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**Attention: Turtle Press**

## On the cover

Maliyah Harris participates in the Grand Entry.

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# UPCOMING COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS

## TRIBAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

Thursdays, 11 a.m., on August 18, September 15 and October 20 at the Pine Creek Community Center

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### Monday, August 1, 2016

Planning & Land Use Committee	9 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Housing Committee	11:30 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Election Board	2 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Culture Committee	<b>Cancelled for this month</b>

### Wednesday, August 3, 2016

Education Committee	10 a.m. (311 State Street, Grand Rapids)
Enrollment Committee	Noon (Government Center, Room 121)
Journey to Wellness Committee	1 p.m. (311 State Street, Grand Rapids)
Tribal Environment Advisory Committee	3 p.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
Cemetery & Parks Committee	5 p.m. (Government Center, Room 101)
Veterans Committee	5 p.m. (Government Center, Room 121)

### Thursday, August 4, 2016

Elders Committee	10 a.m. (Government Center, Room 121)
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## COMMITTEE VACANCIES

Tribal Emergency Preparedness Committee	One Vacancy   Open Until Filled
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Committee/Board Members receive a paid stipend of \$75 for meeting attendance. Elders receive mileage reimbursement in addition to the \$75 stipend. 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**

## NOTICE

### SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENT

**This Notice shall be posted on all Tribal Bulletin Boards, on the Tribal Court webpage and published in the “*She-Ke-Gig-Do*”, Turtle Press, pursuant to Chapter One of Court Rules, *Court Rules for Procedures for the Adoption of Tribal Court Rules*.**

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**Start Date of Comment Period: August 1, 2016      End Date of Comment Period: August 30, 2016**

Titles of Proposed Court Rules: Chapter 17 - *Court Rules for Contempt of Court*; Chapter 18 – *Court Rules for Exclusion Proceedings*; & Chapter 19 – *Court Rules for Rental Housing Proceedings*.

Description: The Court is currently drafting the above new Court Rules with the goal of posting these proposed Court Rules on August 1, 2016 for comment for 30 days pursuant to Chapter 1 - *Court Rules for Procedures for the Adoption of Tribal Court Rules*. Each of these new Chapters of Court Rules provides the procedures for implementing the corresponding Code. With this drafting ongoing, but this Notice due for publication in the Turtle Press one month prior to the posting date, it is possible that one or more of the above Court Rules may not be completed by August 1, 2016. Notice for any new or amended Court Rules, including if any of the above are not completed by August 1<sup>st</sup>, will be printed in the Turtle Press. Please see the Tribal Court website or visit the Tribal Court offices at 2221 1 ½ Mile Drive, Fulton, Michigan 49052 on or after August 1, 2016 for a complete list of the Court Rules being proposed for comment.

#### **Tribal Court Administrator Contact Information:**

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To Review Proposed New or Amended Court Rules: A complete copy of proposed new and amended Court Rules is available at the Tribal Court Offices or on the Tribal Court webpage at:  
<http://nhbpi.com/sovereignty/tribal-court/>

You may also request that a copy of the proposed Court Rules be mailed or faxed to you by contacting the Tribal Court Administrator at the above address, phone number, facsimile number or email address.

To Submit Comments: All comments must be submitted in writing to the Tribal Court Administrator no later than the “End Date” specified within this *Notice*.

# TRIBAL ENROLLMENT

Submitted by Enrollment Specialist Sandy Blair

## Announcement about Limited Opening of Enrollment

- At the July 21, 2016 Tribal Council business meeting, the Tribal Council granted a limited opening of enrollment for a specific period of time from July 22, 2016 until December 29, 2016.
- Applications will be accepted only from persons who were under the age of 18 as of enrollment closure on February 6, 2010 (this means those who were born on or after February 6, 1992).
- Enrollment Applications will be furnished by the Enrollment Office.
- Please contact the Enrollment Office with any questions at [enrollment@nhbpi.com](mailto:enrollment@nhbpi.com) or by phone at 269.729.5151

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

**High School Diploma or GED:** If you have recently graduated from high school or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document

to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

**Bereavement Benefits:** The Bereavement Benefit program was adopted in January 2012. The Bereavement Benefit consists of \$10,000 to pay funeral costs for enrolled NHBP Tribal Members. If you have not completed a Bereavement Beneficiary form or have questions, please contact the Enrollment Office. This form designates the beneficiary for your bereavement benefits.

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

**Missing Information:** The Enrollment Office does not have current information (address) for the Tribal Members listed below. Tribal departments utilize the records in the Enrollment Office to determine eligibility for services and benefits available from the Tribe. Important notices are sent to the address currently on file with the Enrollment Office. The Tribal Members on this list may be denied services or benefits if updated address, name, and other information is not on file with the Enrollment Office. If you have contact information for any of the names on the

Jessica R. Steffey  
Justin A. Thier  
Brianna G. Wesley

# UNDELIVERABLE PER CAPITA

Submitted by Chief Financial Officer Stephen Blann

In accordance with the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi's Revenue Allocation Plan, per capita payments will be held for 12 months from the date of distribution, if a current address is not on file. The Tribal Members listed below must contact the Enrollment Office to update their address. If the member fails to contact the Enrollment Office by the expiration period, the funds shall be forfeited and reverted to the per capita payment account. Contact the Enrollment Office to update your information.

Robert Osborn

## Enrollment Office Hours:

Monday – Friday

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# ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Submitted by Enrollment Specialist Sandy Blair

If you have recently graduated from high school, or received your GED from a certified test site, please send a copy of the document to the Enrollment Office. This information is used for per capita distributions.

## The following is the Education Requirement from the 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 or Tribal Council, 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 twelve years of school.

**Please contact the Enrollment Office  
with any questions at  
269.729.5151**

The appropriate diploma, degree, or certification must be submitted to the Enrollment Department 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 submitted in a timely manner, the per capita payment for such Members shall be deposited in the Member's minor trust account.

**Free program! Now enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year!**

## Get a great start with Head Start!

We are recruiting children ages 3 to 5 for fall enrollment. We use the High Scope Curriculum and offer monthly parent training and meetings. We work in coordination with the school districts to provide services for children with physical, emotional and/or learning disabilities.

The Pine Creek Reservation Head Start program serves Athens, East Leroy, Fulton, Sherwood, Union City and the Battle Creek area.

The Huron Potawatomi Head Start serves the Grand Rapids area.

### Program features!

- Free full day program.
- Transportation available (within limited area).
- Age appropriate lessons and activities.
- Nutritious meals – serving breakfast, lunch and snack.
- Family and Health services provided as well.

**Space is limited! Contact us today - two locations!**

#### **Pine Creek Reservation Head Start**

**Family Service Coordinator Robert Fillmore  
269.729.4209**

#### **Huron Potawatomi Head Start**

**Family Service Coordinator Matt Blumke  
616.356.2197**



# Southern TYP Summer Day Camp at First Tee

Submitted by NHBP Communications Intern Journi Wilson; Photos by NHBP Communications Intern Destinique Iden

NHBP hosted our annual summer camp at First Tee of Battle Creek for the second year from June 27 to 30. Youth really enjoy learning the basics of golf. Not only are the youth learning how to golf, but they're building character, learning healthy choices, and learning life values.

This year there were 12 participants. The First Tee of Battle Creek has a great staff and NHBP youth enjoyed working with them.

The youth were picked up each day by Southern Youth Specialist Charmaine Mandoka and then were dropped off at Binder Park Golf First Tee Program.

Each day when the students arrived, they were taught lessons in the First Tee building then went outside and practiced golf.

Participant Destinique Iden said she really enjoyed herself.

"I enjoyed it," NHBP Communications Intern Destinique Iden said. "It was hot, but fun."

Lunch was provided everyday for the youth. The First Tee organizers enjoyed having the NHBP youth and said they wanted the youth to join the Jr. League at the First Tee which is every Thursday during the summer.



Daniel Jacobs practices his swing on the course during First Tee.

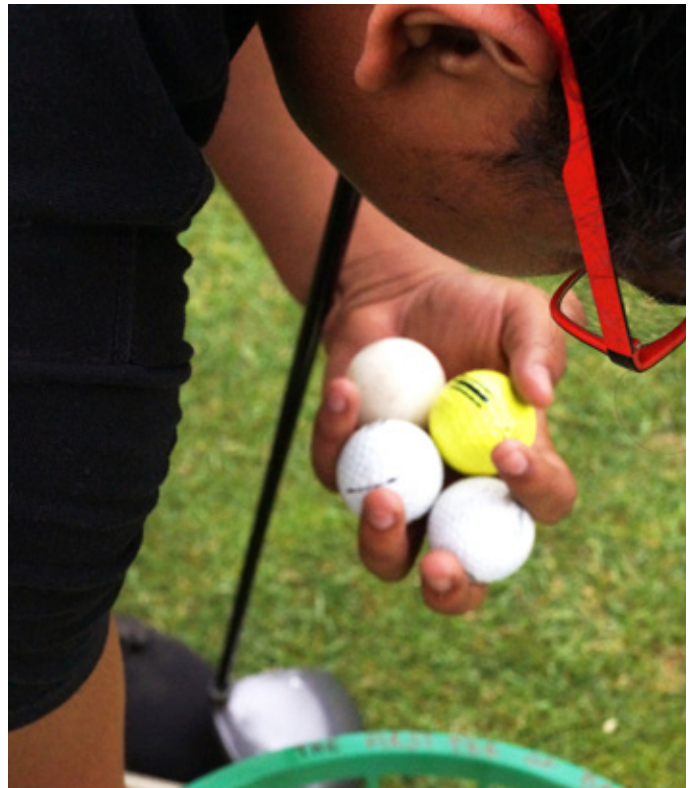




First Tee participants receive classroom instruction on different putting techniques, before hitting the greens.



Deajion Morseau checks the strategy of his next drive with the help of Raymond Chivis and Counselor Corey from First Tee.



First Tee participants enjoy plenty of range practice, going through buckets of balls in a session.

# Northern TYP Summer Day Camp

Submitted by Northern Youth Specialist Jonathan Rinehart; Photos by Membership Services staff

The Northern Summer Days camp is in full swing. The youth are having a wonderful time this summer with more excitement to come. This year's focus is around healthy lifestyles, including gardening, substance abuse prevention and other traditional lessons.

