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If you have an article, announcement or information to submit to the Turtle Press, please send to: turtlepress@nhbpi.com

Information for the *Turtle Press* is due on the 20th day of the previous month, for the next month's edition. Birthday submissions (one photo per submission) are due by the 10th day of the month. If the due date falls on a holiday or weekend, the deadline moves to the next business day.

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Please send images as separate jpegs. However, we are happy to accept any content that you are unable to send digitally by mailing to:

**Attention: Turtle Press
1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way
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Tribal Member Vontey Manning in full fireman uniform at the Albion Kid's N Stuff museum.

Photo: Emilee Guzak

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UPCOMING COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tribal Council Meeting

Watch it LIVE on the Members Only Website!

Thursday, June 14 at 11 a.m. at the Pine Creek Community Center

Committee Vacancies

FDA Audit Committee*

One Vacancy; Open Until Filled

Housing Committee

One Vacancy; Open Until Filled

* FDA Audit Committee applicants must have a financial background in their education or experience

Committee/Board members receive a paid stipend of \$75 plus mileage reimbursement for meeting attendance. Those interested in becoming a member of these committees/board may send letters of interest to: **NHBP**

Attn: Tribal Council Coordinator
1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way
Fulton, Michigan 49052

COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JUNE 4

Planning and Land Use Committee – 9 a.m. Government Center, Room 121

Election Board – 10 a.m. Government Center, Room 101

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee – 10 a.m. Government Center, Room 121

Culture Committee – 3 p.m. Government Center, Room 101

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6

Education Committee – 10 a.m. 311 State Street, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Enrollment Committee – Noon Government Center, Room 121

Journey to Wellness Committee – 1 p.m. Grand Rapids Health Facility

Tribal Environmental Advisory Committee – 3 p.m. Government Center, Room 121

THURSDAY, JUNE 7

Elders Committee – 10 a.m. Government Center, Room 121

Veterans Committee – 3 p.m. Government Center, Room 121



NOTTAWASEPPI HURON BAND OF THE POTAWATOMI

ANNUAL POW WOW

JUNE 23 TO 24

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS!

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

- Sunrise Ceremony
- 11 a.m. Pine Creek Parade of Cheers
- 1 p.m. Pow Wow Grand Entry*
- 2 p.m. 50/50 Drawing and FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle
- 2:15 p.m. Tiny Tots Dancers: Sponsored by Waséyabek Development Company, LLC.
- 2:30 p.m. Contests: Adult Team Dance and Adult Old Style Woodland
- 4 p.m. 50/50 Drawing and Special Features
- 6 p.m. Pow Wow Grand Entry*
- 6:30 p.m. Contests: Youth Hand Drum and Youth Potato Dance
 - Nottawaseppi Rave: Sponsored by NHBP Veterans Committee
- 7 p.m. 50/50 Drawing and FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle
- 10 p.m. Community Quiet Time



SUNDAY, JUNE 24

- Sunrise Ceremony
- Noon Pow Wow Grand Entry*
- 2 p.m. Contests: Youth Team Dance and Youth Old Style Woodland
- 2:30 p.m. Tiny Tots Dancers: Sponsored by Waséyabek Development Company, LLC.
- 3 p.m. Contests: Adult Hand Drum and Adult Potato Dance
- 3:30 p.m. 50/50 Drawing and FireKeepers Casino Hotel Raffle
- 4 p.m. Gifts and Giveaways

***Please stand and remove your hats during Pow Wow Grand Entry.**

****Pow Wow Rules: No drinking, drugs or pets of any species allowed. Modest clothing is required. Limited camping is available.**

*****For vendor or general information, please contact Robyn Burlingham at 269.704.8373.**

TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

Address: If you have recently moved, please contact the Enrollment Office to make sure we have your current address.

Telephone Numbers: If you have recently changed your phone number(s), please contact the Enrollment Office with your updated information.

Bereavement Benefits: The Bereavement Benefit General Welfare Program was amended at the January 18, 2018 Tribal Council meeting. The bereavement benefit for Tribal Members who walk on is established at \$10,000. These funds are intended to provide for funeral services and other final expenses.

An additional amount of up to \$500 is available to pay only the actual cost for food and beverage, or catering services.

It is the obligation of the Tribal Member to file a Bereavement Beneficiary Form with the Enrollment Office. This form designates the beneficiary for your bereavement benefits. The form can be found on the Members Only website.

If you have not completed a Bereavement Beneficiary Form or have questions, please contact the Enrollment Office.

ENROLLMENT OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST

Phone: 269.729.5151

Toll Free: 866.499.5151

Fax: 269.729.4909

Email: enrollment@nhbpi.com

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

If you have recently graduated from high school or received your General Educational Development (GED) diploma from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions. Please contact the Enrollment Office with any questions at: 269.729.5151

The following is the Education Requirement from the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi (NHBP) Revenue Allocation Plan:

In order for an eligible Member between the ages of eighteen (18) and twenty-one (21) years of age to receive a per capita payment directly, such Member must submit to the Enrollment Office, one of the following:

- ① a copy of his/her high school diploma,
- ② a copy of his/her degree or certificate equivalent to a high school diploma,
- ③ documentary proof of satisfactory completion of high school degree-equivalent home schooling requirements for the Member's state of residence, or
- ④ a certification from an accredited school or schools that the Member has learning or other disabilities and has attended a full 12 years of school.

The appropriate diploma, degree or certification must be submitted to the Enrollment Office before any particular eligible Member within this age group may have his/her per capita payment mailed to him/her. If such copy is not timely submitted, the per capita payment for such Members shall be deposited in the Member's minor trust account.

SAVE THESE UPCOMING DATES

Michigan Indian Family Olympics • July 20

The Gathering of the Potawatomi Nations • July 31 to August 5

Back to School • August 7 and 9

Family Retreat • August 25

Elders Grand Get-a-Way • September 14 to 17

Softball Tournament • September 22

Women's Retreat • October 5 to 7

Spooky Spectacular • October 27

RESTORING TRADITION

DANCE AND DRUM SOCIAL

Submitted by Communications Specialist Leia Fuller
Photos by Leia Fuller

The Culture Department hosted the first Dance and Drum Social in April to prepare for the upcoming NHBP Pow Wow. Traditional food was prepared and served by the Culture Department and Tribal Members, while Members from neighboring Tribes gathered in the Pine Creek Community Center.

"It is nice before Pow Wows to get together and socialize with one another," said Pokagon Band of the Potawatomi Tribal Member Madelyn Big Bear.

As participants finished eating delicious food, they shopped at various Native vendor booths. Some sold beaded necklaces, while others sold Regalia, art pieces and blankets. This gave Tribal Members and other guests a one-stop-shop to update their wardrobe and learn how to Dance at upcoming events.



Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Tribal Member Madelyn Big Bear shakes hands with NHBP Tribal Member Ameris Keith.



Tribal Member Tahlia Gaines (left) puts her hands on her hip with a friend.

All arose as the Grand Entry began with Southern Straight performing a traditional Welcome Song. As the night progressed, many joined in all of the Dances, including a few inter-Tribal Dances, a Jingle Dress Dance, a Women's Traditional Dance, a Men's Traditional Dance, a Women's Shawl Dance and a co-op Dance.

There were also a few Spot Dances, where the Culture Department and various attendees would sponsor and give away prizes or cash to whomever was closest to the predetermined spot.



Tribal Member Onyleen Zapata leads the women for Grand Entry.





Tribal Member Mon-ee Zapata in the Women's Traditional Dance.

“This social is something for our people to do. It helps them get out and talk with their relatives in the community.”

– Tribal Member Gwynneth Nugent



Tribal Member Kevin Harris Sr.

