch, timing, presence, interpretation, originality and quality.

Thanks to everyone for participating in this exciting competition and congratulations to all of the winners.

Ceremony marks start of Soo Locks project

BY VICTORIA COOK

On June 30, Sault Tribe Chairman Darwin "Joe" McCoy was one of several dignitaries invited to speak at the Soo Locks ground breaking ceremony for the new coffer dam project in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

The dam is the first step in the process of creating a new lock. This is the first new lock project since the second Poe Lock opened on June 28, 1969. This new "super lock" will be 1,200 feet long and 110 feet wide.

The \$1.9 million initial phase, building two cofferdams, was the reason for such a large turnout despite inclement weather. This event was rather lighthearted and McCoy even

started off with a joke, requesting that the new lock be called the "Joe Lock" to go along with the Poe Lock.

He went on to explain the importance of the rapids to our tribal community. "Baweting," he said, is the name of "our place by (the) rapids." The water was then, as it is now, a source of livelihood for the surrounding community. He told the story of our elders giving up their fishing rights in 1853 for the locks to be built. His story was touching because it showed how involved with the entire history of the locks the tribe has been and will continue to be.

The other speakers were all sure to give thanks to the tribal community as well.

High school students essay contest announced

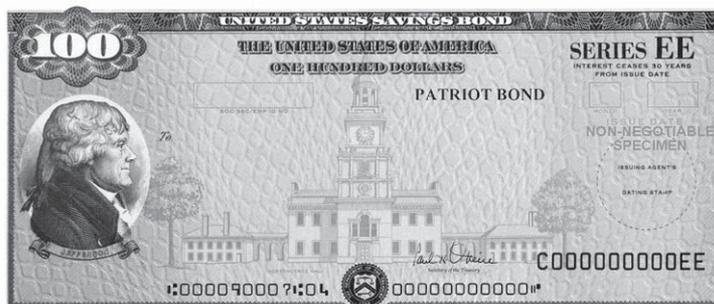
BY RICK SMITH

Sault Tribe members in high school have a chance to win a \$100 U.S. savings bond from this newspaper by writing an essay convincing parents to participate in the 2010 U.S. Census coming next April.

Historically, American Indians are among the ethnic groups the U.S. Census Bureau categorizes as "hard to count." This means that many, if not most, American Indians go uncounted, leading to under representation in the halls of government and inadequate funding for beneficial programs and services.

Sometimes inaccurate counts are caused by unusual address circumstances, but the bureau says more often than not, American Indians are simply too scared to be counted.

Your mission: Research information on the U.S. Census



in general, the 2010 U.S.

Census in particular and write an essay that explains to your parents why participating in the coming Census is important to them, to you and to your following generations with a maximum of 600 words.

First place wins the savings bond and runner-up wins a cool electronic organizer.

The competition deadline is Nov. 1, so start your research now. Mail entries to Essay Competition, Communications Department, 531 Ashmun St., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783.

Above, sample of the top prize. Below, photo of the cool electronic organizer.



Marsh takes federal training

BY BRENDA AUSTIN

ANNISTON, Ala. — Sault Tribe emergency preparedness coordinator Gail Marsh recently completed Homeland Security training at the Center for Domestic Preparedness (CDP). The CDP is the only federally chartered weapons of mass destruction training facility in the nation.

Marsh was the only woman in her group to participate in and complete training at the Chemical, Ordnance, Biological and Radiological Training Facility (COBRATF), which offers the only program in the nation featuring civilian training exercises in a toxic chemical agent environment.

Marsh said participants trained using a real-life bombing scenario that took place in California using chemical agents. Mannequins were used in the re-enactment and because of the military grade



Gail Marsh, center, with other emergency preparedness personnel going through Homeland Security training.

nerve agents used for the exercise; participants wore their Level C personal protection equipment (PPE).

"The training is a lot of work," Marsh said. "The mannequins and PPE are heavy and we worked in high temperatures. It was well worth it, however, to be trained in a realistic scenario. The trainers were some of the country's best responders, all having experience in major events and disasters."

Participants responding to the staged scene were allowed to triage "patients" for 30-second intervals to prevent heat exhaustion. There was enough real-time nerve agent being used at the training site to cause 4,000 fatalities.

"One-fiftieth of a milliliter is a fatal dose. That's a drop between two pillars of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of a penny," said Marsh. "You have to trust your PPE. I went through all the exercises and drills and was awarded a COBRA pin."

After exposure to the nerve agent, participants underwent a gross decontamination — ladders and fog nozzles were used to create a large showering system, this allows large groups of people to quickly decontaminate at the same time. Marsh also trained in technical

decontamination — a three stage showering and scrubbing system.

"It was an incredible learning experience," Marsh said. "I was able to bring back to our community my experience in how to run drills and exercises, and apply those skills to benefit the tribal health centers. In a major event, it takes a collaboration of everybody — all agencies, organizations and the entire community to respond in a timely and efficient manner."

Responders who attend CDP training are selected from the nation's 11 million emergency responders. Training ensures that responders gain critical skills and confidence to be better prepared to respond to local incidents or potential weapons of mass destruction incidents.

The CDP provides federally-funded training for 10 responder disciplines: emergency management, emergency medical service, fire service, governmental administrative, hazardous materials, health-care, law enforcement, public health, public safety communications and public works.

Marsh said she hopes to take advantage of some of the trainings offered by the CDP and bring FEMA trainers to Sault Ste. Marie to train health staff and other responders who might be interested.



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LSSU seeks new president

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. — The search for the next president at Lake Superior State University is in full flight with a position advertisement posted and applications arriving.

The committee is already accepting nominations and resumes and is asking anyone to encourage candidates to join the process," said Patrick Egan, member of the LSSU Board of Trustees and chair of the LSSU Presidential Search Committee.

"We're encouraged by what we've seen so far," he said. "In the few days since the position was posted, candidates have already submitted applications."

Egan said a Web site dedicated to the search, address www.lssu.edu/presidentsearch, will be updated as more information becomes available through the process.

The advertisement for the LSSU president says the institution "seeks an accomplished leader" who can make sure the university continues to maintain its special position in the Michigan higher education system. As the smallest university in the state, LSSU prides itself on being able to provide a highly personal learning and research experience to prepare students for careers or graduate school.

"The president of the university serves as its operational chief executive, and its intellectual and educational leader, working directly with an eight person, governor-appointed board of

trustees. The president will have business and budgetary acumen, a collaborative ability to work with internal constituencies, the community, and state leaders. Candidates will understand the dynamics of higher education, fundraising and have an affinity for working with young people and career educators. The president will immediately join and oversee the university's accreditation process," the statement says.

Sault Ste. Marie resident Tony McLain Ph.D. was named LSSU president by the Board of Trustees in June and is serving until a successor is named.

The search committee includes 11 members who represent a variety of areas, including the LSSU Board of Trustees, faculty, staff, administration, alumni, the LSSU Foundation and the community. Besides Egan, the committee includes fellow trustee Scot Lindemann; Jim Bourque, LSSU Foundation; Collette Coullard and Barbara Keller, LSSU faculty; Jeff Harris, LSSU Steelworkers; Nancy Neve and Ken Peress, LSSU administrative professional staff; Mickey Parish, Bay Mills Community College President; Kahler Schuemann, LSSU alumnus; and Karizma Vance, LSSU student.

For more information, visit lssu.edu/presidentsearch or contact Kaye Batho, kbatho@lssu.edu or call her at (906) 635-2202.

Pickens urges tribes to look at energy potentials

By RICK SMITH

Billionaire T. Boone Pickens said American Indians from Texas to the Canadian border should support having wind mills and solar panels on tribal lands to benefit themselves and the country.

Speaking at the 2009 Symposium of Sovereignty in Oklahoma as he gave the keynote address in early June, Pickens expressed confidence in President Barack Obama's understanding of the nation's energy problems and solutions, indicating progressive and monumental changes in American energy policies are coming this year. He said the changes are going to bear on all Americans.

The main theme and subject of the symposium was *Land, Wind and Water*.

Pickens urged American Indians to support alternative electrical energy infrastructure, such as windmill and solar power plants, on tribal lands to help eliminate America's depen-

dence of 75 percent on foreign oil for its electrical energy needs. He explained that doing so would eventually allow for the widespread use of natural gas for transportation fuel. Pickens encouraged all tribes to examine the possibilities carefully to work out the best deals for themselves while helping the country.

Added benefits of those ventures for tribes would be self-sufficient supplies of electricity and additional revenue sources from selling excess production.

In a January 2007 interview, Pickens said the first 100 years of the hydrocarbon age (fossil fuels) generated about a trillion barrels of oil since 1900; he said it's probable about a trillion barrels still remain to be produced but will be "pretty much gone" by 2100. Further, he noted the hydrocarbon age wrought egregious harm to the world's natural environment.

Pickens is a philanthropist oil tycoon.

Annual Sault Tribe golf classic raises \$69,000 for scholarships

SAULT STE. MARIE — The Sault Tribe Golf Scholarship Classic, held at the Wild Bluff Golf Course in Brimley on July 25, raised over \$69,000 earmarked for tribal student higher education scholarships. The money came from local and statewide businesses sponsoring the outing.

"I am very happy with the outcome of this year's event given the tough economic times we are in throughout the state," said Darwin "Joe" McCoy, tribal chairman. "This money is so important in educating our members. It will help give them an opportunity to go to college or university despite the high cost that comes with earning a higher education."

There were 27 teams participating in the event. First place in the men's division went to Fairway Packing with a score of 56. Northern Star Broadcasting came in second with a 59 while the O'Connor's/Waste Management came in third with a 59. Mixed division winners were National Wine & Spirits with a 59, second place Sault Tribe with a 70 and third to Plunkett 7 Cooney, P.C. with a 71.

The fund gives out 20 \$1,000 scholarships each year. To date, \$116,000 has been awarded to 116 tribal students. The 2010 golf classic will be held on July 2010. For more information, contact Jessica Dumbuck at (906) 635-7770.

This is the ninth year of the annual fundraising event created especially as a way to build scholarship funds for Sault Tribe members interested in furthering their education, thus enhancing their lives along with the lives of others, especially those in our communities.



A score of 56 won the men's division and a 59 won the mixed division at the annual Sault Tribe Golf Scholarship Classic on Saturday July 25, 2009 at the Wild Bluff Golf Course in Brimley, Mich. Pictured above is the men's first place team of Fairway Packing and, below, the mixed first place team of National Wine & Spirits. Both teams are annual sponsors of the golf outing.



Programs offered for future movers and shakers in Indian Country

By RICK SMITH

Ambitious Sault Tribe members in high school, or recently graduated from high school, with big dreams may want to take advantage of an annual education opportunity in Arizona, especially if those big dreams involve becoming an entrepreneur or an executive in tribal government.

The Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management and Policy offers two summer camps specializing in giving American Indian youngsters an early start in becoming an entrepreneur or an executive in tribal government.

The institute is an entity of the University of Arizona in Tucson. It offers the week long Youth Governance Camp every June and the Youth Entrepreneur Camp in July. The camps have tuitions with schol-

arship programs available and are open to high school juniors, seniors and recent graduates.

The programs cover a multitude of topics related to either business or tribal government. The institute says students learn the basics of their chosen fields of study and will have hands on projects to hone skills along with opportunities to further develop those skills. In addition, students will meet experienced American Indian business and government professionals who can offer individual guidance.

According to the institute, the programs instill comprehensive governance and business skills in young people of American Indian ancestry to prepare them for positions to brighten the futures of their communities.

Interested students can register and apply online at www.nni.arizona.edu. Applications

are required to be accompanied by one-page, typed, double-spaced essays on a chosen topic along with copies of certificates of Indian blood or tribal enrollment cards.

Start getting ready today for the 2010 camps. Get all the information you need www.nni.arizona.edu.

The Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management and Policy was founded in 2001, according to the organization, by the Morris K. Udall Foundation and the University of Arizona as a self-determination, self-governance, and development resource for Native nations.

The institute's mission is to assist American Indian nations in becoming fully capable of pursuing and realizing their own political, economic and community development objectives.

www.nativevillage.org

Legion calls on all Americans to help recovering veterans

**Don't forget about them and their sacrifices
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Editor's note: Back in 2003 when the war in Iraq began, there was a big push for us civilians to provide support to the U.S. troops. A friend of mine decided to get involved a couple of weeks into it, but didn't receive much in the way of donations. It seemed most people in her community thought that by the time the supplies arrived, the war would be over. All these years later, we've still got troops in Iraq, and troops deployed to Afghanistan are increasing. Many of our warriors have died or returned home hurt and maimed, Anishinaabe among them.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. — The American Legion family is calling on all Americans to help purchase comfort items for troops recovering in U.S. military hospitals and warrior transition units around the world through its Operation Comfort Warriors campaign.

"The government does a good job of providing the essentials," said American Legion National Commander David K. Rehbein. "Through Operation Comfort Warriors, we have been able to provide items that usually don't appear in the budget, such as personal sweat suits, I-Pods, DVDs, phone calling cards and other comfort items. The American Legion family is challenging its members, friends and, in fact, all people, to give to those who have already given us so much. These gifts provide welcome distractions to the tediousness that often accompanies prolonged hospital stays."

The American Legion family has already raised nearly \$165,000 for Operation Comfort Warriors since its inception in December. Donors can make online contributions by visiting www.legion.org/ocw or by sending a check to Operation Comfort Warriors, PO Box 1055, Indianapolis, IN 46206.

Administrative and promotional costs for Operation Comfort Warriors are paid by the American Legion, allowing 100 percent of the donations to be spent directly on the troops.



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A tranquil scene at the Iroquois Point Lighthouse .

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New federal guide helps sort fact from fiction on American Indian cultures

BY RICK SMITH

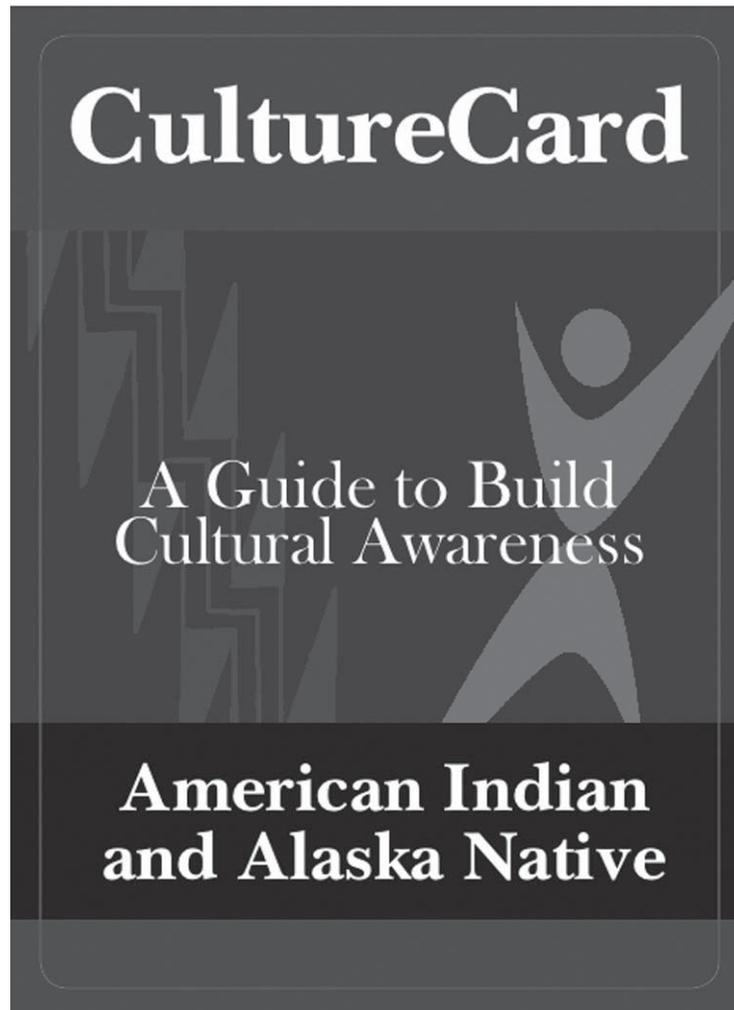
The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently released a brochure titled CultureCard: A Guide to Build Cultural Competence: American Indian and Alaska Native.