Our youth installed the Tribal Youth Garden. Big Thank you Andrea & Joe Rainer for the use of their beautiful property! The kids were very enthusiastic about the gardening experience. The youth enjoyed picking 45 pounds of strawberries at the local farm. Each youth enjoyed strawberry shortcake and a pint of strawberry jam from the strawberries they picked!

This year's Summer Youth Day Camp would not have been possible without the support and collaboration from the following departments and organizations: NHBP Health and Human Services Department, Project LAUNCH, Anishinaabe Circle, Gathering Thunder, NHBP Facilities Department and the NHBP Northern Elders Program.

Nancy Berghuis was one of our traditional workshop presenters this year and worked with the youth group to make thunder gourdes. This project was a huge hit with our youth! Several of the youth said that making the "thunder drums" was their favorite activity thus far.

We would like to thank all of our volunteers, youth and community who have contributed to make this year's camp a memorable experience to all involved.



Volunteers Michelle McBride and Kelsey Hakeem assist youth with caring for the Tribal Youth Garden



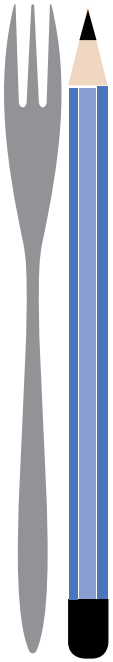
Traditional Workshop presenter Nancy Berghuis shows the thunder gourdes made by the Tribal youth.



EPS Education Specialist Michelle Simms reads to the younger youth during TYP Summer Day Camp.

# AUGUST 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.



## August 3 {Immunization Awareness} Shelly Swears

August is Immunization Awareness Month. Please join us as Calhoun County Immunization nurse educator Shelly Swears gives a presentation on the value of vaccines for people of all ages.

## August 10 {Extreme Coupon} Danielle Kissinger

Who doesn't like to save a penny...or two! Learn what it takes to become an Extreme Couponer from the Crazy Coupon Lady herself, Danielle Kissinger. There will even be a chance to win some prizes!

## August 17 {Thrift Store Finds} Johnathon Moulds & Elissa Hudson

From thrift store to home décor, learn how you can create those thrift store finds into Do-it-Yourself home decor projects. Health and Human Services Department medical secretary Johnathon Moulds and Dental office assistant Elissa Hudson will fill you in on how to decorate your house while keeping a reasonable budget in mind.

## August 24 {Senior Health Partners} Anne Clark

NHBP Whole Person Wellness instructor Anne Clark will discuss programs and services offered by Senior Health Partners of Battle Creek. Learn how you can become involved!

## August 31 {Wild Rice Update} Lee Sprague & Steve Allen

Join Steve and Lee as they update us on Tribal Wild Rice activities this season. They will also discuss recent activities and details about the upcoming Wild Rice Camp in September. There will be an opportunity for members and staff to sign up to help Lee harvest the rice.

## Elders Travel to W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary

Submitted by NHBP Elder Specialists Leo Pontiac & Nickole Keith

The NHBP Elders recently toured the W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary in Augusta. They had a beautiful day on the trip to the Sanctuary learning about birds and the history of Kellogg – the same family legacy that makes the breakfast cereal.

The sanctuary is a part of Michigan State University, which conducts research Ecology, agriculture and natural resources education. The Elders enjoyed lunch in McCrary Dining Hall before the tour.

During the tour, the group began with the "Birds Of Prey" live presentation. Almost all of the birds at the sanctuary are injured and unable to live in the wild. The presentation

included some interesting facts about birds, including that birds have hollow bones, no teeth and often eat smaller animals. We saw various types of birds during the tour including the Barn Owl, Eastern Screech Owl, Great Horned Owl, Red-tailed Hawk and the majestic Bald Eagle.

Our tour guide, John, did a good job of leading the tour. The Elders also fed various types of swan at Wintergreen Lake. No Elders lost any fingers while feeding the aggressive swan.

After visiting the W.K. Kellogg Bird Sanctuary, the Elders were treated to ice cream.

# NHBP Children Enjoy Early Childhood Fair

Submitted by Communications Specialist Karen Todd; Photos by MacKenzie Stuck and Meg Fairchild

The importance of mixing fun with education is evident in the mission of the LAUNCH Project, especially after organizers hosted an Early Childhood Fair in which NHBP babies and children were treated to a hands-on festival recently.

The Early Childhood Festival, held June 17 at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation Area, was a day of fun, playtime and education. A parent from Mno Penojéwen, the NHBP Advisory Group to Project the LAUNCH Consortium, made the suggestion to host an educational fun fair for both the parents and children.

Some of LAUNCH's objectives include collaboration, integration of care, and parent strengthening all with the foundation of the Social Emotional Development of children 0-8 years old.

Parent Tammi Huerta heard about the Early Childhood Fair weeks before it happened, but she knew right away that she wanted to take her children, Catalina, 9 months, and her two older sons.

"It was a really good experience for the kids," Huerta said, who added that going through the firehouse was the boys' favorite.

"I think this type of event is important because kids are constantly learning things," Huerta said. The tradition, the firehouse, the teachings where the kids got to be physicians and work on Elmo, the cops painted their faces, so they're building that trust – they're learning so much but they're also having a lot of fun."

Parent Samantha Wethington attended the fair with her 5-month-old daughter, Elliot and 5-year-old daughter, Harmony. Wethington said her children had plenty of fun and were educated.

"It's important that the kids have fun while being educated," Wethington said. "I love it because they're promoting reading, dental hygiene and the others all in a fun way. It's great."

Parent Mariesha Keith took her children, Josev, age 12, Ameris, age 3, Avrian (Duke), just 18 months, to the fair, and she said they enjoyed the various stations, which also included car seat safety checks, a gardening activity, a teddy bear clinic, an obstacle course, a make-it and take-it project, health screenings and more.

"We enjoyed the hands-on activities, which is always good for the kids," Keith said.

Photo: Meg Fairchild



Ameris Keith checks mom Mariesha's throat at the wellness station, while her baby brother Avrian looks on.

Photo: MacKenzie Stuck



Matt and Jessi Goldner enjoy the day with their twins Kendall and Brooklyn.

Photo: MacKenzie Stuck



Taye Rainer enjoys watching all the fun at his first Early Childhood Fair.

Photo: MacKenzie Stuck



Aurora and Emory Ansley listen carefully at the dental health station, while holding their new toothbrushes.

Photo: MacKenzie Stuck



Chloe Hurst at her target at the Hunter Safety Booth.

# CASINO CONNECTION

## FireKeepers Casino Hotel Spotlight Employees

Submitted by FireKeepers Casino Hotel; Photos by FKCH Staff



### Anna Dunithan

I started at FireKeepers Casino Hotel as a dishwasher in July, 2009 before the casino opened. I moved to the Warehouse after 11 months. My current title is Warehouse Attendant. What does a Warehouse Attendant do? Pretty much everything and anything that is used in this casino comes through our department first. We receive it; we deliver items to departments that come in through freight truck, UPS, and Fed Ex. We store the items, rotate items in coolers and freezers in the store room; we have bulk products on the receiving dock. We inventory everything that we keep in stock, and in the storeroom. The kitchens put orders in, we then get a requisition, and we fill it and deliver it to the various kitchens on our property. We also assist other departments with various projects. It keeps us busy and there is always something to do.

I take pride in my work as a Tribal Member and I'm proud of our Tribe's accomplishments. The casino is also involved in many community projects. I enjoy doing the charity kickball every year. I am the only team member who has played every year since it started and I'm captain this year! I also compete for FireKeepers in several events every year like the Cereal City Corporate Cup. I play on the softball team as well. I have also completed the casino's career development programs Track I, Track II and the Supervisor's Program. My co-workers in my department, as well as many other departments, are awesome!



### Harold Morseau

I started working for the construction company as the casino was being built. It was hard to imagine that the empty field and open space would eventually become the casino. I began working here even before FKCH opened. I started out in Environmental Services and transferred to the slot department and now I am a slot attendant.

I help with slot payouts, I enjoy helping guests with their players cards, helping guests locate a favorite machine and help guests with requests they have or simply give directions.

I like that we give back to the community. We give on all different levels, including the Tribal community and the greater Battle Creek area. I like to see we are making a difference in people's lives. We employ so many people from the local area and we are employing our own Tribal Members. The resources from the casino have been able to help people in shelters and with food and water. I'm very proud of FireKeepers Casino Hotel!

# LUCKY 7 YEARS

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Cake service in Kabaret Lounge.

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5 • 3 PM – 10 PM

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One winner will be selected every 7 minutes  
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### SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

#### EARN 7X POINTS • WIN 77,777 POINTS

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Plus at 8:17 AM, three winners will be selected  
to each receive 77,777 POINTS!

Receive one entry for every 100 points earned  
August 7 from 7 AM – 7:59 AM.

Then activate your entries by inserting your  
Red Hot Rewards Club card into a slot  
machine between 8 AM – 8:15 AM.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 • 1 PM

#### \$23,000 BLACKJACK TOURNAMENT

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### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 • 3 PM – 9 PM

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One winner will be selected every hour to receive  
\$7,777 CASH! Receive one entry for every 100 points  
earned August 17 from 12 AM – 8:45 PM.

#### ALL MONTH LONG JACKPOT BONUS

Hit a jackpot worth \$1,200 or more ending in  
\$.07 or \$7 in August and you'll receive a  
\$777 RED HOT CREDIT bonus in September!

## WE'RE GIVING AWAY 7 CAMAROS GUARANTEED!



### SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

**DRAWINGS • 12 PM – 10 PM** One winner will be selected every two hours to receive a new Camaro!

**GRAND PRIZE DRAWING • 11 PM** One winner will be selected to receive a 2016 Camaro convertible!

### EARN ENTRIES AUGUST 1 – 27



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**Pine Creek Indian Reservation**

**Community Center**  
**Monday, August 22**  
**6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

**311 State Street**

**Grand Rapids, MI**  
**Monday, August 29**  
**6:30 to 8 p.m.**

The NHBP CHPO staff invite all NHBP Tribal Members to a community potluck to discuss Tribal cultural goals for 2017. Come share your ideas for future events and teachings, while enjoying community fellowship and a potluck meal.

Please RSVP to CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer at 269.704.8480, or email: [danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com](mailto:danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com)



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**Pine Creek Community Center**

Register by: July 5  
Wednesdays, July 13 to August 24,  
10 a.m. to Noon  
Friday, August 5, 10 a.m. to Noon

**311 State Street, Grand Rapids**

Register by: September 5  
Tuesdays, September 13 to October 25,  
2 to 4 p.m.  
Thursday, October 13, 2 to 4 p.m.