Many participants showcased their newly made moccasins that were made at previous Culture Nights, which are meant to help Tribal Members prepare for Native traditions, such as Pow Wow, the Gathering and other socials.

As youth grew weary, the night dwindled down and the Culture Department put giveaway items on a blanket for all to grab something. The items were either of cultural significance, NHBP logo hats and patches, or Native made arts and crafts.

"This social is something for our people to do," Tribal Member Gwynneth Nugent said. "It helps them get out and talk with their relatives in the community. It's also nice because they usually do a giveaway to help honor our traditions."



Southern Straight performs.

JUNE LUNCH & LEARN

WEDNESDAYS AT NOON • PINE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER

Free to NHBP Tribal Elders and spouses, \$3 for NHBP Community members and employees, and \$6 for non-NHBP community members and the public.



June 6 {What's Causing Hand and Wrist Pain} Dr. Lichterman

Mayron Lichterman, DO, MPH, from Bronson Hand and Elbow Surgery Specialists will be here to talk about treatment options that are available to relieve pain in hands and wrists.

June 13 {National Safety Awareness} Homer A. Mandoka

Did you know that June is National Safety Awareness month? National Safety Awareness focuses on reducing the leading causes of injury and death at work, on the road, in homes and communities. Tribal Council Sergeant-at-Arms and Emergency Preparedness Committee Chair Homer A. Mandoka will be presenting what families can do to help with general safety awareness.

June 20 {Senior Project Fresh} Karen Manney

The Senior Project Fresh program is aimed at helping older adults eat healthier as they age. The program provides participants with coupons that can be used at local farmers markets. Staff from CareWell Services will be here to discuss the program and hand out coupon booklets.

June 27 {Tribal Home Visiting & Healthy Start Program} Kailey Cline

NHBP Tribal Early Childhood Specialist Kailey Cline will discuss what is involved in the NHBP Tribal Home Visiting and Healthy Start Program, review eligibility requirements and other program updates.

Cooking Matters

Are you interested in learning how to cook fast, healthy and affordable meals for your family?

Join us for Cooking Matters!

The Grand Rapids YMCA and Branch County Michigan State University Extension Office will be facilitating this six week informational cooking program. Participants will learn how to cook delicious and healthy meals on a budget. All participants will receive a bag of groceries each week to take home and prepare the meal themselves. For more information please contact a Health Educator at 269.729.4422

Grand Rapids Community Center

Tuesday's from June 5 to July 17
No class July 3
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center

Tuesday's from July 17 to August 28
No class August 7
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.



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TADIWEN NAGAN-JEK • GAMING COMMISSION

Bozho,

The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Gaming Commission (NHBPGC) hereby provide notice that on or about April 27th, 2018, FireKeepers Development Authority, DBA "FireKeepers Casino Hotel" will file an application for renewal of the Gaming Facility License designated for FireKeepers Casino Hotel located at 11177 E. Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49014. Any person whom has interest in the issuance of this license may submit comments related to application of facility license renewal to the mailing address provided below.

Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Gaming Commission
ATTN: NHBPGC Executive Director, John Roberts
11177 E. Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49014

To be considered all comments must be received on or before the date the application for renewal is considered. Review of the gaming facility license application is set to commence Thursday, June 21, 2018, at 10 a.m., at FireKeepers Casino Hotel, located at 11177 E. Michigan Avenue, Battle Creek, MI 49014.

Migwéché.



Calling Native Artists and Craftsmen: BKEDÉ O MSHIKÉ WANTS YOU!

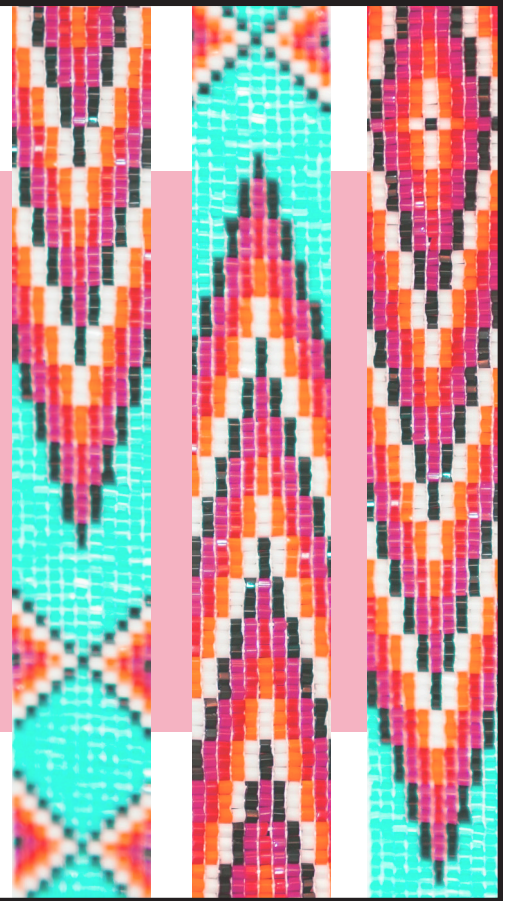
Bkedé O Mshiké, the general store on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation, would like to invite all NHBP Tribal artists to contact Matthew Goldner if they are interested in displaying or selling any of their artwork.

Artwork may be sold in store or online.

Contact: Matthew Goldner
269.303.4990
mgoldner@nhbpi.com



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EDUCATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM

If you have signed up for the Education Incentive Program, be sure to submit your final report card and attendance record to the Education Office by August 1, 2018.

Your submission must include the final semester grades and semester attendance. If there are more than 10 absences, the report card will be ineligible for payment. For more information contact Education Office Coordinator Charles Hendrix at charles.hendrix@nhbpi.com or 269.704.4162





FKCH's Pastry Chef Kellie Trimble-Dearie (center) accepts the award as a Culinary Star of the Year by the Michigan Lodging and Tourism Association.

A STAR ON THE RISE:

FKCH PASTRY CHEF NAMED CULINARY STAR OF THE YEAR

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photo provided by FKCH

FireKeepers Casino Hotel's (FKCH) Pastry Chef Kellie Trimble-Dearie has been named a Culinary Star of the Year by the Michigan Lodging and Tourism Association. Trimble-Dearie has been with FKCH since November 2015.

She currently oversees a team of nearly 30 employees who produce award-winning desserts, pastries and breads, serving all eight restaurants in FKCH. The team also makes specialty cakes for weddings and banquets, and produces breads and desserts for The Fire Hub.

"Kellie exemplifies the level of service we strive to provide at FireKeepers Casino Hotel through excellent food quality and great leadership of her team," said Director of Food and Beverage Brandon Coco. "Kellie leads by example through hard work and determination. She is an inspiring leader who has a team that goes above and beyond every day."

The Michigan Lodging and Tourism Association is a 110-year old association that represents, promotes and educates Michigan's

lodging and tourism industries. The award Trimble-Dearie received recognizes chefs who apply creativity and innovative techniques through the exploration of regional, national and international cuisine to continue to give the "wow" factor to guests.

On top of her service to FKCH, Trimble-Dearie uses her position to give back to the community. She volunteers time at Food Bank of South Central Michigan, the Girl Scouts of America Cookie Bake-Off Fundraiser and the Marshall Farmers Market.

CASINO CONNECTION

Welcome Career Development Specialist Kiara Dougherty

Submitted by FKCH

Tribal Member Kiara Dougherty is currently attending Western Michigan University pursuing a bachelor's degree in Business Management. Dougherty first came to FireKeepers Casino Hotel (FKCH) as a summer intern in 2017. Through the internship, she received hands on experience and general knowledge of what it takes to work at FKCH.