The primary purpose of the guide is to help federal workers sift factual basics of American Indian cultures from misguided fantasies surrounding people with American Indian ancestry. It is geared for those who have personal contact with American Indians in the course of their work. It is also handy for anyone who lacks a basic, broad understanding of American Indian people.

In the section covering myths and facts, for example, it addresses the idea that all Indians are spiritual mystics who live in harmony with nature. It points out the image is a broad romantic generalization of a stereotype that can be "just as damaging as other more negative stereotypes and impairs one's ability to provide services to American Indians as real people."

Subjects covered in the work are tribal sovereignty, regional and cultural differences, cultural customs, spirituality and communication styles. It also has sections touching on historical distrust, cultural identity, roles of veterans and elders, etiquette and other concerns. A list of things one is encouraged to do and warned not to do when in American Indian communities is included.

The guide is the brainchild



Cover of the new federal guide. It was designed as an aid for those who work with American Indians but are unfamiliar with their customs and values. The guide is a resource for anyone who wants clarity between reality and fabrication on the subject. It is the product of a team effort by the U.S. Public Health Service, American Indian professionals and family advocates. It's available free of charge by phone or on the Internet.

of U.S. Public Health Service officers, American Indian professionals and family advocates across the country. Developed in 2006 and 2007, it's small enough to keep in wallets or purses for occasional reviews.

The guide can be down-

loaded or ordered through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Web site at www.samhsa.gov/shin or call (877) 726-4727 toll free to order copies.



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Web site feature on American Indians



By RICK SMITH

People who want to keep up on current affairs in depth will be glad to know about www.america.gov, maintained by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of International Information Programs. Folks who would like to read some writings by some of the most influential people in Indian Country should also visit the site.

The site examines topics from outer space to the cockles of your heart in sections on American life, economy, global challenges, international relations and regions of the world. In addition, it is home to several blogs and array of online social networking sites.

If one were to click on the section of the bar at the top of the home page titled American Life, a page comes up sporting many related links such as articles and a photo gallery. Click on People and Places and another page appears bearing a link titled *Ejournal USA*, a monthly e-zine complete with categorized archives.

The June 2009 ejournal focused on *Indigenous People Today, Living in Two Worlds*. The edition features essays of some of the most notable figures in Indian Country like Wilma Mankiller, Tim Giago, the late Vine DeLoria Jr., Jace

Weaver, Louise Erdrich and others. Subjects covered are *Indigenous People in the 21st Century*, *Living Traditions of Native America*, indigenous relationship with the land, indigenous democratic values and governance, language and culture. The edition also features recent photos of American Indians.

Novelist Louise Erdrich is a member of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians and describes her tribe's language, Anishinaabemowin, as a "language to engage the spirit." Many may be surprised to see the language called Ojibwemowin, apparently a difference in dialect. In the essay, Erdrich relates her experiences in learning the language of her ancestors and how it reflects on today's Ojibwe.

The *Indigenous People Today* edition contains a list of additional resources for books, articles, Web sites and films on American Indians and a wide range of related subjects.

Weekly newsletters are available from the Web site as are article alerts. A special section called Student Corner is mainly for enjoyment and education by young people. The Web site also links to the U.S. Department of State, www.USA.gov and other government links.

Obama proposes boost of IHS budget for 2010

The proposed budget for the Indian Health Service for the fiscal year 2010 is \$4.03 billion. This is a \$453.5 million, or about 13 percent, increase over the IHS fiscal year 2009 budget appropriation.

This proposed budget is directed at supporting and improving the provision of health care services, results promotion, addressing disparities and strengthening the Indian health system with additional resources

for health care services.

The proposal includes funds to maintain the current level of services as well as to access to care and address support costs and technology activities.

In the proposed budget, \$167 million is requested for expansion costs, \$117 million in contract health services and \$104.4 million for contract support and administrative costs. Additionally, \$16.3 million is asked for expanding information services.

MIEA scholarship winners announced

Seven students receive awards

The Michigan Indian Elders Association recently awarded \$4,000 in the form of one \$1,000 and six \$500 scholarships to students representing five of the twelve member tribes or bands in Michigan.

The winning scholars are Alys Alley, \$1,000, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians; Corey Fountaine, \$500, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community; Kimberly Ludwig, \$500,

Keweenaw Bay Indian Community; Debra Antoine, \$500, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians; Michael Denemy, \$500, Little Traverse Bay Band of Odawa Indians; Derek Carpenter, \$500, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians; and Dillon Menard, \$500; and Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians

The Michigan Indian Elders Association is an organization made up of the twelve federally

recognized tribes or bands in the state, representing roughly 11,000 elders.

A major focus of the association is to bridge the gap between the youth of the tribal communities and the elders.

The scholarship program is one way elders can assist students to continue their education beyond high school.

Watch this newspaper for information on the scholarships.

USDA seeks public comment on speeding conservation work

WASHINGTON — USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) seeks comments from the public on an interim rule that identifies certain beneficial conservation activities that would be categorically excluded from the detailed National Environmental Policy Act process. This effort comes from a group of conservation professionals brought together by NRCS who identified actions shown to have no significant environmental impact over 30 years.

"By seeking public comment on how we can streamline implementation of certain

conservation practices, we can accelerate the benefits and help more people and more communities with common-sense conservation practices," said NRCS Chief Dave White.

Categorical exclusions will help NRCS, farmers, ranchers, and state and local governments make planning easier and support implementation of recovery projects. An action can be considered for a categorical exclusion if a federal agency determines that the proposed action does not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the environment.

The public is invited to

submit comments on the interim final rule until close of business Sept. 11, 2009. Comments can be submitted online, by mail, via e-mail, in person or by fax.

To view the full text in the Federal Register Notice online visit www.thefederalregister.com/d.p/2009-07-13-E9-16400.

For further information on the National Environmental Policy Act, visit www.epa.gov/compliance/resources/nepa.

For more information about NRCS and conservation programs that may be available to you and your community visit www.nrcs.usda.gov or your nearest USDA Service Center.

Pig roast to benefit Sault playground renovations

A pig roast To benefit the Bill Dowd Memorial Playground on the corner of Shunk Road and 10th Avenue in Sault Ste. Marie is set for Aug. 22, 12-8 p.m., at the Antler's Restaurant on Portage Avenue.

For a \$5 minimum donation, the event features food, raffle items, a silent auction, hourly 50/50 draws and drink specials. The roast includes corn on the cob, potato salad, cole slaw and a pop and hot dogs available for kids.

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The onset of rain on July 24 stilled the heavy equipment employed in replacing culverts and rebuilding the street called JK Lumsden Way on the reservation in Sault Ste. Marie. Two of the new culverts are seen to the left of the photo. The work of Sault Tribe Construction is a project funded by the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Indian Reservation Roads Program.

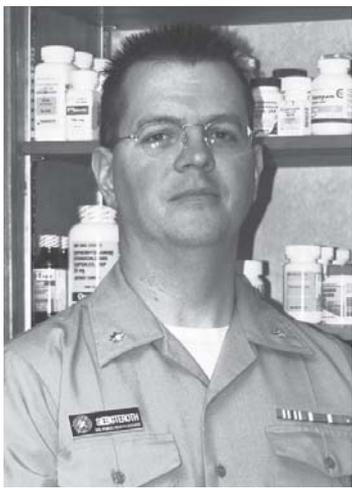
Siebigteroth promoted to lieutenant commander

BY BRENDA AUSTIN
ST. IGNACE, Mich. — Phil Siebigteroth, pharmacist at the St. Ignace Lambert Center for the past year, was recently promoted to lieutenant commander in the U.S. Public Health Service commissioned corps.

Although Siebigteroth is contracted to the Lambert Health Center Pharmacy for two years, he hopes to stay indefinitely. Originally from Frankenmuth, Mich., Siebigteroth said he loves the St. Ignace area and is looking forward to the pharmacy's move to their new offices in April of next year.

A cooperative agreement between the Mackinac Straights Hospital and the Sault Tribe has allowed for a new hospital to be built in St. Ignace on land donated by the tribe. Tribal health services will occupy 20,000 square feet in the new facility, taking up about half the space on the hospital's second floor.

Siebigteroth graduated from high school in 1988 and spent 16 years in the U.S. Navy, with much of that time spent



Lt. Cmdr. Phil Siebigteroth on board the world's first nuclear-powered aircraft carrier, the U.S.S. Enterprise. He received his doctor of pharmacy degree from the University of Michigan before joining the Public Health Service as a commissioned corps officer last year. During his years in the Navy he held many prestigious positions, including serving as the joint pharmacy department head in Guantánamo Bay overseeing civilian care at the Naval hospital and as chief pharmacist for the detention center. He was also stationed at the

National Naval Medical Center in Bethesda, Md., where he was President George W. Bush's pharmacist.

The Lambert Center pharmacy serves about 800 patients a month and fills about 4,000 prescriptions. They are currently in the process of transitioning from a paper chart system to an electronic order system, allowing practitioners to write prescription orders directly into the computer system. Pharmacy staff then prints and fills the orders, reducing the chance of miscommunication between the medical staff and pharmacy to essentially zero, according to Siebigteroth.

The pharmacy currently operates in about 600 square feet of space. "The space the pharmacy staff works out of now is less than optimal," said Health Division Director Bonnie Culfa. "We are looking forward to the new space the pharmacy will occupy with the new hospital project. The environment they will be working in will reflect the level of care we will be providing our patients."

In addition to dispensing medication, pharmacy staff also offers medication counseling and administration and help patients make adjustments in medication when they experience side effects. "Coming from a major military health facility, we have a narrow formulary here. There are some agents that I think the Therapeutic and Pharmacy Board would do well to add to the formulary. For instance, medications to help patients with dementia in addition to some elder care medications," Siebigteroth said. "As the tribal population gets older it is important to shift our focus towards meeting their needs. The tribe has done a pretty good job addressing those, but we can always move forward."

In addition to Siebigteroth, other pharmacy staff include rotating pharmacists Jim Sawyer and Sandi Vollick, pharmacy technician Cara St. Andrew, certified pharmacy technician Loni LaJoyce and Bernadette McDowell, LPN, who is temporarily helping out while LaJoyce is on leave.

Marlene Glasemann, Rural

Health Program manager, said it has been exciting working with the Mackinac Straights Hospital on the new project. "It is going to be a really wonderful space to deliver our services. We are going to organize the move in a way that will be similar to a command center at an emergency preparedness event. We may have skeletal services operating here out of the Lambert Center and open up at the new center immediately so patients can access care as we are moving." About 30 Lambert Center staff members will be making the move to new offices which will include traditional medicine, optical, dental, behavioral health, community health, the medical clinic and administrative staff.

Once the move is complete, Culfa said she plans to hire another full time dentist and nurse practitioner for the health clinic.

In addition to his pharmacy duties, Siebigteroth is a volunteer with the Mackinac City Fire Department. He has a wife, Laurie, and two children, Rose, 6, and Jeffery, 4.

Christine Rosenberg joins Experience Works

Experience Works is proud to welcome Christine Rosenberg as a new employment and training coordinator. She will be serving the nine counties of Menominee, Delta, Alger, Schoolcraft, Luce, Mackinac, Chippewa, Emmet and Cheboygan.

Experience Works, a national nonprofit organization, is focused on meeting the employment and training needs of low-income seniors age 55 and above. Working with local nonprofit organizations, Experience Works places individuals in paid training assignments where they can learn new marketable job skills or update old ones. Experience Works

also offers assistance with resumes, online job searches and applications, and interview coaching to help participants find jobs in the private sector.

Rosenberg is a well-qualified candidate for her new position, with extensive experience in developing and implementing programs for purposeful community-based initiatives. Her projects include coordination of the Environmental/Energy Fair and supervision of the Burt Township Youth Center in Grand Marais, and pioneering of the Newberry Energy Fair. She operated her own consulting business offering market research, grant seeking and "green" resource

development services. She planned and launched two workshop series and developed an intergenerational Wise Use wood reclamation/woodworking skills training replicable model.

"Christine has a wide variety of experiences that will lend themselves well to the coordinator position," says Pam Fox, director. "She has energy and enthusiasm that will serve as a great asset to the Experience Works organization."

Ms. Rosenberg has a bachelor of science degree from the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point, has completed master's degree coursework in adult education, program

planning and evaluation at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee, and business management courses at Marquette University in Milwaukee.

More seniors than ever are finding it necessary to delay retirement or go back to work just to afford basic necessities in today's economy. "Seniors may have lost their retirement savings, lost equity in their homes or been hit with costly healthcare expenses," says Rosenberg. "More and more seniors are coming to us for training to get back into the workforce."

Experience Works, established in 1965, is a national, charitable, community-based

organization focused on meeting the training and employment needs of low-income seniors. "According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, workers age 50-plus will constitute 21.2 percent of the labor force by 2014," says Fox. "In the last ten years, more than 55,600 low-income seniors found employment through our services."

Seniors age 55 or older with a limited income in need of a job may call (866) 976-5939 toll free to find out if they are eligible for the program. Employers or non-profit organizations looking for dependable, motivated, experienced workers may call (812) 522-7930.

FDA warns consumers not to buy or use recalled sport drink products

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration is warning consumers not to buy or use Hardcore Energizer Bullet or New Whey liquid products sold in test tube-like vials due to suspected product tampering. The products

are being recalled.

The products are manufactured by Protica Inc., of Whitehall, Pa. Protica is investigating this incident.

Hardcore Energizer Bullet products were distributed in

Canada and New Whey is sold in the U.S.

The suspected tampering involved a utility knife blade found in one vial of Hardcore Energize Bullet and another blade in a vial of New Whey.

The FDA advises consumers who may have purchased these products not to consume them.

Furthermore, the agency encourages everyone to report any incidents involving either of these products by calling

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Medicine Crow receives 2009 Medal of Freedom

The White House announced on July 30 that an American Indian is among 16 named to receive the 2009 Presidential Medal of Freedom on Aug. 12. The medal is the nation's highest civilian honor and is awarded to individuals who make an especially meritorious contribution to the security or national interests of the United States, world peace, cultural or other significant public or private endeavors.

According to the White House, Dr. Joseph Medicine Crow is the last living Great Plains Indian war chief and author of seminal works in American Indian history and culture.

He is the last person alive to have received direct oral testimony from a participant in the Battle of the Little Bighorn: his grandfather was a scout for General George Armstrong Custer.

A veteran of World War II, Medicine Crow accomplished

during the war all of the four tasks required to become a "war chief," including stealing 50 horses from a German Nazi SS camp.

Medicine Crow was the first member of his tribe to attend college, receiving his master's degree in anthropology in 1939, and continues to lecture at universities and notable institutions like the United Nations.

A White House press release noted Joe Medicine Crow's contributions to the preservation of the culture and history of the first Americans are matched only by his importance as a role model to young American Indians across the country.

This year's awardees were chosen for their work as agents of change.

Medicine Crow, 94, lives in Lodge Grass, Mont., and is a recipient of three honorary doctorates.

According to the announcement, some of the other 2009 Medal of Freedom winners are

Stephen Hawking, an internationally-recognized theoretical physicist at Cambridge University; Desmond Tutu, an anti-apartheid activist widely regarded as "South Africa's moral conscience;" Sandra Day

O'Connor, Supreme Court justice from 1981 until her retirement in 2006; Senator Edward Kennedy, one of the longest-serving and greatest senators of all time; Billie Jean King, champion of gender equality in all as-

pects of life; Sidney Poitier, an actor known for breaking racial barriers; and Nancy Goodman Brinker, founder of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Foundation, the world's leading breast cancer grassroots organization.

Competition grants to advance school reform announced

President Barack Obama and U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan recently announced that states leading the way on school reform will be eligible to compete for \$4.35 billion in Race to the Top competitive grants to support education reform and innovation in classrooms.