To register contact Shelby Gibson at 269.729.4422 or [Shelby.gibson@nhbp.org](mailto:Shelby.gibson@nhbp.org)



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# Tribal Youth Member's NASCAR Dream Comes True

Submitted by Communications Department; Photos by Kathy Mackety

One of NHBP Tribal youth Alan Mackety's dreams came true on June 12 during the FireKeepers Casino 400 Race at Michigan International Speedway.

Mackety was invited to wave the green flag just as the race began.

Mackety's mother, NHBP Events Coordinator Kathy Mackety, said she is very thankful that her son got the chance to participate in the beginning of the NASCAR Race.

"Alan has possessed a love for NASCAR since he was very little. He has been blessed with the ability to recall facts, dates, places and random information about NASCAR that can only be described as remarkable," Mackety said. "Thank you to Tribal Council and the FKCH marketing team for making a boy's dream come true!"

"From the moment each of you were aware of his love, you have helped Alan realize the possibilities of what his future

holds in the NASCAR world. Thank you for being so generous, kind-hearted and making his dream come true! May the creator continue to bless each one of you! Migwéché!"



MIS President Roger Curtis cheers NHBP Tribal Member Alan Mackety as he is introduced to the crowd.



NHBP Tribal Member Alan Mackety fulfills a lifelong dream by waving the green flag at the FireKeepers Casino 400 Race at Michigan International

# MIS FireKeepers 400 Race a Success

Submitted by Communications Staff

Thousands of race car fans enjoyed the inaugural year of FireKeepers Casino Hotel being the major sponsor for the Michigan International Speedway NASCAR Sprint Cup Series.

Appropriately named the FireKeepers Casino 400, NHBP Tribal Members who attended the June 12 race had a time they'll never forget.

The Michigan International Speedway hosted the 2016 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series, and FireKeepers Casino Hotel was the major sponsor for the race. Xfinity series and Arca races took place that weekend, leading up to the FireKeepers Casino 400.

Joey Logano, who joined Team Penske three years ago, took home first place with a top speed of 199.557; NAPA's Chase Elliott started in 10th position and finished in second place with a top speed of 199.016; and Target's Kyle Larson took third place, with a top speed of 198.950.

FireKeepers Casino Hotel plans to be the title sponsor for the next two years.

Photo: Kathy Mackety



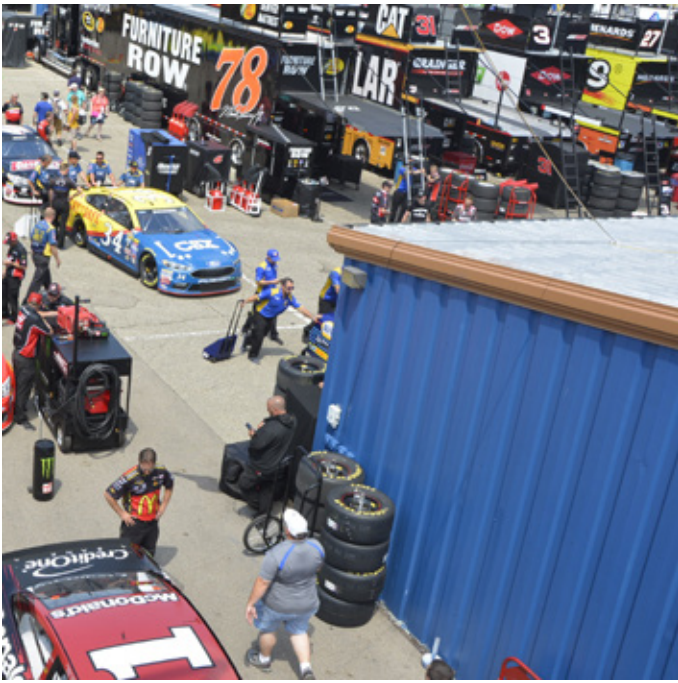
Tribal Council Secretary Christine Lanning and NHBP Elder and Veteran Dale Anderson smudge MIS prior to the race.

Photo: Kathy Mackety



Thousands of NASCAR enthusiasts flock to Michigan International Speedway, ready to enjoy a great day at the races.

Photo: Kathy Mackety



Cars go through an inspection prior to the start of the race.

Photo: Kathy Mackety



MIS President Roger Curtis addresses the patrons before introducing the drivers.

Photo: Kathy Mackety



And, they're off! Racers take the track at MIS for the inaugural 2016 NASCAR Sprint Cup Series FireKeepers Casino 400.

# Honoring Our 2016 NHBP Graduates!

Submitted by The Education Office on behalf of Graduates and their Families

## High School Graduates



**Kimberly Mutchler**

Fruitport High School

Graduated top 10 (#1 with a 4.13 GPA)

Plans to attend Wayne State University to study Global Supply Chain Management.



**Mykelti Moorer**

Michigan Virtual Charter

Academy; High School Graduate

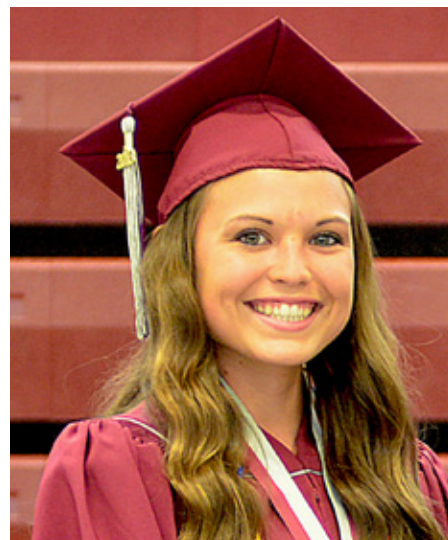


**Brendan Joseph Miracle**

Kubasaki High School, Okinawa, Japan

Honor Roll, MCJROTC Varsity Drill Team, Cross Country team, Varsity wrestling team, Lifeguard Certification, Far East Honor Choir, First Chair Bass

Plans to attend University of Maryland University College, Teaching degree.



**Holly Christy**

Union City High School

Member of the National Honor Society, graduated with honors, in the top 20 of her class, served as Student Council Representative and Student Council Leader. Participated in track, cross country, and softball

Plans to attend Central Michigan University, studying Dietetics.



**Olivia Chivis**

Wyoming High School Wyoming, MI

Plans to attend Grand Valley State University, General Studies.



**Drake Alan Duarte**

Reeths-Puffer High School

Plans to attend Muskegon Community College.



**Taylor Nichole Day**  
Sale Creek High School

Played Varsity Volleyball and Softball throughout High School. Awarded scholarships for academics and volleyball. Awarded the Grace Coates Keith Award for being top in academics and athletics

Plans to attend Hiwassee College to major in Physical Therapy. She will also be playing volleyball and softball at Hiwassee.



**Austin Neil Day**  
Soddy Daisy High School

Plans to attend the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and major in Accounting/Business.



**Zachary Wiseman**  
Sparta High School

Plans to attend GRCC for two years majoring in business. Following GRCC, plans to transfer to Grand Valley State University.



**Ronald Lee Woodring II**  
Oakridge High School

Bowling Team and the Career Tech Center for Welding

Plans to attend Muskegon Community College to obtain an Associate's Degree in Welding. Following that, an apprenticeship for Plumbers and Pipe Fitters.



**Hayley Eager**  
Comstock High School

Will be entering college with 15 credits earned as a dual-enrolled high school student

Plans to attend Kalamazoo Valley Community College for 2 years and transfer to a four year school.



**Quentin Mandoka**  
Pennfield High School

Dean's List 2014 and 2015

Plans on attending Western Michigan University.



**Easton Schultz**  
East Grand Rapids High School

Academic all-state cross country runner and MHSAA Scholar-Athlete of the Year 2016. Summa Cum Laude National Latin Exam Scholar and AP Scholar with Distinction. Summa Cum Laude for overall GPA.

Plans to major in economics at Harvard University while dual studying finance at the MIT Sloan School of Management.

entire high school career. Received academic letter and pin. Freshman year received varsity letter for cheer. Recognized with a Red cord for blood donation. Honorary Awards: Outstanding Senior Award from True North, Student council and year book.

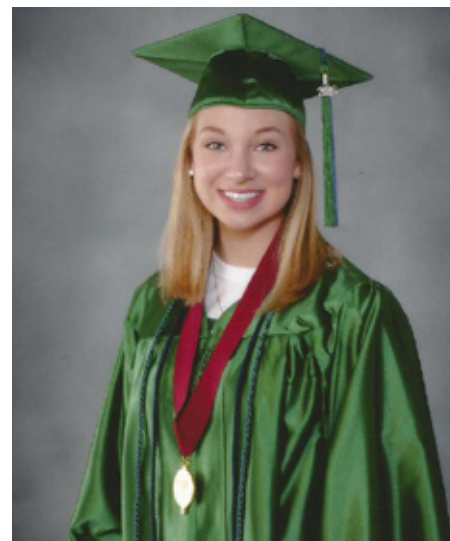
Plans on attending Grand Valley State University and major in Bio Chemistry, current career plan of Physician Assistant.



**Kelsie Schultz**  
Oakridge High School,  
Muskegon MI

Graduated Magna Cum Laude, earned seven transferable college credits through the dual-enrollment program at Muskegon Community College.

Plans to attend Grand Valley State University to major in Psychology.



**Shelby Santos**  
Heritage High School,  
Saginaw, MI

Dual enrolled student at Saginaw Valley State University junior and senior year. Member of the National Honor Society, on the Academic Honor Roll, recipient of the Heritage Triple Achievement Award for academics, athletics and curricular activities, two year member of the Heritage Science Olympics, two year member of Heritage Math Olympics, three year member of the Heritage Multi-Cultural club, four year member of Heritage French Club, president senior year. Member of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society, completed the Youth Nations 2015 Global Leadership Program at the University of Toledo. Four year letter winner on the Heritage girls swim team, state team qualifier all four years, receiving MVP senior year, after breaking a 27 year old Saginaw Valley League and Tri Cities record in the 100 yard backstroke, and setting a new record in the 200 yd Medley Relay with her relay team. Received the Saginaw News Fall Athlete of the Year in Swimming, Saginaw New Girls Dream Swim Team Lead, M-Live Saginaw News Swimmer of the Year in 2015, (Continued on page 22)



**Samantha VanGeest**  
Grant High School

National Honor Society, honored with a gold cord for 3.5 G.P.A. or higher

Allstate Senior Athlete of the Month, All State Academic Swimming and Diving Team, recipient of the Dr. Raymond A. Hart Outstanding Swimmer Award, Swim Captain of Saginaw YMCA Girls Swim Team senior year attending USA Swimming Sectionals and YMCA Nationals.