Spending a week in each department allowed Dougherty to learn the ins and outs of every position. From the front line staff to the executive team, she learned valuable information about the casino industry. After completing the internship, Dougherty moved to the Slots Department, joining the team as a part time slot attendant. She thrived at providing guest services to every patron and assisting the rest of the team when necessary.

Dougherty has shown an eagerness to learn and has always pursued any opportunities to do so. She recently made the decision to step out of her comfort zone and expand her knowledge by accepting the Career Development Specialist position.



Tribal Member Kiara Dougherty works at FKCH as the Career Development Specialist.

"I am eager to learn what it takes to make my way up to the top," Dougherty said.

Through this position, Dougherty will obtain an in-depth experience as she works on projects and with upper level management. Instead of spending one week with each department, Dougherty will now spend up to three weeks in each department to get more insight on the daily challenges each team member faces.

Contact the FireKeepers Casino Hotel Tribal Development Department for more information.

Tribal Development Coordinator Rachel Hayes
269.660.5411 or rhayes1@firekc.com

Tribal Development and Placement Supervisor Jordan Scharrer
269.660.5705 or jscharrer@firekc.com

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WITH A LITTLE LUCK, YOU'LL DRIVE HOME IN STYLE.

SATURDAY, JULY 28 · DRAWINGS 2 PM - 10 PM

2 PM – 8 PM

One winner receives a 2018
Lincoln MKC EVERY TWO HOURS.

10 PM GRAND PRIZE

One winner receives a
2018 Lincoln MKX.



EARN ENTRIES JUNE 1 – JULY 28

Receive one FREE entry by playing any slot or table game
with your Red Hot Rewards Club card. Receive one
additional entry for every 100 points earned.

Actual make and model may vary from photo and on-property display. Must be present to win. Must activate entries on drawing day within one hour prior to the drawing time. See the Red Hot Rewards Club booth for complete details. Management reserves all rights.



**GRAND
PRIZE**

RED LIGHTNING CASH BLAST

\$77,000 CASH GUARANTEED!

Be actively playing with your Red Hot Rewards
Club card at any slot machine on June 16 for a
chance to win a Cash Blast Jackpot!

Must be a Red Hot Rewards Club member and present to win.
See the Red Hot Rewards Club booth for details. Management reserves all rights.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 16
12 PM – 11 PM**

12 PM – 1 PM: \$2,500 CASH

1 PM – 2 PM: \$7,500 CASH

2 PM – 4 PM: \$10,000 CASH

4 PM – 6 PM: \$12,000 CASH

6 PM – 8 PM: \$15,000 CASH

8 PM – 10 PM: \$20,000 CASH

10 PM – 11 PM: \$10,000 CASH



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THAT'S RAD:

Protecting Yourself from Harm

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photos provided by Communications Staff

With all the chaos in the world, it is important for individuals to be prepared at all times. The NHBP Tribal Police Department offers a unique program specifically designed to help prepare individuals learn how to fight back in a time of crisis.

"I think self-defense for women is incredibly important," said Sergeant Kristen Main, who is also the instructor of the class. "I am pleased that we were given the opportunity to offer this class to our community."

The Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) course is designed to educate and help women, children, men and seniors defend themselves against acts of violence. This course is also meant to provide individuals with the knowledge needed to fight back against sexual assault. The RAD training is a strenuous class and requires individuals to participate, as well as gain hands on experience.

"I've heard, and read, many times that domestic violence and physical assault against Native American women in particular far exceeds that of any other ethnicity," Tribal Member Robyn Burlingham said. "It is important that NHBP provides this course as another tool for our Tribal Members, families, relatives, Elders and youth to use to help defend themselves if they ever find



A RAD participant takes Sergeant Ryan Pedley to the ground in the simulation.



Sergeant Kristen Main gives a pep talk to Tribal Member Robyn Burlingham.

themselves in any such situation where self-defense would be warranted."

RAD is an intense class and protects participants by requiring each to wear protective padded gear and a helmet.

The instructors also wear protective gear for the class, and are often punched, kicked and flipped in

"If more Tribal Members have the knowledge of how to defend themselves, perhaps one day those statistics will lessen which can only help toward creating healthier, physically and mentally, families and communities,"

- Tribal Member Robyn Burlingham

order to let the trainees learn what works best and how to protect themselves.

"If more Tribal Members have the knowledge of how to defend themselves, perhaps one day those statistics will lessen which can only help toward creating healthier, physically and mentally, families and communities," Burlingham said.

This class is typically offered once per year, depending on demand for the class. In order to stay positive and feel safe at all times, the RAD class is a great way to be a step ahead when danger comes around.

KICK OFF
THE SUMMER &
SIGN-UP
TODAY!



NHBP TRIBAL ELDERS
AND YOUTH ARE FREE.
ONLINE CODE IS AVAILABLE
FOR REGISTRATION. FOR
MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
CONTACT HEALTH EDUCATOR
SHELBY GIBSON AT 269.729.4422

Register online at:
<http://lightuptherez5k1mileturtletrot.itsyourrace.com>



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TURTLE TROT: 8 P.M.

5K: 9 P.M.

FRIDAY, JUNE 8

5K & 1 MILE TURTLE TROT

PRICING:

5K EARLY REGISTRATION

(BEFORE MAY 25): \$20

5K REGISTRATION: \$25

1 MILE TURTLE TROT: \$15

PINE CREEK INDIAN RESERVATION | 1485 MNO-BMADZEWEW WAY | FULTON, MI 49052



2018 TRIBE TO TRIBE WALKING CHALLENGE

Do you need to walk the walk?



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JOIN NHBP'S TEAM FOR THE 8 WEEK WALKING CHALLENGE!

Participants will compete for the highest average miles per person.

Open to Tribal Members, spouses, descendants and employees.

The Michigan Tribe that wins will be announced
July 20 at the Michigan Indian Family Olympics.

REGISTRATION:

May 14 to 18

CHALLENGE DATES:

May 21 to July 13

WEEKLY WALKING GROUPS INFORMATION:

GRAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CENTER:

Mondays at 5 p.m. | May 7 to July 16

The June 23 walking group will take place at Rosy Mound Park.

Please note there will be no walking groups

May 14, May 28 or July 2.

GRAND RAPIDS HEALTH FACILITY:

Mondays at noon | May 14 to July 23

Please note there will be no walking groups

May 28, June 18 or July 2.

PINE CREEK COMMUNITY CENTER:

Wednesdays at 11 a.m. | May 16 to July 18

Please note there will be no walking group on July 4

Contact Health Educator Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422
or shelby.gibson@nhbp.org for more information.

MIFO TRAINING

Calling all youth ages 9 to 18! Come prepare for the Michigan Indian Family Olympics (MIFO) by participating in MIFO Training. Attend three MIFO Training dates and participate in at least two events at MIFO to receive a free pair of Nike shoes!

TRAINING DATES

PINE CREEK

June 13 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
June 25 from noon to 2 p.m.
June 27 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.
July 9 from noon to 2 p.m.
July 11 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Meet in the Pine Creek
Community Center

For more information contact
Health Educator Shelby Gibson
at shelby.gibson@nhbp.org or
269.729.4422

GRAND RAPIDS

June 12, 14, 19 and 21
from noon to 2 p.m.
July 10 from noon to 2 p.m.
July 12 from 10 a.m. to noon

Meet in the Grand Rapids
Community Center

For more information contact
Health Educator Brianne Parrish
at brianne.parrish@nhbp.org or
616.249.0159



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31ST ANNUAL

MICHIGAN INDIAN FAMILY OLYMPICS

Central Michigan University's Bennett Track and Field
1200 South Franklin Street, Mount Pleasant, MI

Join
fellow
NHBP Tribal
Members in the
fun, family-friendly and
competitive all-day track and
field event! Help NHBP
bring home the gold!