Between the 2009 budget and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, more than \$10 billion in grant money will be available to states and districts that are driving reform. "This competition will not be

based on politics, ideology, or the preferences of a particular interest group. Instead, it will be based on a simple principle — whether a state is ready to do what works. We will use the best data available to determine whether a state can meet a few key benchmarks for reform — and states that outperform the rest will be rewarded with a grant. Not every state will win and not every school district will be happy with the results. But America's children, America's economy, and America itself will be better for it," President Obama said in a speech at the U.S. Department of Education headquarters in Washington.

The centerpiece of the Obama administration's education reform efforts is the \$4.35 billion Race to the Top Fund, a national competition which will highlight and replicate effective education reform strategies in

four significant areas:

- Adopting internationally benchmarked standards and assessments that prepare students for success in college and the workplace;
- Recruiting, developing, rewarding, and retaining effective teachers and principals;
- Building data systems that measure student success and inform teachers and principals how they can improve their practices; and
- Turning around our lowest-performing schools.

"The \$4.35 billion Race to the Top program that we are unveiling today is a challenge to states and districts. We're looking to drive reform, reward excellence and dramatically improve our nation's schools," Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said at the event.

He called on state officials to make use of the grants.

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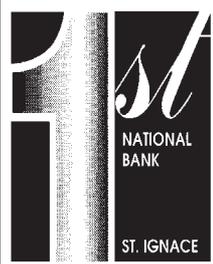
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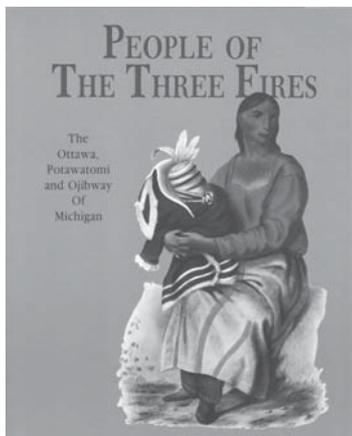
Michigan Indian Press books explore ancient and more recent Anishinaabe past

BY RICK SMITH

The People of the Three Fires, The Ottawa, Potawatomi and Ojibway of Michigan is an extraordinary vehicle to gain an informed general overview into the lives and times of our ancestors.

Co-authored by three professors, including a Sault Tribe member, the book is easy to read and holds 118 pages in 8.5-inch by 11-inch, paperback format. The book begins with a preface and introduction immediately before three individualized and separate sections delve into the ancient lives of each of the indigenous nations.

The 32 pages of the Ojibway section appropriately opens with a brief description of the Anishinaabe legend of creation then smoothly moves into other details told and retold through generations. As the work progresses, evidence from recorded history is involved, sometimes providing theoretical explanations for events and lending credibility to long held traditions such as



the story of the long migration from the shores of the "Great Salt Sea" east of the Great Lakes. As the section comes to the Ojibway contact with Europeans, it becomes more of a brief but thorough historical accounting with illustrations and photographs.

"We did People of the Three Fires with the Grand Rapids Inter-Tribal Council as an economic development project for the council, which was an urban non-profit Indian organization," noted Sault Tribe member George L. Cornell, professor emeritus of Michigan State University.

"The book worked really well and was the start of the Michigan Indian Press that the Sault Tribe eventually acquired. It has worked pretty well over the years and it seems like folks have enjoyed it. It would be a good project to do an updated version. It was a much-needed book during the time period that it came out and it was well received. I think it works well because it is very readable and covered some of the contemporary period and issues."

It remains a much-needed book, if only to counter pervasive Hollywood images of our ancestors. "It would be great to see tribes taking more interest in getting published information out about tribal histories and tribal issues," Cornell said. "Someone needs to continue to educate the public on tribal issues and perspectives, and it would be great to see tribes support these types of efforts."

Cornell co-authored the book and wrote the section on the Ojibway people. The other

co-authors are the late James A. Clifton and ethnohistorian James M. McClurken.

Optional teachers' guides and student workbooks are available for those interested in conducting group studies of the book.

Another book, Aube Na Bing: A Pictorial History of Michigan Indians, was published by the Michigan

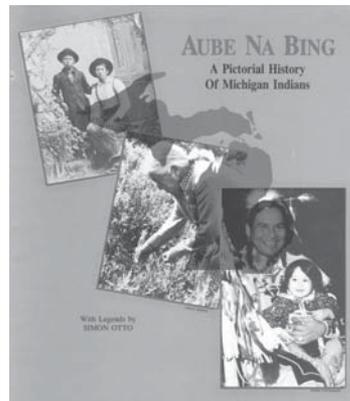
as told by Simon Otto, an Anishinaabe author who writes about the legends and stories of Michgian Indians.

Aube Na Bing is divided into three sections covering the eras of 1865 to 1920, 1920 to 1960 and from 1960 to the 1980s.

Many of the photographs in the book are of groups or individuals associated with Upper Peninsula tribes. All photos are captioned and most groups or individuals are identified in differing degrees of detail.

The uses for this pictorial will depend on the people who give it a home. No doubt some will value it as an heirloom with photos of relatives caught in some historic moment while others may see it as a good coffee table book.

Both titles are available through the Michigan Indian Press, 531 Ashmun Street, Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783 or at Book World in the Sault for \$15.95 each. Allow for shipping and handling if sent by mail. Questions may be directed to (906) 632-6398.



Indian Press as sort of a visual follow-up to The People of the Three Fires. This book contains photographs of Michigan Indians from 1865 to 1988 along with three stories



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Gold Wing riders visit St. Ignace for annual benefit

ST. IGNACE — For the 11th year, Kewadin Casinos proudly joins with the Gold Wing Road Riders Association to raise awareness and funds to support the fight against juvenile diabetes on Aug. 22.

During the weekend, nearly 900 riders participate by driving from Grand Rapids to St. Ignace and enjoy a host of activities that were held to accompany them into the area on their annual ride.

On Saturday morning, riders are welcomed with a hot breakfast. Vendors will be on site and a barbeque will take place 2-6 p.m. Proceeds from both events are given to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation with Kewadin Casinos sponsoring all costs of the event. Last year, \$3,509.81 was donated by the casino and

the group raised \$24,500 from the ride.

Once every year, Chapter Mi-G of the Gold Wing Riders Association organizes a large motorcycle ride, called the Midnight Ride, during which T-shirts are sold and donations are collected. The ride is held annually on the third Saturday in August, and runs from the Grand Rapids area, across the Mackinac Bridge and into St. Ignace.

Every single year, 1,300 children in America are diagnosed with juvenile diabetes. This disease strikes children suddenly, makes them insulin-dependent for life and carries the constant threat of devastating complications.

For more information on the Gold Wing ride, visit www.gwrra-mi.org.

Moving Wall comes to Kewadin Shores Casino event during Aug. 20-24

Volunteers needed for memorial event

ST. IGNACE – Kewadin Casinos is honored to host the Moving Wall at its St. Ignace location Aug. 20-24. The memorial will be open with a special ceremony on Aug. 20 at 3 p.m. and close on Aug. 24 at noon. There will be a sunrise ceremony Aug. 24 at 7 a.m. There is no admission fee.

The Moving Wall is the half-size replica of the Washington, D.C., Vietnam Veterans' Memorial and has been touring the country for more than 20 years. It was created to enable those who could not travel to Washington, D.C., to experience the positive power of the wall.

John Devitt, Norris Shears, Gerry Haver and other Vietnam veteran volunteers built the Moving Wall. It went on display for the first time in Tyler, Texas, in October of 1984. Two structures of the Moving Wall now travel the USA from April through November, spending about a week at each site.

EMTs and therapists who could spend some time volunteering at the exhibit would be very much appreciated.

Volunteers are also needed for serving or providing food,

walking the wall (assisting people with name searches), guarding the wall, manning the information and name location station, setting up the wall and temporary facilities and

dismantling the wall and temporary facilities.

Volunteers may call Kewadin Shores casino marketing representative Shannon Bonnell, (906) 643-7071.



Kewadin entertainment



Photos by Vikki Cook

The band Saving Abel with lead singer Jared Weeks (above), along with music acts Monty Are I lead singer Steve Aiello (below), Since October and Taddy Porter rocked the Dream Makers Theater July 8.



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Playing For Change: Working for world peace



Above, Fabian Fontenelle, a member of the Zuni Pueblo Tribe of New Mexico, performed with the Twin Eagle Drum during a Playing For Change recording session of Stand By Me on their tribe's land.



Cover of first CD/DVD set released by the Playing For Change Foundation last April 23. Fine listening along with an explanatory and inspiring video.



Above, Twin Eagle Drum of Zuni Pueblo in western New Mexico keeps time on the modern classic overture, Stand By Me. If one looks closely, a video camera and microphones are also captured in the photo.



Above, Mark Johnson, Playing For Change founder, talks with sitarist Tara Bir Tuladharin in Kathmandu, Nepal.



Above, Johnson listens to the quality of a recording session in progress. Below, Bono of the band U2 contributes his voice to the Songs Around the World project. Below left, Tula lends her voice to the musical encouragement of Don't Worry during an audio and video recording session of her in Tel Aviv, Israel.



All photos courtesy of Concord Music Group Beverly Hills, Calif.

BY RICK SMITH

The Playing for Change Foundation is a non-profit organization of a new stripe based in the United States. Its immediate goal is to fund music education for children in disadvantaged communities, partly by creating and marketing exquisitely mixed recordings of first rate musicians around the world for all to enjoy. Its more ambitious, long-range goal is world peace.

And, you're invited to join in the fun; whether by scouting for talent or in a number of other ways.

"Playing for Change was born out of the idea that we have to inspire each other, to come together as a human race and that music is the best way to do this," explains Mark Johnson in a video on the organization's Web site. Johnson, a Grammy-winning music producer, film director and engineer, is the creator and founder of the Playing For Change Foundation.

He says the idea that gave birth to the foundation and its goals came to him about 10 years ago in a subway on his way to work. "I heard these two monks playing music. They were painted head to toe, all white, wearing robes. One was playing a nylon guitar and the other was singing in a language I didn't understand. There were about 200 people who stopped to watch, didn't even get on the train. Some had tears in their eyes. And it occurred to me that here is a group of people that would normally run by each other but, instead, they're coming together. And it's the music that brought them together."

Setting the idea into motion came

six years later when he and his team recorded street musician Roger Ridley performing *Stand By Me* in Santa Monica, Calif. Recordings were made of other talented performers – an eclectic combination of professionals and buskers (street musicians) – from around the world performing the same song in their home outdoor environments.

Performances were recorded in city streets, subways, villages, American Indian reservations, deserts, plains, mountains and other places across the globe on five of the world's seven continents. More performances of other songs were recorded in the same way. Selected recordings were mixed into studio-engineered collaborations. The results are magical masterpieces. Johnson says, "None of these musicians had ever met in person. It was the music that brought them together. And the belief that we can do a lot more for this world if we work together than we ever can apart."

The name of the foundation, he adds, evokes the coins thrown to street musicians "as well as the transformation their music inspires."

He reflects, "We went to New Orleans shortly after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. The city felt sad and desolate, yet the music never stopped. The street musicians and music in the clubs kept the city alive and gave it a sense of hope. We visited South Africa and witnessed its growing pains in the aftermath of apartheid, we saw that people marching down streets singing in groups of thousands did more to effect positive change than any weapons ever could."



Playing For Change opened its first music school for disadvantaged children recently in South Africa. More such schools around the globe are planned. The newly formed Playing For Change Band tours the U.S. and Canada this fall, coming to Ann Arbor Nov. 2. Left, Cathy Jordan of Ireland plays a dodhran, an Irish frame drum. Right, two ladies of the South African Sinamuva Umlazi Choir.



Playing For Change recently released its first album, *Playing For Change, Songs Around the World*, to support their projects. One can listen to samples of the songs on their Web site. Their recordings of *Chanda Mama*, an achingly beautiful and soul soothing piece, and *Stand By Me* can be heard and seen on YouTube along with other songs from the album.

If something about the percussion keeping the beat in *Stand By Me* seems very familiar, it's probably because that's the Twin Eagle Drum of Zuni, N.M., you hear. They also make a couple of brief appearances in the video. The entire work is a smorgasbord of heart nurturing sound.

Additionally, Johnson produced an award-winning documentary titled *Playing For Change: Peace through Music*. The film is expected to be in theaters sometime later this year.

"The act of playing music with people of different cultures, religions, economics and politics is a powerful statement," Johnson notes. "It shows that we can find ways of working together and sharing our experiences with one another in a positive way. Music has the power to break down the walls between cultures, to raise the level of human understanding."

If Playing For Change doesn't bring about world peace in our lifetime, the endeavor is worthy of passing to our following generations; maybe they'll see world peace.

Visit www.playingforchange.com or www.playingforchange.org to learn more, find out how to get involved or to get updates on this astonishing undertaking.



Above, Grandpa Elliott of New Orleans performs live at a fundraiser for the Playing For Change foundation in that city with Clarence Bekker of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. Talents of both street performers are on Stand By Me and other songs on the new album, the men met each other for the first time at the benefit concert.



Above, Stefano Tomaselli, a young saxophone player in Pisa, Italy, smiles and poses during a break in a performance. Below, the Exile Brothers of Dharamsala, India, recording amid the grandeur of the Himalayas.



Stiver-Paulsen hired to oversee new STAY project in western service area

BY BRENDA AUSTIN
 ESCANABA, Mich. — Sue Stiver-Paulsen was hired recently as an administrative assistant for the Sault Tribe Alive Youth (STAY) project. Her office will be in the Youth Education and Activities building at 1226 Wigob in Escanaba where she will be working with tribal members in the western end of the tribe's seven-county service area.

As administrative assistant Stiver-Paulsen will also be working with the YEA coordinators in Manistique, Escanaba and Munising.

The STAY project is a suicide prevention grant being implemented throughout the

Cairns-Vandermate wedding vows

Jenna Cairns and RJ Vandermate were united in marriage April 25, 2009, at Rudyard Christian Reformed Church, officiated by Pastor Ernie Bywater with Pastor Lyle Kelly giving the couple their charge.

The bride is the daughter of Jeff and Kim Cairns and granddaughter of Clayton and Marna McGahey and Wilma and the late John Cairns all of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The groom is the son of Randy and Carol Vandermate and the grandson of Chuck and Judy Vandermate of Rudyard, Mich., and Bill and Tena Docter of Byron Center, Mich.

The bride, carrying a mixed bouquet of hot pink roses and Gerber daisies mixed with white lilies, was given away by her father and attended by her cousin, Jennifer McGahey as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Cara Rice, Lindsay Rodgers, Michelle Parmer, Sarah Adams, Jenna Ledy and Ellie Vandermate (sister of the groom).

Standing as best man for the groom was his brother, Daniel Vandermate. Groomsmen included Kyle Rice, Brad Dewitt, Justin Hoolsema, Justin Cairns, Keane Cairns (brothers of the bride) and William Vandermate (brother of the groom).

Ushers for the ceremony were Dave Dueman and Jonathan Vandermate. Greeters were Mike McLeod and Lance McLeod. Flower girl was Natalie Hazen and ring bearer was Vance Nason. Music was provided by pianists Brittany Hoolsema and Samantha Peck,



seven-county service area to reduce the number of suicides in Native American youth ages 10-24.

Stiver-Paulsen will help

create the Seven Feathers Partnership Board, act as a spokesperson for the grant, compile data and work with the suicide prevention resources already in place in the western end. Once pre-existing suicide prevention services are complied into a resource list, this will allow STAY grant monies to be more effectively used to fill in any missing service components.

Stiver-Paulsen will also be working with Northern Michigan University and Bay de Noc Community College in addition to all elementary and secondary schools in the Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Services District

and the Delta-Schoolcraft Intermediate School District.

Helping the project move forward with their grant goals, Stiver-Paulsen will be recruiting members to serve on the project's partnership board. Representatives are needed from seven stakeholder groups: elected leaders and policy makers, schools and higher education institutions, health care providers, community agencies and organizations, juvenile justice system, foster care system and spiritual and faith-based helpers. The goal is to have at least one person representing each stakeholder group for each of the seven counties.

Partnership board members

are volunteers who will be reimbursed for travel expenses and are provided with training under the grant.

In a three-year period from 2004-06, the rate of suicide deaths per 100,000 for all age groups in the seven-county service area was 13.9. The national average during the same time period was 10.8. Every year over 30,000 people in the U.S. commit suicide.