Plans on attending Michigan State University where she is a member of the women's swim team and will study Biochemistry and Biotechnology.



**Angie Taylor**  
Western Michigan University  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing



**Randi McKinney**  
Kalamazoo Valley Community College  
Associates in Business Administration

## Higher Education Graduates



**Scott Lanning**  
Central Michigan University  
BSBA in Hospitality with a focus in gaming.

Elected to SGA, office manager and Treasurer for HTS. Outstanding Performance in the integrated core.

Plans to attend graduate school at UNLV and work in Las Vegas.

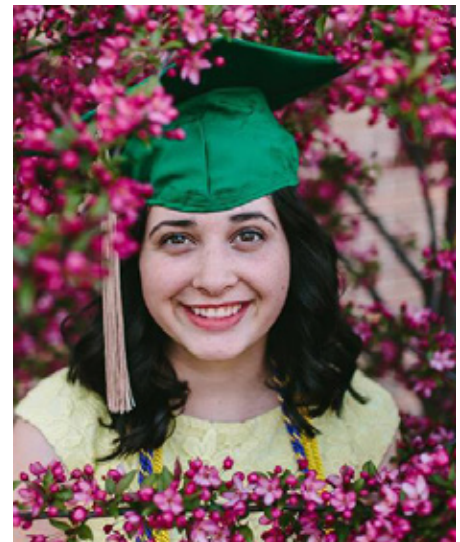


**Travis Potter**  
Adrian College  
Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

Cum Laude Graduate: Attained at least a 3.5 GPA. Member of the Alpha Phi Sigma National Criminal Justice Honor Society

Currently in the Master's Program at Adrian College. Plans to graduate May of 2017, and attend the Michigan State Police Academy.

Plans to continue at Western Michigan University to receive a Bachelor's Degree.



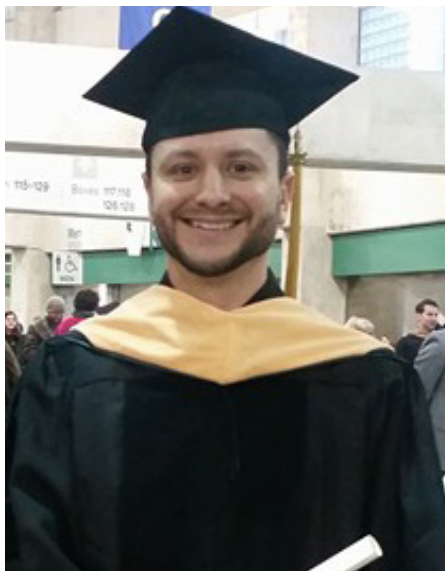
**Beverly Mutchler**  
Michigan State University  
Accounting

Graduated with honors. Plans to obtain a Masters in Accounting at Michigan State University.



**Antonio Ledesma**  
Delta College  
Associate in Residential Construction

Currently pursuing an additional Associate Degree in Business Management.

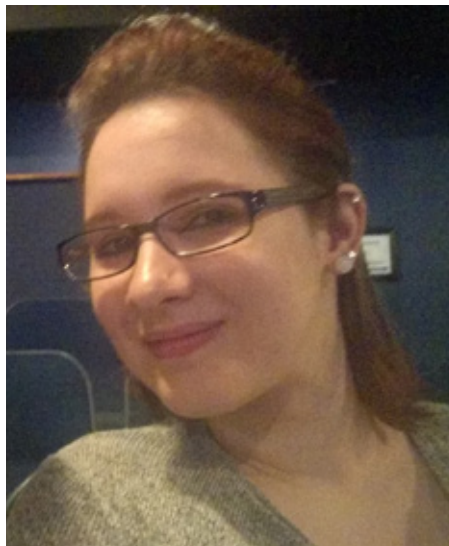


**Jeff Chivis**  
Michigan State University  
Ph.D. (Anthropology)

Grants, Awards, and Honors: Michigan State University Graduate School Dissertation Completion Fellowship (2015), National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (2011), Michigan State University

Graduate Student Research Enhancement Fellowship (2010), Michigan State University Dissertation Research Enhancement Fellowship (2010), Michigan State University Dissertation Travel Fellowship (2010, 2015), Michigan State University American Indian Studies Program Book Award (2007), Michigan State University Enrichment Fellowship (2004-2008)

Plans to continue teaching at the college level and publishing new research that enhances understanding and knowledge of Native American history and culture.



**Brianne Taylor-Pajak**  
Kellogg Community College  
Associate Degree in Accounting

Plans to continue at Western Michigan University in pursuit of a Bachelor's Degree in accounting.

## Certificate Graduates



**Lisa Barrett**  
Ferris State University  
Leadership & Supervision Certificate

3.75 GPA. Next step is to pursue a third graduate degree - Master of Science in Administration: Leadership at Central Michigan University.



**Anthony Ryan**  
CAE Simuflite  
Airline Transport Pilot / Falcon 7X Type Rating

Plans to add more ratings to allow piloting of bigger aircrafts, and donate time as a flight instructor to help others achieve their goals as professional pilots.



# NHBP Community Garden Update!

Submitted by Communications Staff; Photos by Jaky Replogle

With the mid-point of the growing season upon us, the hard work of planting and caring for the community garden is starting to bear fruit. Early producing plants requiring cooler temperatures and a shorter growing season are now being harvested.

Popular crops such as kale, tomatos, zucchini and beans are ripening quickly in the long days and hot heat of summer. Later in the summer will see the harvest of plants requiring a longer growing season; corn, squash, pumpkins, gourds and root crops.

The garden staff is enjoying an influx of extra helping hands from NHBP Youth Learn Work interns and local children home on summer vacation.

Extra produce is starting to arrive at the weekly Lunch & Learn events at Pine Creek Indian Reservation, and garden workers are also delivering fresh produce to shut-ins as it becomes available.



Tomato plants are off to a great start, with the first harvest anticipated soon.



Tribal Member Javier Chich shares his harvest of fresh peas from the garden.

# Wild Rice Program Expanding to Transplant Phase

Submitted by Lee Sprague (Contracted Wild Rice Specialist with the Environmental Department) and Communications Specialist Karen Todd

The NHBP Wild Rice Program continues to flourish, and is in the process of moving from the investigative and monitoring phase to actually transplanting Wild Rice to the Pine Creek Indian Reservation.

Program educators say this is an important phase so the plant that NHBP ancestors depended upon for centuries can return as an important food for people and wildlife on the Reservation.

“You see, the origin of our story is here with us every day,” said Contracted Wild Rice Specialist Lee Sprague. “Wild Rice is our migration story, and it goes right to the heart of who we are.”

This year, the NHBP environment program has transplanted 766 Wild Rice seedlings to date in the Rice Pond and Pine Creek on the Reservation. All of the plants were in danger from being mowed down by homeowners and the V Drive Bridge construction project downriver of the Reservation.

This fall, seeds harvested from the plants will also be used to continue the Wild Rice restoration program on Pine Creek.

The Culture Department recently assisted finding the location for the transplants during a canoe trip down Pine Creek, to Nottawa Creek.

“Our Creation story, with the Turtle and the Muskrat, can be seen on most days on Pine Creek.

Our Migration story has us finding the place where the food grows on the water, our Potawatomi homelands,” Sprague said. “It is always good to hear our creation and migration stories, especially on Pine Creek and Nottawa, where the turtle, muskrat and Wild Rice, are easily found,” he added.

Tribal Members Charles Pfeifer, Kevin Harris Jr. and Langston Day have also been assisting Sprague, Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish, Potawatomi Tribal Member with the restoration efforts on Pine Creek, and learning to push-pole, and navigate, working off the canoes harvesting and transplanting Wild Rice shoots, or young Wild Rice plants.

Also, plans for an NHBP Wild Rice harvest are being discussed. This will be determined based on current harvest schedules and locations.

Photo provided by NHBP Environmental Department.



Lee Sprague finds Wild Rice alongside a river.



NHBP Youth Intern Quentin Mandoka plants a variety of water-loving native species at the Environmental House Pond, including Rattlesnake Master, Compass Plant, Prairie Dock and Rosinweed.



NHBP Tribal Member O'felia Zapata takes some future Wild Ricers along the creek to check the progress of the transplanted rice plant beds.

# Zhitawek! {Back to School!}

Gear up for school with the Back to School Program

**Grand Rapids Health Department**  
Tuesday, August 2 ♦ 2 to 7 p.m.



**Pine Creek Community Center**  
Thursday, August 4 ♦ 2 to 7 p.m.

### Eligibility:

- Enrolled NHBP Tribal Members, K-12 and higher education students (college students must provide enrollment documentation for at least 6 credit hours)

### What to Expect:

- Health education stations geared at students and parents
- Education and Tribal Youth Program information
- Information sessions for kids and parents
- Backpacks and supplies
- Gift cards and much more!

### Important Details:

- Pre-registration is required; call either health office to register by July 20.
- The event will not include sports physicals and immunizations this year. Please make a separate appointment to schedule any needed medical appointments.
- Parent/Guardian and student must be present to receive incentives.

**Healthy Selfie!**



RSVP to **Brianne Kraai**  
616.249.0159 or  
email: [brianne.kraai@nhbp.org](mailto:brianne.kraai@nhbp.org)



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## For youth 12 to 18 years old TPREP Grant

(TRIBAL PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND EDUCATION PROGRAM)

**311 State Street, Grand Rapids**  
10 a.m. to Noon, July 12, 14 &  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m., July 19  
*Lunch is provided*



**Pine Creek Community Center**  
2 to 6 p.m., August 9 & 11  
*Dinner is provided*

Curriculum emphasis on prevention of teen pregnancy and STDs/STIs  
**Implement three adulthood preparation topics:**

Healthy relationships, parent-child communication and education and career goals/success.  
Cultural components have been added to focus on the Medicine Wheel and the Seven Grandfather Teachings as a framework to the curriculum.