Transportation
departs at 6:30 a.m.
from Lakeview Square
Mall and Grand Rapids
Community Center.

Grand Rapids Community Center
311 State Street, Grand Rapids, MI

Lakeview Square Mall
5775 Beckley Road, Battle Creek, MI



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Hosted by the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan



**FRIDAY
JULY 20**

Registration is now open!
Registration ends July 2 at 5 p.m.

To register please visit:
<https://members.nhbpi.org/mifo-2018>

For more information please contact
Membership Services Administrative Assistant
Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com

SUCCESSING IN THE LINE OF FIRE

NHBP Tribal Member Honored with Deputy of the Year

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photos provided by Chris Mandoka

In February, Tribal Member Chris Mandoka was honored with the Deputy of the Year award from the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office. The award is given for 'Unselfish Dedication and Loyalty to Service.'

Mandoka began his career in 1994 in Muskegon, transferred to Dewitt Charter Township in

1998 and moved to the Calhoun County Sheriff's Office in 1999. In 2004, Mandoka was promoted to take over patrol deputies in Pennfield Township, and currently holds this position.

Candidates for the Deputy of the Year award are nominated near the end of each calendar year and the Sheriff's administration

selects a winner. About two weeks before the awards ceremony, Mandoka was contacted by the Sheriff to let him know his attendance was required at the ceremony.

"I was rather surprised," Mandoka said. "A younger deputy was involved in a shootout in the city last summer and I believed he would have gotten it, so I was actually quite surprised when I found out I was honored with the award."

Mandoka worked on a case that ended up covering three counties and involved six local, county and state police agencies. Mandoka was responsible for reviewing more than 65,000 pages of Facebook messages, 1,300 jail calls and over 600 hours of surveillance footage. The crimes he uncovered in the past year include trafficking, assault, arson, home invasion, marijuana production and burglary to name a few. Mandoka credits his success from dedication, hard work and always looking at the whole picture.

"It takes looking at the big picture and seeing the goal at the end," Mandoka said. "I knew they were all guilty but the more I read and listened to, the more solid the case was and the more crimes I was able to uncover."



L-R: Calhoun County Sheriff Matt Saxton awards the Deputy of the Year award to Tribal Member Chris Mandoka.

OH BABY!

NHBP HOSTS ANNUAL BABY CELEBRATION!

Submitted by Communications Specialist Leia Fuller
Photos by Leia Fuller and Nichole Jones

NHBP Tribal Members and their newborn babies gathered in the Pine Creek Community Center one bright April morning to celebrate and welcome the new NHBP babies into the growing NHBP Tribal family. Hosted by the Health and Human Services Department, the annual Baby Celebration event brings families together to rejoice with traditional and cultural teachings. During this year's celebration, the NHBP community welcomed 17 new babies into the tight-knit Tribal nation.

The day began with the new babies welcomed into the world within the past year, their parents and grandparents, as well as traditional cultural teachers. A beautiful Welcome Song was performed by Tribal Member Doreece Gaines, before the group moved toward the Welcoming of the Babies ceremony.



Tribal Member Tracey Dedrick holds her granddaughter, Malaysia Dougherty.

"It is nice to see so many babies here today," Gaines said. "These babies are the future of our Tribe and our nation. We must honor and celebrate their precious lives."

One by one, parents carried their babies up to the front, smiling as guests in the audience watched. Many babies were tickled pink with all of the attention as Tribal Elders Shirley English and Robyn

Burlingham wrapped the babies in Pendleton blankets that were chosen by each parent.

After the baby wrapping ceremony was completed, the group turned and listened to the creation story told by Traditional Healing Consultant Beatrice Menasé Kwe Jackson, who was also the speaker for the day. Jackson made sure to involve the entire audience, she handed out props and turned down the lights to represent the way the Creator made the world.

Parents and their children were then able to move to a cultural craft and a photo booth. Health staff painted babies' feet, and stamped them on a footprint shield for all families to take home. Families then huddled together for photos to remember the wonderful day spent with one another.



Tribal Member Kaytlin Perry welcomes her newborn, Loyal Perry.



Tribal Member Liam Moore smiles as his foot is painted while his mom, Tribal Member Sara Moore, and grandfather Rod Lanning laugh.

“IT IS NICE TO SEE SO MANY BABIES HERE TODAY. THESE BABIES ARE THE FUTURE OF OUR TRIBE AND OUR NATION. WE MUST HONOR AND CELEBRATE THEIR PRECIOUS LIVES.”

– TRIBAL MEMBER DOREECE GAINES



Tribal Member Dale Anderson holds his great granddaughter, Lennox Stevens.



Tribal Member Otetwin Schrubbe cuddles his son, Kekshe Schrubbe.

The day came to a close with the planting of a tree at the NHBP Memorial Garden. Each family offered Séma (Tobacco) to the tree. Parents prayed while they offered Séma to the tree, and Gaines played a Traveling Song to send families safely on their way home.

“I am glad I brought my baby, Spencer, to this ceremony,” Community member Angela Hernandez said. “Its great to get to know others in the Tribe and to know my baby’s history.”



Four generations of family members welcome Genesis Diaz, including Tribal Members Laura Marshall, Miya Mason, Brianna Diaz and Vonda Harris.



Tribal Elders Robyn Burlingham and Shirley English wrap Laila Carpenter during the Wrapping of the Babies ceremony.

Athens Indian Church

SUNDAY A.M. SERVICE – 11 A.M.
BIBLE STUDY, MONDAY – 10 A.M.
KIDS CLUB EVERY OTHER SUNDAY – 1 TO 2 P.M.

PASTORS:
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JUNE 16
1 TO 3 P.M.

REGISTRATION OPENS ON MAY 14 AT
[HTTPS://MEMBERS.NHBPI.ORG/DADDY-AND-ME-BOWLING](https://members.nhbpi.org/daddy-and-me-bowling)

REGISTRATION CLOSES ON JUNE 11 AT 5 P.M.

PLEASE CONTACT MEMBERSHIP SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT GRACE
CHIVIS AT 269.704.8419 OR GCHIVIS@NHBPI.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION.

AIRWAY FUN CENTER
5626 PORTAGE ROAD, PORTAGE, MI 49002

OPEN TO ENROLLED NHBP TRIBAL
MEMBERS AGES 18 AND UNDER WITH
THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

SPACE IS LIMITED.
TRANSPORTATION IS AVAILABLE.



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Healthy Start Play Date:

Wet and Wild Splash Pad

Families with children ages zero to eight, who are enrolled in the Nanokashi Youth Program or Healthy Start Program, are invited to a local park to enjoy some fun in the water and a picnic lunch.

<p>Grand Rapids:</p> <p>Friday, June 15 noon to 2 p.m.</p> <p>Lamar Park 2561 Porter Street SW, Wyoming, MI 49519</p> <p>Transportation leaves 311 State Street at 1:45 p.m. and returns at 2:15 p.m.</p>	<p>Pine Creek:</p> <p>Friday, June 15 noon to 2 p.m.</p> <p>River Oaks County Park 9050 E Michigan Avenue, Galesburg, MI 49053</p> <p>Transportation leaves from the Pine Creek Community Center at 11:15 a.m. and returns at 3 p.m.</p>
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Lunch will be provided. Please bring your own sunscreen and towels. RSVP to Tribal Early Childhood Specialist Kailey Cline at 616.249.0159



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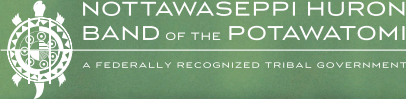
Crafting Group/ Talking Circle

A crafting and talking circle to support Native Americans in the recovery journey.