Stiver-Paulsen said, "I am so excited to be here, I feel like I am coming home. I am a go-getter and I plan to get everybody going."

Stiver-Paulsen can be contacted by calling (906) 789-3192 or by e-mail at sspaulsen@saulttribe.net.

Britton achieves certification

Cassie Britton RD, CDE, of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Grand Island Community Center, 622

W. Superior St. Munising, achieved certified diabetes educator status this June by successfully completing the certification examination for diabetes educators.

According to the National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators, candidates must meet rigorous eligibility requirements to be able to take

the examination. "Achieving certification status demonstrates to people with diabetes and employers that the health care professional possesses distinct and specialized knowledge, thereby promoting quality of care for people with diabetes," the board wrote in a recent news release.

Britton has been employed as a registered dietitian at Munising Tribal Health since March 2002, working primarily within the diabetes program. Britton also provides medical nutrition therapy for prevention and management for a variety of diseases including obesity, heart disease, high blood pressure and cancer. Nutritional

counseling is also available for sports nutrition, supplement use, traditional foods, meal planning, pediatric wellness, pregnancy and breastfeeding, adult wellness and much more.

The Sault Tribe diabetes program is open to all Native people and tribal employees. Staff of the Munising Tribal Health Center offer a team approach to help empower their patients to better management and care for their diabetes. This team includes physician, nurse practitioner, nurse, community health tech, pharmacist and registered dietitian.

For more information on the diabetes program, please call (906) 387-4721.



violinists Sam and Josh Scott, and vocalists Chris and Lisa Nelson.

The reception was in the ballroom at Quality Inn in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

The bride is a 2006 graduate of Sault Area High School and a 2006 graduate of UP North School of Cosmetology. She was a former employee at Christian Freedom International as an administrative assistant and Color Me Beautiful Salon as a hair stylist before moving away after the wedding.

The groom is a 2005 graduate of Rudyard High and a 2007 graduate of ITT Tech in Grand Rapids, Mich., and is currently employed by Gentex Corp as a software engineer. The couple reside in Holland, Mich.

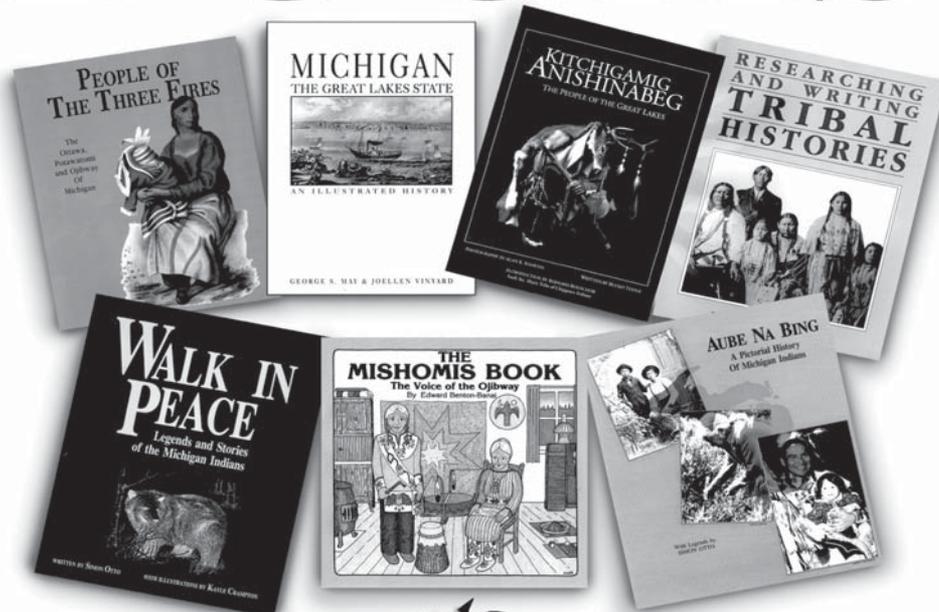
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I want to thank you for your prayers, cards and for thinking of me. All I can say is I'm getting through day by day. It seems like a bad dream and I still can't believe he is gone. I would like to say a special thank you to the Sault Tribe for their support.

The one thing that gets me through each day is what my great grandson said to me when I went into the funeral home on Saturday, Jan. 10, 2009.

Stefan: "Grandma, I'm so glad you're here. I've been waiting for you."

Great grandma: "Well sweet-heart, here I am."

Stefan: "Do you know where my grandpa is?"

Great grandma: "Yes, I do. Do you?"

Stefan: "Yes, he is with the angels. He was so sick and hurt so much the angels came and got him to take care of him."

Great grandma: "That's wonderful. I'm so glad they came."

Stefan: "They are here now in the room. They are all over. You can't see them because they're invisible. Do you think one of them has a trooper hat on?"

Great grandma: "I'm sure one of them has."

Stefan: "I'm glad, because when I grow up I'm going to be a trooper."

Stefan is 5 years old and has cerebral palsy. He can walk, but needs more surgery to help him walk better. He was concerned because I now use a cane.

There certainly were angels in that room. I could feel them and it eased my heartache. Thank you, Jesus, for giving me the faith, courage and strength to go on. And thank you, Jesus, for my friends and relations and thank you for Stefan. Thank you, Jesus, for Marlene, my daughter-in-law, my grandson's Michael and his

wife Amy, Daniel and his wife Claudia and Stephan.

Thank you, dear friends, for being there for me when I needed you. The kindness, compassion and love you extended to me will never be forgotten. Thank you for the beautiful dinner prepared by Dorothy Currie, Mona "Midge" Gugian, helpers Robin, Terry Milligan, Barb Galer, Lisa Burnside and to the many more who worked that I don't know, the food was wonderful.

Thank you from not only me, Leona M. Brown, Harvey's mother, but from my oldest grandson Michael, my brother Harvey W. Dutcher and his son Harvey Alec Dutcher of Arizona to Cal Burnside for the blessing before our meal and to Sam Doyle and Bernice Jenkins for the spirit fire in the lodge. It was the first time that either Harvey were in a spirit lodge. They said it was beautiful and so peaceful. All of you cared so very much for Harvey and made his service the most beautiful one I have ever seen.

I would also like to say a special thank you to all of the law enforcement officers who attended the services to honor Harvey. You showed Harvey your love and compassion.

It has now been seven months since my son's passing, yet it seems like it was only yesterday. I continue to grieve for him. I miss him, I miss his knock on the door, the sound of his voice saying, "Hi mom, how are you? Do you have coffee?" I miss those days and his calls. Howard "Buddy" calls me almost daily. Buddy misses Harvey as much as I do.

As Stefan would say, "There are so many angels in here grandma, and some of them we can see."

Stefan would like to say a special thank you to all the troopers; he thinks you are special and so do I.

Thank you from Peter O'Neil family

The family of Peter P. O'Neil wants to thank you, those who have provided assistance to our family for so many years.

Dad has passed on and so many have touched his life in wonderful ways.

Dad was proud of being a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and grateful for the benefits he and his family received. Dad lived 95 years and we are confident that the services and opportunities of the tribe contributed to his enjoyment of life. The excellent care he received at the

clinic, meals prepared by caring hands at the Elder Center, holiday dinners with family and friends at the casino, the elder trips, participating at the dedication and standing with Ed Cook at the Veteran's Memorial Wall, honor dances for veterans at the powwows, the affordable home he and mom shared at Odenaang, the spiritual uplifting from Pastor Eloise Kreml.

There is so much more and no way to truly express our appreciation. May God bless each of you as you have blessed us.

Glen and Vida (nee Cadreau) Captain of the Sault announce their 45th wedding anniversary. The couple were married Aug. 8, 1964, in Brimley, Mich., by Justice of the Peace Virginia Beamish. They were accompanied by Diana (nee Cadreau) Gates and Archie Cadreau Jr. They have four children, Robert Captain, James (Sheri) Ailing, Ada (John) Dalgleish and Kathy Shoupe along with 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Cook interns with Sault Tribe Communications Department

My name is Victoria Cook, but many people know me as Vikki. I was born and raised in



Vikki Cook

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. I went to Central Michigan University the fall following my graduation from Sault High in 2004.

I completed my undergraduate studies at CMU in May 2009 with a Bachelor of Science degree in journalism, with a concentration in advertising and an English minor.

I decided to move home to the Sault to be with my family. I'm currently employed with *Win Awenen Nisitotung* for the summer under the WIA program.

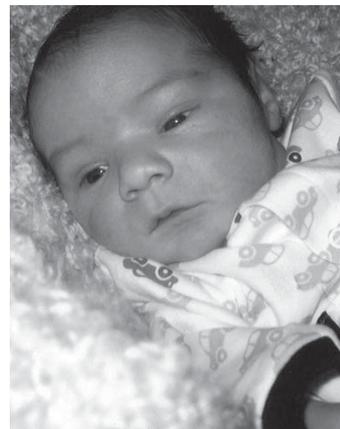
I plan to continue my education in the next 10 years with a master's degree in English literature. I am still undecided as to when and where this will occur. I am hoping to attend the University of Cambridge to get a doctorate in British litera-

ture post-1830.

During my employment at the paper, I have been working on selling and designing advertising. I have also been taking photos and writing stories.

Overall, this has been a great work experience and I have gained a lot of knowledge about my field.

Birth



SAWYER PATRICK KELLY

Sawyer Patrick Kelly was born to proud parents Shawn and Jennifer Kelly of South Elgin Ill., on June 15, 2009. Shawn is the son of Marjorie L. Kelly (nee Prout) and Bill Kelly of Lombard, Ill. Sawyer has a brother Liam Owen and a sister, Keria.

Beard accepted into graduate program



Sault Tribe member Melissa Beard has been accepted into the graduate program in journalism at Wayne State University in Detroit and received a

\$5,000 scholarship from the Native American Journalist Association (www.naja.com).

"My grandma, Phyllis Schmidt, was a tribal elder and I know she would love to see this printed in the tribal paper," said Beard.

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ROBERT ST. ANDREW

Robert St. Andrew, 73, of Moran, died early morning, July 14, at his home, surrounded by his family, after being ill with cancer for nearly two years. Mr. St. Andrew was born in St. Ignace April 7, 1936, to Clement and Margaret (nee Roy) St. Andrew.

He and Marie Louise Allen were married Nov. 20, 1954, at St. Ignatius Loyola Church in St. Ignace.

Mr. St. Andrew was a long-distance truck driver most of his life, retiring from united Van Lines after covering more than three million miles and traveling every state in the country.

An elder of the Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians, he served on the elders committee. He was also a fourth degree member of the Knights of Columbus and a member of St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church. Mr. St. Andrew held every office at Moose Lodge 999, including governor, and was a founding member of the St. Ignace powwow organization.

Before working as a trucker, Mr. St. Andrew worked for the United States and Canadian weather services in Sault Ste. Marie. He loved to hunt, fish, and ride his Gold Wing motorcycle.

He is survived by his wife; four sons and their families, Robert and Debra St. Andrew of Moran, Thomas St. Andrew of St. Ignace, Kevin St. Andrew of Charlevoix and Charles and Fran St. Andrew of St. Ignace; two daughters and their families, Antonette St. Andrew of St. Ignace and Laura Marie and Christopher Thomas of Clarion; three brothers and their families, Floyd St. Andrew of St. Ignace, Jerry and Trudy St. Andrew of Luzerne and Lyle and Brenda St. Andrew of Moran; a sister, Lynda Christensen of Florida; 17 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

Mr. St. Andrew was preceded in death by his parents and three uncles, Thomas, Norman and Lenhart St. Andrew.

Visitation was on July 15 at Dodson Funeral Home in St. Ignace and a Native American service was held at the family home July 15 and 16.

Dodson Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements and, per his wishes, he was cremated.

WANDA J. MCGUIRE

Wanda J. McGuire, 82, of St. Ignace, died early Monday, July 6, at her home following a lingering illness.

She was born in St. Ignace Nov. 25, 1926, to Charles and Clara (nee St. Onge) Pemble and attended Ursuline Academy and LaSalle High School.

Mrs. McGuire worked for Pemble Brother Wholesale as a bookkeeper and was a member of St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church, St. Ann's Altar Society, Women of the Moose Chapter 1484, and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. She enjoyed picnics and long rides to visit family members and friends.

She is survived by two daughters and their families, Linda Fenwick and Sandra and Curtis Thorin, all of St. Ignace; a sister,

Elda McFarlane of St. Ignace; a granddaughter whom she reared, Wanda Hernandez; seven other grandchildren, Curtis, Jenny, Raecann, Casey, Stacie, Sandra and Traci; 10 great-grandchildren, Vanessa, Patrick, Wanda, Ameesa, Krystin, Garret, Mandie, Wesley, Brooke and Isabelle; and a great-great-grandson, Jeremy.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Pat McGuire, on Aug. 7, 1979; a sister, Delia Leo; four brothers, Blair, Roy, Guy Richard and David Pemble; and a great-grandchild, Alyssa J.C. Fenwick.

A memorial mass was on July 16 at St. Ignatius Loyola Catholic Church.

Her ashes will be buried at St. Ignatius Cemetery beside her husband.

Dodson Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

ALEX WILLIAM PINE

Alex William Pine, of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., died July 22, 2009, at his home. He was born Nov. 25, 1944, Sault Ste. Marie.

Alex was raised on Sugar Island and Shunk Road and loved to return to both places. He was a guitar player who also sang the best old country western songs. He was a member of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church. Alex served in the United States Army during the Vietnam War. He was also known by those who loved him as Wiiyaas and Baby Boy. His favorite sport was Keno.

He is survived by his son, Steve (Shauna MacMaster) Pine; daughters, Debra Ann (Dr. Chris Hall) Pine, Priscilla Pine and Mariea (Donny) Mongene; his sisters, Mary Shipp, Chiquita (Randy) Allred, Maggie (J.R. McKerchie) Scott and Princess Pine; his brothers, Norman (Debbie) Pine and Peter Pine; his grandchildren Joe, Melinda, Jolene, Hunter, Samantha, Justin, Nick, Jada Marie, Alexia and Aubrie.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nancy and Alex Pine; and siblings, Sophie Kizior, James Pine, LaVina Brown, Albert Pine and Robert Pine.

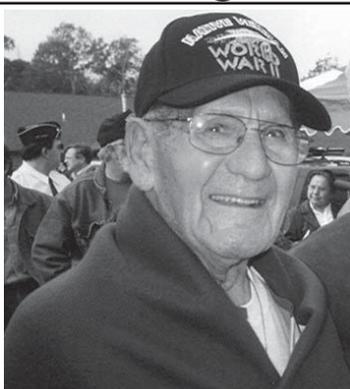
A funeral mass was at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church on July 25 with Brother John Hascall as celebrant.

Final resting place is Wilwalk Cemetery on Sugar Island, Mich.

Clark Bailey Newhouse Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

PETER O'NEIL

Peter O'Neil of Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., passed away at War Memorial Hospital on July 18, 2009. He was born Jan. 3, 1914, in Engadine, Mich. Peter was a member of the Strongs



Community Bible Church and attended the Church of the Nazarene in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., the V.F.W. of Hulbert, and the American Legion of Brimley, Mich.

An avid outdoorsman, Peter loved to fish, hunt and garden. But, he especially loved to be with his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Peter loved to share stories about WWII, where he served in the 3rd Armored Division. After his service to his country, Peter began his career with Kimberly Clark Paper Company in Munising, Mich. He was a very devoted, loving husband, father, grandfather and friend to everyone. Peter dedicated his life to ministry, changing the lives of many.

Surviving Mr. O'Neil are his wife of 65 years, Sadie; son, Lyle "Pete" (Sandy) O'Neil of Caledonia, Mich.; daughters, Deanna (John) Zarse of Lafayette, Ind., Carolyn (Ernie) Booher of Phoenix, Ariz. and Cheryl O'Neil of Grand Rapids, Mich. Peter is also survived by 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mr. O'Neil was preceded in death by his daughter and son-in-law Patricia and David Klunder.

A celebration of Peter's life took place at Hovie Funeral Home on July 21. Burial will be at Maplewood Cemetery in Hudson Township, Mackinaw City, Mich., and will be announced at a later date. Memorials may be left in care of Peter's family.