**Facilitators:** Brianne Kraai & Shelby Gibson

For more information contact Health Educator Brianne Kraai at 616.249.0159, or email: [brianne.kraai@nhbp.org](mailto:brianne.kraai@nhbp.org)



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## NHBP APPRECIATION DAY 2016

# SAVE *the* DATE!

NHBP Tribal Members and immediate family:  
Join us for a fun day at the Calhoun County Fair!

**Thursday, August 18 • 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.**

Pre-registration is encouraged. You must present your Tribal ID at the gate or a pass will be required to park.

**Registration is now open.**  
Please contact Membership Services  
Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at  
269.704.8419, email: [gchivis@nhbpi.com](mailto:gchivis@nhbpi.com)



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New inventory! We are geared up for the Pow Wow season and have many new and unique Native made items! Shop now!

## Bkedé O Mshiké

### Hours:

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Food! Fountain Drinks! Snacks! Crafts! Logo Wear!

Contact: Matt Goldner at 269.303.4990 or [mgoldner@nhbpi.com](mailto:mgoldner@nhbpi.com)

2466 1½ Mile Road • Fulton, MI 49052

*Please save these dates:*

# Dgwagé Méndokaswenen FALL CEREMONIES 2016

OCTOBER 20 to 23 d PINE CREEK INDIAN RESERVATION



NHBP Community Tribal Members will be gathering for four days of fall-time teachings. Dgwagé Méndokaswenen will begin with an 8 a.m. sunrise fire on Thursday October 20, and close with a ceremony after lunch on Sunday, October 23. The Feast will be held on October 22 at 6 p.m.

Registration for transportation assistance opens September 12, and closes October 14. Contact the CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer at 269.704.8480, or email: [danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com](mailto:danielle.pfeifer@nhbpi.com)

Meals and transportation will be provided. Registration to camp opens September 12, and closes October 14. Please contact Director of Housing Ben Tenney at 269-704-8363, cell: 269-832-0018 or email: [btenney@nhbpi.com](mailto:btenney@nhbpi.com), to make arrangements.

For more information, please contact the Cultural Historic Preservation Office at 269-729-5151.

This event is for NHBP Tribal Members and surrounding Tribal communities. NHBP staff are invited to a special healing teaching on grief and loss Thursday, October 20, all day until 5 p.m.



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## ELDERS GIFT CARD PROGRAM

The Elders Gift Card Program was designed to help Tribal Elders by providing a \$25 Wal-Mart gift card to Elders who are hospitalized with an overnight stay to help assist in purchasing needed items.

**Eligibility:** Any NHBP Member who is 50 years of age or older and is admitted to a hospital facility for medical care requiring at least one overnight stay. Requests for Elder Gift cards need to be submitted no later than 30 days after the date of hospitalization to be eligible per policy. You may use this program two times per year.

Contact Chris Woodring, Community Resource Coordinator, for more information: 616.249.0159

# Large Crowd Attends Pow Wow; Brings together Culture, Food, Memories

Submitted by Communications Specialist Karen Todd; Photos by Jaky Replogle

The NHBP Pow Wow arena is now quiet, the campgrounds have been cleared and the sounds of the drums have become a distant memory to those who attended.

But the memories of any Pow Wow – including the NHBP 2016 Pow Wow – will last for a long time to come.

The Pow Wow, held June 18 and 19 at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation in Fulton, drew record numbers of NHBP Tribal Members, other Native Tribes and people from surrounding communities.

## Parade of Cheers

An array of representation from the Athens Fire Department to the NHBP Gaming Commission took part in the kick-off to Pow Wow 2016, the Parade of Cheers, which wound around some of the homes and government buildings on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation.

Others who participated in the parade include NHBP Membership Services, NHBP Veterans, NHBP Police, FireKeepers Casino Hotel, Athens Winter Homecoming Queen Cicilee Chivis, the Athens Middle and High School Marching Band and more.

## Vendor's Circle

Whether you were in the market for handmade soaps, skillfully hand crafted wood items, beaded or silver jewelry, or good ole' summertime Pow Wow food including the much coveted fry bread, the NHBP Pow Wow had it all.

Along the edge of the vendor's circle sat Native Blend of Port Huron, who sold herbal products and handmade soap; Bear Tracks of Brooklyn, who sold moccasins, blankets and T-Shirts; and Mandoka Native Crafts, whose owner, NHBP Tribal Elder Mike Mandoka, displayed various handcrafted pieces for sale.

Mandoka said he's been selling his pieces – including cedar medicine wheels, picture frames, and clocks – for about 10 years.

"This is about the only fair we do," he said of he and his wife, Janet Mandoka. I'm retired, and this is something that

I do, but I didn't want to make another job out of it."

## Three NHBP Grand Entries

Nearly 100 people participated in each of the NHBP Pow Wow Grand Entries. From the Veterans Staff, to the Head Dancers, to the youth and children, many Members of various Tribes were dressed in Regalia.

Several sponsored Dances took place, including a spot dance Saturday evening in honor of NHBP Tribal Member and Membership Services Program Coordinator Camie Castaneda, the Wesaw Family Spot Dance in honor of the late Marian V. Wesaw, and the Children's Old-Style Dance, in which sisters Onyleen and O'felia Zapata took first and second places, respectively.

Tribal Members and community members travel to the NHBP Pow Wow each year for different reasons. For Battle Creek residents Douglas and Selena Johnson, it was their first time attending a Pow Wow.

"We heard about it, and wanted to come and support," Selena Johnson said. "We enjoyed it."

Tribal Members like Agnus Patterson said she almost always attends the annual event.

"I love seeing all of the Tribal Members come together," said Patterson who drove from Muskegon Saturday morning to the Pine Creek Indian Reservation to enjoy the Pow Wow festivities. "And the regalia – it's just beautiful."



Lynn TenBrink wins one of the Spot Dances.





Veterans post the flags during the Grand Entry.



Taylor Brooks demonstrates the Fancy Shawl Dance.



Head Male Dancer Devonne Harris participates in the Nottawaseppi Rave.



The Rizing Bear Singers take part in Team Dance.



Head Junior Dancer O'felia Zapata.



Head Veteran Dale Anderson.



Tessa Diamong (Oneida Nation of Wisconsin), Onyleen and O'felia Zapata (NHBP) join forces in the Team Dance.



Brooklyn, Kendall and Matt Goldner participate in a Spot Dance.



Willow and Kathie Grothaus participate in the Grand Entry.



Jason Wesaw participates in the Hand Drum contest.



Malcomb McDonald from Gun Lake Tribe participates in a Spot Dance.



Christine Lanning and Sara Moore participate in the Mother-Daughter Dance.



Chinodin Atkinson takes second place in the Old-Style Woodland Dance.



Cicilee Chivis and Judy Robinson race to the finish against Nicole and Lexus Raphael during the Potato Dance.



Charley Williams demonstrates the Fancy Shawl Dance.

## NHBP Sewing Group enjoys CHPO and Membership Services Sponsored Regalia-Making Classes for Pow Wow

Submitted by Communications Specialist Karen Todd; Photo by Mackenzie Stuck

Just days before the 2016 Pow Wow, Tribal Members and staff were busy manicuring the landscape, making directional signs or handling logistics of the largest event the NHBP hosts each year.

Other Tribal Members, friends and family were busy, too, helping to make Pow Wow 2016 a success in a different way – by making beautiful regalia for Tribal Members and their children to wear.

“I love making regalia for the little ones,” said community member Joyce Day, who made regalia for eight people this Pow Wow season. “They just love it.”

Day has been sewing for fifty years, and this year was no different, as she spent weeks leading up to Pow Wow sewing regalia – all in preparation for the year’s Pow Wow, held June 18 and 19 at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation.

Day makes each piece of regalia unique for each dancer, she said. “The little ones enjoy the shawls,” she added.

Judy Robinson, sister of Grace Chivis, has been sewing for 12 years. This year, she made regalia for her sister’s children, she said.

“I like to go to Pow Wow and see the kids wearing their regalia,” she added.



Judy Robinson relaxes in the shade at Pow Wow. Robinson, a member of the Grand Traverse Bay Band of Ottawa & Chippewa Indians, made several pieces of regalia for the children in preparation for this year’s event.

# Turtle Trot, 5K Races Draw Community Members

Submitted by Communications Specialist Karen Todd; Photos by Jaky Replogle

Tribal Member Jane Ryan put her new fitness tracker to good use during the "Light up the Rez" glow run, a move she'd been waiting on for weeks.

"I don't get many steps in during the week because I work at the front desk, so I knew walking in the Turtle Trot would give me a chance to use my fitness tracker," said Ryan, who is the NHBP Government Center's front desk receptionist.

Joining her in the race was Ryan's father, Claude Ryan, who said he's decided to get more active this summer.

"And it looked like fun, too," Claude Ryan said.

More than 180 people combined participated in this year's 1-Mile Turtle Trot and 5K runs, held June 17 at the Pine Creek Indian Reservation's Recreation Field. The annual event is hosted by the NHBP Health and Human Services Department.

"We look forward to this event because it promotes physical activity, draws in community and partners, showcases the beautiful Pine Creek Reservation, benefits local charity, and is a lot of fun!" said Emily Henning, Community Health Manager. The race expanded in 2014 when we changed to an evening glow run. The 2016 race had the largest draw yet with over 180 participants!

Participants in the Turtle Trot race were led by NHBP Tribal Elder Virginia Anewishki, whose golf cart was used as a pace car for the runner/walkers.

Tribal Elder Beverly Cochran participated in the "Light up the Rez" glow run with Denise Mandoka and 8-month-old Adarius Mandoka.

"I'm doing this for the exercise and the fun," Cochran said. "It's like a kickoff to Pow Wow."

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Tribal Member Matt Brown, age 17, said he loves to run, and is glad he made it to the event.

"I'm just here to support, have fun and hopefully come out with the win," Brown said.

Standing near the finish line during the race was NHBP maintenance employee Jeff Smith. He was waiting for his wife, Tammy Smith, who walked in the Turtle Trot only months after having two knee surgeries.

Once Tammy Smith walked across the finish line, she said she felt good about her accomplishment.

"I was nervous before the race because I didn't think I'd be able to finish it," she said. "But I've got my new knees now, and I didn't even care if I came in last. I finished, and that's what matters."

Runners voted on local charities to receive race proceeds. Over \$4,000 dollars were raised for local charity this year.