**Weekly on Thursdays
1 to 3 p.m.**

**Grand Rapids Health Facility
311 State St. SE.
Grand Rapids, MI
49503**

For more information please contact
Behavioral Health Case Manager
Jonathan Rinehart at 616.249.0159
or jrinehart@nhbp.org



Tribal Member Lawrence Ross Jr. drives a tractor.

Kids 'N' Stuff

HEALTHY START PLAY DATE

Submitted by Communications Specialist Emilee Guzak
Photos by Emilee Guzak

From hands-on exhibits to activities that spark the imagination and a world of discovery, Kids 'N' Stuff Children's Museum in Albion, Michigan, is a fun and interactive experience to enjoy a with family and friends. The April Healthy Start Play Date was spent exploring this exciting place.

NHBP's Community Health Nurse Robin Twiest arranged this shindig for all NHBP Tribal Members and their children to revel in. Kid's 'N' Stuff set up a large room that the Health and Human Services Department filled with healthy food options fresh from Subway.

After everyone's bellies were full from their lunch, children began to scramble

throughout the museum and their faces lit up as they peered through endless exhibits and activities at their leisure.

The water table was a huge hit among Tribal Members. Many children found themselves here, and were provided aprons to make sure their clothes didn't get soaked. Some had fun playing with magnetic fishing poles and changing the movement and speed of the water by forcing it to interact with solid objects. Tribal Member Kobe Donaldson was very intrigued by the water table and interacted with other children experimenting with the exhibit.



Tribal Member Maliyah Harris brushes her dogs hair at the vet clinic.



Tribal Member Samira Sands fills her cart with healthy groceries.



Tribal Member Naajwon Norman reaches for a hat in the conservatory station.



29 Tribal Member Kobe Donaldson pretends to fish at the water station.



Tribal Member Debanawen Manning wears a full fire fighter outfit.

"I got one!" Tribal Member Kobe Donaldson said, as he reeled in his fishing pole with a magnetic fish attached to the end.

Tribal Member Maliyah Harris was especially entertained by the veterinarian clinic exhibit, where she could use real animal grooming tools on stuffed animals. Her creative imagination was brought to life by being the secretary of the clinic, answering phone calls and making appointments on the computer. Other Tribal Members spent a lot of their time in the grocery section, picking and choosing healthy items to scan on a real cash register.

"Nakota is filling her cart with everything that's healthy, I am so proud of her," said Tribal Member Jennifer Norman, who is Tribal Member Nakota Norman's mother.

Kids 'N' Stuff is not only a hands on learning environment, but also a way of learning life skills. From making a bed, dialing 911, washing the dishes, interacting with farm equipment, puppet shows, arts and crafts and even experiencing a mechanic shop, this museum is a fun way to open up children's minds to a world full of possibilities. As one can guess, the fun was not only had by our younger crowd, but smiles stretched from ear to ear on NHBP parents and chaperones as the day finished up.



Tribal Members Gizhek and Tracy Beavers laugh with each other on a break.

LEARNING THE LANGUAGE BODÉWADMI CLASSES START UP

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photos by Leia Fuller

The NHBP Culture Department launched a new initiative in early spring to help all Tribal Members and their descendants learn Bodéwadmi (Potawatomi) language. This new program is coordinated through the efforts of the Culture Department's new Language Coordinator, Mon-ee Zapata.

As the evening started,
Match-e-be-nash-she-wish



Tribal Member Jennifer Norman listens as her daughters, Nakota and Naajwon Norman giggle.

“IT WAS FUN
THROWING THE
BEAN BAG AND
LEARNING NEW
WORDS.”

—TRIBAL MEMBER GIZHEK BEAVERS



Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians Tribal Member Frank Barker teaches the class.

FUTURE LANGUAGE NIGHTS

THURSDAYS
5 TO 8 P.M.

GOVERNMENT CENTER
CONFERENCE ROOM 121

Band of Pottawatomi Indians Tribal Member Frank Barker wrote a list of words on the white board to go through with the class. Each attendee went around the room listening as participants introduced themselves in the Bodéwadmi language.

“I like learning our language because it helps us learn our traditions,” Tribal Member Javier Chich said.

After introductions were finished, Barker and Zapata led the class through various sayings and phrases, making sure to include the history behind some of the language. One lesson explained how the Bodéwadmi language translates the word ‘love.’

“Our concept of love is to spend time with someone,” Barker said. “This comes from the verb which is translated from ‘to be treasured by.’ When you look at the psychology behind the meaning, it does make sense.”

The roundtable discussions continued throughout the night, as Barker started a game to help all learn and practice the new phrases. One person would start with the bean bag, say the phrase in the Bodéwadmi language, and then throw it to another attendee to practice.

“It was fun throwing the bean bag and learning new words,” Tribal Member Gizhek Beavers said.

HONORING THE PAST TO PRESERVE THE FUTURE

NHBP CELEBRATES SPRING CEREMONIES

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller

Photos by Leia Fuller

A long weekend of traditional Bodéwadmi (Potawatomi) festivities kicked off at the Teaching Lodge, located on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation in early April. The weekend was focused on honoring tradition, culture and the NHBP heritage.

Tribal Members from all-around united as the week started with the Fire Keepers Conference. Before the lighting of the Fire, Tribal Members and their descendants listened as First Nations of Walpole Island Tribal Member Daniel Deleary talked about the significance of the Fire and how it relates back to traditional practices.

“We as men are trying to be strong like the Fire,” said Deleary, who was also the teacher for the Fire Keeper Conference.

Over the next few days of ceremonies, attendees were able to learn a variety of traditional teachings. Some of these teachings included a traditional

Pipe Ceremony, a Water Ceremony and a Strawberry Ceremony. The group also listened to a special forgiveness ceremony done by Tlingit Indian Tribes of Alaska Tribal Member Beatrice Menasé Kwe Jackson. Each of these ceremonies hosted by the Culture Department to commemorate previous tradition and culture in Bodéwadmi Tribes.

“This whole week is about ceremonies,” said Tribal Member Kevin Harris II, who is also an NHBP Cultural Specialist. “These ceremonies are all traditions, even starting with the Dance and Drum Social, the Fire Keepers Conference and Baby Celebration. We all are honoring our past Ancestors in these sacred ceremonies.”

After the weekend concluded, all shared a meal together and laughed as each told stories. Attendees were able to feel refreshed as they returned to their everyday lives at the conclusion of the ceremonies.





"THIS WHOLE WEEK IS ABOUT CEREMONIES. WE ALL ARE HONORING OUR PAST ANCESTORS IN THESE SACRED CEREMONIES."

- TRIBAL MEMBER KEVIN HARRIS II



Tribal Members listen to the presenter at the Fire Keeper Workshop.

WE R NATIVE

We R Native is offering a four session program geared toward Native children ages 12 to 18.

We R Native covers many relevant topics such as sexual health, media literacy, bullying prevention, suicide prevention and community involvement. Join us on Tuesdays and Thursdays in conjunction with the Tribal Youth Program. (TYP)
Lunch will be provided.

[JUNE 12, 14, 19 AND 21 | JULY 10 AND 12]
10 A.M. TO NOON
GRAND RAPIDS COMMUNITY CENTER

Please register with Health Educator Brianne Parrish at brianne.parrish@nhbp.org
or 616.249.0159

For more information please visit <https://www.wernative.org>



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2018 Potawatomi Gathering

July 31 to Aug. 6 | Prairie Band Potawatomi | Mayetta, Kansas

Space is limited. This event is open to all NHBP Tribal families. All NHBP children or stepchildren must reside in the Tribal Member's home. Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Transportation is available.