VERNON KING

Vernon "Timmer" King, 76, of Gulliver, Mich., died July 20, 2009, at Marquette General Hospital in Marquette, Mich.

He was born May 18, 1933, in Manistique, Mich., the son of Gregory and Agnes (Wachter) King and grew up in the Naubinway, Mich., area. He was a graduate of Engadine High School.

On June 8, 1957, he married the former Janice M. O'Neil in Naubinway and they later moved to and raised their children in the Gulliver area.

Timmer was employed as a serviceman at the Bowman Gas Company in Gulliver for 39 years.

He was an elder of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians and was of the Catholic

faith. He enjoyed the outdoors, bass fishing, deer hunting and camping. He also enjoyed working in his woodshop.

Timmer is survived by his wife, Janice M. King of Gulliver; daughters, Kathy (John) Nord of Wetmore, Kellie (John) Lakosky of Manistique, Angie (James) Meffer of Thompson and Colleen "B.G." (Jerry) Kokesh of Gulliver; 10 grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren; brother, Wayne "Teto" (Janet) King of Romulus; along with several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his sister, Fern Paulsen; a brother, Tony King; and his twin brother, Harvey King.

Visitation was on July 24 at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique followed by a memorial service at the funeral home with Deacon Gilbert Sablack officiating. Burial was at the Naubinway Cemetery.

Online condolences may be expressed at www.mbfuneral.com.

VIOLA M. NEADOW

Viola M. Neadow, 80, of Cooks, Mich., died July 15, 2009, at Marquette General Hospital.

She was born Oct. 29, 1928, in Hulbert, Mich., the daughter of Joseph and Henrietta "Hattie" (nee Cadreau) Miller. She graduated from the Cooks High School in the Class of 1948.

On Jan. 27, 1953, she married Eugene J. Neadow in Garden. He preceded her in death on Dec. 21, 1967.

Viola was employed at the Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital in Manistique as a dietary aide for 18 years. She was a member of St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church of Cooks, Mich., and of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. She enjoyed quilting and playing Yahtzee with her best friend, Maggie Gray and loved spending time with her family.

She is survived by her daughters, Geraldine (Nicholas) Stoken of Garden, Jean (Patrick) Cournaya of Gulliver, Denise (Frank) Chase of Manistique, Betty Neadow of Cooks, Mary Lester of Thompson and Viola Neadow of Gulliver; son, Eugene "Chum" Neadow Jr. of Cooks; grandchildren, Craig (Suni) Stoken, Darcy Chase, Tammy (Cliff) Barton, William J. (Jennifer) Neadow, William D. Neadow, Jarrod (Muyesser) Cole, Michelle Cournaya, Frank Chase Jr., Ryan (Kristina) Stoken and Sidney Neadow; great grandchildren, Ryan and Brooke Barton, Kyle Osterhout and Kendra Cournaya; Matthew, Ethan, Nicholas and Carly Stoken; Savannah Neadow; Tamra Stoken; Aydin Cole; Jenna

Chase, Cliff Jr. and Joey Barton; siblings, Margaret Cantrall of Cooks, Gloria "Audrey" Keller of Port Washington, Wis., and Donald (Ruth) Miller of Cooks; sisters-in-law, Elaine Miller of W.V., Martha Miller of Cooks and Leona "Kitty" Miller of Gladstone; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her husband and parents she was preceded in death by her brothers, Alvin, George, Arthur, Ernest and Louis Miller.

Visitation was held on July 17, 2009, at the Messier-Broullire Funeral Home in Manistique, with parish liturgical prayers following. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated July 18, 2009, at St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Cooks with Father Brian Gerber officiating. Burial was held in the Inwood Township Cemetery at Cooks.

Condolences may be left at www.mbfuneral.com.

Psalm 23 – The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies, thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

In loving memory of JAMES H. DENMAN Nov. 27, 1979 – Aug. 10, 2008

You came into our lives and your smile shined brighter than a beacon of hope in the night. You were our pride and joy and we made you just right.

Your laughter warmed our hearts and your compassion touched our souls.

We don't know why he took you, we'll never again feel whole.

So much sadness, so many broken dreams. You, our son of 28 years, a man destined not to be.

You left behind a wonderful woman. A brother of the soul, a mom and dad, whose lives are shattered, but it was time for you to go.

You had greater deeds to be done, that only angels can do. We will never forget you, Jimmy. To the Creator's calling be true.

Soar with the eagles, son. We love you and we will see you on the other side.

Loved by so many.

Thank you

I would like to thank all the ladies and gentlemen who brought food and worked at the luncheon for my sister's funeral. They did a great job for my family. I would also like to thank all the people who gave cards and flowers. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Much thanks,

Betty Fizell

Sister of Mabell McPherson

Watch for salmon nets while navigating on northern lakes Huron and Michigan

From the beginning of August through the end of October, boaters in northern Lake Michigan and Lake Huron should be aware of the possible presence of tribal commercial salmon fishing nets.

During recreational boating and fishing activities, boaters should exercise extreme caution during low-light or bad weather conditions when navigating this area.

Posters depicting what the nets look like, the general areas they could be set and contact numbers for help

have been displayed at nearby launch sites.

The nets have large six-inch by 14-inch orange floats spaced at intervals of 300 feet or less. License numbers of tribal fishers are on the nets. Net ends are marked with staffs five feet in length above the water surface, colored with at least 50 percent reflective orange coloring and a 12-inch by 12-inch orange flag on top.

Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority (CORA) strongly recommends boaters navigate around the nets they encounter, rather than between the staff

buoys set at net ends. These salmon nets may be set at the surface and are composed of thick twine.

Fishers from the Bay Mills Indian Community, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Little River Band of Ottawa Indians, Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians are all required to uniformly mark their nets in the above manner.

For more information, call CORA Executive Director Jane TenEyck at (906) 632-0043.

Boaters are asked not to interfere with the nets or their floating markers

Member agencies of the St. Marys River Fisheries Task Group will conduct a fish community survey of the entire St. Marys River this August, from Whitefish Bay to DeTour, Mich., and south and east of St. Joseph Island, Ont.

Fisheries biologists and technicians will be setting survey nets at predetermined sites in the river and capturing a variety of species of fish to collect information on abundance, growth, mortality and size structure. These data will be compared to data collected in earlier surveys.

This survey is an important component of the St. Marys

River fisheries assessment plan and is necessary to assist in managing healthy sustainable fish communities and fisheries. The information collected by this and other surveys will assist fisheries managers in Ontario and Michigan in making critical decisions related to sport fish regulations, fish stocking, shared fisheries, and future management goals and actions.

The St. Marys River fisheries assessment plan and the 2006 survey report can be found online at the Great Lakes Fishery Commission Web site www.glfsc.org/lakecom/lhc/lhchome.

Boaters are asked not to

interfere with the nets or their floating markers. Nets will be set overnight and lifted the following day. The well-marked nets should not obstruct normal navigation routes for recreational vessels.

Agencies cooperating in the survey are the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Chippewa Ottawa Resource Authority, Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Bay Mills Indian Community, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Lake Superior State University Aquatic Research Laboratory.

Member learns to identify sweetgrass

Dear members,

I had the experience of a lifetime today. I picked sweetgrass. Marge Bekins offered to take any of the McCann building seniors to promising sites where sweetgrass grows and show us how to identify it. Not many seniors showed up for the tour,

but the few who did had an enjoyable and educational time.

Now I know how to look for sweetgrass, identify and pick it, but I wouldn't want to depend on this occupation for my livelihood.

Those who enjoyed the pleasure of this outing included

Connie Cadotte and daughter Mary Jane, Helen Hyslop, Kay Brown, Eleanor Fitzpatrick, Roger Horn, Lewis Colgrove and myself.

Thank you to Marge Bekins. Sincerely,
— Margaret Robinson,
St. Ignace, Mich.

Unit III elders take trip to Munising

Dear members,

On July 21, 32 seniors of Unit III made an early trip on the glass-bottomed boat in Munising.

It was a beautiful day and we enjoyed the scenery sailing around that beautiful harbor but viewing the shipwrecks was a disappointment to me, just piles of old water weathered lumber.

What redeemed the viewing were the historical and entertaining commentaries by the captain and her deckhand.

Next, we traveled to

the Christmas casino. Our Christmas present: a \$10 bill to each member of the group. We played various machines but I don't think anyone brought a fortune back to St. Ignace.

Then, it was off to the Manistique casino where we received another \$10 gift to try our luck.

Our trip home was a slow journey due to many stops on US-2 because of highway construction.

Our grand finale was the usual breakdown of our bus just outside the St. Ignace city

limits where we were rescued by two shuttle buses.

Bus breakdowns seem to be a feature of our trips. On one of our trips, the breakdown occurred in front of a restaurant. When the bus crowd poured into the place, the hostess chewed us out for not having a reservation.

That's the thrill of our trips, the unexpected. So, we're looking forward to our next adventure.

Sincerely,
— Margaret Robinson
St. Ignace, Mich.

Save the Wild U.P. celebrates five years

BY RICK SMITH

With a mission that would gladden the hearts of our Anishinaabe ancestors, Save the Wild U.P., a grassroots defender of



Mother Earth in the Upper Peninsula, is celebrating its fifth anniversary this summer.

The organization, founded by Babette Welch and Dick Huey of Marquette, Mich., endeavors to protect areas of pristine natural environments and assets from destructive uses, especially exploitation for profit. The co-founders remain active with Save the Wild U.P., based in Marquette, with Welch serving as its president.

As part of the celebration, associates and members of the organization began a summer-long fundraising campaign on June 6 featuring walks, canoe and kayak excursions and bicycle rides in wilderness areas around the Marquette area. Kristi Mills, director of Save the Wild U.P., said it's a way to get people to appreciate and enjoy the outdoors.

Mills said all proceeds from the fundraising activities go to help support environmental protection outreach and education around the Great Lakes.

Save the Wild U.P. is active in several different ways throughout the Great Lakes basin to protect the environment from development, degradation and contamination, according to Mills. Outreach efforts include coalition work, presentations, special events, publications, media and advertising campaigns, field trips, geographic information technology tools and a heavily visited Web site. Two staff members and the director log over 80 hours per week doing community outreach, communications and overall program planning and management.

The organization hosts monthly meetings of a coal-

ition of regional organizations that have related goals to keep up to date on environmental matters in the Great Lakes area. In addition, Save

the Wild U.P. attends public hearings on environmental issues and solicits people to participate, sign petitions or record testimonials. They also research mineral and property rights and create maps for the public.

A non-violent approach is taken in pursuing their goals. An adopted resolution directs the organization to oppose environmental threats in a peaceful fashion and not to tolerate or condone any violence or advocacy of violence by others in the pursuit of their goals.

One of the organization's major projects is opposing the opening of a particularly environmentally dangerous type of mining operation in a virtually untouched remote wilderness area about 30 miles northwest of Marquette. It is a classic David versus Goliath situation, Utah-based Kennecott Minerals Corporation, a subsidiary of the ill-reputed global mining conglomerate Rio Tinto, is pushing to begin nickel and copper mining operations in the Yellow Dog Plains using sulfide mining methods.

Eyeing the future, Mills says the organization aims to support development of sustainable community work groups, promote green industry as an alternative to new mining and support community activities that promote healthful living.

Mills encourages anyone interested in Upper Peninsula environmental issues or Save the Wild U.P. to visit www.savethewildup.org. "Go to our Web site for all of the latest information about a wide variety of environmental issues across the Upper Peninsula."

Dafter Lion's Mud Runs

The Dafter Lion's Club hosts four mud runs annually. During their August event - **Sunday, Aug. 9** - the proceeds raised will go to support four local programs:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Long Term Care at War Memorial Hospital
- Community Health Access Coalition
- Boy Scouts

The gate proceeds will benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters and Long Term Care at War Memorial Hospital.

The Boy Scouts will be operating the concession stand and Community Health Access Coalition will be selling 50/50 tickets.

Registration is from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and the mud flies at noon. Entrance at the gate is \$5 per person, children 12 and under are free.

Location: Dafter Park, 10 Mile road by the I-75 overpass

Contact Andrea Osborn by e-mail at aosborn@upchac.org or call Frank at (906) 630-4122 for event questions.

The next deadline for submissions to *Win Awenen Nisitotung* is Aug. 25 at 9 a.m. For questions about submissions to the paper email saulttribenews@saulttribe.net or call (906) 632-6398.

For questions regarding tribal events or services call the administration office at (906) 635-6050.



Aaniin binoojiinyag!
 Hey kids!
 Miskwaanakwadookwe Amy McCoy indizhinikaaz.
 Miskwaanakwadookwe Amy McCoy is how I am called.
 Aamoo dash indizhinikaanig Catherine "Tapun" Young.
 But Bumblebee is the name that Catherine "Tapun" Young gave me.
 Miish i'iw waa-aabajitooyaan noongom.
 And so that is what I want to use.
 Gidaa-manaaji'aanaanig igo Baawating chi-ayaa'aag.
 We should honor the wisdom of Baawating Elders.
 Giishpin waabaminaan, gidaa-izh "Aaniin Aamoo!"
 If you see me, you should

say "Hey Bumblebee!"
 Aapiji geget giwii-ojibwe-motooninim.
 Truly, I would like to speak Ojibwe with all of you.
 Mii azhigwa da-maamiginangwaa miskominag!
 Now it's time to gather raspberries!
 Mii iw wenji-izhinikaazod "Miskominigiizis" noongom omaa Baawating.
 That's why it's called the Raspberry moon now here in Sault Ste. Marie.
 Bakaan ingoji endazhi-manoominikeng "Manoominikegiizis" izhini-kaazo a'aw giizis.
 In a different place, where there is ricing, it is the wild rice moon, as it is called this month.



Photo by Amy McCoy
Mii ongow chi-aya'aag Baawating waadookawiwaad kina gegoo Anishinaabemong. Namanj akeyaa biinish gichi-ninj akeyaa, Margaret Vassar, Anne Causley, Margaret "Chi Meg" Benoit, miinawaa Catherine LaPoint ezhinikaazowaad. Here are Baawating elders that help me with everything in Indian. From left to right, Margaret Vassar, Anne Causley, Margaret "Chi-Meg" Benoit and Catherine LaPoint, as they are called.

Biidaasigekwe Odibaajimowinens

Angeline Williams - from *The Dogs Children*

Gii-agin zod a'aw Miinigiizis Biidaasigekweban odibaajimowining, Biidaasigekweban gii-tibaajimo giishpin awiia onzaam niibiwa miinan miijid odaa-ozhaabozogonan. Last month (lit. "when the Blueberry Moon was counted") in Angeline William's story, she said that if anyone ate too many blueberries that it would give him diarrhea.

O'o ige gaa-tibaajimod: This also she told: "Naasaab gaye wii wiigwaasimanan, mii naasaab enishkaagod awiia niibiwa miijid. Ozhaabozogonan.

Cherries have the same effect if one eats many. They give one diarrhea.

Mii naasaab niizhwewaan ezhiwebak, niizh aniw ezhi-gikendamaan enishkaagowaad wegwen' go iw maaniwang. Aanind gaa wii izhiwebasinooon maaniwang. Ogichi-minoshkaagonaawaa editenig aanind. Mii go eta niizh gikendamaan



Angeline Williams, known as Grandma Toto, with some of her grandchildren.

zhaabozogowaad. Gakina dash wii igo onizhishinooon miijing editegin.

Those two kinds are alike in this; those are the two kinds of berries, so

far as I know, that have this effect on persons. Some berries are not like that. Some are very good for people, when they are ripe. Only those two, so far as I know, give one diarrhea, blueberries and cherries. But all are good when eaten ripe."



Word Search: Angeline Williams' Kidowinan (Words)

Aabajitoon Biidaasigekwe odibaajimowin ji-gagwekendam anow ikidowinan. Use Angeline William's paragraph to learn these words.