Congratulations to our top finishers this year. Sonja Stampfler was the overall female winner this year with an impressive time of 21:54. The overall male winner went to Matthew Brown with a time of 20:06. Migwech to everyone who participated and assisted with the event!



Tribal Elder Virginia Anewishki leads the way for Turtle Trot participants.



Participants take off at the beginning of the 5K.



Turtle Trot runners sprint to the finish.



Tribal Elder Beverly Cochran finishes strong while pushing 8-month-old Adarius Mandoka.

# Athens Indian Church Vacation Bible School Fun!

Submitted by Communications Specialist Karen Todd; Photos by Jaky Replogle



Athens Indian Church held its annual Vacation Bible School June 13 to 16. This year's theme was "Deep Sea Discovery," and about 25 to 30 children from the Pine Creek Indian Reservation participated, according to Vacation Bible School Director Charlene McConihay. The children enjoyed crafts, singing, Bible lessons and recreation. Special thank you to assistants NHBP Tribal Members Paula Keith and Gwen Nugent and thank you to the 15-plus NHBP Tribal Members and Athens community members for their assistance.





# Welcome! New NHBP Employees

Submitted by Human Resources; Photos by Jaky Replogle



**Jay Swanson**  
**Physician Assistant**  
NHBP Northern Office

## Jay Swanson

The NHBP Health and Human Services Department has welcomed a new face in the Northern Office. Jay Swanson will be providing services to the Grand Rapids clinic as the new Physician Assistant.

Swanson most recently worked in Holland Hospital's emergency room and at Spectrum Health's Urgent Care facility.

Swanson earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology, Health Promotions, from Michigan State University and a Master of Physician Assistant Studies from Indiana State University, from which he graduated in 2014.

Swanson is married to his wife, Mackenzie, and they have a 10-month-old daughter, Charley Jean. Swanson also has a hound dog named Abe.

In his free time, Swanson enjoys exercising, reading, listening to music and surfing.



**Fred Jacko, Sr.**  
**Traditional Helper**  
NHBP Health and Human Services

## Fred Jacko, Sr.

Fred Jacko, Sr., recently joined the NHBP's Health and Human Services Department as a Traditional Helper.

Jacko is a Tribal Member of the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in Peshawbestown.

Before starting work at NHBP, Jacko was the peacemaker coordinator in the Grand Traverse Band Prosecutor's Office. He has experience in conducting teams of Tribal Members, and assisting them in solving problems and issues. Jacko also is a Native American Veteran of the Vietnam War with a Bronze Star.

Jacko earned a bachelor's degree from Bethel College in Mishawaka, Ind., and has extensive work training through the Grand Traverse Band and NHBP Tribes.

Jacko has been married to his wife, Sandy, since 1971. They have three daughters, Kim, Shelly and Sarah; a son, Fred Jr., and many grandchildren.

In his free time, he enjoys drawing, painting on drum heads and drinking coffee.

He has residences in St. Joseph and Kalkaska.



# NORTHERN YOUTH SUMMER DAY CAMP



**Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 14 to August 4  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**311 State Street, Northern Administration Community Room, Grand Rapids**

**Open to all NHBP Tribal and identified Native American youth ages 5 to 21.  
Transportation & lunch provided.**

Join the fun and adventure this summer at the Northern Tribal Youth Summer Day Camp program! We will learn about the Clan systems, the Seven Grandfather Teachings, and go on culturally-significant field trips - all based upon the Red Cliff curriculum!

For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Membership Services Programs Coordinator Camie Castaneda at 616.514.3662 or ccastaneda@nhbpi.com.



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**Please join us!**

## GRAND RAPIDS PARENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**For all parents, grandmas and grandpas, aunties and uncles of NHBP, Match-e-be-Nash-e-Wish, and Pokagon Potawatomi children ages 0 to 8.**

**What:** For parents to have a voice when it comes to programming for their children. **Dinner is provided.** Language class will also be offered at this time for the children/youth to participate in during the meeting time.

**When:** The first Thursday of the month from 6 to 7 p.m.

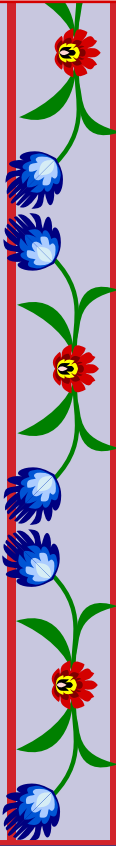
**2016 Dates:** March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, July 7, August 4, September 1, October 6, November 3, & December 1

**Where:** Northern Health and Human Services Department  
311 State St., Grand Rapids, MI 49503

**A \$20 gift card will be provided to those families enrolled in LAUNCH.**

Transportation will be provided.

To register or request more information, please contact Camie Castaneda at 616.514.3662.



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The Bodéwadmi Consortium Presents:  
(NHBP, Gun Lake, Pokagon)



# Strengthening Families Through Tradition Conference



WMU Fetzer Center

August 12, 13, & 14

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



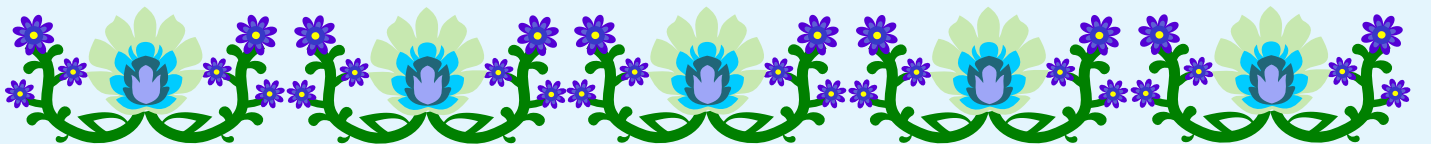
Youth ages 0-8 and their families are invited to join us for Traditional Teachings including Hoop Dancing featuring Nakotah LaRance, Old-Time Drum & Dance, Mens & Womens dance styles, Beading and Regalia Making.



To register, call Young Child Wellness Coordinator MacKenzie Stuck at 269.729.4422 by July 29 at 5 p.m.



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# KEEPERS *of the* FIRE

## CO-ED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

**Saturday, August 6, 2016**  
**Start time: 8 a.m.**



- Ages 13+, 12 person roster
- Cost: \$125 per team. Make checks payable to: nhbpi-Softball Tournament
- Co-ed rules\*; double elimination
- Open to NHBP Tribal Members, Gun Lake Tribal Members, Pokagon Tribal Members, FireKeepers Casino Hotel employees, Four Winds Casino employees, Gun Lake Casino employees and NHBP staff
- Registration is available online at: <http://nhbpi.com/keepers-of-the-fire-softball-tournament/>
- Registration is now open, and closes July 18 at 5 p.m.
- For more information contact Tony Day at [tday@nhbpi.com](mailto:tday@nhbpi.com)

\*<http://www.premiercoedsports.com/pages/rulesandpolicies/softball>



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Pine Creek Indian Reservation Recreation Field • 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way, Fulton, MI 49052

**NHBP Tribal Members & NHBP staff: Join us for a fun fitness class!**

# ZUMBA!

**Wednesdays from 4:45 to 5:30 p.m.**

**Grand Rapids Fitness Room**  
**311 State Street, Grand Rapids, MI**

Dance your way to a new you. Zumba is a total body workout that combines cardio, strength, balance and flexibility into a cardio-burning Latin style dance party. Join us for the ultimate fat burning experience that will shimmy you into shape. Everybody and every body welcome. No sign up required, just have fun.

Zumba is taught by certified Zumba instructor Brianne Kraai. Contact Brianne for more information at 616.249.0159 or [brianne.kraai@nhbp.org](mailto:brianne.kraai@nhbp.org).



**A special workshop for NHBP Tribal Members!**  
**PER CAPITA WEALTH MANAGEMENT:**  
**Making your money work for you!**

**Saturday, October 22 • Noon to 2 p.m.**  
**FireKeepers Casino Hotel • Ballroom A**

**Lunch will be provided. Transportation is available. Preregistration is required.**

Please contact Membership Services Administrative Assistant Grace Chivis at 269.704.8419 or [gchivis@nhbpi.com](mailto:gchivis@nhbpi.com) for more information, or to register.



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**GRAND RAPIDS NHBP HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

*The* **YMCA VEGGIE VAN** *is coming!*

**Every Tuesday through August!**

**3:30 to 4:30 p.m.**  
**311 State Street, Grand Rapids**

**Buy reasonably priced produce! Use your Veggie Buck program incentives, utilize double-up Food Bucks, use SNAP benefits and Senior Project Fresh coupons.**

For more information contact Health Educator Brianne Kraai at 616.249.0159 or [brianne.kraai@nhbp.org](mailto:brianne.kraai@nhbp.org).



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## Attention: New Health and Human Services Policy Update

# New Late/Missed Appointment Policy

Due to the high number of late arrivals and missed appointments, and the impact that it has on other patients waiting to see a service provider, the Health and Human Services Department has developed a late/missed appointment policy.

### Late Arrivals:

If a patient arrives more than 15 minutes late for their scheduled appointment time, they may be rescheduled for a later date and time. If the patient is rescheduled for arriving more than 15 minutes late to their appointment it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

### Missed Appointments:

If a patient does not notify the Health and Human Services Department within 8 hours of their scheduled appointment time that they need to cancel, it will be considered a "No Show" appointment.

### No Show:

After obtaining three "No Show" appointments for the same service, a patient will not be able to schedule an appointment with that service for three months. The patient will only be seen as a same day/walk-in patient if time permits.

Please contact the Health Office Manager Sarah VanOostendorp at 269.704.8322 with any questions on this new policy.



## CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**Are you working or attending school?**

**Have you heard about the Tribal Childcare Assistance program?**

This program is designed to assist in paying for licensed childcare for those who are working, attending school or training within the seven county service area.

For an application and program qualification information, please contact:

**Chris Woodring**

**Community Resource Coordinator**

**cwoodring@nhbp.org**

**616.249.0159 Ext. 3638**



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# Contract Health Services

Contract Health Services is funded through a grant from Indian Health Services. It is to help pay for medical services **not** offered through the NHBP Health Clinics.

## What I should know:

- ◆ Contract Health is **not** a health insurance, it is a grant. Funds are limited and based on medical priorities.
- ◆ Contract Health **does not** guarantee payment.