Registration opens May 14 at 8:30 a.m. and closes June 8 at 5 p.m., or when space is filled.

NHBP Tribal Members must register online at <https://members.nhbpi.org/gathering-2018>

Elders needing assistance with registration can contact Northern Elders Specialist Leo Pontiac or Southern Elders Specialist Nickole Keith. For additional questions, please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or gchivis@nhbpi.com



76TH ANNIVERSARY

National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day

PEARL HARBOR, HAWAII DEC. 5 TO DEC. 11, 2017

Submitted by Tribal Member Doug Taylor
Photos by Doug Taylor

The Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians (Gun Lake) Veterans Committee invited the Pokagon and NHBP Veterans Committees to attend the 76th Anniversary National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Commemoration ceremony, which marked 76 years since enemy troops attacked Pearl Harbor and the start of WWII for the United States of America.



Tribal Member Doug Taylor stands proud before the parade.

"The entire trip was a humbling experience. I thought it was just going to be a parade, but I had never seen anything like it. We were given a standing ovation the entire parade. It was pretty impressive."
-Tribal Member Doug Taylor

NHBP Veterans Committee voted not to attend due to a number of factors, however, Members from both the Gun Lake and Pokagon Veterans Committees continued to encourage NHBP Tribal Member Doug Taylor to attend. Taylor kept thinking that the event was just all the Veterans Committees going to one of the Pearl Harbor Memorials and returning home. So, after some time, Taylor contacted Gun Lake Veterans Committee and secured a slot for the trip. Although he was excited for the trip, he was not fully aware until the night before departure that the full scope of the trip included a four day tour of the islands.

The federal government and the state of Hawaii formally invited the Gun Lake Veterans Committee to attend the 76th Anniversary National Pearl Harbor

Remembrance Day Commemoration. This trip included a formal ceremony in Honolulu, Hawaii, a parade and dinner after the formal ceremony.

Taylor also discovered that the three Potawatomi Veteran Honor Guards were the first Native American Honor Guards to attend this ceremony and parade. All three Potawatomi Honor Guards were honored with a standing ovation for the entire parade route.

"The entire trip was a humbling experience," Taylor said. "I thought it was just going to be a parade, but I had never seen anything like it. We were given a standing ovation the entire parade. It was pretty impressive."

On top of the parade festivities, Taylor and the crew were given a beautiful tour of the islands. They visited the Dole Plantation for a few hours, and then were given a daylong tour of the Polynesian Cultural Center. The group also was able to visit many memorials, before heading to visit the popular Diamond Head volcano. After a week of nonstop activities, they hopped on a flight to head back to their families.

"Overall, I was really glad and honored to attend this event," Taylor said.

Waseyabek Development Company, LLC Subsidiary, Baker Engineering, LLC Awarded Two New Engine Research & Development Contracts

Submitted by Waséyabek Development Company, LLC President and CEO Deidra Mitchell
Photos provided by WDC

Two engine development programs underway at Baker Engineering, LLC have recently been expanded to include a broader scope of work and additional funding.

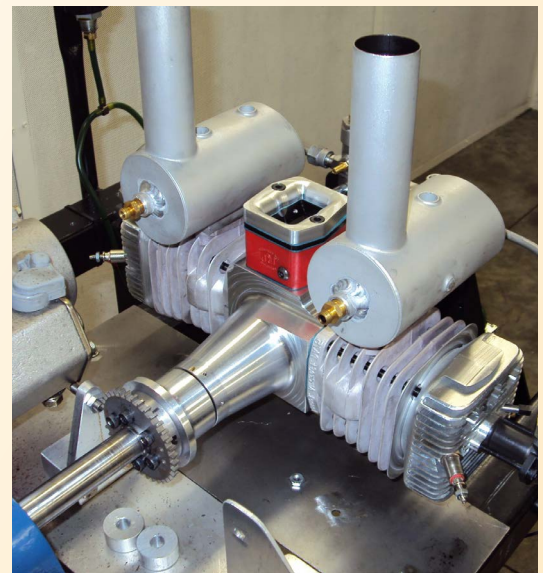
The first program is for advanced drone small engine development, focusing on engine performance and durability improvement. This two-year program received \$1 million in new funding from the United States of America Department of Defense.

The second is related to a proprietary engine design and development program for power management systems. Enginuity Power Systems recently issued a contract to fund an accelerated program, which includes engine design, manufacturing and test validation in nine months.

Baker Engineering, LLC, a subsidiary company of WDC, also has ongoing contracts with the Department of Defense. These contracts include



37 A Navy SEAL holds the ScanEagle drone in his hands before launch.



The ScanEagle drone development at Baker Engineering, LLC.



General Manager for the Waséyabek Federal Division, Robert F.X. Giroux.



A ScanEagle drone launches.

developing advanced small diesel engines and micro turbo and superchargers to improve their performance in military applications.

With this contract, WDC noticed a need for a new General Manager position to continue growth and prosperity between this collaboration.

The new General Manager for the developing Waséyabek Federal Division, Robert F.X. Giroux, draws from decades of experience as a senior executive within the commercial and federal marketplace. Giroux has expertise and professional working knowledge of specialty construction, industrial power and process, major office renovations, refinery construction, environmental

remediation, including demolition and secured facilities design-build.

Giroux is charged with expanding subsidiary federal business and mentoring subsidiary leadership in business development under the SBA 8(a) Program (certification pending).

Additionally, Giroux has extensive experience working with Tribal and minority organizations as a senior executive charged with strategic planning, organizational startup, risk mitigation, business turn-around and day-to-day management.

Giroux is a Tribal Member of the Ontario Woodland Metis Painted Feather Tribe.

For more information, please visit enginuitypowersystems.com

NANOKASHI YOUTH GROUP JUMPS AT JUNGLE JOE'S

Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photos by Leia Fuller

Tribal Members ages five to eight gathered with one another at Jungle Joe's in Portage, Michigan, to create a sense of love and unity in NHBP children. Sponsored by the Membership Services Department, Southern Youth Specialists put together a day of activities for all to enjoy.

"Events like these gives the younger ones something to do," said Tribal Member Charmaine Mandoka, who is also a Southern Youth Specialist. "I like the Nanokashi Youth Group because we always have stuff for the older kids to be a part of, and the younger ones always feel left out. This group lets the younger children be included in the Tribe."

Tribal Members had their chance to jump on bounce houses, play arcade games, slide down numerous slides and compete against one another in the obstacle courses.



Tribal Member Samira Sands exits an obstacle course.

They could climb down low or travel to the top of inflatables to have fun with one another.

"It was so fun to ride the big slide with my brother and mom," Tribal Member Ameris Keith said.

Nanokashi focuses on the importance of making connections with younger children, and getting them involved in the Tribe early on.

During the outing, Membership Services provided each child tokens to play an array of arcade games. If the child won, they were able to trade some of the tickets in for prizes.

"I liked going on all the trampolines," Tribal Member Maliyah Harris said. "I also liked playing the arcade games that I know I am going to win!"



Tribal Member Ameris Keith focuses on an arcade game.

"IT WAS SO FUN TO RIDE THE BIG SLIDE WITH MY BROTHER AND MOM." - TRIBAL MEMBER AMERIS KEITH



Tribal Member Maliyah Harris helps Tribal Member Avrian Keith down a slide.



Kékyajek ShiShiBé

STARTS UP!



Submitted by Communications Associate Leia Fuller
Photos by Leia Fuller



Tribal Member Paula Keith browses the table of giveaways.

The Kékyajek (Elders) only ShiShiBé program started in April for all Elders to gather with one another to learn the Bodéwadmi (Potawatomi) language and have some fun with traditional style bingo. This program is put on through the collaborative efforts of the Membership Services and Culture Departments, all attendees could enjoy delicious food and prizes to take home.