- Naasaab same
- Wiigwaasimin cherry
- Awiya someone
- Niibiwa many, a lot
- Aanind some
- Adite ripe
- Gakina all, every
- Onizhishinooon they are good

B	E	D	K	M	N	N	N	V	S	A	G	A
B	Q	N	G	A	O	I	I	N	T	Q	R	A
U	G	P	Y	P	O	M	I	A	E	A	M	N
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I	W	Q	O	W	I	S	I	S	Y	C	S	N
A	Q	A	F	L	H	A	W	A	E	G	E	D
Y	O	V	Y	A	S	A	A	A	U	B	L	Y
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Z	K	G	H	J	O	G	U	Z	E	E	G	Y

If you have questions about the language section, call Amy McCoy at (906) 635-6050, ext. 26064.

A new online language class is available, NISH1. Contact Language Instructor Orient Corbiere, for registration information, dates and times. Call (906) 635-6050.

Anishinaabemowin Pronunciation Key

Short vowels (are said short, or quick)

- /a/ = "uh" like u in up
- /i/ = "ih" like i in hippy
- /o/ = "oh" like o in wrote

Long vowels (must say twice as long, or just longer)

- /aa/ = "ah" like a in father
- /ii/ = "ee" like ee in keep
- /oo/ = "oo" like o in nope
- /e/ = "eh" like eh get

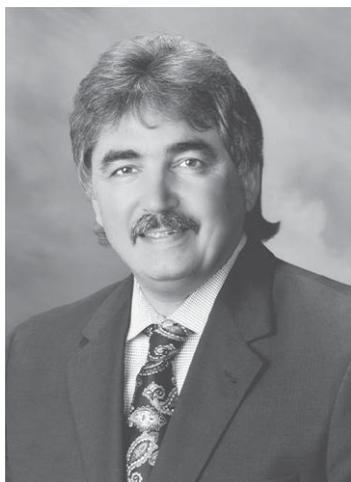
As you read a word, look for syllables with consonant+vowel or consonant+vowel+consonant combinations.

For example:
 Babaa - About, around, here and there
 Ba + baa (Buh + Bah)



Me i ewe muzinawkizon duh-utisibe'igayun Anishinabe gie-ishkwah mawi-zood. Here is a picture for you to color of an Anishinaabe as he finished berry picking. Picture reprinted with permission from A Mishomis Book: A History-Coloring Book by Eddie Benton-Banai with illustrations by Joe Liles. Caption written phonetically due to the author's wishes.

Chairman McCoy reports to the membership



DARWIN "JOE" MCCOY
TRIBAL CHAIRMAN

Aanii! Hope this report finds you well.

The River of History Museum (ROHM) held its grand opening on Tuesday, July 28, 2009, along with our own membership driven Sault Tribe Interpretive Center. Both are located within the 531 Ashmun property we own, right next door to our administration building in the Sault.

So many people made both projects a huge success, specifically, Len Adams, Lynn Ailing, Mike Sylvester and Tony McKerchie, from Sault Tribe Construction, who assisted the ROHM with moving from their old location into their new space. I would like to thank all of the Sault Tribe Construction workers involved in the project; the four named here were the constant workforce from beginning to end. They did an outstanding job as you will witness when you have an opportunity to visit the museum.

Sault Tribe does a lot of positive things in the communities where we reside, and the Sault Tribe Interpretive Center is one of our shining examples. This concept has been in discussion all along, we wanted the ability to tell and interpret our own story because it has always been told by others.

After speaking with one of our traditional people, his view is that society in general views our culture and traditions as being frozen in time past, but we are still here.

Knowing the museum would be holding their grand opening on July 28, after one tribal member came before the board of directors to discuss the possibility of making this a reality, a group of members in our community came together and began planning and preparing to open the doors to the initial phase of the Interpretive Center.

The center is intended to complement the museum, and I am so very proud of our members who volunteered their own time and resources to be able to open the doors to Sault Tribe's Interpretive Center. It is still in its initial stages and there is an article in this edition of the paper that provides contact information if you would like to donate, sponsor, contribute, or volunteer your time at the center. I would also

like to say Chi Miigwech to Rene and Graz Shipman, who provided the ceremonial prayer and smudging for the grand opening event. Graz is also the artist who painted the mural you will see in the ROHM.

OFFICE HOURS —

As I reported last month, I will be traveling to St. Ignace on Wednesday, August 26 for the Unit III meeting at 6 p.m. hosted by directors Keith Masaway and Pat Rickley. This meeting is held at the McCann building, 399 McCann Street. If any members in the Unit III area would like to meet with me, I will plan to arrive early. Please call (906) 635-6050, or toll free (800) 793-0660, and Lona will schedule a time with you.

I make every effort to attend the many membership and elder meetings I am invited to, but there are times when other priorities come up that I have to focus on, specifically at this point in time, our Greentown Casino.

Please feel free to call my office to confirm that I am still able to attend the Unit III meeting. I also remain open to meeting with any member who calls or e-mails me/my office with a request.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS —

Despite the concerns that were brought forward by myself and several other board members, the majority of the board of directors have chosen to proceed forward with the way the language is written for the upcoming proposed constitutional amendment. (Resolution No. 2009-105: Submitting to Secretarial Election a Constitutional Amendment Separating the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Positions. "Do you approve to separate the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer by amending the Constitution and Bylaws of the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians at Bylaws, Article II-Duties of Officers, Section 1, to state: Section 1. The Chairperson shall preside over all meetings of the board of directors and exercise any lawful authority delegated the chairperson by the board of directors. The chairperson shall vote only in case of a tie unless otherwise provided in the tribe's Constitution and Bylaws.")

I campaigned on this separation and I strongly believe in and support it. One of the key things I had thought this would accomplish is to separate the politics from the business of the tribe. That is so critical to our future success.

Bringing my concerns forward, even at such a late stage of the BIA review process, was not intended to stop the vote from occurring, it was merely to try to bring some interpretation concerns to the board's at-

tention that I have heard from our members as well as our board members. In hindsight, this proposed amendment should have had lengthy board discussion and debate during a workshop prior to approving the resolution to ensure we were planning properly for the possibility that our members would approve the amendment.

Board members also addressed their concerns during the discussion: those present overwhelmingly agreed that the chairperson position is elected at large by our people to be the head of our government. It was strongly felt that our people do not elect the chairperson to only chair meetings and take direction from the board of directors; the existing amendment language leaves these two items as the only authority/responsibility the chairperson has. There was discussion of amending the language to make it clear that the chairperson position IS in fact the head of the tribe's government, but again, there will be no amendments to what you will be asked to vote upon.

I, of course, will abide by the wishes of our membership. My concerns and those of the board were intended to protect the tribe for future generations, not just for the current. I would ask that you consider the amendment language and the impact it will have on our tribe and vote your beliefs. If this amendment does not go through as written, I pledge to work with the board of directors to draft language that will more clearly define the authority and responsibility of each position.

I cannot state strongly enough how much I support the separation of politics from the business operations of our tribe. If the board determines that a chief executive officer is a necessary position, it should definitely not be an elected position as it is now. It has to be an employment position that is required to follow policies and procedures enacted by the board of directors just like every other employee.

Currently, the expectation is that the BIA will have their reviewer comments back to us in early August and the vote will be sent out not too long after that. We will continue to keep you updated as we receive new information. I would like to remind our members that the voter registration process for secretarial elections is separate from the tribe's official voting registration process; just because you are registered to vote in tribal elections does not mean you are registered to vote in secretarial elections. If you have questions regarding this process, please contact the Bureau of Indian Affairs office in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

BOARD WORKSHOPS —

We continue to hold

Wednesday workshops for the purpose of reviewing quarterly updates of our membership services, internal services, business updates and casino updates. Please contact the board of directors office for additional information on the coming month's schedule or to inquire about any changes to posted agendas toll free at 1 (800) 793-0660 or (906) 635-6050. All quarterly reviews are held at the Sault Kewadin Casino and begin at 9 a.m.

HEALTH SERVICES —

We have been making slow but steady progress addressing the recruitment and retention concerns we have within our health division.

On July 27, 2009, the board authorized the health division to enter into an agreement with a consulting firm to assist our staff in developing a compensation and benefits system along with productivity/pay-for-performance requirements our providers will be required to meet. This is just the first step in resolving the issue of not being able to recruit and retain the provider positions we need to sustain our level of health services for our members.

As mentioned previously, while working through the issues and concerns related to our health division, process/system issues have been identified that affect the efficiency of our entire operations. Recently the two co-executive directors have been invited to take part in our weekly health process meetings to assist in proposing and developing the solutions to the problems that have been identified in health, as well as tribal wide. With the addition of these two individuals, it is our hope and aspiration that we will be able to draft some policy revisions that are acceptable to the board of directors to streamline processes while ensuring that the necessary checks and balances are in place. Our level of trust for those we place in management positions has to be brought to a higher degree than it is now.

TRIBAL OPERATIONS —

Over the years, it would appear that several policies have been put in place that have grown a life of their own and created a bureaucracy that, in many instances, prohibits our ability to operate as effectively and efficiently as we could. I'm sure there were reasons those policies were put in place, but it has created a mountain of bureaucracy that really impedes our ability to conduct business the way we should.

We have to have systems that have built in checks and balances and hold our management and other staff accountable if they go outside of these. The board of directors should be reviewing, assisting in the

development of and approving these policies and allow executive management to implement and enforce them. With the review of different systems and processes that are currently in operation, it is our hope to be able to develop more consistent streamlined policies and procedures to be able to operate more efficiently. The board also sets the direction of the tribe. During the strategic planning phase, several program directors commented that it was difficult for them to set the goals for their plans when they were unsure of what the overall tribal goals and direction from the board were. Michelle Hank, planning specialist, has begun a series of review sessions with the board of directors to facilitate the overall goals of the tribe.

Last month's report had two omissions in it, and I have reprinted the applicable sections below for your information, I apologize for any confusion; the opening section should have read as follows: It was once again my honor to do the welcome at this year's Fourth of July powwow. I am always impressed with the various regalia and the efforts that everyone puts into teaching and practicing our culture. It is great to see our culture being perpetuated for our children and future generations and great to see the passion with which many of our members enjoy these traditions.

GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT RELATIONS —

We coordinated another meeting at the White House on Wednesday, July 1 with Jodi Gillette, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, to address the St. Marys River issue and the cross border issue regarding acceptable tribal identification cards. It was a proud experience for me to be at the White House with tribal leaders from Garden River, Representative Blaine Belleau and Batchewana Chief Dean Sayers.

We also met with Homeland Security on the border crossing issue the following day. Homeland Security will be delegating tribal liaisons to specific tribes to assist with implementing policy for identification cards. This gives us an opportunity to have a seat at the table to provide our input and recommendations. Without our visits to D.C. to bring forward our issues and concerns with new laws they are proposing or implementing, these consultation opportunities would not be available to us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact my office or e-mail me at jmc-coy@saulttribe.net.

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Clouded focus —



DJ HOFFMAN,
DIRECTOR, UNIT I

Our tribe has many obstacles facing it presently and in the near future. Many of these are external factors that we must face head on. However, these are not the most difficult to address.

The most difficult issues facing our tribe today are those internal factors that prevent us from being proactive. To be quite literal, to some, there truly is no focus towards the future of the tribe, merely the desire to live in the now.

This month I will be asking for board support to enable the following:

- New legislation to “kick off” the processes and procedures for the issuance of tribal license plates.
- Amending the existing elder ticket policy to enable elders to do whatever they want to with their respective tickets, instead of punishing them for gifting them to others.
- Continuing to push to ensure that the Constitutional amendment to separate the chairman and CEO positions is held as directed by resolution.
- Working towards the enactment of a tribal corporate charter, which will afford our tribe the ability to incorporate businesses and effectively separate governance from business operations.

Hopefully, we will be able to collectively take strides to move our tribe forward.

GREEKTOWN — In doing extensive research and due diligence regarding the historical makeup of Greektown (from partnerships to acquisitions) one finds many interesting details often left out. One very important item pertains directly to the ownership of the property that Greektown sits upon.

In 1992, the tribe was in pursuit of a tribal casino in Detroit, on reservation land. Property was submitted to the Department of Interior to be held in trust on behalf of the Sault Tribe.

The department issued a two part determination in favor of the tribe which necessitated governor concurrence. Governor Engler (at the time) did not provide concurrence. Instead, he established a “Blue Ribbon” Committee which then led to Proposal E (heavily pushed by the tribe) to have three state licensed casinos in Detroit. The question — what ever happened to the land?

1010 Baubien was the address of the parcel deeded to the Department of Interior on behalf of the tribe. 1010 Baubien is currently one of the cornerstones of the new Greektown Casino facility, take it out and the expansion would literally fall down. So who owns 1010 Baubien, as tribal lands are not easily transferable? The below is a breakdown of historical documentation, as well as information derived from a title search on 1010 Baubien:

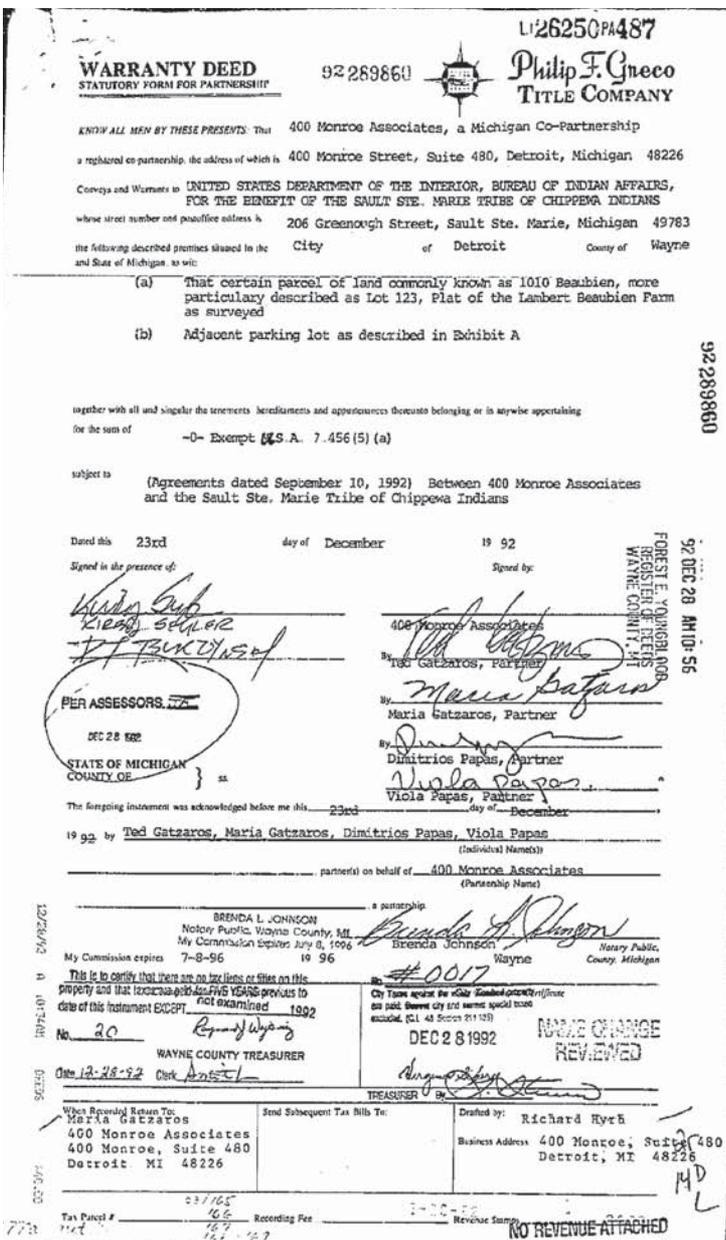
Dec. 23, 1992, a **WARRANTY DEED** was executed to convey title to 1010 Baubien to be held by the UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SAULT STE. MARIE TRIBE OF CHIPPEWA INDIANS.

Tribal Resolution 95-113 requests that the land at 1010 Baubien be taken into trust for the tribe.

Tribal Resolution 97-32 rescinding Resolution 95-113 to take the land at 1010 Baubien into trust for the tribe, but that the tribe still wishes to utilize the property, but in such a way that trust status is not required.

May 27, 1998, — A disclaimer of interest in real property pertaining to 1010 Baubien is signed and entered into record by then Chairman Bernard Bouschor.