## Who is eligible for Contract Health Services?

- ◆ NHBP Tribal members living in the 7 county CHSDA; Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent and Ottawa counties of Michigan.
- ◆ NHBP descendants under the age of 19.
- ◆ A non-Indian woman pregnant with an eligible Indian's child for the duration of her pregnancy through postpartum (6 weeks).

## What will CHS pay for?

- ◆ CHS may help pay for medical/dental services outside of the NHBP Health Clinics **if** referred by one of NHBP's providers.
- ◆ CHS may help pay for vision services.
- ◆ CHS may help pay for prescriptions.

## How do I get CHS to pay for these services?

- ◆ Provide notification through Contract Health prior to any service outside the NHBP Health Clinics.
- ◆ Notify contract health within 72 hours of an emergency room visit.
- ◆ Complete your CHS registration paperwork information yearly. A letter will be mailed to you when you need to update your information. If your yearly

registration requirements are not met, you will **not** be approved for funding.

- ◆ Apply for Medicaid or alternate resources if you do not have health insurance when applying for Contract Health. If you need help applying for Medicaid, please call Chris Woodring at 616.514.3638.

## Who do I call for assistance or questions about Contract Health Services?

Call your Contract Health Specialist 269.704.8349



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## Extended Hours Offered at Both NHBP Clinics

### Grand Rapids

Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m to 7 p.m.

Call 616.249.0159 to schedule your appointment

### Pine Creek

Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Call 269.729.4422 to schedule your appointment

# AA MEETINGS

Every Thursday, 7 to 8 p.m.

Pine Creek Community Center

1488 Mno-Bmadzewen Way • Fulton, MI 49052

Contact: Mariesha Keith

269.986.7508

"Celebrating sobriety, one meeting at a time." -MK

# MINKÉ GIZES {BLUEBERRY PICKING MOON} AUGUST

## WORD SEARCH - SHISHIBÉ WORDS WE ARE USING

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

BAKWIYANGEMEK: TENT

JIGATEK: NEAR TREES

SHEGAK: SKUNK

GZHADZE: HAPPY

KISES: SUN

NEGOSEK: STARS

NIBAGISES: MOON (NIGHT SUN)

NIBNEK: IT IS SUMMER

GNOYEK: EAGLES

MIGWENEN: FEATHERS

MKO: BEAR

WABSENI: SWANS

MAMKAGZE: SURPRISED/AMAZED

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please have your submission in before the 14th of each month for a chance at winning a gift valued at \$50.00. Mail to: Cultural and Historic Preservation Office 1485 Mno-Bmadzewen Way Fulton, MI 49052. Or email your submission to: mfoerster@nhbpi.com or mzapata@nhbpi.com – Migwéché!

**The July Word Search Winner: Casey Butcher**

**SHISHIBÉ IS BACK!**

**Learn language! Win prizes! Have fun!**

**Thursday, August 4, 5 to 7 p.m., 311 State Street, Grand Rapids**

**Wednesday, August 10, 5 to 7 p.m., Pine Creek Community Center**



# BEGINNER PAINTING CLASSES

Taught by Tribal Member Nickole Keith



**Pine Creek Community Center**  
3 to 5 p.m.

August 12, September 16, October 14

**311 State St., Grand Rapids**  
5 to 7 p.m.

August 19, October 7

To register or request more information, please contact  
Southern Elders Specialist II Nickole Keith at 269.704.8354.



Paint supplies will  
be provided!



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## Health and Human Services Department *Connecting Families to High Quality Health Coverage*

### **Services Provided**

- Health Insurance Market Place Navigation
- Veterans Benefit Information
- Medicaid Applications
- Child Care Assistance
- Social Security Benefit Information

### **For insurance enrollment, please bring:**

- Photo ID with valid address
- Social Security cards for individuals applying
- Tribal ID

### **For more information, contact:**

**Community Resource Coordinator, Chris Woodring**  
Hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Pine Creek**  
1474 Mno-Bmadzewen Way  
Fulton, MI 49052  
616.514.3638  
cwoodring@nhbp.org

**Grand Rapids**  
311 State Street  
Grand Rapids, MI 49503



# MNO DBESHKAYEN NGOM & MIGWÉCH CELEBRATIONS!



**Congratulations**  
**Brianne Taylor-Pajak,**  
**Elliot Pajak**  
 {Born June 21}  
 Love, Mimi, Grandpa Tony,  
 Great Grandpa T, and kids



**Milo Langston Osborn**  
 {July 2}  
 Happy 1st Birthday Milo - We are so  
 Blessed & Proud to have you in our lives  
 and what a Joy!  
**Love you,**  
**Grama & Grandpa, Uncle Steve &**  
**Aunt Amy**



**Kyrie Trevino**  
 {July 19}  
 Wishing a Happy 1st Birthday to my  
 Handsome big boy Kyrie.  
**Love Mommy, Daddy and the**  
**Dougherty Family**



**William C. Osborn Sr.**  
 {July 20}  
 Bill-Dad  
 Happy Birthday & many more, your family  
 is very proud of your courage and your  
 accomplishments.  
**We Love You, Your Family**



**William C. Osborn Jr.**  
 {July 22}  
 Happy 36th Birthday Billy - We are so  
 Blessed & Proud of you & what a wonderful  
 daddy you are.  
**We Love You,**  
**Mom & Dad, Steven & Amy**



**Daejion & Jordyn Morseau**  
 {July 27 & August 30}  
 Happy birthday to my boys.  
 From Harold and Danesha Morseau and all  
 of your family.  
**Love you boys.**

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# MNO DBESHKAYEN NGOM & MIGWÉCH CELEBRATIONS!



**Steven M. Osborn**  
{August 1}

Happy 32nd Birthday we are so very proud  
of you & all you do!  
Love you,  
Mom & Dad, Billy, Kristen & Milo



**Eric Williams**  
{August 1}

Love you little brother.



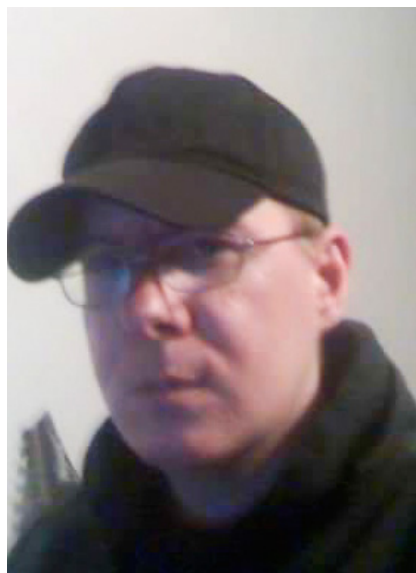
**Marijean Williams**  
{August 5}

We love you Mom!



**Doug Taylor**  
{August 9}

Happy Birthday Doug Taylor  
Love, your family



**Scott Williams**  
{August 14}

Love you little brother.



**Jake Ferwerda**  
{August 15}

Happy 7th Birthday, you are Mommy's  
sunshine!

# MNO DBESHKAYEN NGOM & MIGWÉCH CELEBRATIONS!



**Morgan Mendez**  
{August 20}

Happy birthday to the best Momo. I'm so proud of you, you're the best brother, son and uncle. I love you so much.  
**Love Momma and Family**



**Kayti Perry**  
{August 21}

Happy birthday to such an amazing niece. You're so special to me. I love you very much. Also, it's your first birthday being a wife, congrats on that too! (May 6, 2016)  
**Love you,  
Aunt Randi & Family**

## Birthday and Celebration Submission Deadlines & Guidelines

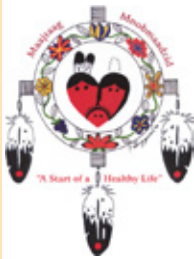
**Birthday & Congratulation deadlines are the 10th of the month prior to the publication date.**

If the 10th falls on a weekend or holiday, it moves to the next business day.

Submit information and one photo to:

**turtlepress@nhbpi.com or by mail:**

**1485 Mno-Bmadzewan Way, Fulton, MI 49052, attn: Turtle Press**



## Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is now offered to all NHBP clinic patients!

Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid is a FREE program that encourages and supports "a start of a healthy life." Pregnancy and early childhood are some of the most important stages in life. Fostering a healthy beginning makes a difference in lifelong health.

This program is designed to complement, not replace, prenatal, post-partum, and pediatric care. You will receive home visits with an experienced Maternal Child Health Nurse that will provide support and education during pregnancy and early childhood. Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid encourages women to become and stay healthy before and between pregnancies. Enjoy early childhood play groups and outings, and valuable discussion on important health topics:

- Safe Sleep
- Car Seat Safety
- Parenting Support
- Fatherhood
- Child Growth
- Developmental Stages
- Nutrition
- Healthy Communication
- Family Planning
- Early Childhood Health

We affirm the sacred role of women in the Community as givers of life, and promote understanding of the importance of family well-being throughout the lifespan. Start your little ones off on the right foot, sign up today!

### Southern NHBP Health Department

Dawn Cornelius, BSN, RN

**Covering:** Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Branch Counties

269.729.4422

### Northern NHBP Health Department

Dawn Cordero - Reyes, BSN, RN

**Covering:** Kent, Ottawa, Allegan, Barry Counties

616.249.0159





# BOYS WITH BRAIDS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 20**

**3:00 PM–7:00 PM**

**POKAGON COMMUNITY CENTER | 27043 POTAWATOMI TRAIL | DOWAGIAC MI 49047**

**WHAT** Boys with Braids is a gathering to share teachings about the sacredness of hair, to foster a sense of pride for boys who choose to grow their hair long and to use education as a means to increase self-confidence.

**WHO** Males of youth, adult, and elder ages with long and short hair. All future and former long-haired males and their supportive friends and family. Teachers, social workers, coaches and leaders will also be invited to attend and learn more about Neshnabé culture.

Registration opens June 20, and closes August 13.

- 3:00 PM** Welcome Song + Event Presentation
- 5:00 PM** Sacramento Knox Native Motivational Speaker
- 5:45 PM** Prayer and Feast
- 6:45 PM** Honor Song and Dance

Please RSVP to NHBP CHPO Administrative Assistant Danielle Pfeifer at 269.729.5151 ext. 8480 by August 13.

Event sponsored by Pokagon Band LAUNCH Program, Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Departments of Language & Culture + Education, Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Cultural & Historic Preservation Office + Education Office.

Feast sponsored by Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Huron Band Cultural and Historical Preservation Office.