An invite was sent to Elders from neighboring Potawatomi Tribes, in hopes to help all Elders continue learning their traditional language.

"I thought collaborating with our relatives here was a great idea," said Match-e-be-nash-she-wish Elder Services Coordinator Jen Palmer. "We appreciate the extended invitation and all the work put into this. It's good to be here."

Language Coordinator and Tribal Member Mon-ee Zapata first explained how to play the game,

“IT IS NICE TO SEE THE COMMUNITY PICK UP ON THE LANGUAGE. IT IS GOOD TO SEE TRIBAL MEMBERS USE THE LANGUAGE AND IT REALLY START TO SINK IN FOR THEM.”

— TRIBAL MEMBER MON-EE ZAPATA



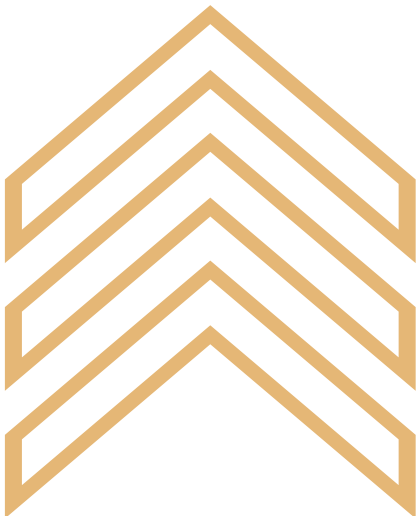
expressed future goals for the program and how proud she was of NHBP Elders for learning their Native language.

In a quest to allow a fair chance at winning prizes, Elders didn't clear their cards after each win, instead, they played until all Elders received a prize. A variety of prizes were available and included an assortment of household items, outdoor lounge chairs, traveling luggage and packaged treats.

“It is nice to see the community pick up on the language,” Zapata said. “It is good to see Tribal Members use the language and it really start to sink in for them.”



Tribal Member Terri Hubbell reads her bingo card aloud to the group.



FUTURE CLASS DATES:



**PINE CREEK
COMMUNITY CENTER:**

12:30 TO 3 P.M.

**JUNE 12, JULY 10,
AUG. 21**

**GRAND RAPIDS
COMMUNITY CENTER:**

12:30 TO 3 P.M.

**SEPT. 18, OCT. 30,
NOV. 13**

GTEGÉ GIZES {PLANTING MOON} JUNE

WORD SEARCH - SHISHIBÉ WORDS WE ARE USING

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BAMA - LATER

DAWÉWGEMEK - STORE

NMAJI - I'M LEAVING

TASWEN - CUPBOARD

BÉMODÉJEK - BUGS

NAKWNEGÉ - PLANS THINGS, HE/SHE DECIDES, HE/SHE HOLDS COUNCIL

KOMAN - KNIFE

GODE - THESE (ANIMATE)

MKEK - BOX

WÉDASÉ - BRAVE PERSON

MDAMNABO - CORN SOUP

ABTE - HALF

ANKWEDON - CLOUDS

NSEZÉ - MY OLDER BROTHER

BGOJBZHEKE - BUFFALO

Name: _____

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Please have your submission in before the 9th of each month for a chance at winning a gift valued at \$50.

Mail to: Culture Department, 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way Fulton, MI 49052.

Or email your submission to: danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com or mzapata@nhbpi.com.

The May Word Search Winner: Roger Rose

GTEGÉ GIZES PLANTING MOON {JUNE}

Gtegé Gizes is the time of the year to work with the warmed Earth and plant good seed for an abundant harvest in the fall.

Full Moon: June 28 | New Moon: June 13

Bike Rentals Now Available!

Renting a bicycle at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation has never been easier.

Rentals will be available free of charge to NHBP Tribal Members, Health and Human Services Department clinic patients and NHBP staff.

Please contact Health Educator Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422 or shelby.gibson@nhbp.org for more information.

Restrictions may apply.



Pottery Lessons

Discover your inner artist.
Classes taught by NHBP
Tribal Member Sara Moore.

These classes are open to NHBP Tribal Members. Please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 for more information.



May 18 and 25
June 29
July 13 and 24
Aug. 10 and 31
Sept. 7 and 21
Oct. 12 and 26

PINE CREEK COMMUNITY
CENTER POTTERY ROOM
5 TO 7 P.M.

BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS



Jack Snyder
{May 2}
Happy 10th Birthday Jack!
Love always and forever,
Grandma and Grandpa Johnson



Annelise Hendrix
{June 4}
Happy Birthday Annelise.
We are so proud of you.
We love you!
Love,
Your family



Kady Shaffer
{May 11}
Happy 12th Birthday Kady!
We are so proud of the young
man you are becoming and the
big brother that you are.
Love always,
Mom, Dad, Trent and Seya



Jamie Stuck
{June 22}
Happy Birthday Jamie!
You are loved by so many,
especially your family. Thank you
for all that you do for us. You
make us so proud!
Love,
Your family and friends

Chi Migwéch to Higher Education Specialist Andrea Rainer

I am so thankful for you! Not only for your help in taking care of our schooling, but also for your encouraging words, positive attitude and your unwavering support . While I felt like I was at my lowest, you brought me back up and rekindled my determination. Thank you for all that you do.

— NHBP Tribal Member who utilized
higher education assistance

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BIRTHDAYS AND CELEBRATIONS



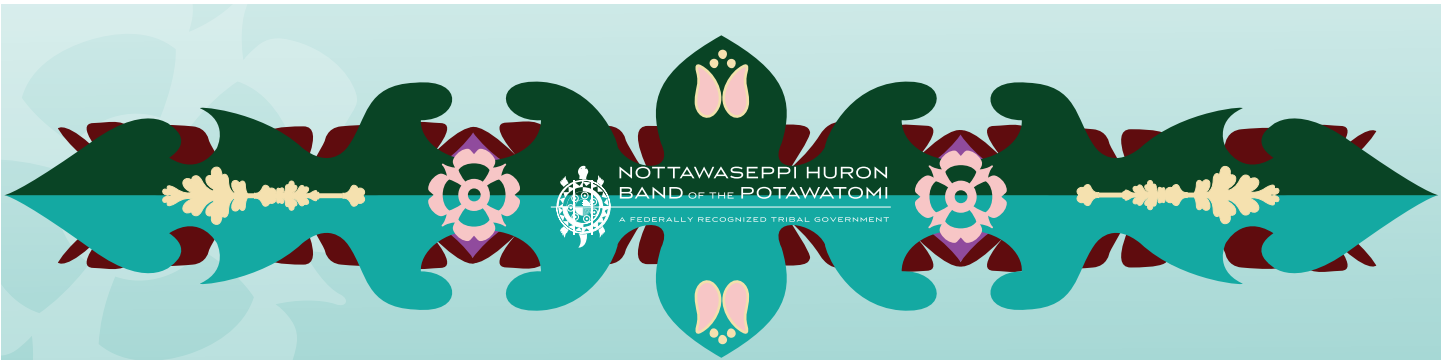
Landyn Taylor
{June 24}
Happy 13th Birthday!
We love you!
Love,
Dad, Mom and Haileigh



Jesse Taylor
{May 31}
Congratulations on graduating
with your Master of Arts in
Strategic Security Studies from
National Defense University!
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Sara, Haileigh and Landyn



Haileigh Taylor
{June 11}
Congratulations on
your graduation!
We are so proud of you!
Love,
Dad, Mom and Landyn



**THE POW WOW COMMITTEE IS SEEKING TRIBAL
MEMBERS TO VOLUNTEER AT THE ANNUAL
NHBP POW WOW JUNE 23 AND JUNE 24**

For more information please contact Communications Associate Eric McClure at 269.704.8450 or eric.mcclure@nhbpi.com

JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OPEN TO ELDERS ONLY

Monday, June 4

Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 6

Senior Fitness and Fun

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Elders Craft Night

Grand Rapids Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 7

Elders Committee

Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
10 a.m.