1999 Management board meeting: “Whereas, Monroe and Kewadin Greektown Casino have agreed, with *the consent of the tribe*, to treat the 1995 transfer as having failed and that title cloud created by the failed transfer would be removed through the execution of



the Sault Tribe of an instrument relinquishing any and all of the Sault Tribe’s claims to 1010 Baubien.

THERE ARE NO AUTHORIZATIONS BY THE TRIBAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO TRANSFER, SELL, CONSENT OR EXECUTE INSTRUMENTS RELINQUISHING ANY AND ALL OF THE SAULT TRIBE’S CLAIMS TO 1010 BAUBIEN.

IN ADDITION, THERE ARE NO RESOLUTIONS AUTHORIZING OR EMPOWERING ANY ONE INDIVIDUAL TO TAKE SUCH ACTION.

Taking all of this into account, does the tribe still hold interest in the land? My answer would be that the tribe never authorized any release, sale or transfer. However, I am not an attorney. If the tribe retains the interest, or the title itself is still clouded, then how can it be sold through the bankruptcy court?

The ENTIRE board is now aware of this information and has been for months.

WHO’S AT FAULT FOR OUR CURRENT STATE?

TRIBAL BOARD: It is irresponsible to solely lay blame on external factors and factions. Leadership must assume responsibility. A non-aggressive approach to dealing with consultants, operators and regulators has contributed in part to our current state.

This is not just the responsibility of those who currently serve as members of the board, or past and present chairmen — but all who have and those that continue to serve.

While I did not vote to enter into bankruptcy, I take the responsibility that comes with the position of an elected representative of the tribe. Thus, as a member of the board, no one is without culpability.

Now what? We now face an uphill battle to retain ownership, of any sort with our Greektown operations. There are some who have given up and some who continue to fight and work to saving this cash flow generating

vessel to fund future membership services and programming. WE can accomplish this. It will take a good deal of luck, timing and persistence. One board member stated to me the other day, “Face it, DJ, its over.” If people want to quit, then they should in more ways than one. Because you cannot be a quitter and a leader, for leaders do not quit — and quitters cannot lead.

RUMORS — It has been rumored that the tribe will be on the hook for outstanding Greektown debt if we fail to retain it. This is false. LLC stands for limited liability company, added to sovereign immunity and we are insulated from those issues spread by fear mongers.

Governmental grant funded programs cannot be levied, even giving a morsel of credibility to the fear mongering.

In addition, tribal casino revenues are protected under the Indian Gaming and Regulatory Act (IGRA).

Under IGRA, “Unlike gaming activities operated by non-tribal entities, the revenues derived from gaming by Indian tribes can be used only for specified purposes, namely: to fund tribal government operations or programs, to provide for the general welfare of the tribe and its members, to promote tribal economic development, to donate to charitable organizations or to help fund operations of local government agencies.”

It has been rumored that we have already lost the casino; this is also not true. We are beaten down, but not out.

It has been rumored that if we lose Greektown then all is lost. It is the “proverbial” future of the tribe.

All is not lost, the future of our tribe lies within our membership, their children and children’s children.

For up to date information on daily filings related to Greektown Casino, please click on the link provided on the main page under the topic of Greektown, Bankruptcy www.kccllc.net/greektowncasino.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime at:

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Sincerely,
DJ Hoffman

Top news currently is on Greektown Casino



Joe Eitrem,
Director, Unit I

The top news within the tribe is currently the topic of Greektown Casino.

Greektown has not been easy with the current financial markets and the double standards imposed upon us by the Michigan Gaming Control Board, because, quite frankly, we are a tribe and not some large conglomerate or highly connected multi-millionaire.

Rest assured that we are not lying down as they would prefer that we would, many are fighting every step of the way to ensure that we fulfill

our fiduciary responsibility and protect the assets of the tribe.

The tribe has come a long way in a short period of time. We have survived the mounting tribal deficits but still need to ensure we are efficient in our operations to ensure that the membership receives the services that these funds are meant for.

For a brief time period I had to “re-charge” my body’s batteries. While young at heart, sometimes the body needs a little time to catch up. I assure you that I am back and ready to

face our tribes challenges head on.

I look forward to actively meeting with the membership in Unit I and throughout the tribe.

Once again, please look for the schedule of unit meetings in this and the local newspaper.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,
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Moving?

Call the tribe’s Enrollment Department to update your new address at phone numbers (906) 635-3398 or (800) 251-6597.

Unit III elder picnic to be held August 21



PATRICK RICKLEY,
DIRECTOR, UNIT III

Aanii, I hope you are all making the best of this summer. I know the weather has hindered a lot of gatherings and almost everything else that we would normally do this time of year, it's been so cold and rainy. Everything is running a little late, but the rain does bring life. Just the other day I saw a guy dragging his hind end around

and when the rain hit him, you should have seen him move, he even tried to duck under the rain, hee-hee.

Recently I received a request from the elder advisory committee for a monetary donation for the MIEA student incentive program. Although the thought of helping students is admirable, I do not believe in paying for grades. We should be giving intrinsic rewards for a job well done; a certificate of achievement, a letter of recommendation, something that a student could compile to show that they truly are putting forth an effort in the classroom. Like a resume, showing certificates of achievement goes a lot farther down the road than a checkstub for a good grade! Making the student realize that they are actually good at what they're doing supercedes only rendering as much work as they feel a monetary reward is worth. Example, a wily old man lived on a street

next to the school, and every day the kids on their way to school would throw trash in his yard. So he thought how can I stop this from happening, then he came up with a plan.

The next day he waited patiently until the kids came by, he went out and said, "Kids do you know who's been throwing trash in my yard?" No, said the kids with trash behind their backs. The old man said, I'll tell you what, I'll pay anyone five dollars tomorrow to throw trash in my yard! Wow, five dollars, we'll do it. The next day, a group of kids littered his yard and, as he said he would, he paid them five dollars apiece. "Wow," he said, "that cost me a lot of money, do you think tomorrow you could do it for three dollars?" Well, the kids replied three dollars is a big cut but they'd do it. The next day, they trashed his yard again and, as agreed, the old man paid up. He then said, "I've spent a lot

of money the last two days for you to trash my yard, and with the economy so bad I really can't afford to pay you anymore. Do you think you could go back to doing it for free like you used to?" The kids look at the old man and say, heck no, we don't work for free!

The moral is this: When a monetary reward is given, the person may stop short of realizing their true potential because as we all know most won't do any more than they are being paid to do. Just something to ponder.

Moving on — the Unit III elders' picnic is Aug. 21 at the McCann Center. This a great time for the youth to learn the ways of our elders and how their lives were. Our youth may then pass on some of the things that helped our elders to be knowledgeable and succeed in life, just as they may have learned from their elders.

Another note - the Vietnam

Moving Wall will be at Kewadin Shores Casino Aug. 20 to the 25, thanks to Ed Cook for helping to make this happen. This is something I encourage everyone to visit and to pay homage to the memory of all who gave their lives for a thing we like to call FREEDOM. Something I think is often taken for granted. We should also remember our men and women, sons and daughters still serving. It is more than admirable, I thank you all.

The Rendezvous at the Straits Powwow is the last weekend of August and I hope everyone reading this can attend. This has been something that has grown since it started two years ago. It has brought a lot of people together and you feel a sense of unity amongst all who attend. Hope to see you there, Baamaapii.

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Greektown restructuring not influenced by petitions or personal views



TOM MILLER,
DIRECTOR, UNIT IV

I hope this report finds everyone in good health and enjoying the "cool" summer weather that we have been experiencing.

The board of directors has been focused on the business of budget reductions without the reduction of services to the extent possible. This is where

fiscal responsibility comes into play.

I need to apologize for missing the last unit report opportunity, but I was caught out of position while on tribal business and was unable to access a computer with which to file the report that was largely ready to go. This one is being submitted well ahead of time.

With that said, Greektown continues its trek through the chapter 11 process. It is still uncertain as to what the outcome will be, but the tribe is working extremely hard in an attempt to retain ownership and provide another revenue source.

There has been much notoriety about the petition for signatures to "save the casino." Although it will not hurt the process, it will not help.

The Chapter 11 bankruptcy process is one in which the process attempts to ensure that the creditors get the most money

out of the restructuring or sale as possible. It is not influenced by petitions or personal views, but is mainly driven by the creditors need to salvage as much money as possible in relationship to the money owed them.

A core group of the board of directors is still working very hard in an attempt to retain equity ownership in the casino and are reporting and updating the board regularly. There also seems to be a barrage of blame for the present situation that the Greektown casino is in.

The truth of the matter is that this situation came about as the result of a series of events and decisions that were done beginning in about 1996. They culminated in the last year or two and put the casino in an untenable situation of too much debt and not enough revenue. This is the reason for the Chapter 11 process and the efforts to restructure.

ture.

I thought I would refresh the selective memory process of several individuals. On the education front, the JKL fiduciary board is in the process of developing and authorizing the expenditures of the federal ISEP funds that the tribe receives. We are in the process of processing from Bahweting school, a large amount of end of the year monies that were not returned to the tribe as they must be by law. We hope to clear this matter up this summer. Also in the process, is the possibility of the JKL Bahweting School facility expansion. Hopefully, this expansion process will be expedited and construction can be started in the fall. The school is one of excellence and our students should be housed in the most up-to-date facility possible. This is the true future of the tribe.

With the present situation

and the new administration in Washington, there are plenty of political activities that the tribal board needs to focus on. Many of these will mean money in the short term (stimulus monies) and for the long term (legislation that will mean annual appropriations to tribes).

In this time of ever tightening budgets, it is imperative that the board of directors ensure that it, along with all the appropriate employees see that all possible sources of funding are accessed and maximized. It is also our role to be accessible in the units that we represent and be able to assist our members. Denise and I do attempt to do this and it may limit our time to be in the Sault.

I hope that everyone has a great summer and if you have any questions, you can call me at 644-3334 or on my cell at 322-3827.

Massaway says future bleak for Greektown



KEITH MASSAWAY,
DIRECTOR, UNIT III

The board of directors has been working hard on many difficult items.

The Greektown bankruptcy is at the forefront of most discussions. It looks very bleak and

we have been unable to find investors to help the tribe retain ownership in this casino.

Several possible solutions have been explored. Some have not panned out but some parties remain engaged and interested but have not put forth any funding. Our Kewadin Casinos have not performed up to our budgets but July's numbers are showing some improvement and we are working to make sure that the casinos are doing everything possible to maximize our returns.

Some of the services and programs of the tribe are running slightly over budget. The entire board is watching and carefully monitoring all programs to ensure the services are maintained but that they are being administered in the most

effective manner.

Our clinics are operating within budgets and are very efficient. Our biggest concern here is that we are having trouble retaining and recruiting qualified professionals.

Our wage grids for these positions are not in line with some of the other hospitals and clinics in the area. Although we want to hire and readjust every position, it would create an enormous financial problem for our health division. We are currently within budget, but any increase in spending would push the division into the red and the tribe has no cash in which to cover the shortfalls.

In other key items, the constitutional amendment is moving ahead, at the pace of the BIA. The corporate charter

is being drafted and reviewed and the work on the 8a status is continuing.

These are just some of the items before the board and they deserve time and diligence to get them right. Some say just get it done. Easily said but hard to accomplish. Decisions by the board should not be done in haste or without the proper information being brought forth.

Recently I have been made aware that our tax exemption agreement with the state has been misinterpreted. If you wish to receive a tax exemption on a car and you live in the tax agreement area, you must first obtain written authorization before you purchase the items. If you pay the tax on the item the state will not, under any circumstance, refund you the

money. You can call the tribal administration offices at (906) 635-6050 and ask for Candace Blocher. Leave a message and she will call you back.

Again, please do not purchase any item before you get the written exemption. If you are purchasing a car, the tribe can send the exemption straight to the dealer but remember that office hours apply and on nights, weekends and holidays you will not be able to get the paperwork so a little planning makes this process a lot easier. I apologize to anyone who has been adversely affected by any misunderstanding.

Thank you for all the e-mails and phone calls.

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Improvements are slowly being made



BERNARD BOUSCHOR,
DIRECTOR, UNIT I

Dear members,

Elections for the tribe and country brought change and hope. We, as a community, are making progress. However slowly, improvements are being

made.

As a community we have faced adversity before, the lawsuit with the City of Sault Ste. Marie when our city fought the establishment of our reservation and the tribe's existence. We were successful in the lawsuit and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe has moved forward by providing jobs, services and an economic impact to members and communities throughout our traditional lands we call home.

The treaty lawsuits with the U.S. governments and the State of Michigan over our fishing, hunting and gathering rights were litigated since the '70s. As a result, by negotiated agreement, we are in partnership with the U.S., Michigan and other tribal governments as managers of fishery, hunting and gathering

in the area that was included in the Chippewa Ottawa Treaty of 1836.

We have built strong and positive relationships with the federal, state, city, county governments, schools and universities, community organizations and businesses that benefit the community as well as the members of our tribe.

With the melt down of the United States and the global economy, our tribe's businesses have not escaped the economic slowdown. The businesses have adjusted to the slowdown by reducing cost and a reduction in our labor force. This was accomplished by the hard work of the new leadership and the tribal council since the election of 2008.

Our tribal council legislative

workshops are usually open to the membership. All divisions and departments give workshop presentations for later approval by the tribal council if needed.

We review annual plans or strategic plans, annual budgets, policies, procedures, eligibility requirements and quarterly updates. This is an opportunity for you, the members, to hear and learn about the services or benefits your tribe provides and to ask questions if time permits.

The Sault Tribe health division, which is the largest members' service division and the tribe's number one priority, has had a problem of retention and recruitment of professional staff. This has or could impact the delivery and access of health services to our members. The tribal chairman, council and

staff are working to resolve the issue.

The tribe has a goal of economic self-sufficiency that was built on businesses that would generate revenue that could be invested and the interest or profits would eventually be enough to benefit the entire membership. If the United States no longer recognized tribal government we would have the resources to take care of our people. Greentown Casino was part of the plan, if we are not able to retain an ownership interest, our ultimate goal will take longer to achieve.

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Munising elders powwow set for Sept. 12



SHIRLEY PETOSKY,
DIRECTOR, UNIT V

Hello, dear friends,

Things are moving along in lots of areas. As far as Greentown, there is still hope and a small light in the distance.

Those who are working long hours on behalf of everyone deserve our heartfelt thanks.

Lincoln School is growing out of its space on the clinic floor which is a good thing. It means we are getting more staff to cover more programs for all of us.

We still aren't able to use the third floor which is a sin, but hopefully soon.

The Marquette elders had a picnic on Saturday, Aug. 1, in Ishpeming. Hope this very unsummer weather warmed up a little for them.

Munising elders host a powwow on Saturday, Sept. 12. Please try to join us.

We have a new medical provider working with Dr. Michelle in Munising. Myrth Condon, FNP, a very nice lady with a wonderful personality. I went to her last week and, as usual, I am in great shape for the shape I am in (she didn't say that, I did).

The talk about the swine flu on the news doesn't sound too

good. They fear that this fall's flu season will see a stronger form of this flu and it will be a while before the production of the new vaccine will reach the health clinics and hospitals.

Please take care of yourself and others around you. If you have symptoms, stay home; not only so you will heal but that others won't catch it from you.

School opening is only a few weeks away. Our K-12 kids and our college kids have been to a lot of places this summer. Any germ will be happy to have hitched a ride home with someone.

I believe the dental department is up and running again in Manistique and that is wonderful news.

Our Conservation Department has to get the regulations for hunting and fishing out to our people.

A gentleman called me

tonight, he did get the permits in the mail for his sons but no regulations.

He does not have a computer, so no access to any possible information.

In fairness, everyone has a lot of work to do in all of our offices, but I did tell the gentleman I would address this.

I am hoping that something can be done about the old tribal clinic in Wetmore.

This was a model for a log home company to start with, so I am hoping that this can be turned back into a house and rented.

I don't think we can expect it to stand much longer in the winters without repairs and upkeep.

I talked to our lead lady in housing and Joni said she would be happy to look into the possibilities for this building.

I know different ideas were entertained for the building, but

NO MONEY. Perhaps this way, if housing can fix it to rent, we can do that for a while to get an income, then work on other uses later on. Just a thought.