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## Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid

### “A Start of a Healthy Life”

Keeping women and babies safe and healthy has always been an honorable and expected way of life for Anishinabe people.

**Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid** is a program designed to assist women and their families in that journey.

#### What Does Maajtaag Mnobmaadzid Have To Offer?

- Home or office visits by a Maternal Child Health Nurse and/or Family Health Worker.
- Services based on the particular needs of each family.
- Health and developmental assessments including vital signs, infant height and weight and infant growth and development.
- Assistance in obtaining needed infant supplies, housing, and community resources.
- Support, advocacy and referrals.
- Health and parenting education.
- Depression screening and referrals.
- Women, family and community events.
- Transportation to medical and social service related appointments when no other means are available.

#### Who Is Able To Participate?

- Any NHBP Tribal Member or Tribal Member’s direct descendant, living within Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Kalamazoo, Kent or Ottawa counties (Contract Health Services Delivery Area), and who is;
  - Pregnant and bringing a NHBP Tribal Member’s direct descendant into this world.
  - A child up to the age of five years.
  - A woman with a child up to the age of five years.
  - A caregiver for a NHBP Tribal Member’s descendant child up to the age of five years.

#### How Do I Enroll?

- **Pine Creek contact:** Dawn Cornelius 269.729.4422
- **Grand Rapids contact:** Dawn Cordero-Reyes 616.249.0159



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# SAVE THESE UPCOMING DATES

**Wild Rice Camp** • September 9 & 10 • Pine Creek Environmental Center

**Hunter Safety Course** • September 16-17 • Pine Creek Community Center

**Cornwell's Turkeyville Visit** • September 20 • Turkeyville USA

**Michigan Indian Day** • September 23 • Offices Closed

**Fall Ceremonies** • October 20 to 23 • Pine Creek Indian Reservation

**Per Capita Wealth Management** • October 22 • Firekeepers Casino Hotel

**Spooky Spectacular** • October 29 • Binder Park Zoo

**Spirit Supper** • November 5 • Pine Creek Indian Reservation

**Men's Outing - Detroit Lions Game** • November 20 • Ford Field • Detroit

**Elders Christmas Party** • December 4 • FireKeepers Casino Hotel

**Kids Christmas Party** • December 10 • Sky Zone • Kalamazoo

# AUGUST

## MINKÉ GIZES {BLUEBERRY PICKING MOON}

MINKÉ GIZES sees the summer light and growing season start to fade, as the last fruit harvest occurs. Blueberries are an important traditional food, and were dried and added to foods through the long winter months for flavor and health. Traditional low bush blueberries grow on small woody shrubs, close to the ground near waterways. High bush blueberries flourish in shady forests.

**NEW MOON: AUGUST 12**  
**FULL MOON: AUGUST 18**

# AUGUST CALENDAR of EVENTS

## Monday, Aug. 1

### Planning and Land Use Meeting

Government Center Room 121  
9 a.m.

### Tribal Emergency Preparedness Meeting

Government Center Room 121  
10 a.m.

### Housing Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 121  
11:30 a.m.

### Election Board Meeting

Government Center Room 101  
2 p.m.

## Tuesday, Aug. 2

### Northern Summer Youth Camp

Youth Garden Project  
Dorr, MI  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon to 2 p.m.

### Back-to-School Event

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
2 to 7 p.m.

### Veggie Van

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Aug. 3

### Freedom From Smoking®

Pine Creek Community Center  
10 a.m. to Noon

### Education Committee Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
10 a.m.

### Enrollment Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 121  
Noon

### Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m. to Noon

### Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon

### Journey to Wellness Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
1 p.m.

### Tribal Environment Advisory Committee

Government Center Room 121  
3 p.m.

### Cemetery and Parks Committee

Government Center Room 101  
5 p.m.

### Veterans Committee Meeting

Government Center Room 121  
5 p.m.

## Thursday, Aug. 4

### Traditional Healer Harlan Downwind

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
9 to 11 a.m.; 1 to 5 p.m.

### Elders Committee

Government Center Room 121  
10 a.m.

### Northern Summer Youth Camp

Gathering Thunder Horse Ranch  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Back-to-School Event

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 7 p.m.

### Shishibé

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

### Grand Rapids Parent Advisory Committee Meeting

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
6 to 7 p.m.

### AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center  
7 to 8 p.m.

## Friday, Aug. 5

### Traditional Healer Harlan Downwind

Pine Creek Indian Reservation  
9 to 11 a.m.; 1 to 5 p.m.

### Freedom From Smoking®

Pine Creek Community Center  
10 a.m. to Noon

## Saturday, Aug. 6

### Keepers of the Fire NHBP Co-ed Softball Tournament

Pine Creek Indian Reservation  
Recreation Field  
Start time is 8 a.m.

## Monday, Aug. 8

### Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 4 p.m.

### Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center  
3 to 6:30 p.m.



## Tuesday, Aug. 9

### Northern Summer Youth Camp

Richmond Pool  
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Tribal PREP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 6 p.m.

### Veggie Van

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Aug. 10

### Freedom From Smoking®

Pine Creek Community Center  
10 a.m. to Noon

### West Michigan Career Fair

FireKeepers Casino Hotel  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m. to Noon

### Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon

### Elders Game Day

Pine Creek Community Center  
1 to 3 p.m.

### Shishibé

Pine Creek Community Center  
5 to 7 p.m.

### Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

## Thursday, Aug. 11

### Elders Drop-in Sewing

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
Noon to 4 p.m.

### Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 4 p.m.

### Tribal PREP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 6 p.m.

### AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center  
7 to 8 p.m.

## Friday to Sunday, Aug. 12 to 14

### Strengthening Families through Tradition

Western Michigan University's Fetzer Center  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Friday, Aug. 12

### Elders Computer Class

Grand Rapids Community College  
1 to 3 p.m.

### Beginner's Painting Class

Pine Creek Community Center  
3 p.m.

## Monday, Aug. 15

### Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 4 p.m.

### Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center  
3 to 6:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, Aug. 16

### Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon to 2 p.m.

### Veggie Van

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Aug. 17

### Freedom From Smoking®

Pine Creek Community Center  
10 a.m. to Noon

### Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m. to Noon

### Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon

### Elders Game Day

Pine Creek Community Center  
1 to 3 p.m.

### Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

## Thursday, Aug. 18

### NHBP Appreciation Day

### Calhoun County Fair

### Calhoun County Fairgrounds

720 Fair St., Marshall  
10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

### Tribal Council Business Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m.

### AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center  
7 to 8 p.m.

## Friday, Aug. 19

### Beginner's Painting Class

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

## Saturday, Aug. 20

### Boys with Braids Event

Pokagon Community Center  
27043 Potawatomi Trail, Dowagiac  
3 to 7 p.m.

## Monday, Aug. 22

### Southern TYP

Pine Creek Community Center  
2 to 4 p.m.

### Elders Craft Night

Pine Creek Community Center  
3 to 6:30 p.m.

### Community Potluck Dinner

Pine Creek Community Center  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, Aug. 23

### Veggie Van

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Aug. 24

### Freedom From Smoking®

Pine Creek Community Center  
10 a.m. to Noon

### Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m. to Noon

### Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon

### Elders Game Day

Pine Creek Community Center  
1 to 3 p.m.

### Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

## Thursday, Aug. 25

### Elders Drop-in Sewing

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
Noon to 4 p.m.

### AA Meeting

Pine Creek Community Center  
7 to 8 p.m.

## Friday to Sunday, Aug. 26 to 28

### 2016 Family Retreat

YMCA Camp Timbers, West Branch

## Monday, Aug. 29

### Community Potluck Dinner

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
6:30 to 8 p.m.

## Tuesday, Aug. 30

### Elders Computer Class

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon to 2 p.m.

### Veggie Van

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

## Wednesday, Aug. 31

### Whole Person Wellness

Pine Creek Community Center  
11 a.m. to Noon

### Lunch & Learn

Pine Creek Community Center  
Noon

### Elders Arts & Crafts

311 State St., Grand Rapids  
5 to 7 p.m.

For a complete listing of upcoming Tribal Council and committee meetings, please see page 3 of this issue of Turtle Press. Please see the NHBP calendar at <http://nhbpi.com/communities/calendar/> or the NHBP Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/NHBPI> for the most up-to-date information on our activities and events.



**Michigan Indian Legal Services**  
877.968.6877  
Free Legal Aid Clinics

## Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribal Members

Do you need advice or assistance with a pressing legal problem and you think your income may fall lower than federal poverty guidelines? Tribal Members needing legal assistance may be eligible to receive free legal assistance. To determine eligibility, please contact Michigan Indian Legal Services (MILS).

### Issues may include (among others):

- Criminal matters
- Family law
- Housing- eviction from Tribal public housing
- Health care and welfare benefits
- Child welfare and ICWA
- Juvenile delinquency cases
- Per capita – garnishment and attachment of per capita distributions
- Estate Planning

No appointment is necessary; however, if you would like to reserve a time slot, please contact the MILS office at 877.968.6877. MILS attorneys are available to meet with NHBP Members either in the Grand Rapids Office or at the Government Center on the Pine Creek Indian Reservation – the schedule of office hours is posted on nhbpi.com.

**Do you have legal needs not mentioned above and would like to see if they can be addressed through MILS services in the future? If so, or if you would like us to consider other changes to the Members Legal Assistance Program, please contact Legal Assistant Rebecca Griffin in the NHBP Legal Department at 269.704.8371 or rgriffin@nhbpi.com.**



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## VA Help for Tribal Veterans

Department of Veterans Affairs Tribal Outreach Worker Michele Roe will be holding office hours at both the Pine Creek and Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department offices.

### **Pine Creek Health and Human Services Department:**

First and third Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon

### **Grand Rapids Health and Human Services Department:**

Second and fourth Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. to noon

*Appointments may be scheduled outside of those hours.*

**To schedule an appointment with Michele Roe, please call 269.832.5888.**

## Classes starting back up this fall! 'Sit & Be Fit' Exercise Class!

### **Join us this fall for a fun and easy fitness program!**

The **Sit & Be Fit** program is designed to work on increasing muscle strength, flexibility and core strength for balance, all the while using your own body resistance, light weights and exercise bands. This exercise program provides you the opportunity to strengthen your muscles without the impact of running or intense movements. Perfect for Elders, and those with physical limitations!

**Watch for new class times and locations, coming soon!**



**In partnership with the Grand Rapids YMCA and the NHBP Health and Human Services Department!**



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