Elders Drop In Sewing

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 to 3 p.m.

Friday, June 8

Elders Computer Club

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 p.m.

Monday, June 11

Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 8 p.m.

Elders Craft Night

Grand Haven Community Center
6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12

Elders ShiShiBé

Pine Creek Community Center
12:30 to 3 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13

Senior Fitness and Fun

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Elders Craft Night

Grand Rapids Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 14

Elders Drop In Sewing

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 to 3 p.m.

Friday, June 15

Elders Computer Club

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 p.m.

Monday, June 18

Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20

Senior Fitness and Fun

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Elders Craft Night

Grand Rapids Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 21

Elders Drop In Sewing

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 to 3 p.m.

Friday, June 22

Elders Computer Club

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 p.m.

Monday, June 25

Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 8 p.m.

Wednesday, June 27

Senior Fitness and Fun

Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m. to Noon

Elders Craft Night

Grand Rapids Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 28

Elders Drop In Sewing

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 to 3 p.m.

Friday, June 29

Elders Computer Club

Grand Rapids Community Center
1 p.m.

OPEN TO YOUTH ONLY

Thursday, June 7

Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Northern TYP

Grand Rapids Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12

We R Native and

Northern TYP

Grand Rapids Community Center
10 a.m. to noon

MIFO Training

Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 2 p.m.

Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 14

Southern TYP

Glitch Gaming Lounge
300 E Centre Ave. Suite 2, Portage, MI
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Friday, June 15
Grand Rapids Healthy Start Play Date and Nanokashi Youth Program

Lamar Park
2561 Porter Street SW, Wyoming, MI
Noon to 2 p.m.

Pine Creek Healthy Start Play Date and Nanokashi Youth Program

River Oaks County Park
9050 E Michigan Ave., Galesburg, MI
Noon to 2 p.m.

MIFO Training

Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 2 p.m.

Saturday, June 16

Daddy and Me Bowling Trip

Airway Lanes
5626 Portage Rd, Portage, MI
1 to 3 p.m.

Monday, June 18-21

TYP Summer Camp College Visit

Kellogg Community College
450 North Avenue, Battle Creek, MI
All day

Tuesday, June 19

We R Native and Northern TYP

Grand Rapids Community Center
10 a.m. to noon

MIFO Training

Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 2 p.m.

Thursday, June 21

MIFO Training

Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 2 p.m.

Monday, June 25

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
Noon to 2 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26

TYP Summer Camp College Visit

Location TBD
All day

Wednesday, June 27

MIFO Training

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 28

TYP Summer Camp College Visit

Location TBD
All day

Friday, June 29

Nanokashi Youth Program

Pine Creek Recreation Fields
Noon to 2 p.m.

OPEN TO ALL TRIBAL MEMBERS

Friday, June 1

Veterans Golf Outing

Binder Park Golf Course
7255 B Dr S, Battle Creek, MI 49014
All day

Saturday, June 2

Traditional Pottery Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday, June 3

Traditional Pottery Workshop

Pine Creek Community Center
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Monday, June 4

Planning and Land Use Committee

Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
9 a.m.

Election Board

Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 101
10 a.m.

Tribal Emergency

Preparedness Committee

Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
10 a.m.

Grand Rapids Walking Group

Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 12:30

Culture Committee

Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 101
3 p.m.

Culture Workshop

Grand Rapids Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Grand Haven Walking Group

Grand Haven Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Culture Workshops

Grand Haven Community Center
6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 5

Honoring, Healing Event

Mount Pleasant Boarding School
6650 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant, MI
All day

Cooking Matters

Grand Rapids Community Center
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 6

Honoring, Healing Event

Mount Pleasant Boarding School
6650 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant, MI
All day

Education Committee
311 State Street, Grand Rapids, MI
10 a.m.

Pine Creek Walking Group
Pine Creek Community Center
11 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch and Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1 p.m.

Enrollment Committee
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
Noon

**Journey to
Wellness Committee**
Grand Rapids Health Facility
1 p.m.

**Tribal Environmental
Advisory Committee**
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
3 p.m.

Culture Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Grand Rapids Health Facility
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 7
Crafting and Talking Circle
Grand Rapids Health Facility
1 to 3 p.m.

Veterans Committee
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
3 p.m.

Language Class
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
5 to 8 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Pine Creek Community Center
5:15 to 6 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 8
**Light Up the Rez 5K and
1 Mile Turtle Trot**
Pine Creek Recreation Fields
6:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 9
FireKeepers Casino 400
Michigan International Speedway
12626 U.S. 12, Brooklyn, MI
All day

Sunday, June 10
FireKeepers Casino 400
Michigan International Speedway
12626 U.S. 12, Brooklyn, MI
All day

Monday, June 11
**Grand Rapids
Walking Group**
Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 12:30

Culture Workshop
Grand Rapids Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Men's Drum Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

**Grand Haven
Walking Group**
Grand Haven Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Tuesday, June 12
Cooking Matters
Grand Rapids Community Center
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13
Pine Creek Walking Group
Pine Creek Community Center
11 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch and Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1 p.m.

Culture Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Grand Rapids Health Facility
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 14
**Tribal Council
Business Meeting**
Pine Creek Community Center
11 a.m.

Crafting and Talking Circle
Grand Rapids Health Facility
1 to 3 p.m.

Language Class
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
5 to 8 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Pine Creek Community Center
5:15 to 6 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Friday, June 15
ShiShiBé
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Monday, June 18
Culture Workshop
Grand Rapids Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

**Grand Haven
Walking Group**
Grand Haven Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

MIFO Training
Grand Haven Community Center
5 to 6 p.m.

Culture Workshops
Grand Haven Community Center
6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday, June 19
Cooking Matters
Grand Rapids Community Center
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 20
Pine Creek Walking Group
Pine Creek Community Center
11 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch and Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1 p.m.

Culture Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Grand Rapids Health Facility
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 21
Crafting and Talking Circle
Grand Rapids Health Facility
1 to 3 p.m.

Language Class
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
5 to 8 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Pine Creek Community Center
5:15 to 6 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

Saturday, June 23
NHBP Pow Wow
Pine Creek Indian Reservation
10 a.m.

Sunday, June 24
NHBP Pow Wow
Pine Creek Indian Reservation
10 a.m.

Monday, June 25
Grand Rapids Walking Group
Grand Rapids Community Center
Noon to 12:30

Culture Workshop
Grand Rapids Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Men's Drum Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
5 to 7 p.m.

Grand Haven Walking Group
Rosey Mounds Park
13925 Lakeshore Drive, Grand Haven
5 to 6 p.m.

MIFO Training
Grand Haven Community Center
5 to 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 26
Cooking Matters
Grand Rapids Community Center
5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 27
Pine Creek Walking Group
Pine Creek Community Center
11 to 11:30 a.m.

Lunch and Learn
Pine Creek Community Center
Noon to 1 p.m.

Culture Workshop
Pine Creek Community Center
4 to 7 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Grand Rapids Health Facility
5:15 to 6 p.m.

Thursday, June 28
Crafting and Talking Circle
Grand Rapids Health Facility
1 to 3 p.m.

Language Class
Pine Creek Government Center
Conference Room 121
5 to 8 p.m.

Exercise Classes
Pine Creek Community Center
5:15 to 6 p.m.

AA Meeting
Pine Creek Community Center
7 to 8 p.m.

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