Our schools are really taking a hit below the belt in these hard times. If you can pick up some school supplies while they are on sale, whatever amount you can afford and drop it off at your local school, you will be a blessing and you will receive a blessing.

The second Thursday of each month is my Unit V meeting at Lincoln School at 6 p.m. Next meeting is Aug. 13. Enter off of M-28. I would love to see you there.

Remember fight nice and God bless all of you.

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River of History Museum has grand opening



LANA CAUSLEY, DIRECTOR,
UNIT II

The grand opening of the River of History Museum was held this month. The dedication and commitment the tribal construction crew and community members put into this project is very much appreciated.

As I walked through the museum, it was clear that this project was the most impressive venture I have seen the tribe involved with in a very long time.

We have artifacts on display from tribal members' personal homes, providing input into the story of our history as we know

it. I'm very thankful to the tribal members who put their time and energy into this endeavor. Please stop in and view the museum.

The board recently supported a decision to move forward with contracting a third party to evaluate the wages of our professional health staff and to implement a "pay for performance" opportunity for our providers. Members have indicated the need for additional health care services as a top priority.

The demand for service far outweighs the availability of open appointments and we often have a difficult time recruiting new providers to our rural areas. The board is committed to fixing these problems and hopes that this new means of compensation will improve recruitment and increase patient visits.

This past week, the board met with our Planning and Development Department to continue working on formalizing strategic goals and priorities for the tribe. With the financial assistance of an Integrated Resource Management Planning Grant, we will be initiating

meetings in all units to focus on what members see as priorities. These will be merged with the priorities the board and each tribal department have identified. Once priorities are ranked and listed from all groups we will set goals for each area and begin identifying possible funding sources, partnerships and legislative action that may be necessary to reach these goals and provide the services needed by the membership.

We continue to meet monthly to review the tribe's financial and program information. As expected, our casinos continue to see a decline due to the economy. Staff from governmental programs and businesses continue to adjust program spending and look for alternative sources of funding to assist during these difficult economic times. Miigwech to everyone for your commitment and dedication.

I would also like to compliment the Sault Ste. Marie Kewadin Casino on the renovations that are currently underway. The new entry looks great and complements the facility.

Great work.

In closing, I have enjoyed visiting with you and discussing your issues and concerns over the past month and look forward to seeing you at the next tribal event.

I will be in attendance at elder meetings and available for office hours, in these communi-

ties:

Hessel on the third Monday of month.

Naubinway on the fourth Wednesday.

Newberry on the fourth Friday of each month.

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Photo by Rick Smith

A quiet road through the woods near the Mission Hill overlook. In the stillness of a recent fine day, one could only hear the breeze in the leaves and birds calls.

Community Calendar

Sault Ste. Marie

Anishinaabemowin classes, Thursdays, 6-8 p.m., at the Niigaanagizhik Ceremonial Building.

The classes are immersion in the Ojibwe language and begin with a potluck dinner. Bring your favorite dish.

It's a great time to eat, visit and enjoy our culture.

Everyone is welcome.

Call (906) 635-6050 for more information.

Drumming, Mondays, 7-9 p.m., at the Niigaanagizhik Ceremonial Building.

The drum is the heartbeat of the Anishinaabe people.

Hear different songs and styles of singing. It's a great time for the family participation in singing and dancing or just listening.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Anishinaabemowin language class, Wednesdays, 12-1 p.m., at 531 Ashmun Street.

No registration is necessary. Please bring your brown bag lunch.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Aug. 14&15: Sault Area History Fest — The Chippewa County Historical Society sponsors the first Sault Area History Fest on the Water Street Historic Block.

Featuring a 1814 military and voyageur encampment, Civil War encampment, American Indian and Early American crafts, programs on historic plants, antique fishing equipment, cars, buggies, canoes, music, entertainment, children's games and crafts.

If you would like to help or have ideas, please contact Ginny Cymbalist at 632-9523 or ggcybalist@yahoo.com.

Aug. 29: Second annual Golf For A Cause Scramble to support the Chippewa County Animal Shelter and the Upper Peninsula Paranormal Research Society at the Wild Bluff Golf Course in Brimley, Mich.

Starts at 5:30 p.m., shotgun start. Cost is \$50 per person and includes nine hole scramble, cart, dinner, prizes and entertainment. Raffle with lots of prizes, also.

D.J. and music at Wild Bluff afterwards.

Please call Wild Bluff to register at 248-5860.

Sept. 1: Sault Tribe Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. at the Kewadin Casino and Convention Center.

Open community hour, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For further information, call 635-6050 or (800) 793-0660, extensions 26337 or 26338.

Sept. 2: Unit I Elderly Committee meets after the noon meal at the Nokomis/Mishomis Center.

For questions, call 635-4971 or (888) 711-7356.

Sept. 2: Culture Committee meeting, 6 p.m. at the Niigaanagizhik Ceremonial Building.

For more information, call Jackie Minton at 322-4975 cell or 495-5165.

St. Ignace

Anishinaabemowin language classes, Tuesdays, 7-8 p.m., at the McCann Center.

Participants will enjoy a potluck dinner at 6 p.m. followed by a language lesson at 7 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Aug. 14: Unit III Elderly Committee meets after the noon meal at the McCann Building.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Aug 26: Unit III constituents meeting, 6 p.m., at the McCann Building.

Share your questions and concerns with your tribal board representatives.

For more information, Keith Massaway at 643-6981 or Patrick Rickley at 440-5149.

Hessel

Anishinaabemowin classes, Mondays, 5-7 p.m., at the tribal center.

For more information, call 635-6050.

Aug 17: Unit II Hessel Elderly Committee meets after the noon meal at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Aug. 25: Sault Tribe Board of Directors meeting, 6 p.m. Location to be announced.

Open community hour, 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For further information, call 635 6050 or (800) 793 0660, extensions 26337 or 26338.

Newberry

Aug 24: Elderly Advisory Board meets, 12:30 p.m. at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Aug 28: Unit II Newberry Elderly Committee meets, 11 a.m. at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Manistique

Aug. 12: Unit IV Manistique Elderly Committee meets after the noon meal at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Aug. 18: Strengthen your finances with Sault Tribe Housing Authority's financial fitness class, 2-6 p.m., at the tribal community center.

Your money is a big part of your life and can determine what you can do and where you can go. Learning how to manage your money the right way is an important step toward taking control of your life.

Free to Sault Tribe members. Class will cover developing a spending plan, working with checking and savings accounts, understanding credit, credit reports and accessing credit.

For questions, call Dana Patrick or Ryan Madigan at 495-1450 or (800) 794-4072.

Naubinway

Aug 26: Unit II Naubinway Elderly Committee meets at 6:30 p.m. at the pavilion.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Escanaba

Aug 20: Unit IV Escanaba Elderly Committee meets, 5:30 p.m. For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Munising

Aug. 12: Strengthen your finances with Sault Tribe Housing Authority's financial fitness class, 2-6 p.m., at the Wetmore Warehouse, N6379 Atik Ameg.

Your money is a big part of your life and can determine what you can do and where you can go. Learning how to manage your money the right way is an important step toward taking control of your life.

Free to Sault Tribe members. Class will cover developing a spending plan, working with checking and savings accounts, understanding credit, credit reports and accessing credit.

For questions, please call Dana Patrick or Ryan Madigan at 495-1450 or (800) 794-4072.

Aug 17: Unit V Munising Elderly Committee meets at 4:30 p.m. at the tribal center.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Marquette

Sept. 3: Unit V Marquette Elderly Committee meeting, 6 p.m., at the Holiday Inn.

For questions, call (888) 711-7356.

Announcements

Use of the Chi Mukwa All-In-One Fitness Club in Sault Ste. Marie is now free for all Sault Tribe members.

Prepare to show membership identification when visiting.

The club features weight machines, free weights, treadmills and other equipment, showers, locker rooms, saunas and a spa whirlpool.

Summer hours are noon to 9 p.m., Monday-Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Facilities are in the community recreation center on the reservation on Ice Circle Drive. For more information, call 635-7465.

May 15-Dec. 31: Starline Ferry gold tokens offer at all Kewadin Casinos.

Explore Mackinac Island by day and Kewadin Casinos by night. Bring in your ticket stub from the Starline Ferry and redeem it for \$5 in Kewadin gold tokens.

Just earn 25 points on your Northern Rewards Club card on the same day you redeem

the coupon on the back of any Starline Ferry ticket.

For more information, call (800) KEWADIN or visit www.kewadin.com.

Aug. 17-18: Birch bark tulip basket, two-day workshop, Monday, Aug. 17 and Aug. 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., sew panels of birch bark with sweet grass into a four-panel basket; all materials provided.

Bring your own lunch. Cost is \$75. Send your check or money order for full amount payable to Ron Paquin, 1200 E. 11th Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. Your reservation is confirmed only upon receipt of your payment. First come, first served. Classes fill quickly.

Should I have to cancel for any reason, I will refund your total amount. All classes will be at 1200 E. 11th Ave. in Sault Ste. Marie.

For more information, call Ron Paquin at (906) 635-8158 or email ramp@lighthouse.net.

Aug. 24: Etched Mukak workshop, Monday, Aug. 24 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., etch design on winter bark; all materials provided.

Bring your own lunch. Cost is \$45. Send your check or money order for full amount payable to Ron Paquin, 1200 E. 11th Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, MI 49783. Your reservation is confirmed only upon receipt of your payment. First come, first served. Classes fill quickly.

Should I have to cancel for any reason, I will refund your total amount. All classes will be at 1200 E. 11th Ave. in Sault Ste. Marie.

For more information, call Ron Paquin at (906) 635-8158 or email ramp@lighthouse.net.

Sept. 4-6: 13th annual Sugar Island Traditional Powwow.

For more information, call Cecil Pavlat at (906) 632-4719, 635-6050 or 440-7849.

Featuring a \$1,000 hand drum contest.

Admission is free. No drugs or alcohol.

Crossing the Canadian border became much more complicated after June 1.

Sault Tribe members may no longer use tribal cards to cross the border, since they are not approved by the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative.

Fortunately, you can easily obtain an enhanced driver's license rather than applying for a United States passport.

For more details, visit your nearest Secretary of State office or www.michigan.gov/sos.

If you would like more details on the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative, visit the U.S. Department of Homeland Security online at www.dhs.gov.

Foster homes provided by Sault Tribe members are needed for our young.

Make a difference in the life of a child, consider being a

foster parent.

Call Anishinaabek Community and Family Services at 495-1232 or (800) 347-7137.

Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities needs your help.

We are looking for volunteers to serve on our Parent Advisory Committee.

The committee is instrumental in developing programs for our children throughout the seven-county service area, creating policy and representing their communities to determine where spending will be most beneficial to the greatest number of our youngsters.

The committee is comprised of volunteers from throughout our tribe's service area and meets once a month on the third Wednesday.

We encourage all relatives of children or anyone interested in their welfare to join us.

All meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

For more information, please call Youth Education and Activities at (906) 635 -7010.

Sault Tribe Youth Education and Activities in Sault Ste. Marie offers many fun and educational services to youth from kindergarten age to high school seniors.

Computer lab, Monday through Friday, 3:30-6:30 p.m., and on Saturday, 11-4 p.m.

Computers are available for use in a relaxed atmosphere with opportunities for socializing and other fun.

Free tutoring is available daily for everyone. Young folks can learn how to animate objects, customize Web sites and other exciting media projects every Monday.

On Tuesdays, we can conduct science experiments concentrating in school core subject areas such as chemistry and physics.

We dabble in art on Wednesdays, creating all sorts of masterpieces.

On Thursdays, the local tribal youth council works on developing projects for our community and gets some play in as well.

We have parties on Fridays, we show off our moves in Dance Dance Revolution tournaments.

Board game lovers of all ages can enjoy a peaceful afternoon dueling in a fierce game of Scrabble or other games every Saturday.

Come visit for a good time and to meet new people or old friends. Free drinks and snacks are everyday.

We're waiting for you at 2428 Shunk Road next to the enrollment office.

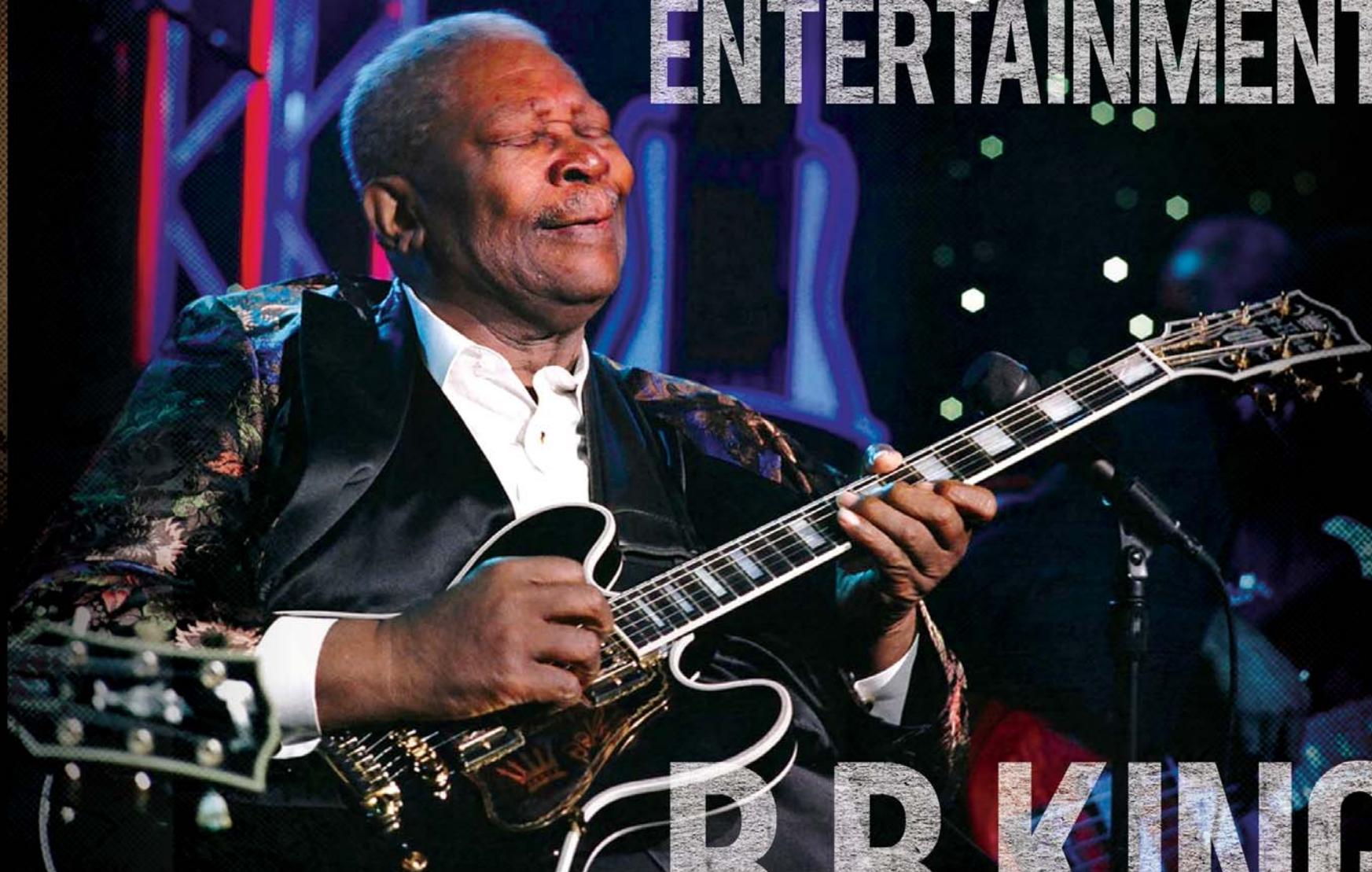
If you have any questions, please call Rachel Mandelstamm at 440-4494.

Book your party at the Chi Mukwa Community Recreation Center.

Call 635- 7465.

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Ronnie Milsap - Sault Ste. Marie

27th | 7:00 p.m. Saturday | \$25.00 | On Sale Now

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